

had testimonies in rapid succession from young and old, given with streaming eyes and choked utterance, to the power of Divine grace, and the blessedness of the Divine service. Our hearts were moved with devout thankfulness that we had been permitted to carry the message of God's love in Christ to this people. The native ministers and the members of the Church have shown intelligent heartiness in working for the Lord to promote the salvation of their fellow countrymen, and not in vain; many are drawn who will, we trust, eventually be gathered into the fold of Christ. We own a piece of ground delightfully situated, fronting on the Bay in the Foreign Settlement, comprising two lots—a little over three quarters of an acre—with a couple of small dwelling houses. It will greatly increase the comfort and efficiency of your Missionaries when the Society can erect better dwellings, and furnish other buildings necessary to the carrying on of the work.

SHIDZUOKA.

We have regularly visited this station once in three months, and held the Quarterly meetings, and on each occasion numbers have been added to the church by baptism on profession of faith. The native pastor enjoys the confidence and affectionate support of the whole Church, and is well reported among them that are without. The official members are well acquainted with their duties and united and hearty in the performance of them. For a time after the departure of Dr. McDonald the Church seemed stunned as by a sudden stroke of bereavement, and turned in upon themselves for mutual condolence and comfort. Gradually, however, their confidence revived, and the work of aggression for Christ began to be pushed forward again. Now we have a beautiful instance of a native Church securely planted and flourishing, with every prospect of a large and healthy growth.

NUMADZU.

The Missionary could not remain long enough at this station to establish the work in a satisfactory degree. Still the results of Bro. Meacham's eighteen months labour are wonderfully encouraging. Since his removal there has been some sifting, as might be expected, yet we have in Numadzu a Church in which there are strong believers who have proven themselves, under severe trial, worthy followers of "them who through faith and patience inherit the promises." Of late we have seen indications of revival and expansion, and have no doubt the cause of Christ will live and prosper. Some have been added by baptism during the year, and the labours of the native ministers appointed to this field have been much appreciated, and have tended to build up the Society in the knowledge of Divine Truth and in the experience of Christian living. The need of a small church building, of which Bro. Meacham spoke in his report last year, is still greatly felt.

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