

greatest and most earnest prayer to God is that the Holy Spirit may come in his office convincing of sin, righteousness and a judgment to come, and also that He may operate through my life and feeble effort, that they may know our heavenly Father, "the only true God and Jesus Christ whom He hath sent."

We try to get the students to attend the Japanese preaching service on Sunday morning, but so far none attend but the members of my Sunday morning Bible-class, some of whom also attend the Friday evening prayer-meeting. In March we began holding a fortnight English service on Sunday afternoon. At this service we sang hymns in English and Rev. Mr. Harano, the pastor, gave an address in Japanese and I one in English. About forty or fifty students attended these services.

In order to get as near as possible to the hearts of the students (for I feel that personal work must have a large place in my activity if they are to be brought to Christ) I invite them to spend one evening a week in my house; then I visit them, as they invite me to do, in their homes and boarding houses, giving them tracts, etc. Some friends have been good enough to send me copies of the *Onward* and *Pleasant Hours*; by means of these with books and magazines of my own I run a sort of circulating library; in fact, I am willing to try every plan "that I, by all means might save some."

Among my duties the most urgent one, and my great aim, is to get the language, and now that the schools have closed and the students scattered for the summer, I am free to study Japanese. So I have left Kanazawa with its sweltering heat and malodorous atmosphere for the clear, pure air of the mountains and am now in Karnizawa, about 3,500 ft. above the sea. Not only is the weather more endurable and much healthier, but I have secured until the end of August the services of a Japanese teacher who is much superior to any that I could get in Kanazawa. Moreover, here are gathered missionaries from all parts of Japan, and not a few from China, who have come apart to rest awhile. Some of them are old veterans who have seen thirty or forty years of service in the mission field, and who speak words of wise counsel, of faith and of good cheer to us who are raw recruits. So that I feel that I am gaining physical, intellectual and spiritual strength and equipment for the work of next year. In about a month from now I expect, God willing, to be back in Kanazawa.

The District Annual Convention is to be held in King City on Sept. 27th and 28th, I believe. I pray that you may have a gracious time as you are convened together, and that God may wonderfully bless you. Perhaps as you are met together there may be some who would like to ask me questions; if so, let them be collected and forwarded by the Secretary and I will endeavor to answer them in the next letter.

That our God may bless you all, perfecting and using us each one according to the purposes of His will for the sake of Jesus Christ His Son, our Saviour, is the prayer of your yoke-fellow,

D. NORMAN.

ON October 4th, St. Thomas District Epworth League asked for a missionary to support.

WHITBY DISTRICT in Convention assembled on September 30th, resolved to work for the support of Dr. Rush, whom our General Board has lately sent as a missionary to our British Columbia Indians.

What Tithing Has Done for Me.

1st. It has transferred from myself to God the responsibility as to how much we should give, and that in itself is a consideration not to be lost sight of.

2nd. It has enabled me to realize the fact more clearly that I am permitted to be a co-worker with God. Redemption is his, evangelization is ours.

3rd. It has been the means of uniting the so-called "secular" with the "religious" life that they have almost ceased to exist apart.

4th. It has made giving 100 per cent. easier than it used to be, bringing a satisfaction with it that was not found in the old way of giving, just as we thought we could afford it.

5th. It has taught me that no consecration is complete, no matter how sincere, until our pocket-book is laid on the altar.

6th. It has wonderfully increased my interest in the speedy coming of Christ's kingdom.

7th. It has enabled me to take a practical interest in the Woman's Missionary Society.

8th. It has enabled me to join the great army of young people who are praying and studying daily and paying weekly for the evangelization of the world.

9th. It has doubled my subscription to the general missionary fund.

10th. It has enabled me to help those in need with a more willing heart and a more liberal hand.

ONE WHO TITHES.

Our Workers in Japan.

(Mission begun in 1873.)

MISSIONARIES.*

- Rev. D. Macdonald, M.D., Tokyo. †
 " D. R. McKenzie, B.A., Kanazawa. †
 " H. H. Coates, M.A., B.D., Tokyo.
 " John Scott, D.D., College, Tokyo.
 " A. C. Borden, B.D., College, Tokyo.
 " D. Norman, B.A., Kanazawa.

NATIVE MINISTERS AND PROBATIONERS.*

NAME.	MISSION.	MEMBERS.
E. Amanaka	Shitaya, Tokyo	126
Y. Hiraiwa	Kofu	285
H. Tsuchiya	Chuen	89
M. Kobayashi	Azabu, Tokyo	322
B. Hashimoto	Ueda	56
K. Toyama	Shizuoka	317
H. Harano	Kanazawa	79
A. Kato	Hokkaido	8
G. Inuma	Komagome, Tokyo	31
T. Ota	Nagano	56
G. Sogi	Niigata	6
D. Hatanoto	Tabernacle, Tokyo	195
S. Kato	Numazu	57
H. Kowamura	Fujieda	90
T. Otoguro	Takata	49
M. Takagi	Tsukiji (and College), Tokyo	120
K. Tezuka	Toyama	9
S. Yonoyama	Yamura	35
K. Kanazawa	Fukui	4
T. Kawai	Koga	
T. Kuranaga	College	
Z. Ono	College	
T. Watanabe	Ichikawa	82
Y. Kitahara	College	
K. Muraoka	Hamamatsu	62
M. Shimazu	College	
S. Doi	Matsumoto	
Y. Ito	College	

* Names arranged according to length of time in the Japan work.

† On furlough.