

gladly, though they are not so ready to receive it really in their hearts.

We enjoyed having Dr. Scott, Mr. Borden and Dr. Killam very much. Among the meetings held was a Women's Temperance meeting, which was well attended and very interesting. We hold a W.C.T.U. meeting in the church once a month. My helpers and I always attend, and help in every way possible. As I cannot really join the society, being already a member of the foreign society, they have made me honorary president. We had another fine temperance rally for the little ones a week ago Sunday. They are now all looking forward to Christmas, and so are all the dear little ones at home.

I am preparing to read a Romaji-written talk on the Christmas customs of many lands, the English of which talk I wrote at home several years ago, and it keeps the Christmas of my own dear land very near me these days. I get lonely sometimes, as most of us do, but I would rather be here and able to go on with my dear work than be anywhere else in the whole wide world.

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*Miss Alcorn writes from Shizuoka, under date of Nov. 24.*

Our new pastor (native) is a strength to us, teaches our daily Bible lesson, and in other ways helps us. The church is in a prosperous state. The women whom we have taught for years are now taking a finer stand. Sometimes when all goes well we wonder what the next chapter will be, so often a calm is only a mending time for torn sails.

Speaking of some of the helpers, it is our work to prepare these lives for work, when changes come (with lessons learned ourselves) we commence with someone else. We know ——— will be a blessing wherever she goes, the money sent for her support is sacred money.

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*Dr. Killam writes from Tokyo.*

Miss Robertson took me out to Kofu after the Conference. It was a delightful trip. We saw Fuji from above the clouds. I shall never forget the pleasure of shooting the rapids going down the Fuji kawa on the way to Shizuoka. It was very delightful to be able to spend a few days in each of these places and learn something of the work, to meet the women and girls. Rev. Mr. Hiraiwa is the noble superintendent of work in Yamanashi Province, a most able and earnest pastor. We had a grand W.C.T.U. meeting in Kofu, in the Pro-