

DISTANT JAPAN.

Brought Near in a Lady Missionary's Letter.

Interesting Sketch of the Mission Field by a Canadian Lady.

The following interesting sketch of the first impressions of a lady missionary to Japan was in type last week, but was crowded out by late local news:

No. 5, Tenkiji, Tokio, Japan.

To the Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church of Canada.

Mrs. PRESIDENT.—It is with mingled feelings and not a little trepidation that I attempt my first report from this distant, but sunny land. The words of the 103rd Psalm, seem the most appropriate expression of the heart, as I review the past through which the Lord has led me. The promise He gave (Luke 18: 29, 30), the first night He laid the burden of this work upon my heart. He has faithfully fulfilled. Fathers, a mother, brothers and sisters in Christ were my companions along the way; and in this, that I feared might be a desert land to me, He has provided a quiet resting place in a peaceable habitation, Is. 33: 18. Excepting the inevitable seasickness, I met with no unpleasant experiences, throughout the long journey, but very much which will be cheering and strengthening to recall. Every honor that could be given to your society, has been tendered to your representative, and through personally very grateful, and relieving me of all anxiety as to the next step. Very soon after breakfast the missionaries came on board, and I was transferred to the protection of new friends, who won my confidence at once. All care as to luggage, customs, &c., was taken from me, and very soon I was told that a room in Dr. McDonald's house was at my disposal, if I would accept it. Not only was the proposition made in the kindest manner by both Dr. and Mrs. McDonald, but the disadvantages of living alone, and the difficulties of housekeeping, before I had a little knowledge of the language, and the desirability of being free from all responsibility, during the first few months of grappling with the language, were all placed before me in such a way as to remove all natural shrinking from becoming an intruder into the family. I am persuaded this was done at the sacrifice of much personal convenience, and I feel it all the more deeply. I have had very little opportunity yet of considering the work that lies at my feet; but I have no trouble in seeing more than is possible for one to undertake. I am assisted on every hand not to attempt too much. I never felt so eager to engage in teaching, as during my visits to the Sabbath school here, I stand perfectly helpless, facing a great need, my heart burdened with the precious message, and not one word to express it. All the laborers in the various missions, find that irregular attendance at the services, is the greatest discouragement and hindrance to the work in Japan; of course, this is the case among the children. Curiosity and love of novelty will bring them once or twice, and they will be found no more. The most hopeful scheme for overcoming this difficulty is to have day-schools in connection with the different preaching appointments; and with native Christian teachers, under the supervision of the Lady Missionaries, who will visit the schools as often as possible, follow the children to their homes, become acquainted with the friends and it may be win at least a few to take a greater interest in the Sabbath School and Church services, and result in gathering in well-instructed members of the church, and trained up officers of the Sunday School. Of course this implies a small outlay of money and a great amount of persistent labor from the ladies you appoint to the work. Knowing as well I do the objects before the Society, their great need and prior claims, I have hesitated to ask for any appropriation especially in my first report. But I have considered you have put great honor upon and reposed great trust in me by sending me to this field to find work to do for the Master. Every business transaction has its financial side; you would certainly look at that side when you undertook the work, and a little outlay in the beginning may bring in large returns. The scheme is at least worthy of your consideration. Four hundred dollars (\$400) I am told would be sufficient to pay teachers and the running expenses of the schools for a year. There is one such school in connection with the mission and there is no difficulty in getting pupils, whose parents will insist upon regular attendance, for they are required to pay a nominal sum for tuition. This plan of work was not proposed to me; but when I talked it over, I found that the ministers here, had long seen not only the desirability, but the great necessity for just such a line of operations, and it was for this work they were so important for lady helpers. At my request a meeting of the mission was called, that I might know the opinion of all. It was unanimous—every one encouraging me to all I could do to secure this grant of \$400. While I hesitated about making the request at this early date, these words "the silver is mine, and the gold is mine," occurred to my mind, and I thought that possibly, if the need were known, the Lord might put it into the hearts of some of the stewards of his bounty, the present out of their abundance, a free will offering unto Him for this object, and so strengthen my hands. There is one more thing I am anxious to do; I would like to have a few simple, appropriate paper notices, posted upon the walls of the Sabbath school rooms. They will be very inexpensive, and very much to the appearance, and I think they would attract, as the Japanese love decorations. We are instructed to be "wise as serpents," and to "catch with guile." A very few dollars would be sufficient, and I ask them from the Mission Society.

A POPULAR MAN.

A Former Canadian Appreciated in Michigan.

The following, which we take from the Ionia, Mich., Daily Sentinel, refers to a son-in-law of our townsman, Mr. J. Saunders. He was formerly a school teacher here:

After a most faithful service of nearly ten years Mr. James Thompson has severed his connection with the Detroit, Lansing and Northern railroad company at this place. Failing health, incidentally to working from 7 in the morning till 10 or 11 o'clock in the evening, caused Mr. Thompson to take this step. For the past seven years he has held the position of store-keeper and shop clerk. During the entire period of his employment he has not been away from his post more than two weeks, and the greater part of that time was devoted to a trip made necessary by the death of his father. He filled his position with honor to himself, and the services were so valuable that the great corporation for which he worked could not spare him long enough to allow him the vacation that his health often demanded. It is not until he resigns outright that the company realizes his great value to them, and certainly it is patent to them now since they have to detail two competent men to do the work the everfaithful and painstaking Thompson did. As well as having been always on duty, never faltering, nor never being found amiss, he reared a family of children, who, under his fostering care, supplemented by the love and devotion of his estimable wife, are always referred to in the kindest words by those who knew them as being exemplary in every way. Last evening at half past 7 o'clock a select party of ladies and gentlemen assembled in the room of the railroad Y. M. C. A., and shortly after that time Mr. Thompson was ushered into their presence by Mr. A. P. Sweet, foreman of the paint shop, who in a few fitting and brief remarks introduced him to those present, indicated the object of the assemblage, and called upon Mr. P. H. Taylor, of the car department, who, addressing Mr. Thompson, said that he had not expected to be the first one to say good-bye to one he esteemed so highly. He expressed a regret that he would feel upon the departure from their business and social association of one whom they had all learned to respect for integrity and worth, and honor for the probity of his character. He said a feeling of sorrow would be experienced by those who had known him when they were aware of his departure.

THE LATE PETER MCLAREN.

Port Albert.

Peter McLaren, the well-known proprietor of the Queen's Hotel, Clinton, and son of Mr. Duncan McLaren, Colborne, died on Sunday, 11th inst., aged 41 years and one month. Deceased, while in the employ of the G.T.R. at Detroit some years ago, met with an accident, by which he lost a leg and an arm. His vigorous constitution enabled him to outlive the disaster. He then returned to Canada and engaged in the hotel business, first in Salford, later in Clinton. He was warmly esteemed, a fact of which his funeral on Wednesday was a striking proof. It was under the direction of the I.O.O.F., he being a member of Clinton Lodge. The remains were brought to Goderich by the noon train, where a number of friends and members of the Order had joined the cortege to Colborne Cemetery.

THE DENISE OF REV. J. EDWARDS.

Port Albert.

The demise of the Rev. J. Edwards, which took place in Exeter on Saturday last, will be regretted by his many friends and acquaintances. Deceased has been ailing for some time, and his sufferings lately were growing intense. Twice was the surgeon's knife used to mitigate them but the disease proved fatal, though granting a happy release. By his death the community has lost an honest member, and the church a constant and useful pillar. He was an old and successful pioneer worker, whose labors extended over fifty years, having been sent out from England as a missionary of the Bible Christian Church. He always took a prominent stand for any scheme that had for its object the moral and religious elevation of his fellowman. A spirit of philanthropy pervaded his actions, and while he upheld the doctrine taught by the Church of his choice, he was ever in sympathy with every denomination engaged in the evangelization of mankind. His genuine purity no one doubted; his was a blameless life—and as zealous and successful as blameless. He was superannuated fourteen years ago. The remains were interred in the Exeter cemetery on Monday last. The exercises were conducted by the Rev. J. J. Rice, of Clinton secretary of the Conference, in the absence of the President, who was unable to attend. Services were held in the B. C. Church at 10 a. m. After singing and prayer, the 99th Psalm was read, and the memory of the deceased eulogized. The Rev. J. J. Rice, Clinton; E. Roberts, Toronto; D. H. Butt, London; Wm Quance, Elmville; T. Broad, Crediton; W. Combe, Uxbridge; F. M. Whitlock, Hensall.—Times.

ROCK ISLAND PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Chicago.

At the meeting of the Public Accounts Committee on the morning of Thursday, March 15, Mr. G. W. Ross took up the item of \$815 paid to J. L. Deeners, of Quebec, for printing in French Dr. Tupper's speech on the Canada Pacific Railway. He pointed out the resolution passed in the committee last year, on motion of Mr. Thomas White, refusing to authorize the printing of any other than the Budget Speech, and which was overridden in this case, and moved in the terms of that resolution, rescinding the violation of the rule laid down. Messrs. Barjon and Mulock supported Mr. Ross's motion, and showed that the speech was a partisan speech which the public funds were called upon to pay for. Mr. Somerville (Brandy) gave his testimony as to the exact nature of the speech for the work which he said, as a practical printer, he knew to be just three times the amount it would have been done for at the rate of the contract rates. Mrs. Leonard, Tupper and Ches. Tupper, assisted by Messrs. White, Ives and Bowell, endeavored to defend the action of the Government, claiming that a new system in regard to the railways had been adopted. Mr. Tupper said the French translation was required for distribution among French expatriates. J. J. Hawkins moved an amendment, which he said was handed him, approving the course pursued. It was carried by a party vote, and the committee adjourned.

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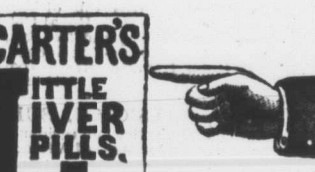
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