

strengthened and stimulated by our gathering together. Although the average attendance remains about the same, yet we are pleased to note several new faces at our meetings from time to time, and we hope that as the interest spreads the attendance will increase.

The average attendance for last year was 35. We have met on the first Fridays in the month, except during the summer.

At our monthly meetings in the spring we heard letters and papers from Manchuria, Neemuch and Central India, and from Honan, China, so keeping in touch with the foreign field. The Northwest was also brought before our notice, and the city work was not forgotten, as we listened to reports from Nurse and Bible woman. We also helped the Y. W. C. A. in their work of furnishing.

Since resuming our work this season we have been much interested in Honan, China, and feel that God has been specially leading us in this direction.

At our first meeting in September the need of Dr. McClure for a hospital, and also a good home for himself and family, was brought before us. The ladies of our society undertook to raise funds for the hospital anyway, and to do as much as possible towards the house.

An appeal was made to the congregation, and a most hearty and generous response was met with. By November Dr. Mackay was able to write and tell the Foreign Missionary secretary to go on with the work.

Since then the whole amount asked for (\$2,500) has been subscribed. This outside our ordinary subscriptions.

The treasurer reports the contributions to amount to \$407.00, \$200.00 of which goes towards support of city work, \$50 to home missions, and the remaining \$157.00 to be added to our contributions towards Dr. McClure's house.

The sewing class, held at Nazareth street on Wednesday afternoon, was carried on with much profit last winter. Fourteen young ladies of the congregation were very faithful in their attendance. At the close of the class in April the work done by the children was on view, and the ladies who availed themselves of this opportunity of visiting the Mission were much pleased with the work done. Especially good was some of the darning done by the elder girls.