

Foreign Missions.

Official News from the Foreign Society.

The executive committee met in regular monthly session in the mission room in the Y. M. C. A. building, Cincinnati, Ohio, Jan. 20, 1893. Devotional services were conducted by J. A. Lord.

FINANCES.—The receipts for the month amounted to \$2,101.08; the disbursements to \$4,444.28. The receipts for three months have been less than the expenditures. As the allowances of the missionaries are barely sufficient for their support, this is a serious matter. Either the committee or the men in the field must borrow. In either case interest must be paid. If the treasury was supplied with the needed funds, the money paid out in interest could be used more profitably.

NOTES FROM THE FIELD.—J. G. McGavran writes "I am just in from a two weeks' tour among the villages. These people had never seen a missionary, and had not heard the gospel before."—Mrs. Jackson is back in Hurda again. She found on her return that the word of the Lord had taken root in some hearts. "One especially interesting case is that of a young Mohammedan woman, who accidentally heard of me being in the village and sent her servant to call me. She can read in two languages. She said to me: 'I have thought so much of you ever since you were here before, and have wondered whether you would come again. Have you got your Book? Then read to me.' I read to her from the gospel from Matthew. In her eagerness she came and sat beside me and looked over my shoulder while I read. I gave her some books and papers to read, and she took an affectionate farewell of me, begging me to visit her as often as possible and to know that I was welcome to anything in her house." W. E. Cooper states that the district superintendent of police visited the school and wrote of it: "I have much enjoyed a visit to this school, and was delighted to find so many bright little faces learning, not only to read and write, but what is of supreme importance, the way of salvation through Jesus Christ. Considering that it is only some three and a half months since the school was opened, the children are, I think, remarkably orderly and well-behaved. This can only be the result of much patient perseverance at first. I congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Cooper on the success they have obtained and the encouragement they have to go forward."

The great need of the mission in India is the need of men and women to go out and sow seed on virgin soil and reap from what has been sown in other years. One says: "We really need a dozen or so consecrated young men who will come out and do the work of evangelists, going around constantly visiting these villages. We who are in the field have already more than we can do, and it is only for a day or two occasionally that we are able to leave our stations."

China.—Miss Rose Sickler writes that she is renting a building in Nankin for a school, and is beginning a work among the women.—James Ware has been on a visit to Tsungning. This island has a population of 1,000,000, and the work carried on by our missionaries in Shanghai is the only work done there. "When I left one of our members was suffering great persecution at the hands of his wife, who abused him sorely for joining the 'Jesus church.' He prayed to the Lord for her, and his prayer was answered. The very first person that welcomed me

back to the chapel was this same woman. Another young Christian came to me to tell me of his wife's conversion."—The silly rumors that the missionaries are stealing men and babies have been industriously spread, till many believe them. It is reported that Dr. Macklin has left Nankin for Shanghai with twelve babies. It is true that Dr. Macklin left the city, but it was on a preaching tour in the northern provinces. The officials have been stirred up and are building a military camp to accommodate 300 soldiers.—The new hospital is nearly finished. Dr. Macklin reports that the treasurer, the second largest official in Nankin, headed a subscription list with 200 Mexican dollars and put his official seal to the same. He is a distant relative of the Emperor.

Japan.—Miss O'dham and Miss Rioch report that they like Japan very much, and are very happy in their work. They have a teacher, and are busily engaged in the study of the language. They will soon be able to teach a little, and to speak to the women in their homes and tell them of the salvation provided through Christ.—E. S. and Dr. Stevens feel at home in Tokyo. They feel the need of reinforcements. A score of young men ought to go out and help in the mission. The harvest truly is great; the laborers are few.

England.—The West London Tabernacle has reduced its debt \$6,000 during the past year. G. T. Walden writes very hopefully of the work. Southampton is left vacant by the resignation of J. E. Powell.

THE MARCH COLLECTION.—It is high time every church was preparing for this important event. Every member ought to purpose in his heart how much he can and ought to give. There ought to be a great increase in the number of contributing churches and in the amounts which they contribute. The growth of the work calls for a much larger income than the Society has ever had. This is the Lord's work and not man's. He tells us that the silver and gold are his; we are simply stewards of his manifold grace. He expects us to show ourselves worthy of the confidence which he reposes in us. A. McLEAN, Cor. Sec.

Letter from Dr. Macklin.

NANKIN, Jan. 1st, 1893.

DEAR BRO. MUNRO. The Chinese about here are in some urgency on account of the dry weather. For the last two years the crops have been miserable. The locusts have also caused great havoc. There is a saying that, "If snow falls one inch, the locusts enter the ground three feet," and will likely not appear the next season. They do not pray as we do to the great God of the universe, but pray to the dragon. The only representative of the dragon is a small lizard from the province of Kiang-si. We in disgust would say, "What is the use of praying to that miserable object for rain or snow?" But they will say "It being large, it can cover the heavens and hide the sun, and when small, could conceal its body in a mustard seed." So our objections are pooh-poohed.

You know that "China's sorrow" is the Yellow river, on account of the frequent breaking of the dyke and the awful floods ensuing. The god worshipped to prevent 'his calamity' is called the "Golden Dragon Great King." It appears as a miserable little reddish snake, capable, they say, of enlarging and by the power of his tail holding up the dyke, which would otherwise fall. He is worshipped with candles and incense, and thanked for his favors by theatrical exhibitions. Imagine to yourself the great officials—viceroys and

magistrates—going in solemn procession and prostrating themselves before a lizard a few inches long to pray to have famine averted, and you can understand to what depths of depravity the human race can fall. The whole first chapter of Romans is peculiarly applicable to the Chinese, and it is said that in Canton the missionaries were accused of manufacturing the chapter as a libel on them. The Chinese have truly 'changed the glory of the incorruptible God into into an image like unto corruptible man, and to birds and four-footed beasts and creeping things.' Should not Christians now have the zeal of Paul and the other apostles and burn within them while so much corruption still remains on God's footstool. Our boy is doing well. Mrs. Lediard has sent another \$20, which I shall soon receive. We pray the little boy may become a Christian. He is bright and about thirteen years of age and rather a loveable little fellow. Yours sincerely, W. E. MACKLIN

A Waldemar Miracle.

A C. P. R. MAN RELATES HIS WONDERFUL ESCAPE.

HELPLESS WITH RHEUMATISM AND SCIATICA—RELIEF COMES AFTER DOCTORS HAD FAILED—THE STORY CORROBORATED BY RELIABLE WITNESSES.

Grand Valley Star.

There are few people in this vicinity who do not know Mr. Thos. Moss, of Waldemar. He has been for years the trustworthy section foreman of the C. P. R. in the division in which he resides and the exemplary life he always led has given him a respectable status in the community. He is a gentleman who is thoroughly reliable, and when "Tom" Moss tells you anything you can depend upon it every time. This by way of prelude to an interesting story the *Star* has to tell. For some time past a great deal of novel and entertaining literature has appeared in the columns of the press throughout the country, giving the particulars of cures bordering on the miraculous, in various parts of the country. Those who have read these narratives must have put them down either as clever and daring romances, or come to the conclusion that truth is indeed stranger than fiction. The *Star* must confess that it did not pay much attention to the reported miraculous cures until about a month ago, when it was told that a cure quite as notable as many of these published had been wrought within a few miles of Grand Valley. The fact is that great cures, or accidents, or tragedies, when they occur hundreds of miles away—no matter how exciting or how thrilling—do not usually arouse more than a passing interest where the actors or the central figures are entirely unknown. But let something occur in one's own neighborhood analogous to that reported from a distance, and with what different feelings is the news received. We had read of miracles wrought at Trenton, London, Hamilton and other places, through the use of Dr. Williams' famous Pink Pills for Pale People. But we were not acquainted with the parties restored to health; we were in the enjoyment of good health ourselves, and the memory of the great things done in other sections passed from our mind. When we were told, however, that we had only to drive down to the pretty village of Waldemar to get the full particulars of a miracle as striking as many that had been reported in the newspapers, we were at once interested. We were further told that Mr. Thos. Moss was the man who owed his restoration to health to the use of Dr. Williams' famed Pink Pills. Remembering that Mr. Moss had been laid up with rheumatism at intervals for years, and that there was a time last spring and summer when his familiar face was entirely missing from the railroad, the *Star* determined to see him and get a confirmation of the story afloat as to the cure by the use of Pink Pills. On seeing Mr. Moss and getting the facts from him, we found that his story was even more surprising than the one which had been going the local rounds. Mr. Moss had not only been troubled with rheumatism, but sciatica of a most painful

type, and had also been afflicted with bronchitis which he had come to regard as chronic.

THE PATIENT'S STORY.

"What you have heard is quite true," said Mr. Moss in reply to our query. "I have used Dr. Williams' Pink Pills with wonderful results. For years I had been a sufferer from rheumatism and bronchitis and had come to look upon both as chronic. Last spring I met with further trouble, when I had the misfortune to be afflicted with a severe attack of sciatica. I became so bad that I was laid up, and for some weeks was unable even to move. Many of the men on the line can tell you of the condition I was in. There was an accident on the road and I had to be carried to a hand-car that I might be brought to the scene of the occurrence, in order that a proper report might be made to the railway authorities. I believe I would still have been helpless in my house, if a friend had not told me of the great merits of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and urged me to try them. All other remedies had failed, physicians were entirely unable to cure me, and I had given them up in despair. You can imagine the despondent condition I was in when Mr. Rainey, of Grand Valley, mentioned Pink Pills to me. I had little hope that they would benefit me, but drowning men clutch at straws, and that was my frame of mind when I purchased the first supply of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I had not used the Pink Pills long when I began to find relief and this naturally made me hopeful, and I persevered in their use until the cure was complete. The change wrought in me by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills is as delightful as it is marvellous, and for the first time in year I find myself free from pain. I was weak, helpless and hopeless—doctors and other remedies had done me no good, but Pink Pills have restored me to health and strength. The sciatica disappeared, the rheumatism went with it, but stranger still, I am cured of the bronchitis I had come to regard as incurable. I say stranger still, because I notice that in the list of ailments for which Dr. Williams' claims his remedy beneficial, bronchitis is not mentioned, and this forces me to the conclusion that Pink Pills have even more marvellous properties than they have been credited with. My case seems almost incredible, but there are so many here who are witnesses of my cure that even the most sceptical must be convinced, and I firmly believe Dr. Williams' Pink Pills will cure any trouble with which man is afflicted. This may seem to be enthusiastic, but I have the right to be enthusiastic after what they have done for me, and I strongly urge those afflicted with sickness of any kind to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills—the greatest of modern medicines."

Mr. Moss' narrative was certainly of absorbing interest, particularly as the reporter knew he was not a man who would exaggerate facts.

The story of the case was corroborated by many neighbors, among them Mr. Wm. Lomas who had assisted in carrying Mr. Moss to the hand-car when taken to the scene of accident above mentioned and also Mr. Buchanan, the popular C. P. R. agent. The reporter returned to Grand Valley fully satisfied as to the great curative properties of Dr. Williams' wonderful discovery.

The *Star* interviewed the druggists of Grand Valley, and had the same answer from all, Pink Pills are the best selling and most popular remedy in their stores, and the sales are constantly increasing. Mr. Erskine, of Dr. Hopkins' drug store, and Mr. Stuckey, of Mr. Reith's establishment, told the *Star* they were amazed at the great and growing demand for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. If the remedy is as popular in other parts, as it is in and around Grand Valley great indeed must be the good accomplished by this famous cure.

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