

about "the new doctrine." A week or so ago a whole party came to the Ladies' Home of the Methodist Mission, asked admission at the gate, saying they had come to be taught. They entered the compound and made straight for the teacher, listened most attentively to the story told them, and when leaving said they would come again, and they did. Of course, not all are so deeply interested, but it is cheering to find that some are. The work these devoted sisters are engaged in is of the hardest kind. It is a hand-to-hand encounter. Uphill every step.

"Last Sunday afternoon two ladies were walking on the city wall. They were followed by a number of children who sang in their own tongue not only one stanza but the whole of 'There is a happy land.' Who these children were, and where they learned it, these ladies did not know. The children may not be converted, but they carried a Christian song into more than one dark home. I have been surprised in the same way. I heard parts of the same tune sung, and on looking around me found two little girls of, say, four years, singing such parts as they had picked up when visiting their two elder sisters, who are in a Christian school.

"Several of the Christian girls in one of the schools mentioned above declined to go home on the native New Year. They felt they would be under obligation to take part in offering the annual sacrifice to the dead, and they therefore preferred to stay away. It is the old story—not how near you can go to the edge of the precipice, but how far you can stay away."

Expenditure for 1890-91 According to Dr. Reid's Statement.

NORTH-WEST.

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Teachers.....	\$1,075 00	
Maintenance	680 00	
Furnishing	357 98	
Building	1,228 90	
		\$ 3,341 88