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MISSION NOTES.

BISHOP STUART, reports an "open door" in the Kashan district, Persia.

THE death of Mrs. Burdon, wife of Bishop Burdon, of China, at Pak-hoi, is announced.

HER Gracious Majesty the Queen has sent a donation of £100, to the centenary fund of the C. M. S.

ON May 1st, in Bonny Cathedral, before an immense congregation, Bishop Tugwell admitted the first Ibo, Mr. David Okfarabietoa Pepple to the diaconate.

THE death of Miss Christine Zenker, who with her brother, Rev. P. W. Zenker, has zealously worked for nearly thirty years in the North-West Province of India, is reported.

AN Indian convert, a presiding elder in the M. E. Mission, in North India, recently made the statement, that, in his district there were 50,000 persons ready and willing to be baptized, if he had the means to care for them.

THE Rev. Nua Kikwabanga, Uganda, in six weeks baptized 149 candidates in Singo, excluding the Kasaka district, and found congregations in different places of 300, 200, 190, notwithstanding the disturbed state of the country.

THE Bishop of Ceylon, on Trinity Sunday, in the Colombo Cathedral, admitted six Singhalese and one Tamil to Priest's orders; and one Singhalese to the diaconate. The foundation stone

of a new church at Galle Face, Colombo, was laid by the Bishop on June 14th.

THERE is a certain town in the midlands, which with its surrounding villages has a population of 40,000. The contributions to the C. M. S. from this district amounted to £800, an average of nearly fivepence a head. If this average prevailed throughout the country the income of the C. M. S. would be about £780,000.

IN a district of the Yoruba country in which Bishop Phillips placed a native catechist a year or two since, the influence he has acquired is such that the king of the place, learning that the poison ordeal was about to be administered in a suburb of his town, sent at once to stop it, saying, that the man of God had condemned the practice.

THE C. M. S. from month to month says, that, "Last year over 15,000 heathen were admitted by baptism into the Church, of whom nearly 7,000 were adults; and the whole number of baptized Christians in connection with C. M. S. is just over 200,000. These Christians—most of them extremely poor—contributed £20,000 during the year for religious purposes.

BISHOP TUGWELL, of the Niger, writes: "That, two thoughts increasingly impressed him in his 'journeyings oft' in the dark places of this dark part of the earth. One was the ardour, devotion, and courage of the British naval, military, and commercial world, and the other the apathy and indifference of the English Christian Church. 'It is a painful contrast,' he writes, 'and one which does not foreshadow very great things for England's future.'"

AT a little gathering of Christians in one of the Loo-choo Islands, the Japanese agent who conducted the meeting took for his subject "Those in distress," and insisted on the impossibility of truly praying unless there was also a readiness to *do*: the result being that a contribution was remitted to the British Consul at Kobe, from these Okinawa Christians, with the message, "It is for our brothers in India; we have never seen them, never may see them, but there they are, and in trouble."

MISS OATWAY, of Keng-Tau, South China, writes: "Among the heathen there is a spirit of inquiry and willingness to learn, within the last few weeks three families have given up their idols, and say, they wish to worship God. . . . Just a year ago I was asked to go to a house to see a woman, she was in great trouble and. . . I told her then the Lord would comfort her; and not long afterwards she and her father-in-law became inquirers. Now they are both baptized, and I believe truly converted."