

Kansai report

1904-1905

## Personal Report. 1904

Mrs. Samuel R. Moffett.

In October of 1903 the work of a new year was begun with a country trip to Soon An Magistracy fifty "li" to the North. Sabbath was spent among the church people here, with a morning class of more than sixty women, many of whom I found ready for deeper teaching than is usual and eager with their questions. During the next three days I visited three small villages lying along a beautiful valley which afforded a return to Pyeng Wang by a circuitous route. From each place the Christians sent word in advance to the next village so that I always found the women gathered in one of the homes and ready for a service. Thirty five patients were treated during this visit.

From November 13th. to 21st. I had the privilege of another trip to the country to hold a class for women at the Kal Non church. On the

way out a night was spent at the little village of Tung Si Pang Sung where were held evening and morning services with the women. At the Kaf Hon church thirty five women gathered from seventeen villages for all the days of study and several others came in for different classes. Of the thirty five women only seven were not able to read well; the others were prepared for good study and all were very earnest and faithful. Two Bible women helped me during this class, each teaching for an hour in the afternoon, the morning sessions being held all together. At the close of the afternoon singing class I treated a few patients each day, numbering twenty in all.

During the Fall and Winter about fifteen to eighteen little girls who were regular attendants upon the Wednesday catechumen class at the city church were placed in a class by

themselves for the study of the children's catechism. The attendance of the catechumen women was about thirty-five, fifteen of whom were very faithful in learning and reciting the memory verses.

During the Fall training class I taught scriptural geography to the women of the third division.

In the Spring a new class for young women was formed in Mrs. Swallen's Bible school in the city, of which I was given charge. The attendance has been regular and the listening very good. To induce these shy young women to answer questions readily is a matter of considerable time.

Then, on the 22nd. of May, men and women received baptism in the city church, nearly all the members of my catechumen class passed into the regular classes for baptized women. But house to house visiting among those

recently received as catechumens, gathered a class of twenty two for the first meeting and since then about ten have been added.

Faithful Pak Si who has been my helper and Bible woman for six years was laid aside from active work this Spring by a slight stroke of paralysis. She has recovered the use of arm and limb to a great extent but not her former ready thought and speech and probably will not again be able to hold the interest of a large number of women or to teach and preach as formerly. To be taken from her loved work was a trial she hardly how to bear, for a time, but she is learning the secret of the ministry of prayer and the joy of knowing she may have a part in service and classes which she cannot lead nor teach. In her place I have Hoy Si, an earnest woman from the country who is faithfully studying, helping in class work

and in house to house visiting and whose whole heart is in work for the Master. She has a class of six women who are learning to read and several inquirers in four or five houses to whom she is teaching the truths of the Gospel. These are nearly all attending services now, two have become catechumens, and one, a woman fifty years old who was a sorceress, recently gave up all her evil practices, declared that she would be a Christian and requested the Christian women to come to her house and clear it of all the devil's instruments which she had used so long. Hoy Si's joy over these women whom she has led out and her watchfulness over them is like that of a mother for her children.

During the year I treated 626 patients and received for medicines  
\$ 55.34

Respectfully submitted  
Pyung Yang  
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