

The girls have not yet been here four months and thirty-three can read fairly well.

Including Dr. and Mrs. McKay six teachers are daily at work, each in turn with different classes in both schools. Occasionally Dr. McKay is called away, but the work goes steadily on.

By God's blessing some trying operations lately in Hospital have been successful.

For some time a Tâoist priest has been watched and prayed for; in the chapel at his home last Sabbath he asked leave to speak, and with bold emphasis told his friends that all the tales he had been telling about spirits were *lies* to obtain their money. So he cut off his chance of earning bread. Do you wonder our hearts are glad? A Buddhist priest also is coming; the other day I saw him with no gentle hand pitch down a block of wood saying "That's Buddha!"

Now dear working friends—the best of all:—Two Pi^o po'-hoan villages tormented the converts in one lying between them, and persecuted the preacher. One night at a prayer-meeting in Oxford College nothing was prayed for but these two villages: shortly after news came that both had surrendered and were crowding the chapel. There are people in the world who *pretend* not to believe in prayer. WE BELIEVE in it.

Go on, dear friends, in Jesus' name, "your labor is not in vain." God bless you this year *more and more abundantly*.

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Honour to a Missionary-elect.

A very large and pleasant public meeting was held on the 15th inst., in the Central Presbyterian Church, Hamilton, to bid "God speed" to Miss Helen Bell, who goes out to Central India as a missionary. The Rev. Mr.