

Welsh, Watkins, sister Mary and me, with five Narcissus (which are growing in pebbles), three small boxes of tea, and a pot of preserved ginger each. My box of tea was very beautiful, being highly polished, and bearing Chinese figures, and sister and I also received a massive gold ring each. After a few minutes' conversation we sang a few of our school hymns, and they quietly left, wishing us not to mention their visit and its object to any of the scholars.

In addition to the day-school for the benefit of the Chinese in Victoria there is one for the native Indians, which is doing a good work, sharing largely in the zeal and sympathies of the membership of the Church to secure its prosperity.

At Fort Simpson the largeness of the school, taxes the untiring energies of Mr. and Mrs. Crosby, who find it difficult to obtain all the help they need to carry it on efficiently. Mr. Crosby's assistant, Alfred Dudowored, sends us the following note :—

"I thank you and all the kind friends of Canada for so kindly helping Fort Simpson : but it's all the work of God. I am happy since I found Jesus to be my Guide, and I trust in Him with all my heart. I need more grace to

I was very sorry that our Sunday-school teachers were not present. However, it could not be helped, and as Mr. McKay is away we shall not give Messrs. Welsh and Watkins a hint of theirs till to-morrow, as we expect Mr. McKay in the afternoon.

They were delighted when I showed them Mrs. Sanford's and your photographs. I wish you could have heard their complimentary remarks, and the questions they put to me about you.

keep closer to Him. I am doing the best I can to help the Mission. Though I don't see you in this world, I hope we shall all meet in heaven. Please, Sir, to remember me to all the Christian friends."

From the Rev. C. BRYANT, dated Nanaimo, V. I., Sept. 30th, 1875.

I left Sumas Friday, July 16th, and by the kindness of an excursion party of the Victoria Lodge of I.O.O.F., who brought me and my family direct from New Westminster to this place, at a saving to the funds of the Society of at least \$50, I was on hand to take Nanaimo pulpit on Sunday, the 18th, the next Sabbath after Bro. Hall left, and a week earlier than the people expected.

We found Nanaimo much enlarged, the population being increased by new arrivals almost every week, and signs of material growth and prosperity in every direction.

In many cases the newly arrived immigrant is compelled to spend some time at the hotel, where his first acquaintance will likely be those who will lead him into temptation, unless he be very watchful and circumspect.

Besides, among miners, and this is

principally a mining district, there is a large number migratory and unsettled, as proof of which, only three or four of our original church members remain here.

The main support we have therefore received has been from the Sabbath collections, and not from the classes, as the membership has always ranged low in numbers, and unfortunately so continues. Our Quarterly Official Meeting has agreed to raise this year \$700, *i.e.*, from this single congregation, which is about the same as raised last year, when Wellington was included in the circuit : besides which, it must be taken into consideration that our congregation is lessened by the recent removal of several Presbyterian friends to their own church, which has been re-opened by a missionary direct from Scotland. This makes the third Protestant church in Nanaimo. Although there