

JAPAN.

The different mission stations in Japan have had a successful year, very little requiring any action by the Executive. The buildings in Tokyo being in need of improvement and repair, it was recommended that only the absolutely necessary repairs be made, with a view to rebuilding in the course of two or three years.

In January an application was received from Miss Ida A. Sifton, of Strathroy, Ont., and in April from Miss Edith Washington, of Minesing. The testimonials of both these ladies were very satisfactory, and after the necessary preparation they were appointed to Japan, and sailed for their field of labor in August in the company of Miss Robertson who was returning after her year of furlough.

In May, Miss Hattie J. Jost, of Sydney, Cape Breton, also applied for missionary work in Japan. She was accepted and requested to come to the Deaconess Home and Training School in September.

CHINESE GIRLS' HOME.

The amount of \$275.00 was appropriated to meet an account for sewer connections, as ordered by the Board, which had been paid out of the appropriation for maintenance.

Arrangements were made for Miss Morgan to study the Chinese language. Miss Churchill was appointed teacher in the day school for Chinese children, and Miss Morgan left free to give her time to evangelistic work. Miss Bowes was granted leave of absence during July and August.

INDIAN.

The Easter thankoffering was asked for the extension of the Indian work.

In April, Miss Lawrence returned to Port Simpson to resume her position as assistant nurse in the hospital. Miss Spence came home on furlough in August, Miss Stevenson, an assistant nurse, taking the place of head nurse in her absence.

The question of a separate Supply Committee for the North-West was considered but was thought inadvisable, as the goods contributed by that Branch would not be sufficient to meet the needs of the people there, and confusion would be caused if two committees sent boxes to the same district. It was decided that there should be a Secretary of Supplies for the North-West, whose duty it should be to correspond with their Auxiliaries and with the Secretary-Treasurer of the Supply Committee.

Early in the year Miss Lavinia Clarke went to the Crosby Girls' Home to take the place formerly occupied by Miss Beavis.

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