

I enclose a programme of the closing exercises, and also a copy of the 23rd Psalm in Japanese, and a national song, both of which we sang. About a hundred visitors were present, and the students carried out their part of the programme as well as could be expected, except the singing. We find it very hard, as the numbers increase, to teach without an instrument of any kind.

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Letter from Mrs. Large.

[We are sure the members of our Society will be gratified to read something from Mrs. Large's own pen. Let much prayer be offered for her in her lonely, fatiguing home journey.

E. S. S.]

JO GAKKO,

April 26th, 1890.

DEAR MRS. STRACHAN,—

I feel I must write you a few lines, even if it is hard work for you to read them. I am writing with my left hand, no easy task. To-day or to-morrow you will have the first intimation of the terrible news that is to reach you.

My darling has been taken from me, but I do rejoice that the Master has been so near, showing His love and care for his afflicted one. My heart is so sore, but I can say, "Thy will be done," and "Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him." Pray for me, that I may ever be kept by the power of God. His strength has been sufficient so far.

May 5th.

My hand is sufficiently healed for me to use it in writing. You will wonder how I manage it; the pen is between the third and little fingers, the handle between the thumb and stamp. I do not think I am ever going to have the use of the first joint of my thumb, the tendons were all severed.

I wish I could tell you what a rich blessing the Father above has given to me, every moment present with me, upholding and keeping.

"Wonderful woman! wonderful recovery!" say those outside our own house. How it hurts me to hear it! "Kept by the power of God," and when we realize His power as I have during these four past weeks, there is nothing wonderful. I can but stand still and wait for whatever blessing He has in store for me. The tears do flow, but "Jesus wept," and may not I, His weak child! Indeed, those weeping