

Indians on Okanese Reserve.

Mr. John A. Lauder, Indian teacher, in a letter dated Elphinstone, Strathclair P.O., July 5th, 1886, furnishes the number: Men, 74; women, 82; children under 7 years, 25; over 7 and under 15 years, 54; total, 235. This is one of the reserves under Rev. Geo. Flett.

DESCRIPTION OF THE NEW CHAPELS AND PREACHERS' HOUSES IN NORTH FORMOSA.

By Mrs. Jamieson,

TAMSUI, 8th April, 1886.

With first glimpse of Sek-khan chapel we saw a white stone spire with little round pillars about its base, and just beneath this, on each of four sides, a tiny little bay window built of brick, with grey wooden shutters. No, not wooden; the preacher told us bricks and shutters were all simply a picture on the solid stone. We found out since that the different colours and pictures seen on the buildings were made by mixing a little colouring matter in the mortar. On the tier below the shutters were some pretty geometrical figures; on the tier below that, facing the road, was the rising sun, and on each of the two sides a coloured circular figure. On the lowest tier was engraved, in Chinese characters, "Jesus' Holy Church." The same words were engraved on each of the other two buildings. The walls of the chapel and house behind were quite smooth, and coloured to look like black and red brick. Stone pillars round the chapel walls to strengthen the building were made to look like blue granite, and each terminated in a little red and white turret, some of them of a design a little like the towers we used to make with building blocks when I was a child. In front the turret on each corner of the building was shaped and coloured to represent the old fashioned brown clock high in the centre, with a sharp peak on each side, and below the bit of landscape painting that used to hide the pendulum.

Behind the chapel was one neat little room for visitors, two for preacher and family, and one little kitchen. From