

The work here is moving forward slowly, but it is certainly FORWARD. There is much to encourage us. The medical work during the past winter and spring has grown wonderfully. The doctor has now all he can do. A year ago, with the exception of some who came to break off opium, no in-patients would come ; since that time the prejudice and distrust of the people has gradually been wearing away until now quite a number are constantly in as in-patients.

Yesterday the business of renting an extra compound adjoining ours was completed. This new compound is mainly for the accommodation of in-patients.

To show you the value of a lady medical missionary : Last February Miss MacIntosh and Dr. Graham were at this station for a while. A short time after they arrived a man came to consult Dr. McClure about his wife, but was not willing that Dr. McClure should do anything to her. As soon as the doctor told him that there was a lady doctor here, he at once brought his wife in to have Dr. Graham see her. When the man learnt that his wife needed to have an operation performed which would require the three doctors he at once gave his consent to the operation being performed. They are both still here as the woman has not fully recovered. She is very bright and interesting, takes a great interest in learning. Has learnt off by heart some hymns, the commandments, almost the whole of the Primer on the doctrine and part of the Catechism ; both she and her husband say they believe and trust in Jesus Christ for salvation, and we do believe they are both not far from the Kingdom, if not already converted. But to return to the question of the lady medical missionary. This woman coming in to the compound as our first woman in-patient opened the way for others, and during the short time that Dr. Graham was here quite a number of women came asking for the lady doctor. Every day women came to see the other doctors, but there is no