

of the Chinese have died with dysentery. Miss Hambly writes that in Tzelutsing it is really a plague.

The church services still continue to be well attended. There are over five hundred at Sunday school every Sunday.

The Medical College in connection with the Union University has been opened. There were twenty applicants, but some of them were rejected because they could not pass the entrance examinations. There are nine students at present.

Indian Work

Miss Ida M. Clarke writes from Kitamaat:

We took some of the children to Island Park Camp for holidays this summer.

Three teachers and ten of the larger girls were of the party, also the little boy and girl from Hartley Bay.

We had two tents and a cook-house, and I wish you could have seen the lovely spot. It is on the Moores' ranch, up river. We crossed the Inlet to the Anderson ranch, then walked two and one-half miles up the trail. Part of the "stuff" was brought up the river in boats, but the current is very swift and they have to pole through the rapids, so Mr. Anderson sent some of it up with the horses. It is a new road and very rough, but it is worth all the trouble when you are once here.

Mr. Cairns, the new Inspector, was with us for a few days—he came to "inspect" us and could not get away for a week, so we invited him to stay here. He said he wondered why we came so far away, but when he got here he understood. He certainly had a good chance to study our children. "Teacher" Clarke was with him four years at Coqualeetza, and I was acquainted with him also.

Miss Scouten took care of ten of the younger ones for a few days till their parents came back from fishing and took them to their homes for holidays.

Our cow, "Black Dinah" (successor to "Merry Sunshine"), succumbed to her disease, and was buried in a corner of the big lot on the hillside. We miss the milk, but the children like the evaporated product and it is more satisfactory. We would need to have a couple of acres fenced in to keep a cow satisfactorily.

The Indian Agent, Mr. Fongner, said he would try to bring the doctor in with him when school opens. I wrote him that I want all the pupils examined, so that we may begin the fall term with a clean bill of health.

It is perfectly gorgeous here after three weeks' downpour. I came over with four girls as a first contingent in the pouring rain, but we got along all right and were settled before the rest arrived. Everyone is having a fine time, no flies or mosquitoes to speak of.

The Austrian Work

Miss Chace, of Chipman, writes from Lamont, Alta.:

I am taking a short course in nursing at the hospital here. Most girls spend three years in learning all about the art, but I can only stay one month, and a quarter of that time has passed already. I am overcome with amazement when I realize how many things I did not know a week ago.

This course suggested itself to me after some little work in nursing that fell to my lot last winter and for which I felt so unprepared. This harvest season finds our people so busy in the fields that I could best spare the time now, and Miss Slaughter, the superintendent, very kindly fell in with my plan and has given me for this month a place on her staff.

The experiences of a hospital probationer are certainly interesting and sometimes highly exciting. I

am enjoying the life far beyond all my expectations. The other nurses vie with one another in kindness to me, and Miss Slaughter herself is simply splendid.

I suppose this hospital would look rather small beside Toronto General, but as the one at Pakan is the only one with which I was ever intimately acquainted, it seems to me of quite generous proportions. Though only two years old it has gained for itself a fine and a wide reputation. One of the present patients has come one hundred and seventy-five miles, passing by several larger institutions to get treatment here.

Another is a priest's wife from out in the colony, a dear little woman who speaks English perfectly. She is so considerate that waiting on her is a pleasure, and I am glad of the opportunity of knowing her. Then there is a young lad who was brought in in a most emaciated condition and whose life was saved only by an operation and after that a stiff fight.

One gets into touch here with people from all parts of the Ruthenian colony, for they come from far and near. How delighted they are to hear their own language! On Sunday afternoon I had a little talk with a couple of women over the "Nováy Zavět" (New Testament) and almost every time since that I passed the open door of that ward one of these two has the book in her hands. "I am so glad you showed me this book," one of them said, "I do enjoy reading it."

Lamont Hospital is quite cosmopolitan. There are Germans and Finns and Poles and Chinese and English and, lastly, native-born Canadians here. And the same thorough care is given to one and all by doctors and nurses alike. Some wonderful cures have taken place here and are taking place all the time. Only once in a while is its capacity not taxed to the utmost. In equipment there is one great lack, a good lighting system; it is hoped that an electric plant can soon be installed.

Suggestive Programme

January, 1915.

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Watchword:

"This is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith."

Subject for Prayer:

Our Evangelistic Work and the Baptism of the Holy Spirit upon all workers.

Subject for Study:

"The Child at Play and at Work."

Chapter III.—"The Child in the Midst."

I. Opening Exercises.

(a) Hymn—"When His Salvation Bringing."

No. 262, Canadian Hymnal.

(b) Lord's Prayer, in unison.

(c) Scripture Lesson—The City of Promise. Zech. 8: 1-8.

(d) Prayer.

II. Minutes and Business.

III. Watch Tower.

IV. Five-minute paper on: The Value of Play. Chapter III, pages 89-103. Not at Room 20.

V. Solo—"Children of the City"... Adams, or any other suitable selection.

*VI. Leaflet—"Child Welfare." (To be given by Leader and five other members.)

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