

appropriations to carry on this marvelous work. It is the Lord's doings, and is marvellous in our eyes! To His name be all the praise!

Barriers are melting away like frost before the morning sun. One of our Bible-women was abused and her dress torn off for preaching in a certain town last year. Now we have a prosperous school there and regular preaching. A formal and most polite request came from the village elders. Not long ago the native pastor on an adjoining circuit and I visited this town, and for two hours preached to several hundred most attentive hearers. We could establish several more schools there if we had the means. The ringleader and several others who insulted the Bible-woman are now inquirers.

At another place, where there is a large public building erected to entertain the viceroy when he passes through the town, the village elders sent an invitation with their cards for me to appoint a certain Christian man whom they knew, to teach a Christian school for them. Already several influential families have given up their idols and joined the church on probation.

At the beginning of the present Chinese year (in February) I appointed a student to act as pastor-teacher at a place where a student had been stationed during last summer vacation. Not long ago I spent a night there; and for more than two hours we preached to a crowded house of eager listeners, and eighteen persons publicly gave up their idols and joined the church. Over twenty had previously joined. A man gives his house free for church and school. I came from that place laden with old, abandoned idols, and as I write my desk and floor are covered, notwithstanding I am constantly sending them to America: one of my colporteurs came in only a few moments ago bringing three, their owners having recently been saved.

Thus with 25 pastors, 10 colporteurs, 110 day-school teachers, and about 60 teachers and students from the Anglo-

Chinese college and the theological seminary, who visit the day-schools and preach Sundays, we are reaching tens of thousands, and God is blessing our efforts. This is only one district, and does not take account of the woman's work of our Church and the other two missions operating here.

I can give you only a few of the encouraging facts which cheer us from day to day and give us hope for the future.

Nothing is more encouraging than the growing desire on the part of our native preachers and members for a richer experience. The great awakening probably had its origin in the hearts of the members. Revival meetings where men and women are convicted and gloriously saved are more and more common. Inclosed is a native artist's crude drawing of a great tent meeting held last fall, also a short description of it. Such meetings produce a profound impression. I personally know of many who date their determination to be Christians from this meeting. The two on the rostrum are meant for Bishop Nindé and J. H. Worley, the former preaching and the latter translating.

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Christian Unity in West China.

"With this I send you a poster used by the several missions at Chungking. The title of this tract is 'The Great Doctrine for the Salvation of the World.' On the margin are the names of the four missions laboring in Chungking, Methodist Episcopal, China Inland, Friends, and London Missionary Society, with the places where their chapels, hospitals, etc., are. These posters are stuck in every part of the city by the Christians connected with the several missions. I write of this to show how practically we on the field labor together; but this is not all. Regular monthly assemblies are held by the native Christians together with