

was nothing but skin and bones; her hands and feet were badly swollen, and she showed many marks of abuse. Just yesterday and to-day she is beginning to brighten up, and act more as a child of that age should. She cannot walk yet, but speaks a few words. Dr. and Mrs. Kilborn have guaranteed her support until she is sixteen, providing we take care of her.

We learn to-day that the annual meeting of the M. E. Mission of West China is to be held in Cheu-tu, and that Bishop Joyce and his wife are on their way here now.

Last evening was our weekly meeting of the foreigners, and the regular communion service. Mr. Vale, of the China Inland Mission gave us such a helpful talk on "Hitherto" and "Henceforth," speaking of where we all were last year at that time, and how "hitherto," particularly the past year, the Lord had helped us beyond what we even dared to hope. For the "henceforth" he took as his texts, Psalm cxxv. 2; 2 Cor. v. 14-16; 2 Tim. iv. 8.

INDIAN WORK.

From Miss Paul.

PORT SIMPSON, B.C., *Jan 29th, 1897.*

I will try to give a short account of last quarter's work. We have all had very good health. We now have thirty girls. Miss Beavis left here on November 26th, and Miss Clarke arrived to-day; so Mrs. Redner and I have been alone two of the busiest months in the year, but God has given us strength for our work day by day. Our Christmas tree and entertainment passed off well. Everybody seemed pleased, and remarked on the improvement in the children since last year. We had recitations, singing, Christmas songs, motion songs, a motto recitation, and a short dialogue, besides an exhibition of club-swinging by four of the girls. The boys from the Home assisted in the programme, rendered their songs and recitations well, showing a marked improvement since last year. Between