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Other Missions are establishing day-schools in connection with their appointments, wherever such a measure seems to be desirable. It is found, also, that where a day-school is held, there is no great difficulty in keeping up a flourishing Sabbath-school. As the building which we secured in Kanda was suitable, we, after careful consideration, decided to open a school. A competent man, to be assisted by his wife, was secured as teacher. We pay him \$12.00 (Japan currency) per month. The school was opened in January. It now has about thirty scholars, and is likely to become an important auxiliary to our work in Kanda. At the other appointments in Tokio, the services have been regularly maintained. Some fruit has been gathered at each place. We report on trial, 14; full members, men, 40; women, 29; children under 12 years, 11. Total, 94. Increase, 20.

SHIDZUOKA.—An eligible site for a church has been secured. There is a house on the lot that will answer for the preacher's dwelling. We shall go on with the erection of the chapel as soon as the necessary arrangements can be made. Mr. Yamanaka has labored faithfully during the year, and reports a small increase.

NUMADZU.—The services have been held regularly. Mr. Miyagawa has not lacked diligence in sowing the good seed. The fruits, however, have not been so great as he hoped for, but the harvest may yet come. He reports a small increase in the membership.

KOFU also reports an increase of members. Mr. Hiraiwa was sent to Kofu in January last, and has very earnestly taken up the work there. He will be supported the coming year by two able assistants. We trust that their work, through the blessing of God, may result in the conversion of many souls. For detailed statements in regard to these Missions, we forward the enclosed reports.

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SHIDZUOKA.

During this ecclesiastical year the spiritual state of this Mission is evidently in progress. Though we have lost two by removals, and by dropped, yet we have an increase of five. Our male and female class-meetings are well attended. The Sunday-school is very promising. Since we changed the chapel to the favorable situation for a church, we have more congregation than that of the former. We are thankful to God that He has provided for us a suitable locality for building a church, and that there are good indications of spiritual growth. Members, 69; on trial, 1; total 70. YEMU YAMANAKA. 1881-82]

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