

good examinations were passed. The students feel very grateful to President J. F. Fowler for the deep feeling he manifested in our behalf. He is a man of high and noble Christian character, and delights to teach and instruct his students in the old primitive gospel. May the heavenly benediction be upon every agency put into operation for the success of the college and the furtherance of the Redeemer's kingdom. If young men and women want to fit themselves for usefulness in the church of the living God, they will make no mistake in coming to our college.

I spent my Christmas holidays at Mosa, where are some blood-bought souls, whose lives are all aglow with the love of Christ. It is sweet to be in their presence. I spent the greater part of my time at the home of Bro. and Sister John Munroe, where is a large family, all of whom have given themselves to Jesus, except one boy. Their home is peaceful, and even because of their being led by the spirit of the living God. I could speak the same language of Bro. and Sister Dewar and many other homes, but time and space will not permit.

The last Lord's day in the old year I preached for the brethren at Mosa. They love to hear "the story of Jesus and his love."

The first Lord's day in the new year I also preached for the church at Alvimton, where are a faithful band of Christians earnestly contending for the faith.

W. G. JELLEY.

Home Mission Notes.

It is too bad to start the new year in debt, but such is the case. Making known this fact is all the appeal that is necessary this month.

Another church in N. S., and two in P. E. Island, have shown their faith by their works.

Let us be glad and rejoice over the results in Pictou. We trust this is but the first fruits of a great harvest.

RECEIPTS.

Acknowledged,	\$247 59
Waverley, Mass., Miss Ruby MacPhee,	2 00
River John, N. S., John McNab,	5 00
Kingston, N. S., Ellis Ford,	1 00
Westport, Y. P. M. Society,	2 00
St. John, Coburg St., Y. P. M. Band, ..	3 20
" A Friend,	10 00
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	\$270 79

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received in January,	\$23 20
Balance on-hand,	16 54
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	\$39 54

Expended.

Halifax, January,	21 00
Pictou, "	16 61
Main Street, St. John,	12 50
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Bal. due Treasurer, \$10 62

P. E. ISLAND FUND.

Acknowledged,	\$26 27
Summerside, G. A. Jeffrey,	2 00
East Point, per T. McDonald,	9 00
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	\$37 27

J. S. FLAGLOR, Secretary.

Foreign Missions.

Maritime C. W. B. M.

*Expect great things from God.
Attempt great things for God.*

DEAR SISTERS,—We are glad to be able to give you a letter from Japan again this month. I regret that, on account of the illness we have had, I have been unable to write anything about the work for so long a time; and now that I have time to again think of, and look into it, I feel much concern.

We have undertaken to pay one-half Sister Rioch's salary (\$300), and, beside this, we must, if possible, send her, while here, to all

our churches, giving each the benefit of her presence and her words. As the receipts are, thus far, we will not be able to accomplish this; but we can do better.

Shall we not, in the remaining months, be determined to make this our best year.

We were sorry not to have received the usual Christmas gifts for this work. We trust that those who have so greatly helped us in the past, will not withhold the support so much needed at the present, but will yet respond.

We were much encouraged by the report from the sisters at Pictou. Will not all the other societies let us hear from them.

The late J. S. Morton, of London, England, has willed one million one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars to the Moravians for new enterprises in missionary work.

Mrs. J. S. FLAGLOR, Secretary.

LETTER FROM MISS RIOCH.

35 Nakano Cho, Ichigaya,
TOKIO, JAPAN,

To the Ontario and Maritime C. W. B. M.

DEAR SISTERS,—Nothing of much importance has happened since I wrote. The bleak November days have come, so as a consequence the stoves have had to be put up and fuel bought. Coal, as everything else, has just doubled in price.

One more application to enter the Woman's Training School has come in, but as I am leaving the work in so short a time, and with no one to take this particular branch of my work while I am away, I was compelled to refuse her.

One of the women who has been studying for two years preparing to teach the women of her own province, Suragaoka, where we have a work but no stationed evangelist, has been ordered by her heathen brother (in Japan, if the father is dead the oldest brother is the head of the entire household) to stop studying the Bible and to study something that would make her an accomplished woman, so he would not be ashamed of her when she returned to his home.

As is the custom of the women of Japan, she did what she was told and left the school. She says, however, she does not think she will go back to her brother's, so I hope to have her working for the Master here in Tokio in a short time. She is such a faithful, loving little Christian; so quiet and unobtrusive, always going about doing her duty as she sees it.

To-day I had a photograph of the charity school on Matsugawa Cho taken. If it turns out well I shall bring it home with me, so you may see the nice, comfortable building you put up for your little brothers and sisters in Japan.

A young man, who has been attending the Men's Bible Training School, was buried in baptism last Sunday evening at the Ushigome chapel. This is from Miss Oldham's work, and she feels so happy about it, and so do we all.

An old lady, who attends her woman's meetings, has asked for baptism. She is the first fruits of this work, which Miss Oldham has carried on so faithfully for five long years. We hope and pray that this is just the beginning of the harvest to be reaped from this work.

The Sunday-school in the Matsugawa charity school gets larger every Sunday. We have to teach them all as one class, for there is not room to separate them into classes.

The woman's meeting at this point is well attended. The more I see the women and children in their homes the more I feel the

difference between their lives and the lives of you all at home in a Christian land, the more I long to help them—to give them a better hope.

What has not Christ done for us? And He will do the same for the women of Japan, but He chooses to work through us. What a responsibility? Are we able for it? Not unless we live in Him constantly. The field is vast and so unconscious of its need, and the work presses very heavily on the few laborers.

Our Sister Marshall gets worse and worse, and we expect the doctor to send her home. She went to the country to see if that would help her, but grew worse. She has "Japause head," as it is called here; the same as I had a touch of while in Akita.

Lovingly yours in the work,
MARY M. RIOCH.

RECEIPTS.

Previously acknowledged,	\$95 56
St. John, Coburg St., Sunday-school, ..	2 32
Tiverton, Ladies' Aid,	2 00
Lord's Cove, Ladies' Aid,	5 00
Westport, Y. P. M. S.,	2 00
Pictou, Ladies' Aid,	3 88

Total, \$110 76

SUSIE FORD STEVENS, Treasurer,
Pictou, N. S.

Children's Work.

Address all communications to Mrs. D. A. Morrison, 291 Germain Street, St. John, N. B.

I have noticed in the *Junior Builders* that the Mission Bands and Junior C. E. Societies in the United States have been asked to work this year with the object of raising more than they did last year. Our missionary year, which begins in August, is just about half done, and I want to ask each and every band and junior society to work earnestly and constantly with the same end in view—of raising more this year than you did last year. If we all do this, what great things we could accomplish! Besides paying for the support of O Mitsu San in Japan, and Gulabi and our boy (whose name we do not yet know) in India, we could send a generous offering towards the completion of the Orphanage at Mahoba, and the Home for the Missionaries at Deoghar. Will you all try?

Your loving friend,
MRS. D. A. MORRISON,
Supt. of Children's Work.

RECEIPTS.

Previously acknowledged,	\$29 65
West Gore, Golden Rule Band,	3 60
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	\$32 65

SUSIE FORD STEVENS, Treasurer,
Pictou, N. S.

A church in this city will give their choir \$1,000 to do their singing for them this year. Suppose the church had done their own singing and given the money to support two lady missionaries in China. Now it is given for self-gratification, then it would have been given for souls. We wonder if the church gives as much for the salvation of the heathen as it does for its choir's music.

Dr. Blenus has been carefully studying a wide-spread disease. The diagnosis is, no doubt, correct; and we think the medicine he prescribes will, in most cases, effect a lasting cure, if taken promptly and regularly. We ask all those who are suffering from this disease to follow his advice.