

The land is estimated at \$1,000 per acre. The same Railway Company that donates the land, has also given 288 town building lots. The Company also agrees to give other lots or \$10,000 in cash. The citizens of Ogden have given \$25,000, and an edifice is soon to be built not to cost less than \$50,000.

The Lucknow, India, Christian College has 11,507 pupils enrolled, of whom 2,027 are Christians. Of the institution Bishop Fowler says: "The Lucknow Christian College is a noble institution, doing magnificent work. I have met its students and professors, have seen its grounds and plans for new buildings, am acquainted with its field and opportunity, and I regard it as our most important agency in building the Christian empire that must soon occupy this land. We must furnish suitable agencies before we can secure our best workers."

Rev. Dr. Sheridan Baker, author of "Hidden Manna" and "Living Waters," has given \$3,000 for Bishop Taylor's Transit Fund.

Rev. Dr. J. F. Goucher having offered to give \$50,000 to the Woman's College as an endowment fund, provided the College secured an additional sum of \$40,000 for the same purpose, Dr. Morgan, undertook to raise this amount, and has secured \$15,000, and hopes soon to raise the balance.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH SOUTH.

The annual report shows that this Church has, travelling preachers, 4,687; local preachers, 6,309; total preachers, 10,996. White members, 1,123,498; coloured members, 645; Indians, 4,958; total preachers and members, 1,140,097. Net increase during the year, 32,641. Sunday-schools, 12,215; teachers, 85,694; scholars, 672,796; churches, 11,432; estimated value, \$16,030,254. Parsonages, 2,358; value, \$2,705,404. Collected for Church extension, \$50,361.99; for Foreign Missions, \$225,825.16; for Domestic Missions, \$104,473.33; total for missions, \$330,355.47. Woman's Missionary Society

collected in 1878-9, \$4,014.27; in 1888-9, \$62,739.43; total collected in ten years, \$423,439.43.

Rev. Dr. Haygood has been offered sixty acres of land for the campus and \$100,000 for the beginning of a university for females at Sheffield, Alabama. It is proposed to put \$1,000,000 into the enterprise.

The new hymnal contains 929 hymns, instead of 1,063, as in the old book; new hymns to the number of 281 having replaced 415 old ones.

ITEMS.

The Wesleyan Theological Society at Ottawa has appointed Mr. Wm. Ayres, B.A., of Prince Edward Island, as their missionary to Japan. The Society defrays all the expenses.

The Japan District meeting was held in March; 16 unordained preachers, 15 ordained ministers and 13 laymen were present. Three were admitted on trial for the ministry. There are also 13 evangelists employed, and 10 young men were admitted into the theological school. The membership has increased 331; giving a total of 1,600. The financial exhibit was eighty per cent. in advance of the previous year. Three Methodist Episcopal ministers were present as fraternal delegates. The Rev. Dr. Sutherland has organized the missions into an affiliated Conference.

Dr. Sutherland is the first official visitor to the Canadian Methodist Mission in Japan. The meeting at which the Conference was organised was held in the Kobiki-cho Church. A basis of Union was formed, which was presented at a meeting held at Oroyoma, of the representatives of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church South. The name of the proposed new church will doubtless be Nippon Mesojiouto Kyo-kwai. Dr. Sutherland's address before the union meeting was remarkably frank and clear. He has, under God, done much toward solving the difficult "Union Question." (The two foregoing items are from the *Tokyo Adv.*)

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