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Field Notes.

TWO new boats are being built for the use of our missionaries at Christian Island and Parry Island. It requires no small amount of courage and love for souls to willingly face the winds and storms of the Georgian Bay, and it will be a satisfaction to know that our brethren are provided with stout, staunch crafts whereby to voyage between the islands.

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REV. E. ROBSON writes respecting the Chinese work in Vancouver, under date of April 8th: "There has been a large increase in the attendance of Chinese upon the services here and at New Westminster lately, and quite a number have been converted. I baptized seven three weeks ago, and three last Sunday, after careful examination. The work never looked so hopeful as now." A class has been formed, which meets every Wednesday evening.

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THE following cheering report is from the Rev. G. C. Frazer, of Bonavista, Newfoundland: "We are glad to report very successful missionary meetings on this circuit, also on the neighboring circuits of Catalina and Trinity. These three circuits unite annually and hold missionary meetings as follows—Bonavista circuit, three meetings, Catalina two, and Trinity two; total seven. The general expression in each place where a meeting was held was, 'We have never had a better missionary meeting than this one.' The congregation in each place was large, the interest in missions fervent, and the collections in advance of last year. We are also hopeful that the subscription lists will be ahead of last year."

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MR. ALFRED McCUE, teacher of the Indian day school on Christian Island, says: "You will be pleased to learn that the school is progressing favorably. In addition to the regular course of study, half an hour is devoted each day to religious instruction, and singing sacred songs. A Band of Hope was organized in connection with the school, which has been kept up regularly, and proves to have accomplished good results among the young people. About fifty boys and girls, and a few of the young men and women, pledged

themselves against intoxication, profanity and tobacco. Mrs. McCue (an ex-pupil of Mount Elgin Institute, Muncey), will undertake to organize a sewing band as soon as all the girls have returned from the sugar camps."

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WE have received from the Rev. J. H. White, New Westminster, B.C., a very cheering and encouraging account of their missionary anniversary. Bro. White says: "We were a little afraid we might not be able to keep up our record of last year, in which we nearly doubled previous givings, but when the subscriptions came in we had an increase of over \$100 over last year, and some of our largest givers yet to hear from. Shall probably make it \$850; not bad for the little church. In addition to this our people have given to Dr. Eby's Mission Hall, Tokyo, and besides have contributed considerably over \$100 toward starting and sustaining a local Chinese mission on purely evangelistic lines, and entirely independent of our mission school here."

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WE have just received the Second Annual Report of the Toronto Ramabai Circle. The ordinary membership now numbers 214, with thirty-eight life members; amount in the Treasurer's hands, \$424.27. We are pleased to learn that the Association in America has had a successful year, and the reports from Ramabai, who has established her school in Bombay, are encouraging.

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THE *Missionary Review of the World* for May presents several papers of extraordinary interest. The leading one, by Dr. Geo. Wm. Knox, of Tokyo, Japan, though long, will repay the most careful reading. It is an incisive and intelligent review of the chief political and other changes which occurred in Japan in 1889. It gives, by far, the clearest and fullest view of the remarkable changes wrought and in progress, and of the present condition and outlook of things, that has been given to the public by any other writer. His brother's article on "Personal Observations in Brazil" is equally interesting, and sheds the most certain light on the Revolution which has recently occurred there that we have seen. Dr. Knox was sent there by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, in 1888, to organize the Presbyterian Synod of Brazil, and had