

The Churches.

VANCOUVER.

HOMER STREET.

Homer Street Methodist Church Sunday School held its annual picnic at Brockton Point, Stanley Park, on July 27th. The day was fine and the attendance unusually large. The sports committee furnished a fine programme, and the day was spent most pleasantly.

The Leagues of Homer Street and New Westminster, Central, held an open air meeting at Central Park on the 24th of July.

Mr. Keith, President of the Conference League, and the Rev. E. E. Scott, addressed the meeting on the subject of Sabbath Observance.

Homer Street has commenced in earnest to plan for a new Church. Twenty men have subscribed \$250 each, and we expect this amount to be trebled when the canvass is completed. There seems also a good prospect of the sale of the present building.

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The contract for the new Chinese mission building was let on the 8th inst., and work will be pushed forward with all possible rapidity. It is situated on the edge of Chinatown, on the corner of Carrall and Dupont streets, an excellent location for the purpose for which it will be used.

Rev. Goro Kaburagi, our esteemed Japanese missionary, furnishes the following items:

Kang Yu Wei: On the 8th inst., at our Japanese Methodist church, in this city, we had this Chinese reformer to deliver a lecture on "The Chinese Reformation and His own Philosophy." We had a very good audience of three nationalities, namely, Japanese, Chinese and English, about 115 in number.

The lecture was a very good one. His Excellency, Kang, spoke through two interpreters (we pity him, Ed.), Chinese into English and again into Japanese.

The church realized about \$20 after paying all expenses.

Miss Ume Tsuchi, a professor of our nobleman's school, who was sent by the Japanese government to attend the Ladies' Assemblage in England, and also she spent over 12 months in Europe and America, to investigate women's work in these countries, and was on her way back by the last Empress for her native land.

While here we asked her to give us a talk on her personal experiences in two continents. She came to us on the Sunday evening of July 9th, and gave us such a fine talk on her experiences. Among other things she said: "I was delighted to have a visit with Florence Nightingale, that grand old woman, and was so struck with her noble manner especially her gentleness and kind disposition etc." She gave our ladies very good advice. She had a meeting with Japanese ladies at the Japanese Consulate on that afternoon, and every one of them enjoyed the meeting very much.

Japanese Converts.

The Japanese church had four baptisms on Sunday, July 22nd.

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The Japanese paper which was started by Mr. Goro Kaburagi, has just ended its second year's work. This paper has been the means of introducing Christ to many Japanese young men.

Rev. A. E. Green writes from Mt. Pleasant church:

We have paid \$100 on the mortgage since conference, which fact is certainly very gratifying.

Mrs. Evans, aged 79, a faithful member of our church entered into rest. She was at church Sunday in good health, and was buried before the next Sabbath.

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MAPLE RIDGE.

The Sabbath school anniversary services at the Ridge will be held on August 6th, and on Monday evening, the 7th a garden party will be held, the proceeds to defray the expenses of the school.

EBERNE-RICHMOND CIRCUIT.

Rev. A. N. Miller writes:

Our League has done well since its organization. The interest so far has been well sustained, and if it continues as it is at present the League will be a power for good. In the last issue of the "Recorder" a mistake was made in two names. Instead of "Sec. Mrs. Campbell," it ought to be Mr. Campbell; and again, instead of "Treasurer Miss Garratt," it ought to be Mrs. Garratt.

Rev. Dr. Large and his wife are doing good work at Steveston. Bro. Stone arrived there last week to assist with the work during the coming season at that important point. Bro. Crosby was down for a time. He spent one Sunday on the South Arm among the canneries at Ladner's and Steveston, and the following Sunday on the North Arm. Besides conducting services with the Indians at several canneries, he preached for us in the morning a good sermon on Sabbath Observance, and took part in the League in the evening.

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The death occurred about eight o'clock on Monday evening, July 24, at the Woman's Hospital, of Gertrude Tom, aged 24 years, wife of Rev. Tom Chue, the head of the local Methodist Chinese Mission. The deceased had been ailing for about three weeks. She was a native of Shanghai, and came to this country when she was only about seven years old.

Rev. William Nixon Ph.D., of McKellar, Parry Sound, Ont., is at present in the city on a visit to his sister, Mrs. George Adams. Mr. Nixon is pastor of the Methodist church at McKellar, and is now on a holiday trip. He has been supplying the pulpit of the West End Methodist church with great acceptability.

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