

*To Miss Smith from O Toshi San and O Sada San at Juari Yama, January 29th.*

"We received your letter this morning and our thoughts and wish was to write you at once, but just then it was time for the knitting class. Then in the afternoon we had several houses to visit, and at night our meeting, so we wait until late, now. The class this morning was from 9 to 12, and eleven young women came. They are diligent to learn sewing and knitting, and listen with joyfulness when we read them Bible stories. We are teaching them about the true God, a little by little. In the afternoon class we have a many more people, often over twenty, and they are all good and quiet and have much kindness for us both. Also when we go to visit, people treat us very well. The girl I told you about and her brother, a wise, good little boy, still come every evening that we do not have a meeting and ask us many questions. At the last meeting 37 people came. First we sang a hymn and then I prayed and also asked God to guide me what to say. Then O Sada San read the Bible in St. Matthew, Chapter 8, and then I made a little address, and explained what we read, then we sang a hymn, and then we had the Lord's Prayer and after that the meeting was closed, but many remained to ask many questions. Please do not have any anxious for us for we are very happy, and God takes good care of us. We look for your letter every day and are glad you pray for us."

After reading the above testimony of Japan's own women regarding the door that is open to them among their people, we cannot doubt the wisdom of Miss Paterson's statement that the true way to get at the women is to train native Bible women. Feeling that this is one of the most effective works foreign women can do, Miss Paterson has offered to open and superintend, for one year, a Bible training Home for Japanese women, provided the W.A. supply her with \$200 for rent, &c. The proposal was laid before and accepted by the D. & F. Board at its meeting in April last, and the W.A. asked to raise the amount. Toronto Diocese has already voted \$50, and Quebec and Montreal \$30 each. We feel sure that the other Dioceses will follow suit, if not as a Diocesan matter, by individual donations, so, that this grand work of training native Bible women may be begun at once under Miss Paterson's able supervision.

The Provincial W.A.'s appeal for \$200 to pay the travelling expenses of Mr. Young to the Diocese of Mackenzie River has brought in up to date, \$104. This together with money received by Mr. Stringer has enabled Mr. Young to go. On May 14th, Mr. and Mrs. Stringer and Mr. Young left Toronto for Peel River, accompanied by Mr. Flewelling, who is going to work at Buxton under Bishop Bompas. Just about the same date Mr. and Mrs. Naylor left by another route for Circle City, also in the Diocese of Selkirk. Pray for them. Mrs. Bompas is in great need of a strong, willing, spiritually minded woman to assist her. Travelling expenses and salary are provided. Who will give themselves to this work for Christ?