

It would be well if either the teacher or evangelist had a knowledge of nursing. First of all, these women must be called of God for the work, and there should not be the least shadow of a doubt in their own minds as to their being called for *this particular work*.

They will find many unpleasant and discouraging things on the field during the first two or three years. They should possess a naturally cheerful disposition and good common sense. They should be good cooks and fairly good housekeepers. I would strongly recommend each candidate to take a course in cooking; also, it would be well for her to have a knowledge of dressmaking. It is very important that she have a musical education, and if she is an artist, so much the better.

Last, but not least, she should have had a good Bible course of study, and be willing to go anywhere or to do anything that God calls her to do.

I hope the Lord is calling sixteen young women to this work in West China. I wish we might have that many to go with us when we return next fall. Ought we not to ask the Lord to give us these workers and *expect* that He *will give* them. I will gladly go with one new worker to any one of the eight cities to which it is thought best to send us. God calls us to give these millions the Gospel. Shall we not go quickly and give them the light of life?

The Lord has helped me in the meetings which I have held, for which I am very thankful. If you will remember me in your prayers, that the Lord may be with me in my delegation work, I shall deem it a great kindness.

### China.

*From Miss Brimstin, Ichang, April 1st, 1901.*

WE are glad to report a safe journey as far as Ichang. We left Shanghai March 19th in Japanese steamer; along the river things seemed very quiet. Arriving in Hankow we found the people very quiet and the missionaries back at their stations as happy and hopeful as usual. Here we changed boats, taking a China merchant steamer for Ichang. Some of the people on shore greeted us in the usual way, by calling "foreign devil," etc., but one becomes accustomed to this salutation in China.

We arrived March 29th. Here also the people seem quiet, taking little, if any, notice of us.

Arrangements for our house-boat are almost completed. Our plan was to have two boats for our party, Dr. and Mrs. Ewan having one, and we the other, but as there is danger of our boats not keeping together we have decided to go all together in one boat. We hope to be off in a few days. We are so glad to again journey toward Chentu. It will be a joy again to be with the people we learned to love, and among whom we hoped to work while in that part of the Master's vineyard.

### Suggested Programme—August, 1901.

Subjects for Prayer and Study:

"Our Missions in Japan." "The Isles of the Sea."

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| I. Opening Exercises.                                 | } | Doxology.<br>Read Subjects for Prayer and Study.<br>Scripture Lesson.<br>Hymn.<br>Prayer. |
| II. Business.   |   |   |
| III. Hymn.  |   |   |
| IV. The Watch Tower.                                  |   |   |
| V. A study of the life of "the Martyr of Erramonga."* |   |   |
| VI. Question Drawer.†                                 |   |   |

[Questions to be distributed among the members of the Auxiliary. Answers to be given by the Watchman for Japan.]

VII. Hymn. Prayer.

### Question Drawer.

[Please do not send to Room 20 for the answers to these questions. The Watchman who has lived up to her privileges in the way of reading THE MONTHLY LETTER, the *Outlook*, *Palm Branch*, and the Annual Report, will answer from a well-stored mind. The Watchman, who has not kept abreast of the work, will find the information her Auxiliary seeks in the back numbers of the above publications.]

1. How many stations on the W.M.S. mission in Japan?
2. How many miles apart are they, and what distance is each station from Tokio? (See Map of Japan. Price 5c., at Room 20.)
3. How many missionaries do you report?
4. What is the health report of the members of the mission?
5. To whom are they indebted for medical attendance?
6. Would you recommend that a missionary, who is also a nurse graduate, be appointed to every mission of the W.M.S.?
7. Do the missionaries use Japanese food?
8. How many years of service are required of a missionary before she is permitted to take a furlough?
9. Where do our missionaries usually hold their annual council?
10. What can you tell us about Karuizawa?
11. How many schools on the Japanese mission? Are they boarding or day schools? and, Why do missionaries in all lands prefer to have their pupils in boarding schools?
12. Why was an industrial school opened at Kanazawa?
13. What is done with the embroidery worked by its pupils?
14. The Auxiliary would like to hear something about the Y.W.C.T.U., organized in connection with the school at Kofu.

### Notes from Room 20 and the Depots.

NOTICE TO N.B. AND N.S. BRANCHES.

FROM the 1st of July to the 15th of October, inclusive, all orders for literature from the N.S. and N.B. Branches are to be sent to Room 20, on account of Mrs. Stewart's absence from home.

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ROOM 20 and the Depots at Sackville, N.B., and Winnipeg, Man., will be closed during the month of August, as usual. Please send all orders before the 26th of July.

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MONTHLY LETTERS AND ANNUAL REPORTS.

WILL Corresponding Secretaries please notice that subscriptions to the MONTHLY LETTER expire with the double number for August-September, and try to arrange at the September meeting to send immediately for MONTHLY LETTERS and Annual Reports, remittance to accompany the order.

It is important to have this done early in September, as the Literature Committee may not be able to supply back numbers to those who are late in renewing. Price of MONTHLY LETTER, cents per year; Annual Report, 10 cents per copy, postpaid.

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CHINESE TEXT-BOOKS.

THE Literature Committee takes pleasure in announcing that arrangements have been made by which Societies carrying on work among the Chinese in our midst, can be supplied with the necessary text-books, at the following prices, postpaid:

Reader, with Dictionary at end .....	\$1.25
Readers .....	.75
Lessons .....	.75
Dictionary .....	.75
Testaments .....	.90
Leaflets, per dozen .....	.10

Send orders to Room 20, and the Branch Depots. For addresses, see end of Catalogue.

\*Leaflet: "The Life of John Williams." Price 5c. at Room 20 and the Manitoba Depot; (3 cents additional for postage and wrapping.) Let this number be given to some one who will be glad to take the leaflet home, to read it carefully, and to arrange a five minute talk on the life of Polynesia's noblest apostle.

† See questions on following page.