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The rolling years have disappeared To mingle with the ages gone. And you and I are left on earth, By God, the great Eternal One, To praise His name for mercies past. And live for Him while life shall last.

How fleeting are the years of time! With constant haste they pass away; And hour by hour we glide along Toward the long, Eternal Day; May we exist to do Gods will, And thus be sayed from every ill,

There is a realm beyond this world Far from the sight of mortal eye; It is a place of pure delight For all God's people whey they die; It is the saints blissful abode Whose founder is the Lying God,

Our days on earth are only few
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Letter from Rev. Goro Kaburagi, Vancouver, to the Leagues on the Chatham District, Ontario, which we ceprint for the benefit of our Leagues here:

I had the privilege of Laptizing nine converts in our Mission here in Vancouver on Deem'er 24th, 1899, and I also haptized one man named Tomokichi Homma on the 31st December. Mr. Homma is a pewerful "boss" over many Japanese working men, and I have been teaching him during the last year and a half about the great and redeeming love of Jesus. He at once quit the drink and gave up many former friends, and has started a good business in the city.

He is a changed man. Yes! he is a new creature in the Lord Jesus, A week ago last Sunday we had another blessing to tell you about. After preaching I asked my congregation "How many of you are willing to give up everything and do whatever the Lord and the Church calls you to do. If there is any one soul who would give up all, and follow Jesus with his whole heart, let him or her stand up." Behold! there were twenty-four Christians on their feet and made a solemn vow to God to follow Jesus in all things. Then I asked the same congregation again: "If there is any non-Christian man or woman who would give up his or her body, mind and soul for Jesus, and will do the will of God just as much as these twentyfour Christians who just a moment ago stool up to testify before God and men to obey and love Jesus with all their might, let him stand." I wish you had been there to see the wonderful sight and inspiration. There stood twelve bright young fellows on their feet for Jesus.

"Stand up! stand up for Jesus! Ye soldiers of the cross."

The men and women in the meeting were truly filled with the Holy Spirit, and we went away from the meeting with such a power of God in our hearts.

Last night I could not go to my Church, so I wrote out a sermon and sent a man to read it, and they had a blessed meeting, too. But I called a few people, who did not go to the Mission, to my home, and told them that my doctor tells me I have bronchitis, and he does not allow me to go to Church, but on this day I feel I must speak to you about the love of Jesus; sc I preached to five persons, including two ladies, and the Lord blest us in the meeting, and one lady who has been worshipping the sun, moon and Buddha the last twenty years was brought to Jesus Christ. Oh! the love. The Christ Jesus is the power and life to convert every soul to Christ.

There was one poor Japanese labore, in the City Hospital, and there was no one to care for nim, and the hospital cast him out on the ground that he was well enough to go out. The poor fellow was obliged to go out from the hospital, but no one would care for him at all. The broken-hearted man, with his painful leg, hopped about with tears, Finally one of my boys brought him to my Mission. I promised the poor man that I would help him all I could—would pay all his expenses while he is staying in our Mission: and you could see the grateful heart of this poor brother by

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the hot tears of thanks upon his bony cheeks, and he said to me: "Sir, I thank you for your kindness. I will never forget this kindness of yours." Then I said gently o him, "My brother Tanaka, it is not I; you must not thank me at all." With a surprised look the man asked me, "Then whom shall I think?" I said "Jesus, my Saviour," and I told him the love of Jesus had made me to thus act, not poor and selfish Goro. And this brother told me and the congregation to allow him to become a Christian at once. In! I feel so happy and grateful for the love which is in Jesus Christ, my Lord.

Pray for me and for our Mission work in British Columbia, When I came back from the East. Hon, Mr. Shimiza, our Consul, handed me a note with the advice or appeal from Cumberland Japanese people, and they asked us to send them a Christian worker. But I did not have anyone in view to send there; on the contrary, I had to send away our best vorker, Mr. Ichu, to Arabu College (Methodist College in Tokyo) to study theology. College where Dr. Meacham is teaching I said to God as well as to my people, "I have perfect confidence in Jesus, so I know my faith, there is some one appointed of God to go to the Cumberland people." My people did believe it, too. because I told them that ever since I came to this province my people have seen enough evidences that the Lord answers prayer, and I did except that God would send some one in due season. Last Saturday a brother came to me and offered himself for that work. I told him that he could get there at less than \$200 a year in our Mission work, and he would have to board himself, too, while he is getting now \$300 a year and board and room besides. Then he said he would not care anything about this