

warm during the day but cool at night, the last two nights being quite cold. We are quite ignorant of the outside world, as we have not received any letters for two months; nor have we seen a foreigner for one month. To-morrow, all being well we will reach Wan Hien. Then we will receive a mail, and meet the members of the C. I. M. station. It will be pleasant to meet once more one of our own language.

The scenery from Ichang thus far has been magnificent. Of course, our quarters on the boat are very limited, and we have not many conveniences. We have no room for any exercise, but every day or two we are able to get off and walk for a distance, and often in the evening we can go out for exercise, as we do not travel at night. We should have been in Chunking before this, but it will be over two weeks before we reach there, consequently we will not arrive in Chen-tu before some time in February. We are making fair progress with the language.

The Chinese girl I am very much pleased with. She is bright and quick to learn, and is an earnest little Christian. She will be a great help to us if she proves as satisfactory as I anticipate.

I shall be very glad when we reach Chen-tu and get settled. It is such a long time to be on the way, almost a year since leaving Toronto. If you have another physician, a view, or a teacher, I think it would be well to make preparations for sending them as soon as possible. Very little can be done here without a fair knowledge of the language. It is difficult and takes some time to acquire.

JAPAN.

From Mrs. Large.

I have already written you somewhat of Yoshida San's work among the poor, and she has written an account of it herself, but since that time it has widened and broadened in way that fills us with wonder and joy.

As you know, her work grew out of the school established