

Our purpose is to reach out as rapidly as possible to all these 130 cities and hundreds of large towns with small dispensaries as feeders to our central hospitals. The time will, no doubt, soon come when a hundred foreign doctors could be employed at good advantage in this province of Sz-Chuen.

The field whitens for the harvest, and waits for the harvesters.

Thirty Years in China.

I BECAME an earnest Christian at the age of fourteen. About the same time felt a call to the foreign work. Graduated at Evanston Theological Seminary in 1865. I spent some months the previous year in the South for the Christian commission. Was appointed by Bishop Baker to the Methodist Episcopal Mission at Foochow, China, in the spring of 1865, and sailed with my wife from New York, December 20th, same year. We were five months on the voyage, had cyclones, and a mutiny of the sailors, and all of the experiences incident to a long voyage around the Cape of Good Hope. Remained in Foochow a year and a half, when, by request of the mission I went to Central China and opened the mission at Kinkiang. Later on opened three other central stations at Chinkiang, Wirhu and Nanking. Was superintendent of the missions from 1869 to 1889, and during those years saw much of the medical work and its efficiency in pioneering in new places. I was fortunate in receiving a large donation in 1883 for a hospital to be built at Nanking. After two years of earnest work the Philander Smith Hospital was dedicated, and at once occupied by Dr. R. C. Beebe. In 1887, I was sent to West China to reorganize the Methodist mission, which was destroyed by a mob the previous year. I travelled through the Province of Sz-Chuen, and became greatly interested in that part of China. Came home in 1888 in very poor health, and in the following year resigned my position in the Central China Mission without any hope of a return to my old labors. My health had so recovered that in 1891, when it was thought wise by the Canadian Methodist Church to plant a mission in China, upon request I took charge and pioneered the work at Chen-tu. I have been separated many times from my family in order to carry forward the work of the Master. The toils, the trials, the successes, the defeats, the encouragements and the discouragements (the bright and the dark), are all known to my Master.

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Dr. Hart, who is superintendent of our Mission Work in China, has favored us with his photo and a short sketch of his life, which appears in this issue. He is now returning to China full of enthusiasm for the work there. For the past thirty years he has used evangelical, educational and medical means that he might win men for Christ, and is now taking back a printing press, hoping thereby to publish abroad "The glad tidings of great joy."

We hope each month to give the photo (with a sketch of his work) of one of our missionaries.

Dr. Hart's photo may be had from THE MISSIONARY CAMPAIGNER for 15 cents each.

OF the twelve thousand Canadian Indians on the Pacific Coast, eight thousand have been baptized or attend Christian worship. The gospels have been printed for them in four languages.

Suggested Programme on the Indians of our Dominion.

I. North American Indians.

1. The Aborigines.
2. Number and distribution of Indians in United States and Canada.

II. Need of Evangelization and our Relation to it.

1. Their superstition.
2. Woman's sad condition.
3. Desire for the Gospel.
4. Our great responsibility because of proximity.

III. Beginnings of Missionary Work.

1. Early missionaries; e.g., Brainerd, Eliot, Case.
2. James Evans and his Syllabic System.
3. Early native preachers; e.g., Jones, Sunuay.

IV. Methods of Missionary Work.

1. Preaching.
2. Work outside pulpit.
 - (a) Relation to social life; e.g., polygamy.
 - (b) Pastoral work.
 - (c) Touring.
3. Medical Mission work.
4. Industrial schools.

V. Results.

1. Social and industrial advancement.
2. Many Christian individuals and tribes.
3. Genuine character of Christians.
 - (a) True to convictions.
 - (b) Regard for Sabbath.
 - (c) Heroism.

Much information may be had from "By Canoe and Dog Train," especially the Introduction, and chapters 1, 6, 10, 16, 17 and 19. This book should be in every Epworth League and Sabbath School library. Price \$1.00. Consult also the following: *Methodist Magazine*, February, 1895; *Missionary Review*, July, 1894; February, 1895; July, 1895; January, 1897; *Leaflets*, Nos. IV., V., VII. of Woman's Missionary Society, "Our Work" series; *Missionary Outlook*; the "Annual Reports of the General Society and of the Woman's Missionary Society."

Each one who takes a part in the programme should read, if possible, the entire book above mentioned. See Woman's Missionary Society *Monthly Letter* (e.g., January, 1897) for announcement of appropriate *Leaflets*, also of circulating library.

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The Crosby Girls' Home, Port Simpson, B.C.

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THE Crosby Girls' Home was named for its founder, the Rev. Thos. Crosby, who, for thirty-five years, has labored among the Indians of the Pacific Coast. In 1874, Mr. Crosby and his devoted wife were appointed permanently to Port Simpson. For several years Mrs. Crosby was the only white woman in the village, or, indeed, nearer than Victoria, six hundred miles distant; yet, during Mr. Crosby's absence on evangelistic tours along the coast or into the interior, this refined, educated, shrinking little woman stood to her husband's guns, all his arduous duties devolving upon her.