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Church has not yet been heard. We wish there could have been more people to hear this address, for, as a general thing, Church people do not realize what an amount of true missionary work there is to be done within the bounds of our own Diocese. The night on which the meeting was held, however, was a bad one; and we could not expect people to turn out and risk damaging themselves on the slippery sidewalks, for it was both raining and freezing. But our own members in College turned out in good force, and profited by the address.

Thursday, February 25th, was the date fixed for the "quiet day" at St. Alban's. Members of the Divinity Class were invited and a very fair number were in attendance at most of the services to hear the helpful and instructive addresses of the Lord Bishop of Niagara.

On Monday, March 15th, the last regular meeting of the year was held in the Provost's room, when Rev. Thos. Geoghegan of S. Peter's, Hamilton, read a paper entitled "An Open Door." The meeting was well attended, and the paper proved most interesting. After giving an able definition of the name of our Society the reverend gentleman proceeded to show how a "great door and effectual" was opened before us who were being trained in two such important branches of Christian teaching as Theology and Mission work. He gave many instances of lives consecrated to the work of Christianity in both ancient and modern history, clearly showing, in conclusion, what pressing needs there are for mission help right in our large towns and cities, and how necessary it is that this work should be considered a great deal more deeply than it is at present. After two such stirring addresses on mission work as we have lately had it is very plain that we need not go far afield now-a-days to convert heathen. That while the foreign field is no doubt "ripe unto harvest," and we have a definite call to that field from the Master, which we must on no account disobey, yet there are districts at home where the seed of the Word long since planted needs to be watered and tended, and other districts where the seed has yet to be sown, and that, if we could only get people to realize the true state of affairs, mission work as a whole would progress far more rapidly than it does.

JAPAN NOTES.

The Ven. Archdeacon Shaw, who, during the absence of Bishop Bickersteth from his diocese, is acting as Bishop's Commissary, has lately paid a visit to Matsumoto and Nagano, two important centres of the Canadian Church's mission work in Japan, and concludes a warmly appreciative report of the work that is being done at both these centres in the following words:—

"At Nagano, a town which depends so greatly on the worship at the noted temple of Zenkoji, the work presents especial difficulties, and few of the converts are drawn from the older residents of the place. Still the work seems to be making good way, and Mr. Waller has just succeeded in securing a very excellent site for a church and probably other buildings, such as a dispensary, which will group themselves around the Mission. I was welcomed at a very pleasant evening at Mr. Waller's house, where I had the opportunity of making or renewing my acquaintance with the workers and the Christians generally. In Nagano I was greatly struck with the excellent work that is being carried on by Miss Smith at her dispensary. She is gathering about her a body of nurses who seem quite devoted both to her and their work, and their services are in great request from all the country round. I may mention that she has in training two of the young girls from the St. Andrew's Orphanage, with both of whom she is much pleased. Altogether I could plainly see that the mission was winning its way and conciliating public opinion. There is a kindly feeling on the part of the official and educated classes towards the missionaries. While in Nagano I paid a visit with Mr. Waller on the Governor, and found him very friendly and well disposed. I was therefore able to return to Tokyo after my ten days' visit to the Nagano missions feeling greatly encouraged at the prospects of what in many respects I regard as ideal work."

Archdeacon Shaw and Mr. Waller are both graduates of Trinity—and it is for a church at Nagano that Trinity men are asked to collect \$1,000. Any sums from five cents to five dollars will be gladly received and thankfully acknowledged by the Treasurer of the Fund, Mr. J. F. Rountwaite, Trinity College.

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