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President
Bishop M. C. Harris, Seoul, Korea

Secretary
Corwin Taylor, Kongju, Korea

Assistant Secretary
A. H. Norton, Haiju, Korea

Statistical Secretary
J. D. Van Buskirk, Kongju, Korea

Assistant Statistical Secretary
H. C. Taylor, Chemulpo, Korea

Treasurer
E. M. Cable, Seoul, Korea

Official Interpreters
E. M. Cable and Hyen Soon

District Superintendents
C. S. Deming, G. M. Burdick, W. C. Swearer,
Kim Chang Sik, C. D. Morris, Pak Wun Paik,
Corwin Taylor.

II. Conference Societies and Boards

Board of Conference Examiners
C. D. Morris, W. Carl Rufus, S. A. Beck,
W. C. Swearer, G. M. Burdick, Choi Pyeng Hyen,
E. M. Cable, Corwin Taylor, Kim Chang Sik.
Conference Relations
G. M. Burdick, C. D. Morris, E. M. Cable,
Corwin Taylor, Pak Wun Paik, Chang Nak Do.

Trials of Appeals
C. D. Morris, E. M. Cable, W. C. Swearer,
G. M. Burdick, Kim Chang-sik.

Conference Temperance Society

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Suwon District, H. C. Taylor and Han Chang Sup.
Seoul District, Chang Nak Do and Choi Pyeng Hyen.
East Kongju District, Pak Pong Nai and Sin Hong Sik.
West Kongju District, An Chang Ho and Kim Kwang Sik.
Wonju District, Pak Wun Paik and Yi Tong Sin.
Pyeng Yang District, Kim Chai Chan and A. G. Anderson.
West Pyeng Yang District, Kim Chang Kyu and Pyen Hak Yong.
Yeng Byen District, I. M. Miller and Kim Chan Heung.

Sunday School and Tract Society
Misses Jessie Marker and Mary A. Hillman.

Educational Committee
A. L. Becker, W. Carl Rufus, B. W. Billings,
F. E. C. Williams, E. M. Cable, W. C. Swearer,
B. R. Lawton, R. R. Reppert, C. S. Deming,
Corwin Taylor, and the Misses Jessie Marker,
Irene Haynes and Henrietta Robbins.

Local Preachers and Exhorters
W. C. Swearer, C. D. Morris, Kim Chang Sik,
E. M. Cable, C. S. Deming.
Study of the Korean Language

State of the Church

Home and Foreign Missionary Society
President: W. C. Swearer, Vice-President Chang Nak Do,
Treasurer: B. R. Lawton.

MANAGERS
Wonju District; Pak Wun Paik, Yi Tong Sik, Pak, Hyen Il.
Seoul District, C. S. Deming, Chun Duk Kui, Choi Pyeng Hyen.
Suwon District, G. M. Burdick, Yi Un Myeng, Han Chang Sup.
Haiju District, C. S. Deming, N. D. Chew, O. Kui Sun.
East Konju District, Corwin Taylor, Pak Pong Nai, Chung Chai Kwon.
West Konju District, W. C. Swearer Kim Kwang Sik, An Chang Ho.
Pyeng Yang District, C. D. Morris, Kim Chai Chan, Hyen Suk Chil.
West Pyeng Yang District, Kim Chang Sik, Kim Chang Kyu, Yi Mung Do.
Yeng Byen District, C. D. Morris, Kim Chang Hung, Pak Yung Chan.

Church Location and Erection
Seoul District, C. S. Deming, E. M. Cable, Choi Pyeng Hyen, Chun Duk Kui, Chang Nak Do.
Haiju District, C. S. Deming, N. D. Chew, O. Kui Sun, Paul L. Grove.
East Konju District, Corwin Taylor, Pak Pong Nai, Sin Hong Sik Pak Yung Suk, Chung Chai Kwan.
West Konju District, W. C. Swearer, F. E. C. Williams, J. D. Van Buskirk An Chang Ho, Kim Kwang Sik.
Pyeng Yang District, C. D. Morris, Hyen Suk Chil, Kim Chai Chan, Yi Meung Do.
West Pyeng Yang District, Kim Chang Sik, Song Heui Pom, Pai Hyen Sik, Kim Chang Kyu.


Suwon District, G. M. Burdick, H. C. Taylor, Chan Chun Meung, Han Chang Sup.

Wonju District, Pak Wun Paik, Yi Tong Sik, Pak Hyen Il, A. G. Anderson.

III. Standing Committees for 1913

Finance


Comity

The District Superintendents.

Permanent Bible Committee


General Council Executive Committee

W. C. Swearer.

To Audit Mission Treasurer

R. R. Reppert, J. D. Van Buskirk.

To Audit W. F. M. S. Treasurer

Mary A. Hillman, Lulu A. Miller.

Resolutions


Program for 1913

S. A. Beck, E. M. Cable, W. Carl Rufus.

Publications with M. E. Church, South

E. M. Cable, C. S. Deming, Choi Pyeng Hyen.

Reporters

B. W. Billings, Hyen Soon, Paul L. Grove.

Nominations

District Superintendents.
Opening.—The Fifth session of the Korean Annual Conference convened in Sang Dong Church Seoul on Tuesday March 5th, 1912 at 9 A.M. Bishop M. C. Harris presiding.

The Bishop assisted by the District Superintendents administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.


The roll of probationers was also called to which the following responded, B. W. Billings, Chang Chung Myeng, Han Chang Sup, Hong Soon Tak, Hyen Suk Chil, Kang Sin Wha, Kim U Kwon, B. R. Lawton, A. H. Norton, Pak Yung Chan, Pang Chok Sin, Pyun Hak Yong, R. R. Reppert, Sin Hong Sik, Song Ik Chu, Son Chun To, Yi Chin Hung, Yi Ha Yong, Yi Kyung Chik, Yi Chi Sung, Yi Tong Sik.

Organisation.—The following officers were elected: Secretary, Corwin Taylor; Assistant Secretary, W. Carl Rufus; Korean Secretary, O Kui Sun; Assistant Secretary, An Chang Ho; Statistical Secretary, J. D. Van Buskirk, Assistant, H. C. Taylor; Treasurer, E. M. Cable; Official Interpreters, E. M. Cable and Hyen Soon; Reporters J. D. Van Buskirk and Hyen Soon.
Nominations.—E. M. Cable reported for the Committee on nominations and on motion of W. A. Noble the report was adopted.

On motion W. A. Noble, W. Carl Rufus was excused from the committee on Home and Foreign Missions and W. C. Swearer was elected to fill the vacancy.

J. D. Van Buskirk was excused from reporting to the press and the Bishop was asked to appoint some one to fill the vacancy. B. W. Billings was appointed.

On motion of Hyen Soon the program for the conference sessions as prepared by the committee was adopted with the change in the time of opening from 8:30 to 9:00.

Bar of Conference.—On motion of W. C. Swearer the bar of conference was fixed to include the first six rows of seats.

On motion of W. A. Noble all the ladies of the mission were invited to sit within the bar of the conference and given the privilege of the floor.

Introductions.—The following new missionaries who have arrived on the field since our last Conference were called forward and introduced: Rev Victor Wachs, Rev. Paul L. Grove, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Weller, Mrs. C. S. Deming, and the Misses Jeanette Walter, Olive Pye, Grace Dillingham, Naomi Anderson, Grace Harmon, and Dr. Hillman.

Son Chun Do, our missionary to China, was called forward and spoke briefly.

Question 14.—W. C. Swearer, District Superintendent of Kongju East and West Districts was called, his character passed, and he reported the work of the East District.

English Reports.—On motion of the Secretary two afternoons during the conference session were set apart for the reading of reports in English.

Introductions.—The Revs. T. Wadasae and G. Yamamoto of the Congregational church, working among the Japanese in Korea, were introduced and addressed the conference.
Rev. H. Kihara, Superintendent of work for the Japanese Methodist Church in Korea, was introduced.

The conference joined in singing, "Blest be the Tie that Binds," and prayer were offered in Korean, Japanese, and English.

On motion of W. A. Noble, the Bishop was asked to appoint a committee to confer with the M. E. Church South Mission regarding the work in Seoul. The following were appointed: W. A. Noble, E. M. Cable, Choi Pyeng Hyen, and Chun Duk Kui.

Adjournment.—The conference stood adjourned by expiration of time, the doxology was sung and Rev. Kihara pronounced the benediction.

SECOND DAY, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6TH.

Rev. W. G. Cram of the M. E. Mission South led the devotions following which Conference was called to order at 9:45 by the Bishop.

The minutes of Tuesday's session were read and approved.

E. M. Cable asked to be excused from the committee on language study and this was referred to the committee on nominations.

W. Carl Rufus tendered his resignation as assistant secretary and A. H. Norton was elected to fill the vacancy.

W. A. Noble made a partial report for the committee appointed to confer with the Southern Methodists and recommended that a committee of five be appointed by the Bishop to confer with the sister church regarding church extension in Seoul and vicinity, which was so ordered by motion. E. M. Cable, Choi Pyeng Hyun, Chas. Deming, Hyen Soon and Yi Kyung Chik were appointed.

Dr. Van Buskirk requested that the District Superintendents hand to the secretary two nominations from each district which should constitute the Committee on the temperance society.

Question 2.—Who have been received by transfer and from what Conferences: The Bishop announced the transfer of Victor H. Wachs from the New England Conference and Paul L. Grove from the Des Moines Conference.
Introductions.—Mr. Gerald Bonwick of the Korean Religious Tract Society was introduced and spoke briefly, thanking the conference for their co-operation in his work.

Communication.—Rev. F. G. Vesey of the British and Foreign Bible Society sent his greetings to the Conference which were read by the Secretary.

General Conference Memorials.—On motion of W. A. Noble, the Bishop was requested to appoint a committee to draw up memorials to the General Conference. W. A. Noble, S. A. Beck, A. L. Becker, C. D. Morris, Kim Chang Sik, Choi Pyeng Hyun, Pak Won Paik, were appointed.

On motion of W. Carl Rufus, the committee on nominations was asked to suggest some one to take the place of W. A. Noble on the education senate.

General Conference Delegate.—On motion of W. C. Swearer ten o'clock Friday morning was set as the time for the election of a ministerial delegate and reserve to the General Conference.

Question 14.—G. M. Burdick, District Superintendent of the Suwon District was called, his character passed, together with that of the elders on his district, and he reported his work.

Song Seung Yong reported the statistics of the Suwon District.

Introductions.—Rev. J. L. Gerdine of the Southern M. E. Mission was introduced to the Conference.

Rev. H. Fugioka, pastor of Japanese M. E. Church in Seoul, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

Rev. H. Kihara, Superintendent of the Methodist work for Japanese in Korea, gave his report of the work under his charge.

Question 14.—Kim Chang Sik, District Superintendent of the Pyeng Yang West District was called, his character passed, and he made his report.

Announcement.—E. M. Cable announced a reception to be given by the ladies of the mission at Ewa Haktang in honor of the members of the Conference and the Lay Delegates.

Introduction.—Dr. Richard Bolt of Peking, China, and Dr.
W. O. Johnson of the Presbyterian Mission in Korea, were introduced.

**Historical Committee.**—Moved that the chair appoint a permanent historical committee, carried. W. C. Swearer, S. A. Beck and Choi Pyeng Hyen were appointed.

On motion of J. D. Van Buskirk, Chang Nak Do and Yi Ik Mo were made Korean statistical secretaries.

On motion of E. M. Cable, Conference adjourned. After the singing of the doxology, Song Seung Yong pronounced the benediction.

**Third Day, Thursday, March 7th.**

The morning devotions were led by Chang Nak Do, after which the Bishop called the Conference to order at 9:45 o'clock.

The minutes of Wednesday session were read and approved.

On motion of C. D. Morris, the secretary was requested to set aside ten pages of the conference minutes for a report of the Woman's Conference. C. D. Morris also moved that the statistical secretary be requested to prepare suitable blanks for the Korean brethren to use in preparing their statistics, carried.

**Dividend from the Book Concern.**—On motion of E. M. Cable the dividend from the book concern was ordered, turned over to the Conference Treasurer on its receipt, and deposited with the Superannuated Preacher's Fund.

**Educational Senate.**—The term of W. A. Noble on the educational senate having expired A. L. Becker was elected to fill the vacancy.

**Question 14.**—W. A. Noble was called, his character was passed together with the other elders on his districts, and he reported the work of the Seoul and Haiju Districts.

The character of Pak Wun Paik was passed and he reported his work as Superintendent of the Wonju District.

W. C. Swearer reported the work of the Kongju West District.

W. A. Noble tendered his resignation as a member of the
Sunday School executive Committee and C. S. Deming was elected to take his place.

The conference requested the Bishop to present the matter of a special S. S. worker for our work in Korea to the World's S. S. Association.

*Introductions.*—Mr. S. Niwa, Secretary for the Japanese Y.M. C.A. in Seoul, and Dr. Yi Seung Man of the Korean Y.M.C.A. were introduced to the Conference.

*Extension of time.*—On motion of S. A. Beck the time was extended.

*Vote of Thanks*—E. M. Cable moved that we express our appreciation and thanks to the British and American Bible Societies through their agents, Mr. Hugh Miller and S. A. Beck, for their generous offer to present a copy of the entire Bible in Unmun to each of the candidates to be ordained to the Holy Ministry in the Methodist Episcopal Church in Korea, that we accept the same and that a copy of this action be handed to their agents, Mr. Hugh Miller and S. A. Beck, to be forwarded to their respective societies. Carried.

*Introduction.*—Mr. Hugh Miller of the B.F.B.S. was introduced to the Conference.

*Adjournment.*—W. A. Noble moved to adjourn, after the singing of the doxology, Bishop Harris pronounced the benediction.

**Fourth Day, Friday, March, 8th.**

Dr. Yi Seung Man of the Korean Y.M.C.A. led the morning devotions following which Conference was called to order by the Bishop at 10:00 o'clock.

The minutes of Thursday's session were read and approved.

*Reports.*—W. A. Noble, fraternal delegate to the Central China Mission Conference, presented the following report which was adopted:

*Lay Missionaries in the Quarterly and District Conferences.*

"Whereas:—According to the provision of the Discipline
of the Methodist Episcopal Church the lay members of our Missions have no relation to the Quarterly and District Conferences resulting from their appointment by the Bishop in charge, and

Whereas:—In many of our Missions the efficiency of such lay members is greatly impared and the general work embarrassed by a misunderstanding, on the part of the native Church, of the relation of these appointees to the work,

Resolved:—That this Central China Conference respectfully petition the General Conference to change the reading of paragraph 98 of the Discipline which reads,

"The Quarterly Conference shall be composed of all Traveling Ministers, etc.," so that it shall read at the end of the paragraph,

"And any lay member of our Church sent to any of our Foreign Missions by the Board of Foreign Missions or by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and assigned to the said Quarterly Conference and regularly appointed to definite work by the Bishop in charge."

And petition also that paragraph 91 of the Discipline which names the composition of the District Conference be changed at the end of the paragraph to read,

"Any lay member of our Church sent to any of our Foreign Missions by the Board of Foreign Missions or by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and are members of a Quarterly Conference within the District."

In obedience to the direction of the Annual Conference of last year, I attended the Central Conference of China and presented the several matters committed to my care. The Central Conference took action in the following manner.

Membership in the Central Conference of Eastern Asia.

Whereas:—The Korea Annual Conference has formally requested through its fraternal delegate membership in this Central Conference.
Resolved:—That we petition the General Conference to include the Korea Annual Conference in the Central Conference of Eastern Asia for Central Conference purposes.

_Espiscopal Supervision for Korea._

Whereas:—The Korea Annual Conference has requested us through one of its number to assist in securing the supervision of one of the General Superintendents to be located in Seoul, Korea.

Resolved:—that we approve of the effort on the part of the Korean Annual Conference to secure the service of a General Superintendent, and we instruct our delegates to the General Conference to assist in securing such ends as far as they may deem wise.

On motion of W. A. Noble, a representative of the Conference was appointed to convey their sympathy to Brother Chun Duk Kui who was ill and not able to attend. Kim Chang Sik was chosen to convey this message. It was further moved that Drs. Follwell and Miller consult concerning the condition of Brother Chun and report to the Conference, and that the Conference take a collection in his behalf. The collection was taken amounting to Yen 140.70.

_Reports._—The following pastors made their report: An Chang ho, Kwon Sin Il, Kim Kwang Sik, and Hong Soung Ha.

Mr. Hugh Cynn extended an invitation to the Conference on behalf of the Y.M.C.A. to attend a reception at a time to be agreed upon by a committee of three from the conference. The invitation was accepted and the committee appointed as follows: E. M. Cable, S. A. Beck and Hyen Soon.

On motion of the Secretary, E. M. Cable and Hyen Soon were appointed to convey the greetings of the Conference to the Lay Conference.

Mr. Hugh Cynn of Pai Chai Haktang was introduced and spoke concerning the work of the school.

_Question 32._—Where shall the next conference be held. Pyeng Yang First church and Chong Dong Seoul were placed in nomina-
tion, and by a rising vote the latter was chosen as the meeting place of our next annual Conference.

**Time of Conference.**—On motion of E. M. Cable the Bishop was requested to set the time for next conference the latter part of June 1913.

**Change of time for election of Delegates.**—The time for election of Delegates to the General Conference was changed to 10:00 o'clock Saturday morning.

Dr. Follwell reported to the conference that the condition of Brother Chun Duk Kui was such that he should be sent to the hospital at once for a couple of weeks complete rest.

On motion of Hyen Soon the collection taken for Brother Chun was ordered turned over to the Conference Treasurer.

**Introductions.**—Drs. O. R. Avison, J. W. Hirst, and R. K. Smith of the Presbyterian mission and Dr. J. B. Patterson of the Southern Presbyterian Mission were introducted to the conference.

**Adjournment.**—The conference moved to adjourn to meet at 2:00 o'clock P.M. the doxology was sung and Kim Chang sik pronounced the benediction.

**FOURTH DAY, FRIDAY, MARCH 8TH, P.M. SESSION.**

After singing and prayer the Bishop called the Conference to order at 2:30 o'clock, the minutes of the forenoon session were read and approved.

**Order of the Day.**—On motion of C. D. Morris the admission of probationers into full conference relations was made the order of the day for Saturday morning immediately following the reading and approving of the minutes.

**Adjournment.**—On motion of S. A. Beck, Conference adjourned, after the singing of the doxology E. M. Cable pronounced the benediction.

**FIFTH DAY, SATURDAY, MARCH 9TH, 1912.**

Dr. J. S. Gale led the devotions of the morning after which
conference was called to order at 9:30. The minutes of Friday P.M. Session were read and approved.

**Question of Privilege.**—C. D. Morris made an announcement regarding the case of Ko Chong Chul, and moved that a committee of nine Korean pastors be appointed to try the case. This was carried and Kim Chang Sik, Pak Wun Paik, Hong Seung Ha, Choi Pyeng Hyen, Yi Kyung Chik, Chang Nak Do, Kim Kwang Sik, O Kui Sung and Hyen Soon, were appointed.

**Question 8.**—What members have been admitted into full membership. The names of the following were called and each was represented by his District Superintendent: Burke R. Lawton having previously been ordained deacon and elder under the missionary rule, and having completed the required studies and been on trial for two years was admitted into full connection. Paul L. Grove who had previously been ordained deacon under the seminary rule; Yi Kyung Chik and Pak Yung Chan who had been ordained under the missionary rule having all been on trial for two years and completed the required studies were admitted into full membership.

Yi Chi Sung, Yi Ha Yung, Yi Tong Sik, Kang Sin Wha, Hyen Suk Chil, Hong Soon Tak, who had completed the required studies and been on trial for two years were admitted to full membership and elected to deacons orders. The class was called forward, Song Seung Yong and G. M. Burdick led in prayer, the Bishop addressed the class, and they answered the disciplinary questions.

**Delegate to the General Conference.**—On motion of W. C. Swearer the following rules governing the election were adopted as follows:

1. A majority of the votes cast shall be necessary to a choice.
2. Blank ballots shall not be counted.
3. If mistakes shall occur in the names of any persons voted for but the tellers are satisfied as to the intention of the voter, the vote shall be counted.
4. When the time to vote arrives, the members of the Conference shall stand and as they deposit their ballots, shall be seated.
5. After one delegate has been elected, a reserve shall be elected under the same rules as those observed for delegates.

On the informal ballot W. A. Noble having received a large majority, C. D. Morris moved that the informal ballot be made formal and unanimous, which was carried.

Dr. George Heber Jones was unanimously elected reserve delegate.

*Question 7.*—Who have been discontinued.—Kang In gul and Kim Kui pom were dropped from the roll of probationers.

*Question 6.*—Who are in studies of the second year.—The name of R. R. Reppert was called and on motion of his District Superintendent he was continued on trial in the studies of the second year.

Chan Chun Myung was elected to local deacons orders.

Drs. Avison and Hirst of the Severance Hospital addressed the Conference.


E. M. Cable made his report as conference treasurer and on motion of W. C. Swearer, a committee of two to audit the accounts were appointed consisting of Victor H. Wachs and Paul L. Grove.

*Extension of time.*—On motion of W. A. Noble the time was extended to 12:30.

*Question 6.*—Who have been continued on trial.—Son Chun Do, Kim U Kwon and M. K. W. Heicher were continued on trial in the studies of the second year.

B. W. Billings was continued in the first year on trial, and Ko Si Yung was dropped from the course of study.

Victor H. Wachs was advanced to the studies of the second year.

*Question 9.*—What members are in studies of third year. The following were advanced to the studies of the fourth year: Kim Chang Hung, An Chang Ho, Kim Kwang Sik, Pak Pong Nai, O Kui Sun.

The following were continued in studies of the third year: Ko
Chung Chul, F. E. C. Williams, H. C. Taylor, Kim Chang Kui, Kwon Sin Il, Carl Critchett. Hong Seung Ha and Hyen Soon having completed the course of study and travelled for four years were elected to elders orders.

*Question 4.*—What members are in the studies of the fourth year.—A. L. Becker and J. D. Van Buskirk having previously been ordained elders and having completed the required work were graduated from the course of study.

N. D. Chew and Kim Chai Chan, having completed the course of study, were graduated from the same and elected to elders orders.

*Memorials to the General Conference.*—W. A. Noble, chairman of the committee on memorials to the General Conference reported the following which were adopted seriatism:

"Whereas—we deem it essential that Korea should have the supervision of one of the General Superintendents in order to meet the ever accumulating problems in the evangelization of Korea and Japan, and

Whereas—The Central Conference of China has formally expressed its approval of our efforts to secure the services of a General Superintendent and have directed its representatives to give aid to such ends,

Therefore—be it resolved—that we, the Korea Annual Conference, respectfully petition the General Conference to fix the residence of one of the General Superintendents in Seoul, Korea.

Resolved—that we, the Korea Annual Conference, respectfully petition the General Conference to elect Merriman C. Harris as General Superintendent and fix his residence in Seoul, Korea.

Whereas—the Central Conference of China has memorialized the General Conference asking permission to form the Central Conference for Eastern Asia and at our request petitioned that the Korea Conference be included for Central Conference purposes, therefore, we, the Korea Annual Conference respectfully ask that said petition be granted.
Adjournment.—The announcements were made, the doxology sung and W. A. Noble pronounced the benediction.

**Sixth Day, Sunday, March 10th, 1912.**

The Conference love feast was led by E. M. Cable and a large number attended.

The regular service began at 11:00, Hymn No. 4, "Holy, Holy, Holy' was sung and Kim Chang Sik led in prayer.

W. A. Noble read the scripture lesson, the 17th chapter of Matthew.

Bishop Harris chose as his theme, "Miracles of Faith." Among other things he emphasised the absolute necessity of our being one with Christ, and that our power for doing good would be proportionate to our union and fellowship with him. The miracle workers of to-day are those who allow God to work through them.

The Bishop showed very clearly that numbers are a very secondary consideration but the transformed life is everything. The life in close union with Christ and guided by a living optimistic faith shall realize the promise made by the Savior to his followers, "greater works than these shall ye do."

The girl's chorus from Ewa Haktang Sang the Hallelujah Chorus from the "Messiah," after which the following were presented and ordained deacons by the Bishop: Yi Ha Yung, Yi Chi Sung, Yi Tong Sik Kang Sin Wha, Hyen Suk Chil, Hong Soon Tak, and Chan Chun Myung.

The doxology was Sung and Bishop Harris pronounced the benediction.

**Sunday P.M. Session.**

At 3:00 P.M. Bishop Harris assisted by elders ordained Paul L. Grove, Nathaniel D. Chew, Hyen Soon, Hong Seung Ha and Kim Chai Chan elders.

**Seventh Day, Monday, March 11th, 1912.**

The devotional service was led by Rev. A. De Camp. Con-
ference was called to order at 10 o’clock. The minutes of Saturday and Sunday’s sessions were read and approved.

*Question 6.*—Who have been continued on trial.—Pyeng Hak Yong, Son Ik Chu, Yi Chi Hung, Han Chang Sup, Sin Hong Sik, Pang Chok sin were all continued on trial and advanced to studies of second year on motion of their respective District Superintendents. Chung Chai Kwon was advanced to the second year, on condition that he bring up one study which he failed to pass in. Ko Si Yung was dropped from the course.

*Question 14.*—C. D. Morris, District Superintendent of Pyeng Yang and Yeng Bien District was called, his character passed, and he made his report.

**Introduction of Lay Conference.**—The members of the Lay Conference were received and their chairman reported the results of their work. Bishop Harris, on behalf of the Conference, welcomed them. On motion of S. A. Beck, they were invited to sit within the bar of the Conference and given the privilege of the floor.

**Communication from China.**—Dr. Miller read a letter from his sister who is a Missionary in Tein Sin, China, telling of recent interesting events in connection with the riots at that place and at Peking. On motion of W. A. Noble, the committee on resolutions was requested to send a message to the missionaries in Tein Sin assuring them of our sympathy and prayers.

**Reports.**—W. A. Noble reported for the Educational Committee, action on the report being postponed.

**Invitation from Mrs. Scidmore.**—Mrs. Scidmore, mother of our American Consul General, invited the members of the Conference to her home from five to seven P.M.

**Permanent Bible Committee.**—W. C. Swearer reported the work of the committee. S. A. Beck, agent for the American Bible Society, addressed the Conference.

**Time to which adjourn.**—W. A. Noble moved that when we adjourn, that we adjourn to meet at 7:30 P.M. Carried.

**Report of Temperance Society.**—J. D. Van Buskirk reported the
work done and that contemplated by the Society. The nominations of the District Superintendents were elected as the committee on temperance.

Courses of Study.—On motion of E. M. Cable, the courses of study in the Korean language and that for local preachers, exhorters, and class leaders were all ordered printed in the minutes.

Study of Language.—E. M. Cable reported the results of the examination in the course of language study and on motion of W. C. Swearer it was accepted.

Yi Ha Yung was excused from attending Conference owing to the serious illness of his wife.

Adjournment.—The doxology was Sung and Choi Pyeng Hyen pronounced the benediction.

SEVENTH DAY, EVENING SESSION.

Conference met at 7:30 P.M., S. A. Beck in the Chair. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Reports.—H. C. Taylor reported collections and disbursements of monies for the Japanese work in Korea. On motion of C. S. Deming, the report was accepted.

A. L. Becker reported the work of the Pyeng Yang Union College and Academy.

C. S. Deming gave a report of the educational work on the Seoul District.

Hugh H. Cynn reported the work of Pai Chai College and Academy.

Hyen Soon reported for the Sang Dong Boy's School.

Yi Ik Mo reported for the various schools in Pyeng Yang.

Adjournment.—The doxology was sung and Choi Pyeng Hyen pronounced the benediction.

EIGHTH DAY, TUESDAY, MARCH 12TH.

C. S. Deming led the devotions of the morning, following which E. M. Cable took the chair at 9:30. The minutes of Monday evening's session were read and approved.
Reports.—E. M. Cable reported the work of the Theological School.

F. E. C. Williams reported the school work of the Kongju Boy’s School and those of the Kongju South Circuits.

The Medical Reports of Dr. A. H. Norton of Haiju and Dr. E. D. Follwell of Pyeng Yang were read.

Bishop took the Chair at 10:15.

Question 23.—W. B. McGill was continued in the supernumerary relation. The Secretary was requested to send the greetings of the Conference to Brother McGill.

Committee on Comity.—The committee on comity requested E. M. Cable and C. S. Deming to act for them with a like committee from the other missions regarding the work of the Japanese Congregational Church.

Home and Foreign Missionary Society.—Pak Wun Paik read a recommendation from the society requesting the Bishop to appoint one Missionary for Manchuria and one to work among the Korean students in Tokyo. On motion of W. C. Rufus, this was adopted.

Report of Mission Treasurer.—The treasurer of the Korean Mission made his report and on motion of the secretary was accepted.

Publication of Minutes.—On motion of S. A. Beck the minutes of the Conference Session were made the official journal of the Conference and the secretaries were authorized to print the same.

Discipline and Ritual.—W. C. Swearer reported on the publication of the Ritual and Discipline and on motion of W. C. Rufus, the report was accepted, and two of the Korean pastors were chosen to help Brother Swearer in fixing the price of the Ritual.

Question 5.—Who have been received on trial.—The following having been properly recommended and having answered the necessary questions satisfactorily were represented by their respective District Superintendents and admitted on trial. Pak Yung Suk in studies of the third year; Pak Hyen II, a graduate of the Theological
School; Yi Tong Kui in studies of the second year; Yi Yung Sun in studies of the fourth year and Yun Sung Yul in studies of the first year.

The case of Kim Tai Yung was held over for one year on account of health reasons and Choi Pyeng Hyen was appointed to wait on Brother Kim.

Adjournment.—On motion of C. D. Morris, Conference adjourned to meet at 2 o’clock P.M. The doxology was sung and Bishop Harris pronounced the benediction.

Tuesday Afternoon Session.

The educational report was read and with one amendment, i.e. to strike out the words relating to non-christian students, was adopted.


Resolutions.—N. D. Chew reported for the committee on resolutions and the report was adopted as a whole.

Constitutional Amendment.—The Conference voted on the proposed constitutional amendment regarding paragraph 41, section 1 of the 1908 Discipline, resulting in twenty-five ayes and six noes.

Question 20.—Who have been permitted to withdraw under charges or complaints.—Ko Chung Chul withdrew from the Conference under complaint.

Collection for the Janitor.—Collection was taken for the Janitor amounting to Yen 6.11.

Approval of Journal.—On motion of C. D. Morris, the Conference minutes were approved as a whole.

Adjournment.—The Bishop addressed the Conference, prayer was offered, the appointments read and Conference stood adjourned without date.

The foregoing is a correct and official record of the proceedings of the Fifth Session of the Korean Annual Conference.

M. C. Harris, President.

Corwin Taylor, Secretary.
THIS certifies that, in the city of Seoul, Chosen, March 10th, 1912, upon election by the Korean annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church I ordained

As Deacons
Yi Chi Sung, Yi Ha Yung, Yi Tong Sik, Kang Sin Wha, Hyen Suk Chil, Hong Sun Tak and Chan Chun Myung,
Also on the same day, assisted by Elders I ordained

As Elders
Paul L. Grove, Nathaniel D. Chew, Hyen Soon, Kim Chai Chan and Hong Seung Ha.

Presiding Bishop M. C. Harris.
DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1.—Is this Annual Conference Incorporated According to the Requirements of the Discipline?
No.

2.—Who have been Received by Transfer, and from what Conference?
Victor H. Wachs from the New England Conference, and Paul L. Grove from the Des Moines Conference.

3.—Who have been Readmitted?
None.

4.—Who have been Received on Credentials, and from what Churches?
None.

5.—Who have been Received on Trial?
(a) In Studies of First Year.
Yun Sung Yul.
(b) In Studies of Second Year.
Yi Tong Kui.
(c) In Studies of Third Year.
Pak Yung Sik.
(d) In Studies of Fourth Year.
Yi Yung Sun, Graduate from the Theological School, Pak Hyen II.

6.—Who have been Continued on Trial?
(a) In Studies of First Year.
Bliss W. Billings.
(b) In Studies of Second Year.


(c) In Studies of Third Year.
None.

(d) In Studies of Fourth Year.
Pak Yun Chan.

7. — Who have been Discontinued?
Kang In gul, Kim Kui Pom, Ko Si Yung.

8. — Who have been Admitted into Full Membership?
(a) Elected and Ordained Deacons this year.
Yi Ha Yung, Yi Chi Sung, Yi Tong Sik, Kang Sin Wha,
Hyen Suk Chil, Hong Soon Tak.
(b) Elected and Ordained Deacons previously.
Paul L. Grove, Burke R. Lawton, Yi Kyung Chik, Pak Yun
Chan.

9. — What Members are in Studies of Third Year?
(a) Admitted into Full Membership this year.
Yi Ha Yung, Yi Chi Sung, Yi Tong Sik, Kang Sin Wha,
Hyen Suk Chil, Hong Soon Tak.
(b) Admitted into Full Membership previously.
Frank E. C. Williams, Henry C. Taylor, Kim Chan Kui,
Kwon Sin Il, Carl Crichtett.

10. — What Members are in Studies of Fourth Year?
Kim Chang Hung, An Chang Ho, Kim Kwang Sik, Pak Pong
Nai, O Kui Sun.

11. — What Members have completed the Conference Course of
Study?
(a) Elected and Ordained Elders this year.
Nathaniel D. Chew, Hong Seung Ha, Hyen Soon, Kim Chai
Chan.
(b) Elected and Ordained Elders previously.
Arthur L. Becker, James D. Van Buskirk, Burke R. Lawton.

12. — What others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons?
(a) As Local Preachers.
Chan Chun Myung.
(b) Under Missionary Rule.
None.
(c) Under Seminary Rule.
None.

13. — What others have been Elected and Ordained Elders?
   (a) As Local Deacons.
   None.
   (b) Under Missionary Rule.
   Paul L. Grove.
   (c) Under Seminary Rule.
   None.

14. — Was the Character of each Preacher examined?
   This was done in open Conference.

15. — Who have been Transferred, and to what Conferences?
   None.

16. — Who have Died?
   None.

17. — Who have been Located at their own Request?
   None.

18. — Who have been Located?
   None.

19. — Who have Withdrew?
   None.

20. — Who have been permitted to Withdraw under Charges or Complaints?
   Ko Chung Chul.

21. — Who have been Expelled?
   None.

22. — What other personal Notation should be made?
   (a) of those whose Orders, as Deacons or Elders, have been Recognized without Admission to the Annual Conference.
   (b) Of those whose Credentials have been restoted.
(c) Of those formerly Expelled, but now Restored by the action of a Judicial or a General Conference.
None.

23.—Who are Supernumerary Preachers?
W. B. McGill.

24.—Who are the Superannuated Preachers?
None.

25.—Who are the Triers of Appeals?
C. D. Morris, E. M. Cable, W. C. Swearer, G. M. Burdick,
Kim Chang Sik.

26.—What is the Statistical Report for this year?
See statistical report.

27.—What is the Aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer?
See statistics.

28.—What are the Claims on the Conference Fund?
None

29.—What has been Received on these Claims, and how has it been Applied?
Nothing.

30.—What is the Amount of the Five Per Cent of Collections for the Conference Claimants' Connectional Fund paid by the Treasurer to the Board of Conference Claimants?
Nothing.

31.—Where are the Preachers Stationed?
See list of appointments.

32.—Where shall the Next Conference be held?
Chong Dong, Seoul.
APPOINTMENTS

Kongju East District

District Superintendent ... ... Corwin Taylor, P. O. Kongju.
District Evangelist ... ... Pak Pong Nai.
Asan and Sin Chang circuits ... Pak Yung Suk.
Chin Chun circuit ... ... Supplied by Yu Sung Kwan.
Eum Sung circuit ... ... Pan Mu Nok.
Ip Chang and Mokchun ... Sin Hong Sik.
Onyang circuit ... ... Chung Chai Kwan.
Pongam ... ... Supplied by O Ik Po.

Kong West District

District Superintendent ... ... W. C. Swearer, P. O. Kongju.
Chun Yang circuits ... ... Supplied by Chun Tuk Whan.
Hongju City and circuits ... Yi Sang Man.
In Nai ... ... ... To be supplied.
Kal Ma Tong ... ... Supplied by Syo Sang Yun.
Kang Kyeng Po ... ... To be supplied.
Kongju City and circuits ... J. D. Van Buskirk and An Chang Ho.
Kyeng Chun ... ... Supplied by Kim Pyeng Choi.
Kyen Po, Nol Mei, and Kyeng
  Chun circuits ... ... F. E. C. Williams.
Nol Mei ... ... Supplied by Pok Kui Up.
Nortwest circuits ... ... Kim Kwang Sik.
Su San circuit ... ... Supplied by Song Whan So.
Tai On circuit ... Yang Chi Ok.
Tang Chin circuit ... Yi Kun Suk.
Yu Ki ... ... Choi Han Kyu.
District evangelist ... ... Song Seung Yong.
Educational work ... ... F. E. C. Williams.
Medical work ... ... J. D. Van Buskirk.
Haiju District

District Superintendent ... ... C. S. Deming, P. O. Seoul.
East Circuits ... ... ... N. D. Chew.
Haiju City ... ... ... O. Kui Sun.
Haiju West circuit ... ... To be supplied.
Kang Yeung ... ... Supplied by Yi Yong Sun.
Kon Mi circuit ... ... To be supplied.
Ong Jin " ... ... "
North Circuit ... ... ... A. H. Norton.
Paik Chun circuit ... ... Hong Soon Tak.
West Circuits and City ... Paul L. Grove.
Yun An ... ... ... Kang Sin Wha.
Yun An West circuit ... Supplied by Kim Peter.
Medical work ... ... A. H. Norton.
Board of control Haiju School.. Paul L. Grove, N. D. Chew, A. H. Norton.

Suwon District

District Superintendent ... ... G. M. Burdick, P. O. Seoul.
An San Circuit ... ... Supplied by Kim Tong Il.
Chai Chun circuit ... ... Yi Eun Yung.
Cheung ju ... ... Yi Mun Hyen.
Eum Juk circuit ... ... Chun Sai Yeung.
Eum Seung circuit ... Kim Chi Ik.
I Chon ... ... Han Chang Sup.
Kwanju north circuit ... ... Supplied by Ham Tong Heui.
Kwanju south circuit ... 2 Ham Chang Sup.
Nam Yang circuit ... ... Kim Kwang Sik.
Suwon City and circuit ... Yi Chang Heui.
Yeaju ... Chan Chun Myung.
West circuit and District
Evangelist ... ... H. C. Taylor.
East circuit and District
Evangelist ... Hong Seung Ha.
Seoul District

District Superintendent ... ... C. S. Deming, P. O. Seoul.
Chang Dong ... ... ... W. C. Rufus and Choi Pyeng Hyen.
Mead Memorial ... ... ... Chun Duk Kui and Hyen Soon.
East Gate ... ... ... D. A. Bunker and Chang Nak Do.
Chong No ... ... ... E. M. Cable and Yi Kyeung Chik.
West Gate Circuit ... ... ... R. R. Reppert.
Chemulpo ... ... ... ... Yi Ik Mo.
Kang Wha ... ... ... ... Choi Pyeng hyen and supplied by Cho Nai Duk.

Pu Pyung ... ... ... ... Kwon Sin Il.
Tuk Chuk ... ... ... ... To be supplied.
Tong Tung Ni ... ... ... ... Pang Chok sin.
Syo Kang ... ... ... ... Supplied by Kim Tai Hyen.
District Evangelist ... ... ... ... D. A. Bunker.
Superintendent of educational work ... ... ... ... W. C. Rufus.
Instructors in Pai Chai ... ... School and Union College, R. R.
Reppert and O. A. Weller.

President of Union Theological School ... ... ... ... E. M. Cable.
Instructors in Union Theological School ... ... ... ... C. S. Deming and Chang Nak Do.
Chemulpo and Island circuits Evangelist ... ... ... ... B. R. Lawton.

Pyeng Yang District

District Superintendent ... ... C. D. Morris, P. O. Pyeng Yang.
Pyeng Yang First church ... ... C. D. Morris and Hyen Suk Chil.
Pyeng Yang Appenzellar Memorial ... ... ... ... A. L. Becker.
Pyeng Yang Ku Kol ... ... ... ... B. W. Billings.
I Mun Kol ... ... ... ... Yi Ha Yung.
Chil San circuit ... ... ... ... A. L. Becker and supplied by Kim Tong Kil and Yi Tong Kui.
Chung Wha  ...  ...  ...  ...  B. W. Billings.
North Whang Hai circuits ...  Kim Chai Chan.
Pai Mi circuits   ...  ...  ...  ...  Song Ik Chu.
Suan circuit ...  ...  ...  ...  Supplied by Ko Yi Su.
Sin Kai circuit ...  ...  ...  ...  Supplied by Kong Chai Yeung.
Tu Mu Kol circuit...  ...  ...  ..  Whang Chon Do.
Sin Chang  „  ...  ...  ..  Yi Nung Do.
Yang Duk  „  ...  ...  ..  Yi Chin Hyeng.
Chai Pa „  ...  ...  ..  Supplied by O Pai Chung Il.
Union College and Academy...  A. L. Becker, B. W. Billings and
one to be supplied.
Hall Memorial Hospital...  ...  A. G. Anderson temporarily in
charge.
Missionary to China ...  ..  Son Chun do.

West Pyeng Yang District

Missionary in Charge ...  ...  C. D. Morris, P. O. Pyeng Yang.
District Superintendent ...  ...  Kim Chang Sik Chinnampo.
Chinnampo ...  ...  ...  Supplied by Song Hui Pom.
Chung San Circuit ...  ...  ..  Pak Syeng Chai.
Ham Chung „  ...  ...  ..  Pyen Hak Yong.
Kang Syo „  ...  ...  ..  Kim Hong Sik.
Sam Wha „  ...  ...  Kim Chang Kyu.

Wonju District

Missionary in charge ...  ...  S. A. Beck, P. O. Seoul.
District Superintendent ...  ...  Pak Wun Paik, Wonju.
Wonju Circuit ...  ...  ...  Yun Sung Yul.
Yo Ju „  ...  ...  To be supplied.
Who eing Sung circuit ...  ...  ..  Yi Tong Sik.
Kang Nung „  ...  ...  Yi Tong Sik.
Pyeng Chang „  ...  ...  Pak Hyen Il
Ul Chin „  ...  ...  To be supplied.
Pyeng Hai „  ...  ...  ..
Medical work...  ...  ...  A. G. Anderson.
Yeng Byen District

District Superintendent ... ... C. D. Morris, P. O. Pyeng Yang.
Whesui Chun Circuit ... ... Pak Yung Chan.
Kai Chun ... ... To be supplied.
Tai Chun ... ... " "
Eun San ... ... " "
Yeng Byen City ... ... V. H. Wachs and Kim Chang Hung.
Yeng Byen circuit ... ... Kim Chan Hung.
Yeng Byen Medical work ... I. M. Miller.
District Evangelist ... ... V. H. Wachs.

Special Appointments

At home on furlough, W. A. Noble, E. D. Follwell, G. H. Jones, and J. Z. Moore.
Mission Treasurer and business agent ... ... ... ... O. A. Weller.
Agent of the American Bible Society ... ... ... ... S. A. Beck.
To preach the annual sermon
Yi Ik mo, alternate ... ... O Kui Sun.
Left with out appointment to attend school ... ... Yi Tong Kui.

Assistant Missionaries

Kongju West District

Evangelists work and Kongju
Day schools ... ... ... Mrs. W. C. Swearer.
Mrs. Corwin Taylor, Mrs. and
E. C. Williams ... ... ... Mrs. J. D. Van Buskirk.
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Halju District

Evangelistic work Mrs. N. D. Chew, Mrs. A. H. Norton, ... Mrs. Paul L. Grove.

Suwon District

Evangelistic work Mrs. H. C. Taylor.

Seoul District

Teacher in Woman’s Bible Training School ... Mrs. E. M. Cable.
Evangelistic work Chon No ... Mrs. E. M. Cable.
Evangelistic work among the Chinese ... Mrs. C. S. Deming.
Evangelistic work Chemulpo and Island circuits ... Mrs. B. R. Lawton.
Evangelistic work Chong Dong Mrs. W. Carl Rufus.
Evangelistic work East Gate ... Mrs. D. A. Bunker.
Evangelistic work Sang Dong Mrs. O. A. Weller.

Pyeng Yang District

Evangelistic work First church Mrs. C. D. Morris.
Evangelistic work Ku Kol and Chun Wha circuits ... Mrs. B. W. Billings.
Evangelistic work Appenzellar Memorial and Chil San Circuits Mrs. A. L. Becker.

Yang Byen District

Evangelistic work in Dispensary and District ... Mrs. I. M. Miller.
Yeng Byen City and instructor of music in Schools ... Mrs. V. H. Wachs.

Wonju District

Evangelistic work ... Mrs. A. G. Anderson.
Appointments of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society

Seoul

Principal Ewa Haktang and evangelistic work Chong Dong ... Jessie B. Maker.
Instructor Ewa Haktang and Evangelistic Work East Gate ... Huldah Haenig.
Language study, instructors at Ewa Haktang, and evangelistic work at Sang Dong ... Jeanette Walter and Olive Pye.
Language study and instructor in music at Ewa Haktang ... Grace Harmon.
Lillian Harris Memorial Hospital and Baldwin Dispensary ... Mary S. Stewart, M.D.
Language study and Chang Dong Dispensary ... Amanda Hillman, M.D.
Superintendent of nurse training school (temporarily located at Pyeng Yang) ... Naomi Anderson.
Bible Woman's Training School and day schools connected with Ewa Haktang ... Ora M. Tuttle.

Chemulpo

Evangelistic work and day schools in Chemulpo and on Suwon District ... Mary R. Hillman and Lulu A. Miller.
Evangelistic work and day schools on Pu Pyung and island circuits of Seoul District ... Hanna Scharpf.

Haiju

City and District Evangelistic work and day schools ... Mary Beiler.
Pyeng Yang

Evangelistic Work and day schools in Pyeng Yang City and District ... ... ... Henrietta Robbins.

Union Academy and District Evangelistic work ... ... Irene Haynes and Ruth Benedict.

Woman's Hospital and blind school ... ... ... ... Rosetta S. Hall, M.D.
Woman's Hospital ... ... ... Mary M. Cutler, M.D.

Yeng Byen

City and District Evangelistic work ... ... ... ... Olga Shaffer.

Language study and days schools ... ... ... ... Grace Dillingham.

Kongju

Evangelistic work and day schools on East and West Districts ... ... ... ... Alice Hammond Sharp.

At Home on furlough

Ethel M. Estey, Lulu M. Frey,
Millie M. Albertson, Gertrude E. Snavely
Sarah B. Hallman.
The work on this District is inspiring and the steady progress that has been made foretells a strong and vigorous Church in all that region. As the time has been short I have been able to travel over the District but once.

Brother Corwin Taylor has shepherded this work very faithfully and the results of his close supervision show in the enthusiasm and diligence of his strong body of preachers and in the growth in spiritual life and earnestness of the believers as well as in the increase everywhere in membership. The preachers without exception are strong, earnest and consecrated men.

There is one thing that is apt to become a weakness on this District as well as on every District with which I have had anything to do and that is the lack of parsonages at the different centers. Most of the men own the houses in which they live or live in one place and work on a circuit some distance from their home. We have found that from three to five years exhausts the usefulness of most preachers in any one circuit. If we had parsonages belonging to the Church in the center of each circuit we could change our preachers about without entailing hardship and the work would be greatly benefited.

Another thing that would contribute greatly to the development and proper control of the churches is a “rest house” at On-yang, geographically the center of the District. Such a place would enable the superintendent and pastors to articulate the various church enterprises and give unity to the whole Church.

There is not a Christian school on this whole District. It would be wise, now that the churches are more taking on the form of
permanence to begin the establishment of schools at the various strong centres.

Mrs. Sharp has done valuable service in the training of the women.

Mr. Taylor's thorough acquaintance with the work has made him the real superintendent so I close this paper with his report.

Evangelistic Work on Kongju East District

CORWIN TAYLOR.

During the eight months that have intervened since last conference my time has been given to itinerating and class work. On account of a large number of seekers who had not yet received baptism or been admitted on probation, plans were laid with the intention of giving all on the district a chance to attend class for a few days at least, but the shortness of the time and the fact that the farmers were all busy till December, caused the revision and curtailing of a large part of the work. About two months only could be given to this most needy work, whereas four months at least should have been given. As a result the number ready for reception on probation and into full membership was only half what it should have been. In our constituency are a large number of unlearned and ignorant men who can only be brought up to a standard of belief and right living consistent with the teaching of Christ, after a great deal of patient instruction.

The class work this year on the whole has been of a higher grade and the men have manifested more interest than ever before. In many places the women studied with the men. Fourteen classes and special meetings were held resulting in a quickening of the church and the enrolling of a goodly number of new believers.

The most signal victory of the year has been the work at Onyang which is a natural center for the work of the district. Our preacher here has done faithful work and together with the results of a special meeting held here in January we now have a following of
over 100 in the city alone and a large and growing group has been started south of the city where a new church has been built. A number of the most influential men in the community have come into the church, and also several young men and boys who are attending the government school and are standing true in spite of persecution which they receive from their teachers. The Chicksan Mokchun work has made the largest numerical gains of any circuit on the district, and none show a loss, although some are not growing as they should.

Since last conference we can report an increase in the number of groups from 30 to 38, and 3 church buildings have been built or purchased.

The number of Sunday Schools has increased from 15 to 23 and the number of scholars from 380 to 669, lesson quarterlies from 115 to 185. Graded work is an impossibility with our present teaching force and accommodations.

The number of full members have increased from 168 to 245, only one has died. Probationers from 435 to 524, seekers from 1101 to 1448. The total last year was 1704, total this year 2217 gain of 513. At the beginning of last conference year in July we decided to ask God for and strive to win 1,000 souls during the year already over half of this number have been gathered in.

The colporteurs have done good work scattering tracts, and selling gospels and portions in increasing numbers to the heathen. They have supplemented the work of the regular preachers and one of them started a new group this winter. The influence and assistance of all has been a blessing to the people, and the results of their seed sowing will only be known in eternity.

Our little band of native preachers are developing into strong men and their spiritual life has been growing and their influence with the people is all for good. It has been one of the greatest joys in our life to have worked with them for another year.

The collections for self support and benevolences has fallen a long way below the amount apportioned but progress has been made.
While a comparison on the giving line with older groups would not look well for us it must be born in mind that a large portion of this work is less than three years old, while many of the circuits on other districts have fifteen and twenty years the start of us.

The past year has been the best we have ever known, the study of the Word and the indespensible secret place have been an unfailing source of strength and help in time of need. With each year which broadens our vision, and increase the burden for these precious souls comes a joy and peace which words cannot express, and we thank our Heavenly Father again and again for the great priveledge of being in Korea to-day and that we are allowed a humble part in this glorious work.

Kong-Ju West District

Wilbur C. Swearer, District Superintendent.

We come up to the meeting of the Annual Conference with the feeling of a man who had his meal interrupted before the dessert was brought on; the feeling is one of emptiness: you have all experienced it. I sometimes think it would be wise to change the mealtime so that we could always have our dessert; in other words hold our meeting at a time when the system and continuity of our work will not be broken up every four years.

Most of the two summer months were spent at Kong-Ju in various duties. Of the remaining six months of work considerably more than half was spent away from home in the work, in the country among the churches, at Seoul and in Japan. The seventy-nine days spent at home were occupied in class work, translation, meeting with preachers and colporters from all over the District and directing their work; also a great deal of time was spent in corre~spondence with donors, of special gifts in America; this has grown to be a very exacting part of the work for not only was nearly all of the amount needed for the salaries of the helpers amounting to more than $1,200 a year raised in that way but my own salary was raised
by special contributions on the Station plan and this required faithful correspondence. All this correspondence occupied many days. This year the writer has been attempting the impossible. The diversified duties were too many to allow of success along any line. With the pastoral care of the churches in nine circuits located in two sections of the country widely separated and the work of two Districts in addition to many Mission duties it was a physical impossibility to give the churches the attention they needed. In the stress I have been very grateful to Bro. Corwin Taylor, for the capable manner in which he has conducted the work of the East District relieving me of all concern for its development. Its development has been exceedingly satisfactory. I wish I could report as well for the West District. So far as numbers of believers are concerned it has not held its own. Generally there has been advance but two or three places have fallen behind and this has affected the statistics of the whole District.

Kong-Ju City.

The fact that we have not had so much disciplining to do as last year goes to show that the church is becoming more firmly founded and the members established in the faith. Dr. Van Buskirk and Mr. An Chang-ho have exercised great care in the pastoral oversight of the church. While Mr. An was absent at the Biblical Institute for three months and in fact through the whole time Dr. Van Buskirk carried the great burden of the city church. He has done valuable service in three lines on work: in the church, in the dispensary and in the school. In the church he redirected its energies, reorganized it along certain lines and worked the matter of self support into some system. During Mr. An's absence he preached every Sunday. Such a course has also enabled him to become proficient in the language. Mr. An has worked hard and the church has improved greatly. Qld fashioned Methodist classes have been organized and have exerted a strong spiritual influence. In self support the church has done as much in eight months as it
did last year in twelve. In members and probationers there has been an increase of more than twenty-five percent. The loss in seekers is not a real loss but a straightening up of the rolls, none being reported who merely have their names on the rolls and manifest no interest, but such as are truly seekers.

Mr. An makes the report for the church as follows:

"During the time since last Annual Conference I have had charge of the Kong-ju City Chuch and have received ten persons on Probation, seventeen into full connection and baptised three infants and seven adults, ten in all. There are twenty-one classes in the Sunday School and two hundred and fifty students. They received one hundred and fifty six Lesson Leaves and Journals. The Church collections were as follows:

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Total ................................................................... ¥ 388.81

All the expenses of the Church were met and there is a balance in hand amounting to ¥ 15.25.

The Church membership is as follows:

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Total Following ........................................... 433

There are twenty Class Leaders, six Exhorters and one Local Preacher.
Since last December class meetings have been held twice a month; the exhorters have united with me in conducting these classes. We have been studying Phillipians and the various catechisms and have had very profitable discussions over the affairs of the church.

Lately the spiritual life of the believers has been developing and steady progress is being made; they have consecrated themselves to God and desire the approval of God more than that of men. The officers of the church decided to introduce tithing; as a result Yen 8.10 a month was subscribed for the pastor's salary and Yen 7.65 for school expenses. The pastor went with the body of Christian workers who visited Japan last summer for three weeks. Three months were spent in Theological School; since the school closed in December I have looked after the affairs of the church in consultation with Dr. Van Buskirk. I have also made it my special business to visit the believers and lead seekers into the church.

**THE NORTHWEST CIRCUITS.**

There are now five of these circuits. Mr. Kim Kwang-Sik has assisted me in the pastoral work; he united with the helpers in holding training classes of four or five days each which were a great profit to the work. Only one of the circuits shows decided loss; on others there have been considerable gains. The preachers have traveled over their work diligently, some of them at considerable sacrifice and new work has been opened up; the church on the island of An Myen Do is especially encouraging; the people are much in earnest and have built a chapel though they are quite poor. The total increase amounts to 288; this brings the total following up to 1391.

**THE SOUTH CIRCUITS.**

Mr. Williams in addition to his heavy field work cared for the two circuits nearest Kong-ju going out every day whenever possible and often at considerable personal inconvenience to hold services at the various churches from five to forty miles distant from
Kong-ju. These circuits have prospered and the work is very encouraging.

I have had the four more distant circuits to look after personally. Mr. Hong Seung-ha has assisted. Both he and Mr. Kim Kwang-sik were in the Biblical School for three months in the fall and that made the work harder.

All of these circuits, too, except one have increased in membership. One of them however lost so badly that the increase on the others was more than over balanced leaving a loss in the following. This loss together with that of the city church is greater that the gain on the Northwest Circuits so that the District has a loss of 197 in the total of adherants: the loss being confined largely to the class of seekers. These conditions point very clearly to the great need of more foreign supervision and I earnestly hope and pray that provision can be made to meet that need.

Mr. Williams has conducted the Kong-ju Boy's School in a capable way, the highest grade taught being that of the Third year High School. He has also had charge of the two or three schools in the South Circuits; these schools are doing a good work.

Mrs. Sharp has traveled so much that she is almost a stranger to us. Everywhere I go among the churches the women talk about Mrs. Sharp and how they enjoy her visits, hoping that she will soon come again. To the vivid fancy she seems almost ubiquitous. And if she could be divided into three parts to work the three great sections we would all be greatly pleased. Mrs. Swearer and Mrs. Van Buskirk have both taught classes in the Sunday School and have visited the women in their homes and Mrs. Swearer has conducted the teachers' meeting for the women in the study of the Sunday School Lesson every Saturday night. Mrs. Williams has conducted the Baptist night prayer meeting for the women of the Church.

The colporteurs of the B. & F. Bible Society have done valuable service not only in the distribution of the Word but in the faithful work they have done in traveling about and seeking for back slidden
members and reclaiming them. One of these men has sought out about fifty such men in one country and the work there is springing into new life.

The total following for the two Districts is 5312.

Some personal experiences during our travels were unpleasant—to put it mildly; one night separated from my food and bedding was passed steeplessly in a strange village among the mountains fifteen li from my destination in a room about four feet by six in company with an old Chinese teacher. One night having been poisoned by charcoal gas I passed several house in the borderland of death. I have learned something about what the night watches of Jesus were which He passed in prayer. With profoundly thankful hearts we acknowledge God's goodness in the restoration of Mrs. Swearer to health. The lives of all the members of the station have been preserved for further service and we thank Him the "giver of every good and perfect gift."

Suwon District.

G. M. Burdick, District Superintendent.

The present Conference year has in point of time, though not in amount of work, been the shortest in my experience in connection with the mission. Returning to Korea October 6, 1911, I found a full years work awaiting me with only five months time before annual Conference. When I arrived in Seoul I found several of my circuit preachers in attendance at the Theological School, with others waiting here to greet me, and was thus able at once to make plans with them for taking up the work. The kindness of Brother and sister H. C. Taylor and other friends in preparing my rooms for immediate occupancy relieved me of the usual delays in getting settled to housekeeping and left me free to begin work? Therefore from the time of my arrival I have been able to give myself uninterrupted to itineratint, district, and mission work.

On taking up the work once more I found myself greatly under obligations to those who had looked after the district in my absence.
Not only had Misses Hillman and Miller, Brother and Sister Taylor and the force of native workers associated with them made good their stewardship, but to Bro. Swearer and Bro. Cable each in his sphere of work and influence is due especial thanks for his important contribution to the stability and progress of the district. It was most gratifying to find marked growth, in nearly all departments of the work.

After settling the plans for the fall work I began itinerating on October 18th. Since that time seven trips have been made, 91 days spent in the country 3250 li traveled, mostly on foot and pony back.

With the exception of two short trips of two days and one day respectively, all trips have been for the purpose of holding the Quarterly and District Conferences and normal training classes.

On each of the 11 circuits I have held the quarterly conferences twice. Making a total of 22. This year the District conference was held in Pun Won on the north Kwangju circuit from Jan. 29-31 and was said by the Koreans to be the best in the history of the district.

At the close of November I held in my rooms in Seoul a meeting with all my circuit preachers for the purpose of planning the district and class work of the winter. Every man was present and as a result we were able to make plans which greatly expedited the winter's work.

With the assistance of Bro. Taylor and several of the native preachers I have held two normal training classes one in December at Suwon city of 12 days duration, for the western and northern circuits, and one in January of 13 days at Chang Ho Won, on the Eunjuk circuit, for the eastern circuits. At each of these classes about 25 picked men were enrolled, the proportionate average attendance, the intelligence of the men, and the interest in the work were greater than any previous year.

Normal methods were introduced and at each lecture someone from the pupils was chosen to review the subject before the teacher the following day. During the later part of the winter the circuit
preachers assisted by men who studied in these classes, in turn held numerous classes all over the district, in places where the missionary has not been able to go.

Incidentally in the course of my travels I have visited 39 churches making a total number of 55 visits, have administered the sacrament of the Lord's supper 26 times in the public congregations and six times to the sick, have baptized 97 adults, and 17 children, received 56 full members and 18 probationers, officiated at two weddings, besides everywhere trying to fulfill the apostolic injunction: "preach the word, be instant in season, out of season, reprove rebuke, exhort with all long suffering and teaching."

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor have added in many ways to the efficiency of the work Mr. Taylor has accompanied me on most of the trips, and has assisted in keeping records, examining candidates for baptism, and church membership, and has taught in both classes? His report is as follows.

REPORT OF H. C. TAYLOR, DISTRICT EVANGELIST.

Up to the present time I have had no special circuits assigned to me on the Suwon District so that much of the work has been in company with Mr. Burdick. We were glad to welcome him back from his sojourn in the home land, last autumn; and as we have travelled here and there throughout the district he has been enthusiastically welcomed back to his adopted land. Since his return we have not felt the pressure of the work quite so much, but realize that there is a great opportunity for work in this District, and glad of the chance to help out in any way possible.

During the fall we travelled over the district, visiting each circuit and helping in the Quartely conferences.

In December and January we assisted in two Bible classes held respectively at Suwon and Chang Ho Won. There was a splendid spirit shown, in these classes, and helpful meetings were held each evening.
We had an interesting time with the class in M.E. discipline and tried to give them an incentive to study it more.

During the year we have travelled about 1,500 li and spent 60 days in the country. In some of the circuits there has been a falling off in membership but the total increase has been over 300. Advance has been made in self support and other financial interests. The circuits responded well to the call for aid from the north and gave much to aid the famine striken region. Two women gave their wedding rings to help this fund.

Special committees have been appointed in each circuit to look after financial matters, following a systematized plan for collecting money.

We have 17 boys schools with about 400 pupils, most of these receive some help from the mission but Yen 1,842.00 was given by the Koreans themselves.

G. M. Burdick's Report Continued.

Mrs. Taylor has not been able to travel much on the district, but spent two days with us at Suwon during the class there, she has met most of the helpers on their visits to Seoul and in various ways her interest and counsels are helpfully felt in the work.

Immediately after my return to Korea Miss Miller was called to America. Her absence from the work for more than three months put a heavy burden on Miss Hillman thru the winter, we are glad of her early return.

The greatness of distance over the District and the exceptional shortness of the present working year have been such that while all the forces have been active, yet we have seldom come within hailing distance of each other. Nevertheless from mountain peak to mountain peak across the valleys of the district have sounded back and forth the echoes, revealing mutually to those engaged in the work the presence of determined warfare against sin degredation and ignorance.
While Mr. Taylor and I have been holding classes and revival meetings in one part of the work, word has reached us from another quarter of enthusiastic class work among the women accompanied by powerful spiritual awakening under the efficient and untiring leadership of Miss Hillman.

We have 12 circuit preachers who are receiving most of their salary from the mission, one man during part of the year receiving half his salary thru self support, four men entirely on self support, basis, and one man of independent means has volunteered his services. Also 14 colporteurs 4 of the B. F. Bible Society and 10 from the American Bible society, and seven bible women have traveled the district. In addition to these regular helpers there have been about 50 exhorters and upwards of 150 class leaders all unpaid men. We are coming to a more systematic use of the exhorter. Before he can receive a license he must pass an examination in the one years course for local preachers and then follow with the two years exhorters course. We are beginning to group the churches on the different circuits into threes and fours with reference to supervision by an exhorter, and our plan is in this way to use all our exhorters every Sunday under the direction of the circuit preacher. This plan has already been successfully followed the past year on the Ichon circuit.

There are 17 boys schools and 5 girls schools while girls are also enrolled in two of the boys schools. These are all in close affiliation with the church and the children are being instructed in the christian religion.

The District now comprises 12 quartely conference circuits corresponding to the 12 tribes of Israel. The reports of the fourth Quartely conferences show 141 organized groups with quarterly conference officers with a number of out places where separate Sunday evening and midweek prayer services are held.

Owing to the shortness of the conference year there is a natural decrease in total contributions but there has been an actual increase of Yen 113.00 on preachers salaries. Total amount reported this
year for that purpose Yen 409.00. The cut in the General appropriations necessitated a cut of from Yen 5 to Yen 2 per month on six of the preachers which has nearly all been assumed by the churches several of whom were already supporting an assistant pastor. Yen 1583 for boys schools and Yen 259 for girls schools are reported.

New and serious conditions confront us in the work, political unrest and great changes in the social and industrial conditions of Korea are having their influence. New interests are beginning to find a place in the Korean mind and new enterprises are coming in.

The city of Suwon has the crude beginnings of cotton mills also a grist mill run with a gasoline engine. These items appear trivial to the American, they are big with promise to the Korean. From West to east improved new roads now stretch across the Suwon District greatly facilitating business enterprises, a spirit of materialism is growing, competition in business is beginning. Some of our most influential lay men are being affected and even carried away by the new enterprises.

As these outside influences increase our work calls for closer application, and increased efficiency and power in planning and administrating. This restlessness does not necessarily show an unhealthy condition, does it not rather show the stirring of a new life in which the whole east now partakes? The case is not discouraging but rather calls for greater wakefulness. God is testing and strengthening the church for larger conquests. Notwithstanding occasional deflections the body of our leaders are growing in experience and power. Our people are coming to know better our doctrines and discipline. Brother Son has been helpful in bringing about these conditions on the Suwon district and the good results of our Theological school and training classes in the increased efficiency of our preachers and leaders are more and more manifest. Although the total enrollment in Sunday Schools reported this year is 157 less than last year the efficiency in S.S. work is on the increase. Many more are taking the lesson leaves than when I
left the work 2 years ago. In some churches special classes for the
instruction of children have been established and in many homes
special instruction is given by the parents. In all our conferences we
emphasize the importance of family prayers and the number of
christian heads of families who observe this rule is steadily increasing.
On one circuit every family whose head was a christian reported
family prayers observed in the home. These are general signs of
encouragement.

In addition to these general facts at almost every fourth quartely
conference some special incident of encouragement which more than
offset the signs of discouragement was reported. I mention a few
typical examples. Among the reports of many backsliders reclaimed
was one of a man who for a number of years past had returned to
the old life of intemperance and sin. His little child whom he
greatly loved sickened and died, but out of this experience he was
led back into a life of prayer, regained his christian experience and
life and is now a zealous worker once more in his home church. A
whole church on the Eum Seung circuit which had been dead for
several years has had a resurrection. In another place a man of most
limited means has bought a house for a helper on his circuit, at
great personal sacrifice.

The Suwon circuit which has long lagged behind in self support
now takes its rank among the most forward on the district.

At the Fourth Quartely conference they reported contribu­
tions in bags of rice and rice flour, the latter being largely the
contributions of the women out of their daily meals, total amount
being valued at Yen 60.00. Besides this the money contributed
was larger than former years. The practise of tithing is steadily
growing. One young man at Maing Kol whose income was less
than 200 bags of rice gave to the Lord’s work 20, and in
another place a man whose income was less than 40 gave 4 to the
work of the Lord, while one boy who worked for his board and
clothes and one bag of rice per year, out of the price of his rice for
three years time gave Yen 15 for a church bell.
The spirit of revival still prevails in the churches and one has only to preach faithfully the fundamentals of our faith in order to produce a revival of the truly Weslyan type. My classes during the winter have been attended by the most powerful manifestations of the spirit of any I have witnessed in the work and as I have watched the men struggling out of their old lives up into a larger Christian liberty, Dr. Watts words have repeatedly recurred to me "Thy noblest wonders here we view. In souls renewed and sins forgiven."

And in looking into the enthusiastic faces of the men gathered in the conferences I have truly felt in my heart "The kingdom of God is among you."

At the fall Quartely Conference Old Bro. Son of Kai Moi Kol whom I baptized three years before, and who was now eighty seven years old walked 70 li, taking several days to make the trip, in order to see me once more, and when finally weary from the journey he arrived, his joy at seeing me again was greater than he could express in words. So too I feel that my joy in being back in the work again is greater than words can express and must be shown by deeds like his.

Report to the Pyeng Yang, West Pyeng Yang, and Yeng Byen District to the Annual Conference of 1912.

C. D. Morris, District Superintendent.

At the last Conference I was appointed Superintendent of Pyeng Yang and Yeng Byen Districts and the Missionary in charge of the West Pyeng Yang District. The short conference year has passed so rapidly that I feel that I have hardly more than touched the borders of the great work committed to my charge.

Pyeng Yang District:—On account of not living in Pyeng Yang I was unable to give as much attention to that important center as the work demanded. Nothing of great note has occurred, but as one enters the city several things arrest his attention. The splendid Sunday School section of the First church planned by Mr. Noble is
now completed. As far as we know there is nothing like it in all Korea. It supplies the best modern facilities for Sunday School work. Our beautiful girl's high school building is now ready for use. The home built for Mr. and Mrs. Rufus is almost ready for occupancy. Our boy's primary school remains where it was one year ago, waiting for the money that will enable the walls to rise on the foundations long waiting. We understand the money has been pledged, and may it quickly be forth-coming for the completion of this much needed building.

The Union College and Academy is having a good year, and a full report will be made by those who have it is charge.

The First church has been unfortunate, in that it has not had continued foreign supervision. Brother Rufus was appointed associate pastor, but did not get back from America until the fall. He did what he could until his coming to Seoul at the beginning of the year. Since then Mr. Becker, in addition to his other heavy duties, has taken general oversight. The other churches in the city report progress. These are cared for by Mr. Becker and Mr. Billings in addition to their school work and country circuits. The work across the river from Pyeng Yang known as Chil San circuit has had a good year. Mr. Becker since his return from furlough has spent almost every Sunday out among these churches and reports decided increase over last year both in membership and self-support. Mr. Becker reports as follows both for Chil San circuits and Drew Appenzeller Chapel:

Chil San Circuit! Total of seven churches with an average attendance of 933. 99 were baptized during the year, and self support more than doubled that of any previous year. Consequently the money received from the Mission has been reduced one half. There are seven primary schools with a total enrollment of 161. Three of the above schools are of the grammar grade, and they all teach the curriculum laid down by the Educational Senate. Children's Sunday Schools have been organized and in some of the churches fifty or more heathen children meet every Sunday.
Leaders and Stewards meeting has been held in each place once a month, and has greatly improved the discipline and organization of each church. A tithing society of about thirty members has been formed, and the growth of this spirit will soon put all the work of the circuit on a self supporting basis. Bible study classes of ten days each were held at each place and the spiritual condition never was better. The last three months has seen a wonderful advance along all lines.

Drew Appenzellar Chapel:—This little church has a total membership of 244, with an average attendance of about 200, which is nearly double that of last year. There were 34 baptisms. The self support of this church as doubled in the last two months, and at the present it entirely supports its preacher. There is a children's Sunday School at which about 250 children gather every Sabbath.

Since last Conference we have received back from the Presbyterian Mission the churches that formed our former Cheung Wha Circuit. Almost three years ago in our territorial division that section was given over by us, but later in the final adjustment it was found necessary to retransfer these churches back to us so as to equalize the agreement. They returned to us most gladly, and this we trust was the final adjustment of territorial division in Korea.

During November it was my privilege with Brother Billing's to visit all our churches in North Whang Hai Do. I had not visited that territory for almost seven years, and it was a real privilege to meet the old friends, and see how the work had grown during that time. Mr. Billings reports as follows:—North East Whang Hai Do Circuit.

This work is a mountainous region which includes five quarterly conference. Lack of forces has made it difficult to give this work much foreign oversight and so the results of the evangelistic campaigns of recent years were not as well conserved as they might have been. We felt the needs of this work so much that we withdrew from regular teaching work in the college for two
months in the fall and spent most of the time itinerating, visiting all most all places where there were any Christians, and in many instances making repeated visits. This work now reports 405 full members, 376 probationers, 632 inquirers. The people of Pai Mi Chang have given and worked nobly for a new church which will be finished this spring, and are now paying one half their preachers salary. Su An is still in the beginnings, as is also Sin Gai, but in a number of places the churches are growing, and a new boy’s school with 30 pupils has been opened at Han Turu.

Pong San has been doing finely in spite of the transfer of the magistracy to another point. They have supported a helper at eight yen a month since December first. There are also several exhorters and teachers who work every day without pay. They have the best boys school in all this work, with 50 pupils, and a girl’s schools with 20 pupils. In answer to the prayers of a leader at Saimil who went to church daily for five months to pray for new life in the church the attendance has increased from 25 to 43. Yang Dok Kol has been raising money, and will build a church in the spring.

So Hung has recently undertaken the support of one exhorter, and so the good work of self support is growing as it is systematically pushed.

Cheung Wha Circuit: Probably the last change in territorial division was made when we received again from the Presbyterians our old Chung Wha Circuit near Pyeng Yang. I travelled it in August, and made occasional visits later, but the burden of the work has fallen on exhorter Kim, who has gone out Sunday after Sunday while carrying sophomore work in college. He is working up class meetings, children’s Sunday schools, and self support. This circuit plans to support a new helper from March the first. There are on these circuits 12 boys schools, with 255 pupils, and five girls schools with 90 pupils.

Ku Kol, Pyeng Yang city: This church has grown in the past year until the little building is crowded having now 39
full members, 44 probationers, and 132 inquirers. On Sunday mornings 150 are often present, and Sunday evening, about 100. There are two good Sunday schools, one for adults and one for children. They are praying for a new building, and raise nine Yen a month for self support. There is no charge on mission funds as some of our young students do much of the work. A splendid spirit of unity and love make this a delightful little church to serve.

Last July we opened a new church at Yi Moon Kol and have now an average attendance of about 70 people, though there are many more if all the children in the Sunday school were counted. This is an outpost of what the Koreans consider the worst part of the city, but we believe that God will bless the work here as He has so signally done elsewhere.

Statistics of the Pyeng Yang District as a whole:

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Schools

- 20 Boy’s Primary Schools .......... 639 pupils
- 8 Girl’s ......................... 394

Total raised for all purposes .. ¥ 7,701

West Pyeng Yang District: The work on the West Pyeng Yang District will be reported in detail by the Superintendent Rev. Kim Chang Sik. Among the many things to be grateful for this year is the good news that the brethren at home have succeeded in raising all the money needed to build the long desired church in Chinnampo. After waiting in expectancy for many years this good news has filled us all with joy. To brother J. Z. Moore we owe a debt of gratitude; relative to his completing the sum needed by pledging $2,500.

Our church at Ham Chung suffered a great blow last summer.
After years of effort they had almost succeeded in completing a structure that was adequate to their needs. Unexpectedly something like a tornado struck the building before completion, and in a few moments the efforts of years lay on the ground. This has been a great blow, but the leaders have been heroic, and with a little help have temporarily fixed over an old building in which they have worshiped for the past few months. They must have help to aid them in erecting a modest church this year, and I have already written Brother Moore requesting that they raise a sum of money to encourage this brave congregation.

The shortness of the conference year, and numerous other duties have prevented me from giving Superintendent Kim all the help I had hoped. In fact the responsibility has almost entirely rested upon him. He has been a real leader to all the churches and has so handled his district that there has not arisen a serious problem this year.

Statistics for West Pyeng Yang district.

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Total following 4,569

Schools

- 32 Boy's Schools 899 pupils
- 12 Girl's 869

Total Contributions ¥ 6,514

Yeng Byen District: The city work has remained about the same. The basement of the church has been completed, which greatly adds to the usefulness of the building. Dr. Miller has enlarged his dispensary, and will report a large clinic. He also has had a biweekly clinic at Ko Sung, the seat of the Chosen Mining Co. By an arrangement satisfactory to all concerned, he cares for their work, and they show their appreciation in a most substantial way. Mrs. Miller has faithfully assisted in the evangelistic side of the
hospital, and the whole work has proven to be an evangelizing force. It has been our privilege to welcome Miss Shaffer and Miss Dillingham who have already entered upon their work with zeal, and we sincerely trust that they may have long careers of real usefulness in this northern field.

Miss Esty and Mrs. Morris have as here-to-fore carried on the work for the women. The most serious and sad event on the Yeng Byen district, and in fact our northern work, was the enforced retirement from the field, on account of serious illness, of Miss Ethel M. Estey. Her eleven years of work for Korea have been years of the rarest service. The whole northern church has felt the impress of her fertile brain and earnest spirit. From other reports you will learn of how the Koreans have shown their deep appreciation of her years of toil in their behalf. To Mrs. Morris and myself her going meant more than we can express, for she has worked with us during all her missionary career. Wise in counsel, loyal in friendship, untiring in work, tender in sympathy, with executive and teaching ability equalled by few and surpassed by none on the field, her leaving Korea has been an event of deep sadness to us. May it please God to quickly restore her to health and give her back to Korea.

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Special items: Dr. Follwell will report the medical work in Pyen Yang we are more than pleased that at last word has come that he is to have a fully equipped modern hospital. After seventeen
years of waiting patiently, and we trust rejoicing in hope, his heart is made glad with this good news.

Miss Robbins during the year carried a burden greater than any person should attempt. During the late fall she was laid aside by a very severe illness, and we thank God that she had again been restored to health and strength among us. Dr. Hall for a couple of months has been laid aside from the work and we earnestly hope that she may speedily recover her strength. Miss Hallman and Miss Bened'ct have been abundant in labors, and the former has returned to United States on a well earned furlough.

The Pyeng Yang station rejoices to have Mr. and Mrs. Wachs added to their forces, and we hope for them long and blessed careers in the evangelization of Korea.

The year on the whole has not been very satisfactory. Not only has the conference come several months earlier than usual, but many of our best Korean Pastors have had to spend three of their best working months away from their work in Theological School. The year has proven to be one of real sifting of our membership. But the church was never more vigorous and hopeful, and we pray that she may advance to greater victories in the future.

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**Hai-ju District.**

N. D. Chew, District Evangelist.

Hai-ju District has made good progress the past nine months. There has been no phenomenal growth but there has been a steady increase. Our figures will not equal those of last year in the total number of adherents but it is not a sign of retrogression. It is only the dropping off the dead material that should not have been counted before.

The people throughout Hai-ju District have experienced a period of hard times during the past year. Living prices have soared, while wages remained as they were consequently it has affected nearly everybody, not excluding the Missionaries.
Four of our preachers were graduated from the Theological School last December and these men will now be able to devote their whole time to their work. This helps very much to increase the efficiency of our preachers.

Our station was strengthened during the year by the arrival of Rev. and Mrs. Paul L. Grove who have come to Korea to enter the evangelistic work. Mr. and Mrs. Grove have already won our love and appreciation we wish for them many happy years of service in Korea.

Dr. W. A. Noble has been a source of great help to me in his advice and brotherly kindness. His visits throughout the district have been of great assistance in strengthening the work.

The Hai-ju city church is making good steady progress. The brethren have shown much spiritual fervor and have been faithful in their assistance to the pastor. We are still troubled with the same malady—a crowded house during preaching services. Our Hai-ju brethren are continuing their appeals for a new church building which is badly needed.

A year ago 1000 yen was promised by the brethren for a new church. Yi Yong Sun, the native pastor has been faithful and persevering in his work and much credit is due him for the fine spirit displayed by church.

The new hospital for Hai-ju is now to become a reality. Dr. Norton has been increasing his medical work so much that the new hospital will be a necessity if the work is to be kept up to the standard desired. The foreigners of the station appreciate his good service rendered them during the year.

The boys school in Hai-ju is in a flourishing condition with the exception of finances and teachers. The seven years course of study calls for four teachers and only two regular teachers are now employed. A very capable young man is at present teaching in the school without receiving any salary. He expects to leave the work just as soon as an opportunity arrives for his entering the evangelistic work. We need therefore two more teachers if our school is to continue to carry on the present courses of study.
While out itinerating last fall I witnessed a very pathetic scene. One day while approaching a village where we had a church, we were met by the boys' school, their teacher, a class leader and several others. A woman came walking across the fields toward us. She was dressed in very dirty clothes and her appearance showed that she was a very hard working woman. Upon approaching us she burst out into tears. I thought that was a very unusual way to come out to greet friends and upon inquiry learned that this poor woman's husband had died but just a month before and he had been a class leader in the church. She cried because our coming reminded her of former days when her husband used to go out to meet the visiting Missionary and she thought if he could only be alive he would be one of the number that had come out to meet us. A little while after this poor woman appeared in church with a little child tied upon her back. She had come out to worship with her christian brethren and the Missionary. Her face wore a pleasant smile for she was thinking of spiritual things and had forgotten for a time her sorrows.

A young woman in Wha San Ni was driven from home because she would not give up being a Christian. She did not lose courage but kept on believing and preached the Gospel to others. It meant a great deal for her to give up her home because she is from a wealthy family. I trust that it may not be long before her father and husband may be brought into the Christian life.

Immediately after District Conference held in January, Bible study classes were started in every center upon the District and much good has resulted from them. The Holy spirit so stirred the people in some of these classes that a great change for the better has resulted. In Ma-san Misses Snavely and Beiler report a revival. At one place on Kot Me circuit 17 men decided to give up the use of tobacco and apply the tobacco money to church work. They figured that it cost them 10 sen a month which makes 1.70 yen to go the church each month. There is one man upon this same circuit who has been paying 1 yen per month towards Missions for
the past seven months and he say he will keep up the payments until he dies.

Although hard times have been experienced by the people in Hai-ju District, yet over 5000 yen were raised by the native brethren to help carry on our work. Over 3000 yen went towards the educational fund and 282 yen were raised for Missions.

The Hai-ju city church is paying their pastors entire salary. Every circuit is helping some upon their preacher's salary. A group of five churches upon Yu Nan Circuit has offered 10 yen per month towards the salary of a preacher to give them his while time. One group upon Kang Yang Circuit that had gone to pieces a couple of years ago was recently revived and 31 persons are reported attending church again. Three new church buildings were acquired during the year and money has been raised for two more. There were 123 persons baptized during the past 9 months and 50 of these were children. We have 60 churches established and our total number of adherents is 3428. There are 10 preachers, 8 Bible women and 5 colporteurs travelling throughout the District.

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Seoul District.

W. A. Noble, District Superintendent.

The city of Seoul has for many years been the standard for the country work throughout the District, therefore its spirit of progress and vigor means much for all our work. Apropos this fact I would like to call attention of the Conference again to the relation of the several Churches to the city population. The Chong-dong Church is practically isolated except its relation to the two schools, much of the congregation is found outside the west wall of the city while the Sunday morning Church attendance is large it is difficult to collect a congregation for the ordinary evening services of the Church. Sang-dong is rapidly becoming separated from its people also. The Japanese population will soon crowd the Korean people across the city. This year, however, this is the banner Church of the city,
great credit is due the Pastor and his helpers in overcoming so well such great physical difficulties. In order to solve this problem we opened Church work at Chong-no in the heart of the city two years ago. We now have a following of over 300. The building is crowded and unfit for the work and utterly inadequate to meet the problem of our city work. The site is good, but we must have a new Church building capable of seating fifteen hundred people. Unless this is speedily done, we shall lose out in our efforts towards the evangelization of Seoul and the surrounding country. Under the inspiration of their excellent pastor and his friends the people propose to raise 3000.00 yen towards the project if the Mission will do the rest. The effort on their part is certainly heroic as the whole membership is new and untrained in the matter of giving. I regard this question of chief magnitude in connection with our evangelistic work during the coming year. The East Gate Church is well located in its relation to the city and the country. If the Chong-no Church is built we will have in these two Churches a powerful leverage for our work. Before the close of the Annual Conference we should meet with members of the Methodist Church South, and arrange a division of the city in order to avoid duplicating each others efforts.

Outside the west wall we have seven Churches besides prayer rooms. While direct attention from those appointed to them has been to their advantage, the city Churches have felt the loss of having the responsibility of their care. Nothing has built up the city Churches so fast as the responsibility of missionary work.

In November we opened a street chapel in Chong-no and the work of caring for it was participated in by all the Churches of the city. Cold weather and no stoves caused a suspension of the work. We have planned for the reopening of the chapel as soon as weather will allow. This is the first effort in this direction in the history of the Mission.

It has been a peculiar pleasure to serve as principal of the renowned Pai-Chai High School. After having helped in the cam-
paign of cleaning up the premises, my strenuous duties consisted—mainly in trying to get some one else to do the job. One of the most satisfactory arrangements of the year is the assumption of this job by Mr. Carl Rufus. He declined to bear the name of principal. So, while the name adorns me, he does the work, which is an arrangement wholly satisfactory to me of course. Mr. Rufus has taken hold of the educational problem here with a masterly hand which is earnest of a vastly better future for Pai Chai and all our educational work.

There are some points worthy of note in regard to this whole question of our future educational work.

Certain features of our word are basil to the whole missionary enterprise and we should consider them apart from questions that are merely prudential. There may be debates regarding the utility and economy of certain architectural designs in a house, but there can be no debate over the question of a solid foundation. An acceptable educational plant here in Seoul is the granite substructure of all our Church life in the central and southern part of the peninsula. Pertinent to this fact are the following observations.

(1) Seoul is the center of over 57,000 believers or about 72% of all our work in Korea, and Pai Chai is the institution to which we must look for the education of the young men of this constituency. It has been proven already that if we do not provide for our people by such an institution located in Seoul the Christians of this section will send their sons not to some distant Christian school but will send them to local non-Christian schools.

(2) A well equipped High School here is necessary to the preparation of the young men for the ministry, not only so but the inspiration to enter the service of the Church depends upon this institution. That this is a part of the work of Pai Chai is proven by the fact that seven of the graduates of last year entered the Theological Seminary. It must therefore be of the character to compell respect even though in the effort to raise the standard it costs the Mission large sacrifice.
(3) It should be born in mind that the work of Pal Chai is not alone for Seoul, but must offer an education to 72% of all the youth of our Church in Korea. From this institution must come the learning and inspiration to evangelize two and a half millions of three millions who are our portion of the population of Korea.

The same facts and more urge upon us to develop our work for higher education and this can only be done by union with our sister missions. Large sums of money are in the hands of friends for this purpose if we can make good—but; will be denied us if we can not show that we are capable of handling the situation.

There are 46 day schools on this section of our work at center in Seoul with 1697 pupils and the Church contributed Y7263.00 during six months of this physical year. These schools are a bulwark to the life of the Church. While we may not be able to push the day school work to our satisfaction as it now is, I believe we should see to it that there is erected one good school building in every county and so equipped and conducted as not only to meet the requirments of the government but command the appreciation of the people. The character of our evangelistic work is rapidly changing and we must not neglect this great source of advantage.

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**Won-Ju District.**

There are 12 countries in this territory and nearly 400,000 people. We have 2860 Church attendants who are scattered over the whole section. There 34 Churches and 54 groups who gather for worship in other buildings than Churches making a total of 88. It requires a journey of over 2000 li and a period of 45 days to visit the work once. There are 2 ordained preachers, four local preachers and 6 exhorters to do this work. There are no Bible women on the District. About 600 were taught in Bible classes during the winter. We have only one Church school on the District. There are about 40,000 children of school age in this territory. There are 7 government schools and 4 private schools organized with about
800 pupils. That means there are nearly 40,000 children without school privilege at all. On the island called Ul-nung-do about 100 miles from the coast we have one Church and three other groups of Christians, a total number of 157.

Brother Pak the District Superintendent has done excellent work. He has pushed forward self support with great care. At Yo-ju the people have asked for a pastor a promising to pay ¥15.00 a month for his salary. In Ul-chin also they have agreed to pay ¥10.00 a month towards a pastor's salary.

The erection of a house for Dr. Anderson has been placed in the hands of a contractor. Before the end of the year the house will be completed and I trust through the generous efforts of the Chicago Sweedish Conference the hospital will be under way. The home for the workers of the Womans Missionary Society should be erected at the same expense.

Hai-Ju District.

W A. Noble, District Superintendent.

The report of this District covers only a period of about seven months. Two months of that time was the rainy season. During three months of the fall season the Korean Pastors were attending the Theological Seminary in Seoul so that the District received only about two months of pastoral care before the reports were made out. This fact has had considerable to do with the status of the work at this time. Nearly all these men have graduated and in the future the work will not be embarrassed by their absence during a long period of each year.

Paik-chun has completed the new Church with the help of ¥170.00 from Friends in America. This is one of the very few Churches in our Korean work that has received outside aid. The boys and girls schools have both been enlarged, practically reconstructed, and the people have in some cases nearly impoverished themselves in the effort to raise the money necessary to complete the buildings.

A young woman came to the Church with a small bundle in
her hand and presented it to the pastor the Church building. It proved to be a string of old Korean cash worth now about 40 sen. She said that it was an inheritance from her mother and she had long hidden it away that others might not deprive her of the precious possession. Now she would give it to the Church and be at peace.

At the District Conference held in Yen-an the members were exhorted to support Korean Missionary Society and in a few moments they had obligated themselves to the amount of ¥150.co. Some of the women pulled off their wedding rings and presented them with silver head adornments to the cause. The old time spirit of selfsacrifice still obtains on the Hai-ju District.

The need of financing the schools still gives us grave concern. There should be salaries for two teachers in Hai-ju at ¥20 a month each. One teacher added to Yen-an and one to Paik-chyen. We shall have to organize a school out on the Kang-yen Circuit.

Of the needs of a new Church in Hai-ju much can be said and I anticipate that Brothers Chew and Grove will say much. The appeal I will leave to them. I do not think there is a need greater in the Mission than the building of this Church.

Dr. Norton sees his new hospital building through a glass darkly, but I believe before the year is past he will behold it rising on the hill overlooking the city of Hai-ju. On glancing at the records of the year there will be the impression that there has been a falling off during the year but the fact is that there has been a revision of the Church records on the Kang-yeng Circuit. It should have been done last year and the year before.

Pastoral care is the great need on the District. There have been months during the last year when the only care possible to give the Churches was the service of the class leaders. Now that Brother Grove is there to help Brother Chew carry the load the coming year will have a better record.

The work of the memcr of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society on this District as well as both Seoul and Won-ju deserves the
deepest appreciation of the Mission. It is much to their praise that the proportion of women in many of the congregations greatly exceed that of the men.

**General Statement.**

There have been erected, during the six and seven months covered by this report, 11 Churches costing ¥4,484.00. Total number of Churches on this section of our work 184 and 66 other places of worship.

There are 89 organized Sunday Schools with 11,080 pupils. Nearly all our Church following gather each Sabbath for Bible Study and in most cases use the Sunday sheet for study, but many of these study classes are not organized and graded so are not graded as Sunday Schools. Some missions do report such classes as Sunday Schools.

There are 12 ordained Pastors, 46 Local Preachers, and 65 Exhorters on this work.

On the three Districts are 224 Churches and 31 organized Quarterly Conferences.

Hundreds of our people have left their homes and moved over the Yalu river into Chinese territory during the last few months. From our Churches in Pyeng-hai alone over 300 sold their homes and moved into Manchuria. “Westward ho” has been the cry of the Koreans this last year, yet they have moved so quietly that we hardly knew it till they were gone.

The result has considerably effected our statistics.

While I was in attendance on the Central Conference if China in Foochow. Brother S. A. Beck consented to hold the island Quarterly Conferences. In many ways he has come to our help in time of need during the past year.

We are deeply grateful to the Mission authorities at home for sending us Mr. and Mrs. Grove, Miss Pye, Miss Harmon Miss Walter and Miss Anderson, also Mrs. Deming and the children, and glad are we to welcome back from furlough Mr. Deming and Mr. Burdick. We glance across the borders of other Districts and
with equal warmth of spirit welcome Mr. and Mrs. Weller, Mr. and Mrs. Watchs and Miss Dillingham.

I am almost persuaded that he who assumes the duties of building for the Mission had better stick strictly to that business: I also have the impression that he who obligates himself in relation to 75 day schools ought to stand by that particular calling. I have a suspicion, judging by the letters that follow me about the country, that the school authorities opinion is something of the same sort: It has occurred to me further that the arrangement of study courses and the organizing for the training of class leaders and teachers for twenty-three thousand people is a man's work: It has dawned upon me also that the oversight and development of 80 or 90 Sunday Schools with the care of as many Bible Classes is something more than the employment of ones recreation hours: I have some times thought during the past few years that perhaps my Professors of a long past had a bit of the truth when they insisted that the business of a preacher is to prepare sermons and preach and pay strict attention to that business.

How much of these I have done now well I have been able to perform them I am not in a position to judge. I lay them down at this Conference with a singular feeling of regret and sadness. In the natures of the case they can not be the same though I should return to them, so they are with me last things. Then too, as I look ahead into the coming year I see problems immeasurably great, so great that one can not blame men from shrinking from them, I would gladly carry a portion of the load that other must bear.

While the past with its few triumphs and its failures are all sealed in the silence of eternity and beyond remedy there is a restful assurance in leaving the future with Him who does not depend on the weakness and the foolishness of men, nor is ever appalled at difficulties and toil, and whose promise is that his Kingdom shall come in the hearts of men,
MEDICAL REPORTS.

Pyeng Yang Medical Report.
March 1, 1911 to February 29, 1912.

E. Douglas Follwell.

The past year has been one of thankfulness to God for blessings manifold. Since we opened the dispensary fifteen years ago the advance in our work has been a steady one, and it may interest you to know that during that time one hundred and twenty five thousand visits have been made to us and help given. We have had a year free from special danger and no cases of cholera or plague have visited our shores. There was quite an epidemic of small-pox last spring, and lately we have been passing through one of measles among the Korean children, but we rejoice that our fellow missionaries and dear children have been graciously spared from severe illness, and protected from harm and danger through the watchful care of our Heavenly Father. We are thankful that to all of us has been granted a measure of health and strength enabling us to help in the advancement of the Kingdom of God in this land.

It was one of the sorrows of my life in Korea when I felt compelled last June to part from our first assistant who had been with us thirteen years. Since then all the burden of the work has been carried alone. We were fortunate a month ago in securing Doctor Choi Syeng Koo as our hospital first assistant. He is a young man of sterling character with a sweetness and gentleness of spirit, the influence of which is already felt in our midst. Doctor Choi is a Methodist, educated in our schools. He then studied Japanese in the government school, and after graduation entered the government medical college in Pyeng Yang, now disbanded, where he received his license to practice medicine. Since his graduation a year ago he has been associated with the Government hospital, and
much respected and trusted by the authorities in charge, but he felt he would prefer joining himself to our Christian hospital and be surrounded by Christian influence, even though it meant a salary of ten yen less a month with us that he was receiving, to keeping his former position.

Mention should also be made of the faithful work of our second assistant Mr. Saw. Indeed, without him we could not possibly have accomplished what has been done.

Choi Myeng Ho, our dispensary evangelist, has been faithful and zealous in exhorting our patients at every opportunity and presenting the truths of the Gospel at every convenient season. Last month Myeng Ho made a trip to Chinnampo, and on his way visited the home of Kim Won Tin, an interesting case mentioned in last year's report. He found the old man still faithfull to his Lord. His wife had died last summer trusting in her Saviour and was accorded a Christian burial. The old man's acquaintances, although not Christians, told Myeng Ho that he had not once turned back nor missed attending the House of God, nearly ten li distant, excepting on very cold or rainy days. These men testified to Kim Won Tin's having entirely abandoned his old life of drinking and gambling. After his wife died his two daughters wanted him to live with them, but this the old man refused to do because they were not Christians, but he has a daughter who is a Christian living in Pyeng Yang and he has decided to come this spring and live in her home for the rest of his days. Thank God for His keeping power from sin.

Morning prayers at the dispensary have been times of spiritual strength as well as a means of binding our hearts together in sympathy and love during the work of the day.

Patients are seen daily, except Sunday, from early morning until late afternoon. They come and go, the halt and the lame, the blind and helpless, the outcast, old people and little children. To us is given the blessed opportunity of impressing upon they memory the image of the Master; but how often we stamp out the happy
greeting from the faces of our patients by our own lack of sympathy! Wherever Jesus went He dispelled gloom and brought joy, peace and blessing to the household that He entered. He stretched out His hand and lifted up the sick, fallen and oppressed. We cannot always cure our patients, but we can have the loving heart and tender hand of the Master. Though needy ones pressed our Lord daily He did not say 'I am tired but went forth to give them aid. He was ever willing to spend and be spent in helping others. No patients ever feared to gaze into our great Physician's face, and He was interested in every one. As we look into the faces of our patients do we look with sympathy? Do we realize their physical needs and spiritual hunger, and are we able to satisfy the desires of their longing hearts? Jesus had compassion on those He met and healed their sick. Those we meet day by day rarely have a kind word spoken to them; they are waiting for a word of comfort from us, but what opportunities we lose because we fail to give the touch of sympathy and love. Let us take time to listen to what our patients want to tell us. Sympathy, kindness, and helpfulness are absolutely imperative if we would be remembered by them, and if we fail to give these to our patients we have no place in Korea. We come in contact with many sufferers for whom little can be done in reliving physical needs, but we can lighten the burden of their hearts by little acts of kindness. We had a case illustrating this in a marked degree at the Woman's Hospital last spring while I was in charge during Doctor Hall's absence on furlough. The patient was a little eleven year old girl suffering from tuberculosis. Her sister was blind, and her mother was also suffering from the same disease as herself. Her father was dead. The child had been a patient several times before, and he heard one morning she was very ill and had expressed a wish to die in the hospital. We could at least make her last days comfortable, and her helplessness appealed to us so she was admitted. Though the child suffered much, she was very patient and longed to have someone sit beside her, hold her hand, and look into her eyes. Our Nurse Hallman did this by the
hour till the face was calm and the eyes closed in sleep. The doctor visited the sick one daily, the feelings of his heart not enabling him to speak much but only to take the wasted hand in his own and sit silently by her, and so, day by day until the end came, the little sufferer was made happy by the knowledge that she was not forgotten.

One day last summer I was called to see a young man far gone in consumption. He was very frail and weak, only able to speak in a whisper, and the vision of the heavenly kingdom was not far away. Sitting by his bedside and looking into his face, I asked “Is it peace?” “Ah! yes,” said he, “all is at peace.” The minutes passed by, and after a little while my friend whispered, “Hold my hand tightly, through God’s grace you have come to see me and I am so thankful.” So we sat until over the face of the weary one came rest. But time passed, other cases called, and we bade each other farewell, praying the grace of God to be with the sick one till our next meeting, but that meeting never came, for he went home three days later to dwell with the Lord he loved and served.

One night I received a hurried call from a woman who, the messenger said, was in great pain and danger. Together we went to the house, and on our way my companion said, “You know we look to you in times of great trouble. We trust you because what you tell us we believe to be true, and if you can’t help us who else can?” We were glad to be able to help our patient out of danger to a place of safety, thereby earning the gratitude of the whole family.

I very much regret that during the past year only one hundred and seventy-eight out-calls were answered. Last year they numbered seven hundred and twenty, but the absence of our first assistant necessitated closer attention at the daily clinic, and it was impossible to answer all the calls made upon us.

In our two small Korean wards forty-three patients have been cared for, but we have had at least three times that number who should have been in—patients if suitable provision had been available for them.
One of our in-patients was a man, a carpenter by trade, who came with gangrene of the big toe. Amputation was advised and agreed to, but a few days later the disease spread further and it was proposed to amputate the foot, but this our patient would not agree to until some days had elapsed and he was persuaded he might lose his life unless the operation was undertaken. Finally we were told to do whatever we thought best, he and his wife saying to us. "We both trust you you." The man was discharged cured, and both he and his wife had their hearts turned to serve our Lord. We also had two very interesting cases of cataract. One, a woman who was quite blind, came from Kang Saw, seventy li distant. The operation was successful and I wish you could have seen the patience and gentleness exhibited by that dear old woman. She had only one thing in mind—to see—and went home rejoicing in heart and thankful for the great gift received.

The other case was an old man aged sixty-four who had been totally blind for several years. He came a distance of one hundred li and was led all the way from his home by his younger brother. Our friend had little money, but we admitted him, and after preparing him for the operation for a week beforehand we successfully removed both cataracts at one sitting. The after results were all one could wish for, and three weeks later the old man returned to his home seeing with physical and spiritual eyes. It was a real joy to us to hear our friend tell us he could see our faces.

The wife of our class leader at Sam Wha came to us last summer complaining of severe pains and a lump in her abdomen. Laparotomy was performed and a mass of scar tissue was found in the internal abdominal wall, from which were extracted three copper needles. The wound was closed and the patient made a good recovery. She told us that three years previously she had been to a Korean doctor for relief from indigestion and he had inserted the needles to cure the trouble. It would never do, the patient added, to pull them all out because the wind would enter the abdomen and serious results follow.
One case, a boy eighteen years old, came to the dispensary with an opacity of the cornea that he was anxious to have removed and the eye made the same color as the other one. He naively told us the reason he was so concerned was that he was unable to get a wife with one of his eyes white and the other black. Girls are getting particular you know, and the 'go between on looking him over objected to the white of his eye, and said the girl she had in mind wanted two black orbits to gaze into. We were glad to be able to help one more poor unfortunate and sent him home happy. These ideas are not confined to the boys alone, for we have even been visited by shy Korean maidens asking to be made handsome in order that one of the three great events in every girl's life might come to pass.

There is still much for us to do in the matter of education along medical and hygienic lines. We all realize the immense amount of good now being accomplished in the United States through educating the masses of the population in the laws of health. Much more important is it for us as Christian physicians to be leaders and teachers as well as healers. The ignorant and superstitious practices common among the people are not confined simply to non-Christians, but are even found among our oldest church members. One woman who has been closely associated with us for years came to us with an acute inflammation of the middle ear. She had suffered much pain for three days previously, and although she had eaten lots of fat pork was unimproved!

Another woman came to the clinic with abdominal ascites, and although the blind sorcerer had been called to her house to drive the 'devil' out of her abdomen the ascites remained. The payment of one yen removed in fifteen minutes what fifteen yen had failed to do in three days.

A man came with a large ulceration resulting from the application of caustic potash by a Korean doctor for the cure of some trifling lesion.

A woman brought her three months old girl baby with the
right eye destroyed as the result of an acute infection. The Korean
doctor had told the mother he could cure the affection by inserting
the ‘chim’ (needle) into the eye. He did so, and as a result the
child will go through life with but one eye.

One of the most interesting dispensary cases was a man named
Pak Pyeng Chik. He was under treatment for some weeks, and
upon his return to his home at Chinnampo promised to live a
Christian life. He had been a very wicked man, was formerly a
soldier of some rank in Seoul, and, coming to Chinnampo, indulged
in all kinds of sin, but the power of the Gospel saved him and is
keeping him steadfast, and enabling him to live a consistent, earnest
Christian life.

We again extend our thanks to Mrs. Gray and Miss Wilson for
their continued kindness in supplying one hundred and eighty yen
to pay the salary of Choi Myeng Ho during the past year. We
remember too our dear friend Walter Taylor in his gift of nineteen
gen, forty sen, and also appreciate Miss Wood’s gift of one hundred
gen; also fifty yen from the Epworth League of Princeton, Indiana,
Methodist Church. To all these kind friends we extend our
greetings.

We record especially the many kindness of our Doctor Miller
of Yeng Byen who has been a friend in need to us making several
special trips to Pyeng Yang to assist in severe operations. The
cheerful, willing spirit exhibited by our friend has endeared him
much to our hearts.

It has been a great privilege to have had Doctor G. M. Wells
of Portland, U.S.A., father of Doctor Hunter Wells of the Presby-
terian mission, in our midst for the past nine months. The memory
of his gentle, kindly spirit, as well as the helpfulness and sympathy
manifested to us all in so many ways will linger in our minds all our
lives. We pray for him safe journeyings to his home, and that the
remaining years of his life may be years of great blessing to all who
know him.

To Doctor Hunter Wells we extend greetings and many thanks
for assistance given in our work and visits made to some of our missionaries while their own physician was unavoidably absent in Seoul teaching in the Severance medical school.

And we would not forget Nurse Hallman of the Woman's Hospital; her true Christian help has been given so generously many times during the past year. We part from her as she leaves us for happier climes with real sorrow, for she has endeared herself to all during her five years of service in Pyeng Yang.

As I lay down the work so near to my heart for the past sixteen years to take my second furlough, I do so with mingled feelings of joy, sorrow, and pain. Joy, as I look over the past and remember the loving expressions of gratitude on the part of so many who have been helped through our feeble efforts; joy, as I have seen some turned to believe in our Great Physician Jesus; joy, to have seen hearts troubled and heavy laden made peaceful and happy; joy, in the knowledge of having been made a channel to exhibit the helpful spirit; in the privilege of having worked among a people so responsive to kindness, sympathy, and the call of God's voice, and realize the opportunities for presenting the true life of the Master. Sorrow, that I have fallen so far short of being the ideal Christian physician, that I have lost so many opportunities to witness by word and deed for the Master, and that I have made so many mistakes. Pain as I look into the future, and realize that inevitable parting from those dearer to me than life that must come to every foreign missionary; but thank God that through our joy, and sorrow, and pain we are enabled to look up into His face with confidence, knowing our Heavenly Father will never cause His child a needless tear because He doeth all things well.

"If I can stop one heart from breaking,
If I can ease one heart the aching,
Or cool one pain
I shall not live in vain."
KOREA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Statistics.

Dispensary new patients ....................... 6,486
Registered returns ............................ 3,709
Out-calls .................................. 178
Total number of treatments .............. 10,273

The dispensary cases are classified as follows:

Surgery .................................. 2,931
Intestinal diseases .......................... 1,725
Skin diseases ................................ 1,076
Ear diseases ................................ 1,042
Fevers and general diseases .............. 804
Genito urinary diseases ................... 827
Eye diseases ................................ 821
Respiratory diseases ...................... 484
Teeth extracted ............................ 353
Lenses fitted ............................... 95
Vaccinations ............................... 37
Out-calls .................................. 178
Total ..................................... 10,373
Hospital patients ......................... 43
Operations .................................. 118

Receipts.

Fees from patients .......................... ¥1,473.00
Appropriations from the Board .......... 950.00
Mr. W. Taylor ................................ 19.40
Mrs. Gray and Miss Wilson .............. 180.00
Miss Wood .................................. 100.00
Epworth League M. E. Church { 
Princeton, Ind. U.S.A. } .............. 50.00
2,772.40
Deficit January 1, 1912 ..................... 121.50
Total ..................................... ¥2,803.90
**Expenses.**

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Balance in hand January 1, 1911 ............. **¥74.70**

Total .................................. **¥2,803.90**

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**Kongju Medical Report.**

J. D. Van Buskirk, M.D.

Very little of special interest to report has occurred in our little dispensary during the past nine months. The number of cases treated is greater proportionately than in the corresponding months of last year. For several months past our average has been over 15 a day, all this is quite gratifying when we consider that the Government hospital has a staff and equipment we can not compete with. To put it in a word a hospital must be built in Kongju soon or we must close up and end the unfavorable comparison medically and give the time and energy to the work the government hospital can not do—give them the field of medicine where we can not compete creditably and devote our time to more direct evangelistic work.

Since I last reported to this body, a fine site has been leveled off ready to put a hospital on it, at a cost of about yen 175.83. But since the floor in our dispensary had to be repaired, we decided to do more and built a shed-roofed room out from one end for a fire-room, store-room, etc.—increasing our dispensary room considerably. We now have a waiting-room with curtains between men and women, and two rooms totaling 5 and 14 for dispensary work—but it is better than before, and whole cost was only yen 48.45.
There is a fine field for a hospital in Kongju, there is much surgery to be done and no place to do it; a small hospital will have all it needs and one physician will have his hands full with a fair dispensary work and hospital work. It is needful for the best interests of the church that a hospital be had. And there are pretty good prospects for its realization: Kansas City is working hard for a new Methodist Hospital and is not content with putting up a $200,000.00 hospital there and not have a hospital in Kongju; they propose to build a "Bethony Methodist Hospital's Foreign Extension" in Kongju. Without active canvass $2,000.00 is pledged and an active canvass is to be made in April by a strong committee of preachers and laymen. When Kansas City sets herself to raise $10,000.00 it comes—God grant that this be no exception to that rule!

I am not going to take time to repeat any stories of the work; only to say that much good has been done, lives have been saved and souls led to the living God.

During this year we get no appropriation from the board, we shall get along on balances and gifts from our friends.

I add a statistical statement for the nine months from June 1, 1911 to Feb. 29, 1912:—

**Finances,**

**Incomes.**

- Balance on hand June 1, 1911 ............... ¥ 348.63
- Balance 1911 appropriations ................... 47.76
- Special Gifts ...................................... 85.00
- Local receipts ..................................... 194.30

Total income ....................................... ¥ 675.69

**Disbursements.**

- Drugs and optical goods ....................... 133.92
- Running expenses (not counting salaries)... 51.58
- Grading site ....................................... 175.83
Repairs and enlarging ...................................... 48.45
Deficit on salary evangelist ............................... 60.00
Balance on hand Feb. 29, 1912 ..................... 205.91

\[ ¥ 675.69 \]

**MEDICAL WORK.**

Total new cases ........................................ 692
" returns .............................................. 2,394
" out calls ........................................... 35
" glasses fitted ........................................ 30

Total treatments ....................................... 3,151
Per cent of men and boys ............................... 60%
" women and girls ...................................... 40%

Number decisions to believe ......................... 47
" enrolled in Kongju church ....................... 13
" union operations .................................. 51

**Haiju Medical Report.**

**JUNE 1, 1911, TO MARCH 1, 1912.**

A. H. NORTON, M.D.

Our work for the past 9 months has shown a fair growth. As compare with the first 7 months of our work in Haiju, the increase in attendance has been a little over 40%, the average monthly attendance being 590. During the summer we made some repairs and improvements on our Dispensary which have added greatly both to its appearance and convenience. We now have four rooms available for patients, one for Bible woman, and one for a helper.

The Dispensary has been open every day except Sundays and Christmas to receive new patients and on these days to care for those under treatment. I am glad to record the faithful and painstaking work of my helpers who during my absence have usually done much better than I had any reason to think they could. Though having had but a little over a year of training, their ability to care
for the commoner cases has often surprised me. Even the gateman is able to administer chloroform in a creditable manner and takes his turn with the others.

We have had the usual run of interesting cases as well as many that were not so interesting. I think about all the diseases that ever afflict the human eye have come under our care the past year. One old lady from whose eye a cataract was removed so spread our reputation that many from her neighbourhood came in to have corneal opacities "scratched off," and our inability to do this somewhat clouded our fame I fear. However the sublime faith which is often shown is encouraging though hard to live up to. One fellow who in a quarrel with a companion had the end of his nose bitten clean off, came saying that no matter what it cost he wanted his nose made perfect again. We did the best we could for him and so did Nature and when healing was complete he wasn't so very badly disfigured.

The problem of caring for our charity work is rapidly becoming acute. The percentage of those who can not pay even a nominal sum for their medicine or treatment seems to be constantly on the increase, as is also the number of those who require hospital care but have neither money nor friends. Our reduced income from the Board makes it practically impossible to take them in, and yet how can we turn them away and maintain our reputation as a charitable institution and vindicate our claim to being followers of Him who "went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed of the Devil?" And how can we improve our opportunity to preach the Good News to the poor if we thus turn them away? We are hoping that some friends in America to whom we have appealed will relieve us of the necessity of turning them away. During the past nine months we have been able to collect but about 75% of the amount charged for medicine, and besides this we have cared for 30 charity patients in the hospital at a cost of ¥158.24 for their food and fuel.

Our new Hospital begins to seem more like a reality than ever before and we hope that it may be begun this spring, but fear that
the funds will come to hand too late to complete it this season. The plans are ready and have been submitted to the contractor.

Aside from our medical work, we have conducted the Sunday morning class for the helpers and patients at the dispensary, and as assistant pastor of the local church, have performed such duties as have devolved upon us in Mr. Chew's absence. We have made several trips on Sundays to the nearby groups, administering baptism and receiving on probation such as were ready, and we trust strengthening the whole group.

Our Friday evenings have been spent teaching English to a group of young men in the church.

In August and again in December, we taught Physiology and Hygiene in the men's classes, which were also attended by about an equal number of women.

Just before coming to Conference, I made a 6 days trip through the west end of Haiju District with Mr. Chew, stopping at the principal points. Though I arrived unexpectedly at two, of the four places where I stopped, I saw and prescribed for 114 patients. I believe that this is an efficient way of increasing our work and influence and if time will permit, I plan to do more of it the coming year. Of course only the minor ailments can be treated in this hurried way but we will be able to induce many to come to the hospital who would otherwise go without treatment. Not only so, it affords a fine opportunity to speak a few words for Him.

Our station has been greatly strengthened by the arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Grove whom we were privileged to welcome to Haiju early last fall. Their presence and council has already proved a great encouragement and help to us all.

Though not materially increasing our present working force, little Miss Elizabeth Mary Chew, who arrived Feb. 4th, adds greatly to our potential strength. Her conduct up to date has been exemplary and we feel that she is in every way a worthy member of the Mission.

Our Hospital Evangelist has been faithful in his work. He
conducts a short chapel service every day just before the opening of the clinic and records 88 new believers. This is not as large a number as we have sometimes reported, and I think the reason lies at least in part in the fact that we do not include in the list all who say they will believe but only those who appear to be really in earnest and to understand the step they are taking. Up until August he preached every Sunday to a group at Tong Sukugi. At this time the house in which the meetings had been held was burned and the leader was compelled to move away, and being fishermen of of irregular habits the little group was soon dispersed. After this he began work in another neighboring village and has met with good success, there now being 32 believers in the place.

Our statistics for the last 9 months are as follows:

Number of new patients .................................. 1610

,, ,, returns .................................................. 3705

,, ,, outcalls by self ........................................ 35

,, ,, assistant ................................................. 59

Total number of treatments, (including 114 seen on itinerary) .......................................................... 5523

Number of in-patients ........................................ 63

,, ,, visitors ................................................... 1731

,, ,, charity in-patients ...................................... 30

,, ,, ,, out-patients ............................................. —

,, ,, operations (general anaesthetic) ...................... 29

,, ,, ,, (local ,, ) ............................................ 74

,, ,, new believers ........................................... 88

Percentage of males treated ................................. 63%.

,, ,, females ,, ............................................... 73%.

Receipts from patients ........................................ ¥ 574.02

We acknowledge with thanks the following gifts:

Dr. H. C. Chamberlain, of Buffalo, has repeated his gift of ¥120.00 for the support of our Hospital Evangelist.

The First Church, of York Neb., has sent us ¥100.00 for the support of a Bible woman in the hospital.
Brothers S. A. Beck and V. H. Wachs each gave us ¥5.00.

Friends in Sunnyside, Wash. are sending us the support of a school boy, as is also my sister Miss Lucy S. Norton, of Bellingham, Wash.

Full acknowledgement of the gifts for the new hospital cannot be made at this time as the data are not all at hand, but will be made later.

Considerable time has been spent in the preparation of lectures for the work in the Medical College one period of nine lectures having been given. The work cannot be continued this year as the school has suspended work until next October. At that time I hope to resume the work.

In many ways the results of the past year have fallen short of our hopes and ideals, but we believe that the encouragements for outweigh the discouragements and we look forward with trust to the coming year, believing that it will better than any we have thus far seen.

Medical Report of Yeng Byen Hospital, Yeng Byen, Korea, 1911.

I. M. Miller.

The Hospital work grows in interest day by day bringing to us surprises and unheard or happenings, to say nothing of the many opportunities of speaking a word here and there for Him, and the many occasions for rejoicing over the souls being born again.

Last Summer and Fall was spent in building additional rooms for patients, until we can now accommodate 17 in-patients. The building was only put up for temporary use, as we hoped in the near future to have a new Hospital with sufficient capacity. However news has come from home that no money is forth coming. We have up to this time raised $1,500.00 which was given with the understanding that it would be used over and above the $7,500.00
asked for in the appropriation, in order that we may have a plant equal to our needs.

Our work is rapidly increasing. The greater the demands, the better we must be prepared to handle the situation. At the present we are getting patients from 3 mines and soon we understand there is to be a 4th started within 6 miles of Yeng Byen. This will put the Hospital on a self supporting basis, providing we can give the class of treatment they demand otherwise, it will be supplied by the starting of a non-Christian Hospital, and thereby we will miss the opportunity of coming in touch with an additional 10,000 to 20,000 souls each year.

We feel it is not the major portion of our work, to cut off limbs, do cataract, operations, operate on abdominal tumors or pull teeth, but to spread the Gospel. We look to the time when we can do this ourselves and not have to depend upon Bible-women and evangelists, for we do feel at times that they have a far greater work than ours. We have been trying to get the support for a man to travel in the country and distribute tracts, but thus far we have failed, probably because it was not the Lord's plan. Instead, the tracts have been supplied, the Bible-women and Evangelist have distributed about as they travel from village to village.

Often a person will walk in from a distance of 100 miles or over, to be operated on, or cured of some severe sickness, coming without a cent for food and be compelled to remain from a few days to as long as over 4 months. We cannot turn these people away, so are compelled to use money appropriated for other purposes, that they may remain and be cured. At present we only have one free bed which is supplied by Miss Putterbaugh of North Yakima, Wash. (at $5.00 per mo.) while just at this time we could use five others.

A woman came bringing her married daughter, who also brought her daughter strapped on her back, walking for 75 miles, that daughter no. I might be operated on. They came as very ignorant people, who had just heard the Gospel message in their far off isolated village, at the same time heard of the Foreign doctor.
When they came I asked if they had funds enough for their food and fire wood; at this they were very much surprised, for they thought food, medicine and all was as free to those who were Believers, as the Gospel itself. However we let them feel that anything we had was none too good for them. After the operation the daughter gained rapidly, returning home cured, but not that only, for they were both well grounded in The Truth having come in daily touch with the Bible-women.

A young man came in one afternoon, after having walked 25 miles, with a castor oil bean in his ear, having been prescribed by a Korean doctor, as a sure cure for keeping the wind from entering his brain. After he was satisfied that it had completed its work, and failing, to extract it called again the noted Korean doctor, who after working at internals for 4 days, also gave up; then there was nothing left to do but try the Foreign Doctor and see if he would not have some medicine which would make it come out. One can hardly imagine the state of inflammation and, swelling. After several unsuccessful attempts, we put some hot shoemaker's wax on a small stick and let it adhere to the bean; the rest of the procedure was comparatively easy. After seeing the bean was really out, he was over-joyed, and said he must hurry home to tell father. Words could not express his gratefulness and finally it occurred to him that we should be paid for the wonderful operation and inquired what the charges were. Since he was so happy and grateful, I told him he might make the Hospital a present, according as he felt led. This he thought an excellent idea, opening his money bag with quite an air, produced, 10 sen handing it to me as though it were $100, expressing his thanks again and again started home on the run, leaving us bewildered as to how we could best use the money.

Branch Dispensary Work.

October 1st we opened a branch dispensary at San Sung Kol (Ko Sung), 12 miles from Yeng Byen. Since that time I have made
weekly trips each Wed. and sent an Assist. Saturdays. At first there were only a few patients but now since they know when to expect us we have from 10 to 15 each time.

We have personally started the Evangelistic work here ourselves, sending the Hosp. evangelist 4 days each week; preaching Sundays and holding Wed. night prayer-meetings, besides preaching to those who come for medicine on clinic days. In the beginning one Christian woman moved there, otherwise all were heathen, now one additional Christian family has moved in, and he reports the average attendance at the meetings on Sundays and Wednesdays 25. Twenty of whom have become Christians, and after careful examination 8 have proven faithful for some time and been permitted to enter on probation. Also they now have collected for the building of a Church $1.85 as a start.

The Bible-woman Sinun who is being supported by the Epworth League of the First M.E. Church of Grand Rapids Mich. has now started to make visits there and working among the women. Since she is a high class woman (her father having at one time been governor) she gains ready access to all homes and is a mighty power in preaching Jesus.

The interesting incidents of the past year have included, operations vis. abdominal operations for tumors, leg amputation, goiter, mastoid, eye operations, T.B. glands of neck nasal polipi, hair-lip, etc. and teeth pulled by the score. Also have had smallpox break out in the hospital. Have treated everything from indigestion to Beri Beri, including Consumption, Morphine fiends, typhoid fever, pneumonia and given several doses of 606 with gratifying results.

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Surgical operations, major .................... 57
"  "      minor  ............................ 110
Earnings of Hospital for year .................. $703.81
Special gifts  .................................... 440.00
From appropriations  ............................ 380.00
Bible-women ...................................... 2
Evangelists ....................................... 2

Mrs. Miller has rendered valuable assistance in the operating
room as first assist. in the more difficult cases. The rest of her time
has been occupied in teaching English in the girl's school, con­
ducting a Saturday after­noon Bible study class for about 100 of the
children, and directing the work of the two Bible women, besides
visiting afternoons in the waiting room and wards, when time
permitted.

We are indeed grateful for the assistance that Dr. E. D.
Follwell has been to us, in consultation and advise many times
given, while we are trying to become settled in our Medical work
here.

During the year the Hospital Bible­woman Sinun has visited
400 homes in Yeng Byen, preached every after­noon at the
Hospital, and made a few trips to the country. She has not
recorded the number of people preached to, but has 117 who desire
to become Christians.

The Bible­woman Sinun, has been working only about 8
months, traveling in the Country, visiting those who have been to
the Hospital and encouraging them in their Christian life, besides
holding classes in various places. Her work cannot really be
measured by the number of new believers for she is more of a
teacher.

The Hospital Evangelist reports for the year 300 persons
wanted to become Christians.

The Preacher at Chapa who is being supported by Mrs. S
Crede and others of Chicago, has been working very earnestly,
taking care of those whom he has been appointed. He has on his circuit our Churches, and reports 50 new believers the past year.

Special Gifts were rec'd from the following, Mrs. W. H. Crede, Chicago, J. F. Brown, Chicago, Miss Susie Brooksbank, Chicago, Phil. Hill, Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Robinson of Bostonia Calif. Miss Pinder Seoul, Rev. Brown Coldwater Kas, Rev. Barton Le Roy Ill, Miss Grace Putterbaugh North Yakima, Wash. Miss Estey, Yeng Byen, Mr. Shinbeckler Unsan Korea, First M. E. Church Grand Rapids Mich. A Christmas box was rec'd, from the ladies of the First M. E. Church Grand Rapids Mich. consisting of clothing etc. which gladdened the heart of many a child as well as the older ones, who never had such warm clothes, even though they did not fit.

The last year has wrought many changes in Yeng Byen. We are indeed sorry to have to add that Miss Estey the W.F.M.S. worker for Yeng Byen and district, has now for the second time broken down in health and compelled to return home. She had been obliged to discontinue her work for three months, before being able to travel. Korea has lost a powerful worker and Yeng Byen especially mourns her loss. We feel however that God has not left Yeng Byen unprovided for as, two ladies, Miss Dillingham and Miss Shaffer have come to take up the work and we can see great things in store for the women and girls here. We are indeed glad to welcome them.

One other addition has been made to our station, but not appointed by the Board—a little lady, has come to make her home with Rev. and Mrs. Morris.

**OUR NEEDS.**

In the first place, we want our new Hospital this year, and that will mean from $7,000 to $8,000 besides what we have on hand.

Any one who wishes to give a yearly endowment of $500 may name the Hospital.

We are so sure that the money will come from somewhere, that we will proceed to furnish it.
Heating apparatus about $1,200.00
Private room furniture for 6 rooms, each $50.00
Ward beds, 15 at about $20.00 each
Operating room complete, without instruments $350.00
Bacteriological and Pathological Laboratory equipment about $200.00

Blankets, 40 pr. at $1.75 each.
Sheets, pillow cases, and gown of heavy muslin, for 20 beds.

If one wishes to support a private room it will be $10.00 per mo.

A bed in one of the wards will be about $5.00 per mo. at the present we are not planning to furnish food, although we may do it later with an additional cost of about $3.50 per mo.

Those who feel they cannot consider any of the above gifts, may be interested in knowing that $5.00 will buy about 10,000 tracts and leaflets, which will 'preach the Gospel that many times, or more.

Bibles are from 15 to 75 each.

Christmas boxes are always in order, which if includes the following, will not only be a blessing to the poor, but will keep many a one from suffering during the cold of winter.

Old clothing of any kind, underclothes, shoes, towels, soap, toys for the sick children, pencils and paper, picture cards, Sunday School lesson cards, etc.

We are now 1912 getting only $150.00 per year from the Board for drugs and $7.50 per month for help and running expenses of the Hospital. My first asst. and one Hospital helper is still unprovided for. The former rec. $10.00 per mo. and the latter $5.00.

We ask you prayers that we may be directed in this His Work, to His names Honor.
EDUCATIONAL REPORTS.

Pyeng Yang Union College and Academy

W. Carl Rufus, B. W. Billings, and A. L. Becker.

The College.—The College work for the year opened on the 15th of September; preceded by the entrance examinations 37 students were received as freshman; 25 were from our own academy and 12 were from other academies. The total enrollment was 68 of which 14 were Methodists; the Methodist boys were all from the local Academy being 41 per cent of the total number graduated from the Academy up to date. Of the total enrollment there were 37 in the freshman grade, 13 in the soph. grade and 18 in the junior class. Up to the present 8 dropped out for sickness and 12 for other causes. 60 took the fall term examinations and 48 reentered at the opening in Jan. 12th. ¥476,000 has been received as the tuition of two terms.

The teaching in the college has been done almost entirely by the Missionary teachers. The school has been divided into Departments:

Biblical and Ethic's................. Dr. Baird.
Mathematical Department .......... W. C. Rufus.
Physics and Chem. Department .... A. I. Becker.
Biological Department.............. E. M. Moury.
History and Pol. Econ. .......... B. W. Billings.
Mental Science and Music .......... Mr. Hoffman.
Languages Athletics .............. Mr. Phillips.
Industrial Department............. Mr. MacMurtrie.

Besides the regular Heads of the Departments Mrs. Baird taught in the Biological Department. The College teaching has not been very satisfactory as Mr. Hoffman and Mr. Phillips were not able to teach much on account of the language and both Mr.
Billings and Mr. Rufus have each been out one term. But last Fall Mr. Bernheisel of the Presbyterian Mission carried a mixed schedule and helped us out very much. Yet on the whole we are glad to report an advance along all lines: The addition of apparatus has made it possible to have Laboratory Courses in Chemistry and in Physics. Dr. and Mrs. Baird have furnished us with more complete text books along several lines of work. Mr. Moury has secured apparatus and is translating texts as he teaches. Mr. Billings has been able to specialize a little more than last year. Mr. Rufus has outlined and begun a systemized development of his department. Mr. Hoffman has begun the development of a musical department. Mr. Phillips has done much to help our athletics, football, base-ball etc.

Our plans for the next school year are very extensive and might be interesting but beyond the statement of the fact that we have a fine new college building almost completed I will leave the rest for next year’s report.

The spiritual condition of the college students has highly satisfactory; there has been abundant evidence that they have advanced; We believe that the most of the students are fully consecrated to the Lord’s service. Class officers have been appointed for the different classes with the especial intention of leading the individual students to a closer walk with Christ and many heart-to-heart talks have been the result; students and faculty have come very close together this year.

The Academy.—The Academy opened for the new year Sept. 10th, 1911; this date was preceded by the entrance examinations. Over 200 students presented themselves as candidates and out of this number 194 were finally enrolled. The total enrollment was 358,43 in the first grade, 151 in the second, 92 in the third and 72 in the fourth. The total number of Methodist students was 87; of this number (7) were in the first, 29 in the second, 25 in the third and 26 in the fourth.

During the Fall term 35 dropped out with permission on ac-
count of sickness and 20 were missing without cause ascertained. The term closed Dec. 15th. The Winter term opened Jan. 10th with an enrollment of 287, 80, of this number were Methodists. There has been an average attendance during the spinter term to date of 273.

The first grade has but one division but the second has five, the third has three and fourth has two; a total of 11 divisions to be taught. This has necessitated a teaching force of nine full teachers, five irregular teachers and seven tutor teachers; all of whom taught a total of 312 hours at an average cost of about 25 sen per hour actual teaching. Only three hours were taught by the College Faculty; a part of the time in the fall by Mr. Billings and apart of the time by Mr. Rufus.

The students of the Academy are all christian; their average age is 19 years. Of the number now in attendance 202 out of the 280 are graduates of Christian Primary schools and 64 have studied more than 4 years in some primary school. The fathers and mothers of 222 of the students are believers. 246 of the number in attendance are from Pyeng An To, 24 are from Whang Hai To, 4 were from Choong Chong To, 2 were from Chol-la To and one was from Kingkui To.

Tuition to the amount of ¥1671.30 has been collected from the students for the Fall and Winter terms. There were an average of 197 self-supporting students; 122 worked for apart of their expenses. An average of 47 were given some kind of employment by the M.E. Community. So far this year ¥901.33 has been expended by the Methodist Student Help Department. The average expenses per student per month has been thus far about seven yen.

In accordance with our slogan, “Make progress” we have endeavored not only to keep up our previous standards but to raise our standards not only in the amount of study done in each grade but in the quality required and the students have not only come up to our expectations but have surpassed them; we have a splendid student body, earnest, obedient and capable. We have
asked them to do many unusual things but there has been no murmuring, only a spirit of confidence in the decisions of their teachers has been manifested; thus it has been a delight to lead them. This condition of the student body is mostly due to (1) the fact a large proportion have received training in christian homes; (2) to the fact that a large per cent. have been trained in christian primary schools as has been stated above. On account of the age, training and ability of the present body we can reasonably hope to carry a large number thru the college and make them efficient leaders if our church of the future.

Just a word as to what the Academy has done:—Up to the present the school has graduated 158, of this number 32 are studying in the college, 15 are doing church work here and there all over Korea, 49 are teaching in church Primary and High Schools, 5 have died, 5 are studying in foreign lands and up to the present 26 can not be located. Taking these figures 78 per cent. of the total number of graduates are actively identified with christian work.

Athletics have been booming: the Athletic Association has 130 members and has raised ¥65.00 for base-balls foot-balls etc. The exercise hours have been divided up between the different sections so that nearly every boy gets at least an hours exercise every day. The teachers of the Academy have formed a Tennis Association and have played tennis nearly all Winter; this has been a wonderful help to our teaching force.

The Evangelistic fervor of last year has not been duplicated this year and this was not to be expected but the students have continued the support of their missionary; the 150 members of the Evangelistic Society have already raised ¥80.00. The student body have used every opportunity to advance spiritually and have held up their reputation as Evangelists during, their vacation. Last fall we had a week of morning prayers at 5 A.M. and at least 100 were present each morning. At the opening of the second term we had a week of Bible study and prayer in place of the regular
schedule and the student body was greatly benefited, strengthened spiritually and put on a higher place of living. At a special Sunday service recently the student body was asked to consecrate themselves wholly to the service of God and they nearly all responded heartily to the invitation.

Hoping that the coming year will be better even than the past.
We respectfully submit this report.


R. R. Reppert.

The reality is but the shadow of the ideal, and the shadow itself exists only by virtue of the light. We have aimed high, we are certain we have attained to less, we seem to us to have accomplished little, of those tasks which we set ourselves to do at the beginning of the year. Friends tell us we have obtained results, and it is quite possible and altogether probable that could our mental vision be cleared and things viewed in the light of future developments, we should feel that our actual attainments compared favorably with our aspirations in the past.

Concerning the College work, we have very little which we think is necessary or proper to report to this Conference. During last summer, arrangements were entered into with Seoul Station of the Presbyterian Mission, and completed, whereby the two Stations in Seoul should unite for College work, and the old Press Building on the Pai Chai Compound was fitted up for that work.

In reporting for our Academy, it is fitting that we report from the beginning of the year last April, although since that time our previous Conference has met and has heard a report covering the first part of the year. Our enrollment during the year from April last has reached 137, but if we consider only the six months since the meeting of our last conference, our enrollment of students, including those in attendance previously enrolled, will read 102. Of this number 72 are in attendance at the present time.
Since last Christmas, Mr. Rufus has been with us, teaching, and rendering valuable services in determining methods and policies, and articulating the High School with the rest of our school system. With the exception of Mr. Rufus, no new foreign teacher has been added. Our present teaching force numbers fifteen. Of these five are foreigners, and ten are Koreans, while of the Koreans six are regular teachers, receiving monthly salaries, and four are hour teachers. Including drill, 123 hours are being taught at present, of which foreigners teach 28, regular teachers among the Koreans, 78, and hour teachers, 17 hours per week. It must be remembered that our teaching force also have work in the college, which accounts for light work in the Academy. We considered ourselves fortunate in being able to secure for the year, specialists for most of the work, so that each member of the faculty has been responsible for the department for which he is peculiarly fitted, and the results are encouraging.

Our policy from the beginning of the fall term has been to raise the standard both of curriculum and discipline. We are pleased to report that while the standard of scholarship is at present far from what it should be, there has been, we believe, a marked improvement, under proper supervision, we can hope that it will more and more approximate the ideal. English as a medium of instruction has been completely banished, although retained as a subject, and while the course has worked disadvantages for the foreign teachers, and perhaps as much so for the students, still we are sure that it is a move in the right direction and will certainly bring about good results in the end.

In the matter of discipline, we have desired to instil into the minds of the students of proper sense of respect for the school and reasonable rules of conduct, so that the school itself might be a thing for them to be proud of. One thing for which we congratulate ourselves is in the matter of tuition. At the end of last June, we found that the students were behind in tuition to the extent of some ninety months, or the equivalent of one student’s education for ten
years. We are pleased to report that during the last six months, not one month's tuition is unaccounted for, either in cash or its equivalent in work, although a rigid enforcement of this policy has caused, some to drop out. To the willing there is always the alternative of work. Not only has the current tuition been collected, but that tuition of the previous year is being slowly paid up. When our boys leave, we don't want them to feel they have something they haven't settled for.

We had during the year ten students on scholarships. Of these one has dropped out, leaving at present nine thus supported. These boys return services in preaching on different circuits, street preaching and itinerating, Sunday School work, and in employment around the houses and yards. One, who walks in from the country to school every day, receives a small amount gratis, but as a rule, we believe that the gift is appreciated only to the extent to which some service is rendered.

At the present time the matter of starting industrial work during the coming year is being considered. As to the advisability of this, we are personally unable at present to pass an opinion. It would answer some problems; it would create others. We feel that an industrial department, to be accounted a success in any sense, must be self-supporting so far as products are concerned, that is, provided we count out the value of the missionary's time and the first cost of machinery, buildings, etc. It is unnecessary to say here that first expenses preclude the beginning of anything of large proportions at present, but we believe that if the contemplated course is taken, we shall be able to plan something that will not call for the expenditure of anything on the part of the Mission, and may prove the means of establishing something of larger proportions. We welcome anything that shall place brawn and its products side by side and on a par with brain and its products, as things to be equally respected by those of every class.

During the year the religious spirit has been good and has been cultivated. Class prayer meetings at the noon hour have been held.
Further, we have a School Y.M.C.A. organization, which seems possessed of a good spirit and promises much for the future. This Y.M.C.A. is articulated with the City Y.M.C.A., and the chapel service on Wednesday morning is given over to the boys with an additional ten minutes. These meetings are usually addressed by one of the faculty, or some local worker in some of the city churches, are well attended, and seem productive of great good.

In reviewing the year's work, we see many reasons for encouragement. No general feeling of dissatisfaction has been noticed among the students, although perhaps a class has occasionally chafed under discipline enforced or lessons imposed. No teachers have been locked up or locked out, no effigies burred, no faculty mobbed. Among the teachers nothing but a helpful and co-operative spirit has obtained, between teachers and scholars sympathy and respect has been the rule, and among the students a feeling of close fellowship has been manifested. With the present policy and curriculum carried out and strengthened, we cannot but foresee a bright outlook for work in Pai Chai.

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**Kong-ju District Educational Work.**

**July 1911, March 1912.**

F. E. C. WILLIAMS.

Country Schools:—In the circuit south of Kong-Ju we have three schools, at Nolmi, Kang-gunie, and Kyeung Chun respectively. The Nolmi school of 27 boys has been doing good work. Parents and friends have raised ¥68, during the past six months for its support, and as the interest is gradually increasing its progress demands a more efficient teacher than the present one.

Kang-gunie our largest country school, has an enrollment of 46 boys. The teacher here has been especially diligent in visiting the parents and has been repaid by their eagerness to help. During the Conference year ¥75.00 has been received from them for the school work.
At Kyeung Chun we have but 14 boys, and only ¥40 has been raised for its support. It is weak now but gives promise of better times, and we have reason to believe it will become a good school in the near future. We had a Primary grade at Won Kol, but when the teacher came to Kong-Ju to attend High School we closed it. As yet there are no schools in the East District and only a beginning of one in the West circuits, but we are hoping that in the coming year one or two will be organized in each.

Kong-Ju City Schools.

Despite the hard times and the high price of food we have held our numbers of last year. Although many boys have been compelled to leave because of lack of funds, others have taken their places.

The Primary department has been carried on in a separate building this year and in the future must have a teacher who can give his entire time to it. 42 boys attend regularly, ¥100,00 was raised by the natives in gifts and school fees.

This year we have been teaching three Grammar and three High School grades of 18 and 17 pupils respectively. The grade of work done has greatly improved. We have also held an English night school five nights a week with from 7 to 10 boys attending regularly. Our third year High had but three students because four of that grade have been studying in the fourth year at Pyeng Yang. They will soon come back to us prepared to help in our school and church work.

Besides the Korean teachers, student tutors and myself teaching full time several of the foreigners have taught from three to five hours a week. We are very grateful for the assistance given by Dr. Van Buskirk in Physiology, and Mr. and Mr. Weller in English classes.

On account of the shortage in appropriations it seems best to have but 2 years High School until April 1915 at which time we hope to have a fully equipped four year High School at Kong-Ju.
During this Conference year I have spent 35 days in the country visiting 31 places, and traveling 1,220 li. I taught 520 hours in High School and two weeks in Bible Class. This class was held from Dec. 10th to 22nd for the class leaders of the two districts, 43 men came to study, the classes being led by the foreigners. They all remained until the close which fact shows that they were much interested. We believe they went back to their work with new hope and new means of telling the gospel message.

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**Report of the Educational Committee.**

Your Committee held its first meeting March 4 and it was recommended that all the school above the grade of Ko-doong be united thus eliminating the duplication of effort, which act would make a difference in the relation of the Sang-dong and Pai Chai schools.

At this meeting the whole question of higher education was discussed and then referred to a meeting of the whole mission and
the results of the discussions were directed to be incorporated in the records of the Committee.

On the evening of March 5 the members of the Mission met and after much discussion agreed to the following resolution:

"Resolved that we make it our present policy to commit ourselves to the support of but one college in Korea."

March 6 a meeting was held with representatives of the Methodist Mission South, at the close of which it was voted:

"The Mission go on record as in favor of establishing one Union Christian College for all Korea and that said college be placed in Seoul."

This action was committed to a committee composed of members of the two Missions to prepare resolutions in harmony with the sentiment expressed in the motion and on March 8 the report was presented to the members of the Mission and after certain modifications was adopted as follows.

**Concerning College Work we Recommend.**

1. That we rescind the action pertaining to man's colleges taken at the third session of this conference, recorded in the Educational Committee's report, page 14 of the Minutes of 1910, as follows: "The Mission shall plan for three colleges; a man's college in Pyeng Yang, a man's college in Seoul, and a woman's college in Seoul."

2. That the policy of the Mission shall be to give its support to only one man's college in Korea.

3. That we express our preference for one union christian college for Korea.

4. That we express our preference for Seoul as the place of location.

5. That we instruct our members of the Educational Senate working thru that body to bring the question of location before the Missions working in Korea and to ask them to take a vote on the question.
6. If practical unanimity cannot be reached by this means, that the question of location be referred to the Boards of Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church and Presbyterian Church in U.S.A.

7. That the Educational Committee be authorized to represent the Conference ad interim in carrying out the provisions of these resolutions.

Concerning Primary Schools.

1. That we encourage the establishment and maintainence of kinder-garten or lower primary schools of three years where native churches exist and a sufficient number of boys or girls can be brought together for purposes of instruction. These schools are necessary as feeders for higher primary schools. Foreign support should be withdrawn as soon as possible.

2. That we concentrate our effort at strategic points for the establishment and maintainence of seven year primary schools. (About one to a county in county seat, important village or strong native church centre.) Some plan of financial encouragement should be given to maintain a high grade of efficiency.

3. That the Educational Committee working with the District Superintendent or missionary in charge be given authority to supervise the organization and direction of the grammar schools of the Mission.

Concerning Pai Chai.

1. That the high school work of Pai Chai and Sang Dong be united.

2. That industrial work be undertaken to give financial assistance to students and to give training in manual work.

3. That Mr. Hugh H. Cynn be selected as Principal.

4. That a Business Manager be elected to look after the financial interests of the Mission in the administration of the moneys provided for the work of the institution.
GENERAL WORK.

1. That a superintendent be appointed for the schools of South Korea.

2. That a Board of Education for South Korea be appointed. (8 members, consisting of 4 Koreans and 4 foreign missionaries.)

UNION WORK IN SEOUL.

1. That we ratify the Articles of Agreement entered into by and between the Educational committees of the Methodist Episcopal and Northern Presbyterian stations in Seoul, looking toward the development of union work in higher education.

2. That we ask the other missions to join with us in working out a general system of primary and secondary schools for Seoul and vicinity.

3. That we request the Board of Control of the Union Christian College of Seoul to consider the advisability of admitting students and giving credit for college work completed in previous years in Seoul.
WOMAN'S CONFERENCE REPORT

The Korea Woman's Conference has fifty members twenty-six of whom are workers under the Woman's Foreign's Missionary Society and twenty-four are wives of missionaries of the General Board. Those in active service during the coming conference year are indicated under the appointments. Of the Woman's Society workers. Olive Pye, Grace Dillingham, Grace Harmon, Jeannette Walter, Naomi Anderson, and Amanda Hillman, M.D. have arrived during the year; and the following are home on furlough: Lulu E. Frey, Ethel M. Estey, Gertrude Snavely, Emily, I. Haynes, Sarah B. Hallman, and Millie M. Albertson. The following ladies of the General Board have arrived: Mesdames V. Wachs, C. S. Deming, P. Grove, and O. Weller, while those on furlough are: Mesdames G. H. Jones, W. A. Noble, E. D. Follwell, and D. A. Bunker.

Chemulpo.

Evangelistic and Day Schools.—In the early fall, Miss Miller received a cablegram calling her to America thus leaving Miss Hillman to conduct the Bible and Training Classes alone. The Training Class held at Chemulpo was especially marked by the presence of the Holy Spirit as shown in confession, renewed consecration, and zeal in study. Training classes were also held at Wonju, Yechun, and Suwon of nine or ten days each, and at Chungju a Bible class of five days was held.

As a result of the Tithing Classes (the women giving tithes of their time for special service), the trained women were appointed to hold 116 classes in as many villages on Seoul, Suwon, and Wonju Districts. There were sent out in advance 1,200 mimeographed study outlines. The women under training showed great improve-
ment since last year in their ability to study. The reports of 42 classes already held contain many interesting items: a saloon-keeper was converted and quit his business, some women threw away their tobacco-pipes, one turned over to the Circuit self-support fund the rice formerly offered to Buddha, church quarrels were straightened out, a demoniacally possessed person was healed by prayer, theft was confessed and restitution promised, backsliders were reclaimed and the persecuted found help.

In the past nine months, thirty women have completed the first year's work of the Women's Course of Study, and many more are preparing to be examined after Conference. Eight country Bible women continue in faithful service.

_Chemulpo City Church._—The unsalaried class-leaders still go about the city on their varied missions of love. In nine months, they have made 11,316 visits in homes, held 12,304 conversations on spiritual topics, and report 149 decisions for Christ. Since returning from America, Miss Miller has also done house to house visitation.

A Sunday afternoon study in Proverbs was conducted by the native pastor throughout the summer and fall with excellent results for both children and grown folks.

The ten day schools in this charge employ 14 teachers and enroll 413 pupils. Korean patrons have contributed support to the amount ¥389.67. At Poopyung, they have heroically erected a new building costing ¥121.50, while brighter days seem to have dawned for our schools in Suwon since the conversion of a high government official there. Fifty dollars is needed for a Chinese teacher in Suwon and a like sum for the support of the girl's school opened in Wonju last fall with 21 enrolled. The largest of these day schools is now housed in the new building in Chemulpo which was opened on September 14 with fitting exercises including an appreciative address by the mayor. In addition to ¥43,185 given by the women's society, the children have given ¥38.31.

Miss Hanna Scharpff, preparing to take up evangelistic work on Seoul District, made one itinerating trip with Miss Snavely on the
Island Circuits but was forced by circumstances to delay further visits until spring. Since September, she has taught drawing, knitting, physical culture, and singing in the Chemulpo girl's school and singing in the Children's Sunday School. Her seven Bible-women, after the Training Class, were appointed to hold 39 classes on their circuits. The reports of 27 classes already held are very encouraging. Her two country day schools are doing well. Another is provided for as soon as a suitable teacher can be found while a second is much needed in the center of Chemulpo city. Miss Scharpf's friends in Germany show much zeal for Korea, having already sent a number of gifts for her work.

Seoul.

_Ewha Haktang._—The past conference year, filled with blessings, has been the best in the history of the school. In October, Miss Marker returned, much improved in health, and in December there arrived three well equipped recruits to the teaching force, the Misses Walter, Harmon, and Pye Mrs. Hugh Miller has kindly continued to give her time and strength to the Chorus class. This class is sometimes invited to sing on special occasions in the city. Mrs. Ha in her work has been more than satisfactory. Seven foreign teachers have been on the staff, but Miss Frey, in view of an early homegoing, dropped class-work at Christmas, Miss Tuttle, whose Bible teaching and care of the Serving Department have been especially valuable to the school, leaves after Conference for work elsewhere, while the three new teachers began on January 3. There are also seven native teachers, and the eleven college students teach each one or two periods a day. The classes, not including Physical Culture, Music, and Drawing number 91 daily.

Special mention should be made of the work of O Moksa who held evening service in Ewha chapel for three weeks in November, resulting in a most gracious revival among the girls which continues to bear fruit in a deepened prayer life and fragrant Christian characters.
Efforts are being made to conform to the government requirements necessitating some slight changes in the Course of Study and the holding of Commencement in March. The class graduating from the Academic Department numbers fifteen, the largest as yet, but they will be all too few teachers for the day schools. Most of last years class of eight are teaching.

The receipts for the year are ¥1,400.20. The enrollment up to March has been 184, of whom 47 are pay-pupils, 79 are on scholarships, and 125 are boarders. Additional dormitory room is urgently needed. Great gratitude is felt also for the heating and city water which have been installed, the bath-room for the students now being built, and the appropriations for physical and chemical apparatus and one for furniture, all helping to realize ideals for the school. Girls' Day Schools connected with Ewha.—Miss Tuttle, reporting for these, states that they are twelve in number, the last two having been received at New Years from the General Board. They are located in Seoul or its suburbs. The enrollment is 470 with an average attendance of about 350. A remarkable fact, indicating, it would seem, some negligence on the part of Christian parents, is that only 78 of the pupils come from Christian homes. Of the teachers, five were formerly Ewha students, two of them being graduates from the Academic department. On Saturdays, thirteen mothers' meetings have been held in four of the schools, with an average attendance of fifteen mothers, many of whom are heathen. Mrs. Ha has ably assisted by giving talks based on Mrs. Noble's booklet, "Advice to Mothers."

A normal class was held for two weeks last August attended by seven of the teachers. Their instructors out numbered them two to one, and much pleasure as well as progress was evident. At the closing exercises, the presiding pastor remarked that the only fault to be found the class was that the country teachers also were not made to attend.

Miss Tuttle's most urgent needs are: two more teachers, women, to take charge of new schools, two assistant teachers, and one teacher of Chinese.
The Bible Woman's Training School.—Miss Albertson reports, "This Chinese New Year completed three years of the School's history and has enabled us to see the first class complete the course of study—a class of four splendid women who believe themselves called of God to do their part in winning the world to Christ, whose faithfulness in study and exemplary conduct has made them examples to the other members of the school.” Of these four graduates, one remains to teach, one becomes the school's itinerating Bible woman, one will serve the East Gate church, and one Sang Dong church, also teaching a girls’ day school.

The new senior class numbers 16, the junior 17, while the total enrollment this year has been 43, of which number 31 are boarders and 12 day, students. The boarders come from every district in Korea in which we have work. Only 8 are on scholarships. This has been by far the best year of the school, showing marked advancement in self-support, class-work, and mental and spiritual development. A building adapted to its needs, a cabinet organ, and another baby organ are among the present needs of the school.

Dr. Stewart and Dr. Hillman have taught hygiene, the Southern Methodist Mission has furnished two excellent teachers in Miss Ivery and Kim Naomi, the latter a splendid type of Korean woman hood Mrs. Nellie Pierce Miller and Miss Pinder have also given valuable assistance. Mrs. Cable has helped beyond anticipation not only by teaching but also by carrying the Evangelistic department.

Mrs. Cable reports that it has been a pleasure to teach the students for they are eager to study, have learned how to study, ask very intelligent questions, and manifest implicit faith in the Word. Every Tuesday afternoon is set apart for special evangelistic services in the country villages. At one of these meetings the "Head Men" of seven near by villages attended and six of them professed a desire to become Christians. On Sundays, the women go out two by two into the country and some to the city churches and Sunday Schools, visit and pray with the sick and the heathen. The aim is to make
the school as practical as possible, giving the women opportunities for actual experience during their school years.

_Evangelistic._—Miss Frey, who has had charge of this work in Chung Dong church, reports that her four Bible women have taught two classes of probationers while another class will be baptized at Easter. The women of the church have undertaken to pay half the salary of a Bible woman for one of our newly organized churches.

The women of the East Gate Circuit have been in the care of Mrs. Cable and Miss Haenig. This circuit includes the large East Gate church, three chapels inside the city and nine outside. All save one have made a steady growth. The women from two Southern Methodist churches have joined with ours of the East Gate for their prayer-meetings in which John's Gospel has been taught by Mrs. Cable. Following this, Miss Ivey of the Southern Methodist mission taught them native script, James, Genesis, and catechism. Special Bible classes for men and women have been held at four churches and are being planned for the spring.

This circuit has five day schools, one of themself-supporting, and at several other places the children have been taught for a few months. At Yong Moree the school was able to collect only one yen for fuel; so teacher and pupils went out on hillsides and raked up the dead grass and dug uproots. At Wong Simlee, special interest is taken in gathering in the heathen, children into the Sunday School, using Bureau picture cards with success. This church also supports its own Bible woman.

Miss Haenig's report states that her two Bible women have during the past eight months, exhorted 2,684 persons, the one calling in the homes of the East Gate charge, the other in the villages outside. The former has also sold ¥8.21 worth of Scriptures. Four students from the Bible woman's Training School are teaching in the Children's Sunday School this greatly improving the instruction of the girls. Kim Naomi has also been a great help in the Adult Department. The Teacher's Class was maintained until
New Years. Then, the course of study in general use in Korea having been adopted, the class was combined with that of the Adult Department. During the summer vacation, Dr. Stewart held weekly meetings for the boys and the girls and has assisted in various other ways.

Medical.—Work on the Lillian Harris Memorial Hospital in charge of Dr. Stewart has been progressing steadily. The wiring is completed and well done by the Japanese contractor, water and steam-piping are installed, and, since the arrival of doors and windows, work has progressed with greater rapidity. Various improvements have been made about the premises by both Dr. Cutler and Dr. Stewart.

Altho the plan was not to open Baldwin Dispensary last year, calls for treatment were so numerous and insistent that it was kept open two hours every day and the most urgent of the outcalls were also attended. The arrival of Dr. Hillman gave great relief as now the dispensary work need not be neglected. She has been kept busy from the first.

In the fall, the dispensary became the home of Miss Albertson's Bible School. As the school grew in numbers, first the waiting-room, then the women servants sleeping and living rooms, and finally the new gate-house were made to serve as both class-rooms and dormitories for her students. Among those to whom especial gratitude is due are Bishop Harris, Mr. Scidmore (the American consul), Mr. Noble of the General Board, and Miss Frey. Ere another conference convenes, it is hoped that systematic medical work may be installed in the new hospital.

Pyeng Yang.

Evangelistic.—Mrs. W. A. Noble reports an Evangelistic Work, Six Day Schools, Bible Institutes, and Tithing Normal Class. She says, "All these months before our furlough and our change of residence from here to Seoul, the people have been showing how their hearts roots are intertwined with ours." Several socials have
been held in her home that certain classes of Christians might receive the closer personal touch they seem to need.

The Children's Sunday School enrolls 402 and the Cradle Roll 360. There are five officers and 24 teachers, and again thousands of Bible verses have been learned. February 25 was observed as Visiting Day for parents of the Cradle Roll babies. About 150 parents with their babies were present in our new Sunday school building. At one side were several fathers with their babies—a sight only seen in the new, Christian part of Korea.

In all her six day schools, the teachers have continued faithful, teaching, visiting, holding prayer-meetings, leading many to believe. Some of the girls coming from heathen homes, hear such names as "Trouble," "Sadness," and "Sorrow." All the schools are doing quite a little toward self-support.

The Pyeongyang Bible Institute held from November 17 to 29, enrolled 180 women, of whom 104 came from the country. One old lady who had attended 26 of these institutes said that for years she walked, later she rode a donkey which her sons gave her after they became Christians, and now she comes on the train. It would be hard to put into English all the sweetness and pathos of what they say.

Mrs. Noble having been previously most closely associated with Miss Esty (this year detained by illness) in planning the work of the Normal Tithing Class, she was chosen to take charge of it, while Mrs. Billings and Mr. Yi Ik Mo splendidly helped in the teaching and Mrs. V. Wachs led the singing. Twenty-seven women attended and 53 classes were planned for. These are now being held. One of the returned women said, "It is such an eye-opener to go to the interior and see what multitudes there are who do not yet know our Jesus. Oh, why can't we have itinerating missionary ladies? Women where I went treasure up as gold the only Bible class taught in all these years by a training missionary. These country Christians would rather hear God's Word taught than to eat and drink."

Evangelistic and Educational,—Having found an experience in
itinerating in the hottest part of last summer not so uncomfortable physically as she had anticipated, Mrs. B. W. Billings now recommends itinerating in the summer. "We saw them in their arduous summer life, and it gave me a new idea of their need of Jesus Christ. Men, women, and children working until dark, wading up to their knees in that slimy black mud of the paddy fields, and then crawling, tired and dirty, into those smelly mud houses—certainly these need the One who said, "Come unto Me, all ye that labor."

On account of Miss Robbin's illness, Mrs. Billings helped in the opening of the Girls' Academy, hence was able to hold only one country class but has sent in her stead two good Korean teachers. She also taught in the fall Bible Class and in the Normal Training Class where she learned more than ever before the women's need of simple, patient, persistent teaching but was rejoiced at the end to see most of them with a fairly good idea of the subject and to find that their wonderful memories enabled them to quote many of the verses proving their points.

Sunday school teaching, house to house visitation, help in two newly organized churches, and the charge of a Tuesday afternoon class for women of all our churches to study F. B. Meyer's "Spirit-Filled Life" have been an inspiration and a help to teacher as well as to those taught.

Woman's Hospital of Extended Grace.—Of the ten months since this work was last reported, only half have been spent by Dr. Rosetta S. Hall in Korea after her return from furlough and after but three months, illness compelled her to quit active service in the hospital. While doing the best she could thru the nurses' reporting to her, in the absence of Dr. Follwell and Miss Hallman, she was relieved early in February by the coming of Dr. Hillman from Seoul and later by the arrival of Dr. Agnes Edmonds, a refugee from our West China work.

Miss Hallman had the care of the hospital the first five months receiving much courteous professional aid from Dr. Follwell, the two Drs. Wells, Dr. Miller, and his sister.
During the ten months, a total of 3709 cases have been treated; 72 of these were outcalls, 91 inpatients, and 1106 dispensary patients who returned 2440 times. Over half are Christians or their children, and of the Christians over half are Presbyterians. Dr. Hall suggests that the Presbyterian mission send an associate woman physician to do their share of this work and to help train Korean women physicians to do the much greater work awaiting them. Nearly the whole of the first class of girls to graduate from our Union Academy, both Presbyterian and Methodist, wish to study Medicine.

Dispensary and out call receipts have been about $170 gold and from the in-patient department a little over $200. The total number of days spent by in-patients is 2001—an average of three weeks per patient. Work in the gynecological department continues to increase; it is interesting to note that several Japanese women have availed themselves of it this year.

The help of Dr. Edmonds has been a great boon, especially as, soon after her arrival, Dr. Hall's graduate-nurse was taken seriously ill with pneumonia. This Nurse Lee being their chief compounder and interpreter, her help was greatly missed but Prudence, the blind teacher, has interpreted and Dr. Cutler sent another nurse from Seoul. Nurse Lee is making a good recovery. The good work of Miss Hallman will be missed by all in this hospital and they wish her much joy in her new field of labor. The coming of Dr. Cutler as associate physician is anticipated with pleasure.

Kong-ju.

Evangelistic.—The new Woman's Foreign Missionary Society home in Kong-ju is at last finished and Mrs. Sharp has now a most comfortable home. She began her class work in August at Nolmi. Notwithstanding the intense heat she had the largest attendance and the best interest the class had ever known.

October was spent in itinerating with Miss Shaffer. Swollen streams, muddy roads and wet bedding helped to make the trip
interesting. The work, however, had made rapid strides and the interest among the people was increased.

On another trip to the west Mrs. Sharp was, in some way, directed to the wrong city and found herself in the Salvation Army barracks instead of the Methodist Church. Night was upon them and they were due in another town 50 li distant, for a class the next day. However, they waited until morning and when they reached the place they had started for the day before, they found the people in a great state of excitement. Thinking the party was lost, they had divided into groups and searched, during the night, with their lanterns for the lost teacher. When she arrived they welcomed her and with open hearts began their first class.

The Bible women are doing good work. The only complaint about them is that they don't come oftener and stay longer.

Mrs. Van Buskirk has begun her work in Korean by teaching a Sunday School class for women. She says, "I fear if it had not been for one woman I should have been discouraged and quiet but she would in some way find out what I was trying to say and interpret my Korean into Korean that the rest could understand." With Mrs. Weller she has made many calls in the homes of the people in Kong-ju. "Sinai, my Bible woman, is a revelation to me in the way she persists in her work of preaching. She has just that one idea in her mind—of persuading folks to believe—and has no patience with any other conversation in our calls."

Schools.—Miss Shaffer reports satisfactory development in the Kong-ju Day School. The enrollment increased from 60 to 88 in the fall term. So anxious are the girls to learn that when she told them of a two weeks vacation she was waited upon by a committee saying, "Oh powin, one week is all too long."

The school in Kong-ju ought to have a new, well equipped building if it is to compare favorably with the Japanese schools. This is a problem throughout Korea and the Mission schools ought to be made the most attractive.

 Everywhere throughout the country districts the boys and girls
have the same heart hunger to study—but there are no schools and no teachers available to put in charge of the schools if it were possible to establish them, so in the midst of rejoicing, hearts are also heavy and souls are burdened with the problems that are constantly coming to every worker upon the field.

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**Haiju.**

*Evangelistic.*—After taking an itinerating trip with Miss Scharpf over some of the islands, Miss Snavelry turned over her work on the Seoul District to Miss Scharpf.

Bible classes of one week each Miss Snavelry held in every country in the Haiju district. A three years Bible course, corresponding in part with the course of the Bible Woman's Training School in Seoul, was planned. Mimeograph copies of questions upon both Mark and James were sent out long before the class work began so that every woman on the district might have the opportunity of systematic daily Bible Study. The class session were doubly helpful and interesting because of this preparation upon the part of the women. Many studied until midnight and were at it again before daylight in the morning.

The last class at Masan was the climax. At the close of the study of James a revival broke out. The Spirit descended, confessions of sin were made and the women fell prostrate to the floor in the midst of much agonizing and weeping. Victory came at last and the church was wonderfully blessed. Many women dedicated their lives for special service.

Miss Snavelry spent Christmas at Pakchun where they were conducting a Bible class and, for the first time, the natives were happy in having a foreigner help celebrate the birth of the Christ Child.

At Yunan the workers from all over the district met in District Conference. After the missionary sermon the women were so touched that, with tears in their eyes, those who had no money brought their hair pins and wedding rings to be sold.

There are nine Bible Women on the district and a more earnest
and self-sacrificing band of workers it would be difficult to find anywhere. Six of these are supported by Dr. Stearns.

SCHOOLS.—Self-support is being encouraged. The Koreans provide the money for all the day schools and help some in paying the salary of the teachers. At present there is great need for a day school building in Haiju.

HAIJU DISTRICT.

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Miss Beiler, while studying the language, has been able to help lift the burden this year and next year steps in to take the entire responsibility during Miss Snarely's absence.

In October Mrs. Norton began a Kindergarten with six children; now she has 36 and the number could be doubled if she had room and materials to work with. Some come from heathen families and in this way an entrance is gained into the heathen homes and to the mother's heart. A class for the mothers is also held and the women learn something of the care of children. Mrs. Norton has opened her home for these classes because of the lack of a building for such purposes.

Yang Byen.

Evangelistic.—The General Woman's Conference directed by Miss Esley, assisted by Mrs. Morris and Mrs. Miller, during the month of September, was a great success. The women were so thoughtful and earnest and did such fine work.

Miss Estey says, "Shortly after that class I went on a short, never-to-be-forgotten country trip. We had already had rain enough to destroy most every one's patience as well as their houses and lands but two days out on that trip the heavens opened and the floods came and beat upon me and my poor little donkey until great was the wetting thereof. I did think I had met my Waterloo two
days out from home when, after having waded a couple dozen streams, I came to a rushing mighty torrent, a river in size, and I knew that my donkey could never keep his feet with me on his back. There were no houses in sight, nothing but mud and water. What to do I knew not unless to hang myself up to dry on the river bank and wait for the water to go down, but finally the brilliant idea struck the man with the ox-load. "Lady, can you ride the ox?" I answered, "Well, I never have, but come on." The poor beast was led back over the stream and with some difficulty I was helped upon his back and we started off with a man leading in front, one pushing behind, and one braced against the side to help against the current. I have had many rides but I hope that that was the first and the last of its kind."

Because of Miss Estey's sickness she was not permitted to attend the Normal class for the Tithing women in November. Mrs. Morris took the class. Another was planned for January but again Miss Estey could not be present and Mrs. Sharp helped with the teaching:

Classes held by tithing women during the year... 19
Homes visited for personal work .................. 384
Persons talked to in personal work .............. 884
New believers from personal work ............... 108
Villages entered..................................... 29

Two normal classes have been held for these women beside the one general class for all women.

Miss Estey has also had charge of the city Evangelistic work, building up the Sunday School and working with the Bible Women of the city. She planned and started a night school for women. They met four nights a week. The interest is great and it will be a telling help in the church work.

Miss Estey's going away has changed all the history of the Yang Byen station. The women could scarcely bear to face the future without their leader and friend. But the new recruits are already on the field. Miss Shaffer for the Evangelistic work and Miss Dillingham for the school work.
Reports of Committees and Officers.

Union Methodist Theological Seminary.

E. M. Cable.

The past six months have been very busy and profitable ones for both instructors and students in the Theological School and We trust that the results of these labors will result in great profit and blessing to all the work. It is the first year that the institution has had quarters of its own, and while the accommodations have been inadequate to the needs, the grade of work done in the class-room and the assets to real character building have been much better than at any previous time.

The wisdom manifested in the selection of the site has been amply proved. The good air, pure water, and quiet of the campus have had not only a wholesome effect upon the physique of the students but has also given no little impetus to their moral development. There has been less sickness than at any time in all the history of the school. This has secured a better attendance upon class and resulted in a better grade of work done. All the students have been very enthusiastic in their praise of the location.

Last December the first class was graduated. Of the thirty-nine members of the class, thirty-three were from the Methodist Episcopal Church and six from The Methodist Episcopal Church South. It was a memorable event in the history of Methodism in Chosen. All the graduates are in charge of churches or circuits and are not only preachers with theoretical ideas but with practical knowledge and ability. Many of them have been under instruction for seven or eight years and all of them for four years. If the large attendance upon and the deep interest manifested in this signal event are criterion by which to augur the future then the Union Methodist
Seminary is destined to exert a potent influence for God in the land of Chosen.

A curriculum covering four years has been carefully prepared and we feel that it will meet the needs of our work in Korea. The school year is divided into two semesters, one in the spring and one in the fall, of three months each. Beginning with this fall the students will be required to study six months a year instead of three as heretofore. We believe the best products can be obtained by at least half the time of the student being spent in the class room and the remainder in the actual work of the ministry.

No students have been helped free grants. We are of the conviction that such help does not produce the kind of men we need. We require all men who are receiving any aid whatsoever, to render an equivalent in work for such aid. We need scholarships to help worthy young men in this way.

The entire time of the students while the school is directed by the faculty and all their needs are provided for in so far as is possible.

This year we hope to erect the main seminary building and already plans have been prepared and will soon be acted upon by the proper authorities. It is hoped that this building will be ready for occupancy this winter.

The writer has given most of his time to the work of teaching in and directing the affairs of the school. However, not a little time and strength has been given to the preparation of text books. Two volumes of Church History, one book on Homelextics, and one volume on the Geography of Palestine and its adjacent countries have been prepared. This with the additional burden of the oversight of East Gate Church and a circuit with twelve chapels has made it impossible to accomplish more.

Rev. C. S. Deming has given much of his time and strength to the work of teaching. He with the writer have done all the work of teaching required from our Mission. The Methodist Church South has furnished two teachers in Rev. W. C. Cram and Rev.
J. L. Gerdine. We are glad to know that Bro. Cram has been permanently appointed to this work.

The espirit de core of the students has been very good and the relations of teacher and pupil are all that can be desired.

The enrolment for the year is,

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**Permanent Bible Committee.**

W. C. Swearer, Chairman.

Your representatives attended the fall meeting of the Bible Committee in September and the spring meeting on the 4th of this month.

At the fall meeting after a very full discussion a proposed constitution was adopted and a committee appointed to correspond, with the Bible Societies and bring the proposed constitution to their attention and endeavor to secure their adoption of the same. It is not necessary to transcribe that constitution here; the main points in which it differed from the former constitution were two:

1. It made the Bible Committee executive in all matters relating to Bible work in Korea.

2. It provided for but one agency in Korea which should be under the direction of the Bible Committee.

At this meeting the Board of Revisers was instructed to prepare the text for a Mixed Script Old Testament.

At the meeting of the Committee the other day letters were read from the Bible Societies rejecting the proposed constitution; in each of the letters, however, there were expressions that led the Committee to think that the Bible Societies would consent to adjust the differences between the societies working in Korea either by an
exchange of fields, one Society withdrawing from Korea and the
other from some other field where both Societies are at work, or by
making one Society executive in this field and the other executive in
another field where they both operate. A resolution was passed
asking the British and Foreign Bible Society and the American
Bible Society to take the matter into consideration and adjust the
work of the Societies in one of the other of these ways.

Report of Church Temperance Society.

J. D. Van Buskirk.

At the close of last Annual Conference, Mr. Hugh H. Cynn
and I found the society without any other members and organization
incomplete, but we decided to do what we could not withstanding.
So each of us have made active efforts along the line of temperance
propaganda. We had some pledge-cards printed, and have over
100 pledges to report as signed; we have personally seen to the
instruction of those who signed the pledges. This is but a modest
start, but a start and as such we are glad to report it. Outside of
our efforts, there have been others who have presented the cause and
good results are reported, but systematic effort is too small as yet.

The executive committee met and elected Dr. J. D. Van Buskirk
as president and Mr. Hugh H. Cynn as secretary-treasurer for the
ensuing year. It was recommended that a collection be taken in all
our Sunday Schools for the expense of printing and circulating
literature, and carrying on the work of the society.

It was decided to prepare a leaflet for distribution setting forth
the aims, methods, and work of the society, to be used at time of
taking collection above referred to.

It is hoped that each district committee will take active mea-
sures to propagate the work. Pledge cards may be had of the
secretary upon application; and it is hoped that the president or
secretary will be able to visit all the principal centers and assist the
district committee in active work in the district, for this we shall attempt to raise funds aside from regular sources.

Literature for use in newspapers and tracts will be prepared as fast as possible.

We would renew our suggestion as to teaching of temperance in all our schools, and hope that specially the physicians may be able to see to this needed instruction of the young.

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Study of the Korean Language.

E. M. Cable, Chairman.

Your Committee on the study of the Korean Language would report that it has examined the missionaries engaged in the study of the language with the following result.

Mrs. W. C. Swearer, Dr. A. H. Norton, R. R. Reppert and H. C. Taylar have all satisfactorily passed the examinations of the 3rd year and we recommend that they be graduated from the course.

Mrs. J. D. Van Buskirk satisfactorily passed examination in the work of the second year with the exception of No. 9 and we recommend that she be passed to the studies of the third year conditioned upon No. 9.

Mrs. H. C. Taylar, Mrs. A. G. Anderson, and Dr. Mary Stewart completed, the work and satisfactorily passed the examination of the first year and we recommend that they be advanced to the studies of the second year.

Owing to the shortness of the Conference year, Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Leanton, Dr. and Mrs. I. M. Miller, Olga Shaffer, Hulda Haenig, Mary Beiler, Ruth Benediet, Dr. A. G. Anderson, here asked the permission to take their examinations later, and we recommend that their request be granted.

The Misses Grace Harman, Olive Pye, Namoi Anderson Amanda Hillman, Grace, Dillengham, Jeanett Walters, Mrs. C. S. Deming, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Waller, Mr. and Mrs. Paul L. Grove and Mr.
and Mrs. Victor H. Wachs not having been on the field the required time in order to take the first year's examination have been excused from the same.

Fraternal Delegates to the General Conference of the Japanese Methodist Church.

WILOUR C. SWEARER, CHUN TUK-KUI.

Your delegates to the General Conference of the Japanese Methodist Church arrived in Tokyo on the 18th of October. On the 19th the Conference opened; there were fifty-three or fifty-four ministerial and lay delegates present; sixty-four delegates had been elected by two Annual Conferences; three Missions are united in these two bodies: that of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States, the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the Methodist Episcopal Church of Canada. Most of the delegates were Japanese, few were missionaries.

The business of the Conference was transacted with promptness and dispatch. Bishop Honda made a good presiding officer and by his genial manner and by his quick perception kept everything running smoothly and in good order.

These first four years have been years of progress in the midst of experiment. The Church fully succeeded in the effort to pay all the running expenses, and the salaries of the Bishop and the preachers; the struggle has been a hard one but everyone was greatly pleased to learn that not only were all the expenses met but there was a good surplus in hand.

Your delegates conveyed the greetings of the Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Korea to the General Conference on the evening of the 21st of October speaking particularly of the growth of the Church and its methods of operation, its ministry, the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and the experiences the Church passed through at that time.

The impressions which we gained at the Conference were those of orderly enterprise and enthusiasm which comes from successful
accomplishment of plans. All seemed greatly pleased with the progress of the Church under Japanese control.

We were treated with great consideration, a special committee from the Conference going down to the Railway Station to see us off at the time of our departure.

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**Audit Mission Treasurer.**

R. R. REPPERT, J. D. VAN BUSKIRK.

This is to certify that we have audited the books of the Mission Treasurer from Jan. 1, 1911 to Feb. 29, 1912 and find them correct for the time included.

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**Foreign and Home Missionary Society.**

B. R. LAWTON, Treasurer.


Amount on hand June 21, 1911 ....... ¥ 1,021.12
Receipts during year .................. 1,200.25
Interest on current account ........... 18.08

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2,239.45

Disbursements .......................... 784.04

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**Treasurer’s Report.**

Preacher’s Aid Account.

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Grand Total ............................. ¥ 3,747.47

E. M CABLE, Treasurer.
Examined by Auditing Committee and found correct Mar. 9, 1912.

Victor H. Wachs.
Paul L. Grove.

Resolutions.

Whereas, Bishop Harris has executed the business of this Annual Conference with dispatch and tact, and during this session and all times has treated every individual with Christian love and kindly consideration,

Resolved, that as a Conference we express our sincere appreciation to him, and

Whereas, our Bishop during this year has shown a deep interest in every line of work on the field, has given his heart and soul to the cause, wisely lead the Mission in solving difficult problems thereby raising the efficiency of the worker, and since we are further assured that he will promote the welfare of the work by his efforts in our behalf while in America,

Resolved, that we thank him heartily for his work here, and that we wish him success in his efforts at home, assuring him of our prayerful co-operation.

Whereas, Dr. George Heber Jones, our beloved brother, has given himself so unreservedly to the cause in Korea in connection with the Quarter Centennial Campaign and has rendered service of inestimable value to our work,

Resolved, that we hereby express our gratitude to him; and,

Whereas, brother Jones met with an accident last fall which disabled him for several weeks and caused him untold suffering,

Resolved, that we as an Annual Conference in this way record an expression of deep sympathy for him and his family, and of our heartfelt thanks to God that he has been restored to health.

Whereas, brother John Z. Moore has labored earnestly and successfully during the Quarter Centennial Campaign, putting his
whole strength into the work for the sake of Christ's kingdom in Korea,

Resolved, that we take this opportunity to express again our appreciation of his work and our sense of loss because of his absence from the field.

Whereas, Dr. W. A. Noble and family, Dr. E. D. Folwell and family, Miss Lulu E. Frey, Miss Gertrude E. Snively, Miss Millie M. Albertson, and Miss Sarah B. Hallman have left for America on their furlough,

Resolved, that we extend to them our thanks and appreciation for years of faithful and devoted service, wishing for them a profitable stay at home, and praying that they may all return with new vigor and inspiration for the work of the Master.

Whereas, Miss Ethel M. Estey has so faithfully and efficiently served the cause here in Korea for the past ten years, and as a result of her untiring labors is now on her way home on account of ill health,

Resolved, that we hereby express our sincere regret at the loss of such an efficient worker, and pray for her speedy recovery, looking forward to the time when we may welcome her back again.

Whereas, during the past year Mr. and Mrs. Paul L. Grove, Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Wachs, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Weller, Mrs. C. S. Deming, Miss Naomi Anderson, Miss Grace Harmon, Miss Jeanette Walter, Miss Grace Dillingham, Miss Olive Pye, and Dr. Amanda Hillman have come to take up work in our Mission,

Resolved, that we extend to them a cordial welcome, and pray that God may richly bless their efforts in this their chosen field of labor.

Whereas, the members of the Conference have been so cordially received and entertained in the homes of our brethren and friends in Seoul,

Resolved, that we extend to them our thanks and sincere appreciation of the welcome and hospitality afforded us.

Whereas, our brother and sister missionaries in China are at
this time passing through trials and dangers in connection with the disturbances of war,

Revolved, that we hereby extend our sympathy and offer our prayers in their behalf.

Signed by the Committee,

A. H. Norton.
A. G. Anderson.
I. M. Miller.
N. D. Chew.
LANGUAGE COURSE OF STUDY

FIRST YEAR.

1. The alphabet and syllabary.
2. The Chinese and Korean numerals and the counting of money.
   a. Declensions of nouns and pronouns.  b. Times and seasons.
   c. Adjectives; kinds, conjugation, and comparison.
4. The verb.
   a. As conjugated in Underwood's.
   b. The distinction between it-ta (잊다) and il-ta (일다). Scott p. 135
   c. Negation (Scott)
5. Adverbs, as given in Scott.
6. Post-positions (Scott p. 153.)
7. Study the formation of indirect discourse as given in Mrs. Baird's Fifty Helps.
   a. 면, 거든 Mrs. Baird's Fifty Helps. Gale's Grammatical Forms 88.90
   b. 니, 니 прежде, 니 прежде로, 니니, 니는저, 혀고로 Gale's Grammatical Forms 70-73.
   c. Concessive 니나, 니되, 니도, 니가, 니와, 혀지라도 Gale's Grammatical Forms 96-99.
   d. Alternative 논치, 논지 Mrs. Baird's Fifty Helps and Gale's Grammatical Forms 117-118.
   e. Temporal, Scott p. 118.
   g. Wishing and desiring 향고저하다, 향고시푸다, 향려 or 향려니다.
9. Salutations and dismissals in high, middle and low forms.
10. Reading.
a. Careful attention to euphonic changes and pronunciation of words.
b. Proper emphasis of clauses and phrases.
c. Careful reading of the three Ritualistic forms of Discipline.

11. Memorize 100 sentences illustrating the above forms.
12. Two hundred sentences to be written and translated by the student.
13. Translation of the First Epistle of John; the student to have a general knowledge of the words and the form as studied in the first year.


SECOND YEAR.

2. Gale's Grammatical Forms, pages 1 to 92.
4. Select 100 Sinico-Korean words and learn their etymology.
5. Four hundred sentences, half colloquial and half in literary form with translation; student must memorize 100 of these sentences.
6. Study the Geography of Korea and learn the Chinese for the names of the provinces, their capitals, chief rivers, open ports, mission stations and names of the principal railroad stations.
7. To be studied: Methodist Episcopal Church Catechism, prepared by W. G. Cram.
8. Study carefully petitionary forms and practice in extemporaneous prayer.
9. Read thoroughly so as to be able to search 성서총론.
10. To be read:
   "Korea the Hermit Nation" by W. E. Griffis.
   "Korean Sketches" by J. S. Gale.

THIRD YEAR.

2. Review Grammatical Forms in Gale.
3. Study Grammatical forms of the sentences in Gale's grammatical Forms p. 95-249.
4. Analytical study of grammatical forms in
   c. Epistles to the Romans and Hebrews.
5. Study carefully forms of letter writing.
6. Study the idiomatic features of the Korean Language.
7. Select and learn 10 Sinico-Korean phrases.
8. Practice during the year extemporaneous prayer and speaking.
9. To be read:
   
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10. Present an original composition of 1500-3000 characters on some subject helpful to the student.
11. Chinese
   a. Names for government departments.  
   b. Principal Mission Schools.  
   c. Principal Mission Hospitals.  
   d. Review.
12. To be read
   "Chinese Characteristics" by A. H. Smith.
   "Korea and her Neighbors" by Mrs. Isabella Bird Bishop.
LOCAL PREACHERS COURSE.

FIRST YEAR.

To be studied.
1. Genesis.
2. Mark and Romans 1 to 8.
3. Church History 323 A.D. to the Hermits.
4. Universal History Chapters 1 to 7. (Sheffield).
5. Discipline Part I.
   To be memorized
6. Genesis I. Matt. 5, 6, Ps. 8.
   To be read.
7. Life of Luther by James Gale

SECOND YEAR.

To be studied.
1. Exodus.
2. Roman 9-16.
3. Universal History Review and complete.
4. Discipline Parts II-IV.
5. Church History from the Increase of the power of the Bishops of Rome to the end of the first Chapter.
   To be read.
6. Ps. 1-41.

THIRD YEAR.

To be studied.
1. Leviticus.
2. Hebrews.
3. Scripture Geography.
4. Church History Second Chapter Vol. I.
5. Wesley's Sermons 1-10.
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6. Ps. 42-72.
FOURTH YEAR.

To be studied.
1. Deuteronomy.
2. I & II Corinthians.
3. What the Bible Teachers. Terry 성경도락
4. Church History. The Reformation 기신교
5. Wesley's Sermons 11-25.
6. Ritual 성례
   To be read.
7. Ps. 73-150.

Exhorters Course of Study.

FIRST YEAR.

To be studied.
2. Epistles of James.
3. Church History 1 to 100 A. D. (Sheffield)
4. Articles of Religion 티강령
5. Elementary Geography. (first half) 초지
   Memorize 의밀것
6. Ps. 1 ; Ps. 23 ; I Cor. 13.
   To be read.
7. Leading the Family in the Right way 인가귀도
8. Two Friends 장원

SECOND YEAR.

To be studied.
2. Epistles of Peter.
3. Church History 100 to 323 A. D.
4. Acts 7 and Hebrews II.
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7. Pilgrims Progress 헌로역정
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Bertels, C. N.—Tokio Japan
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Burdick, G. M.—Seoul
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Critchett Carl—On furlough
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Follwell, E. D.—On furlough
Hong Seung Ha—Suwon
Hong Soon Tak—Paik Chun
Hyen Soon—Seoul
Hyen Suk Chil—Pyeng Yang
Jones, G. H.—On furlough
Kang Sin Wha—Yun An
Kim Chang Sik—Chinnampo
Kim Chai Chan—Pyeng Yang
Kim Chang Kyu—Samwha
Kim Chang Hung—Yeng Byen
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Morris, C. D.—Pyeng Yang
Noble, W. A.—On furlough
O Kui Sun—Haiju
Rugby, A. E.—On furlough
Pak Wun Paik—Wonju
Pak Pong Nai—Kongju
Pak Yung Chan—Yeng Byen
Rufus, W. Carl—Seoul
Schwartz, H. W.—Tokio Japan
Song Seung Yong—Kongju
Swearer, W. C.—Kongju
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Taylor, H. C.—Chemulpo
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Williams, F. E. C.—Kongju
Yi Ik Mo—Chemulpo
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Yi Kyung Chik—Seoul

Probationers.

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Former Member of the Mission.

Appenzellar, H. G.—1884, deceased 1902.
Scranton, W. B., M.D.—1884, Seoul
Ohliger, F.—1887, U. S. A.
Hall, W. J., M.D.—1891, deceased 1894.
Bustead, J. B., M.D.—1892, deceased 1901.
Hulbert, H. B.—1894, Hartford Conn.
Cobb, Geo. C.—1898, Singapore, S.S.
Sherman, H. G.—1898, deceased 1900
Brooks, A. M.—1898, Los Angeles Cal.
Hahn, Dr. D. E.—1905, Seoul
Lober, Chas.—1908, Seoul.
Rockwell, N. L.—1908, deceased 1910.
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