

tinue keeping close to my heels and manifesting much interest in my mastication. Lunch over, I go out again for a couple of hours, and then start for home.

I am gratified to see, here and there, a man in a tea-shop or a store reading some tract purchased in the morning, sometimes aloud, to three or four listeners. Our hearts is lifted in prayer that the Holy Spirit may bless the printed page to their conversion: We are followed to the extreme end of the town by the youngsters, several of whom are clasping a few cash, apparently undecided as to whether they shall be spent on candies or tracts, but just when they see me about to mount my horse they ask for a book and part with their money.

On our long trip to Chentu we passed through five walled cities and many large towns and villages. We travelled over thirty miles a day. I arranged matters so that when we reached a town I would send my men ahead to the far end of the place where they could rest and take their meals, while I took books and came along slowly, selling as I went. At night I usually managed to gather a crowd around me on the street in front of the inn and listen to the preaching of the Gospel. On the whole journey overland I never once heard "foreign devil," and any rudeness was rare.

Here in Kia-ting our work is moving on. The press is kept going steadily, and everything points to a greatly enlarged work in this direction in the future. We are just about to open our dispensary and hospital, which we expect will be well attended, as ours is the only hospital in this part of the province. Our Sunday services are well attended, the number of men listeners being on the increase. We hope to soon start a boarding school for boys. We also hope to open work in two or three outside towns this winter, beginning with frequent visits for medical work and preaching.

Wishing you all a good year at Wesley, and with kind regards to all the boys, old and new.

Faithfully yours,
JAS. ENDICOTT.

The "Ninth Annual Convention of the Y. M. C. A.'s of the Canadian West" was held at Brandon on Feb. 4th-6th. We were pleased to note that the programme had been prepared with a distinct appreciation of the spiritual requirements of workers. More talk of power and less of mere machinery. The delegate with the paper on "Just How To Do It," apparently wasn't invited. We are glad. Rev. S. R. Brown, B. A., in an address on the "Filling of the Spirit," opened the convention. The Canadian West is not so far "out west" that it cannot understand Northfield, Keswick and Southport. Rev. S. J. McKee spoke on "Appolo Christians."

Wesley College Y. M. C. A. was represented by its vice-president, Mr. S. W. Wellington. He reports the number of delegates as between 60 and 70, and the convention a very helpful meeting.

By the way, our, Y. M. C. A.'s were not even invited, and yet we noted a meeting "for women" addressed by a man!

The action of the Committee on Missions of the Methodist church at a meeting recently held at Halifax, N. S., is gratifying. They consider an appeal from the B. C. Conference Special Committee for aid in sending missionaries to the Klondike field. Other churches, notably the Presbyterian, have been showing a very proper enterprise. Those who wonder that our Society seems to be lax in the matter, will, of course, remember our philanthropic work in China, Japan, and among the Indians, which other churches are not as yet undertaking so largely. But a special appeal is being made for money for Klondike, and next it will be for us to hope for suitable workers.

"The General Committee of the World's Student Federation recommend to all student organizations, to all Christian students and to the Church of Christ that Sunday, Feb. 13, 1896, be set apart to be used as a universal day of prayer for students." Was this merely a "date," or was it a "fact?"