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HOKKAIDO: Sapporo—Sapporo is the capital of the Hokkaido (Yezzo), 350 [*sic*] miles north of Tokyo; Station occupied 1887. Missionaries—Miss S. C. Smith, Miss I. M. Ward, Miss Alice M. Monk.

IN THIS COUNTRY: . . . Miss I. M. Ward.

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Of the *Girls' School* at Sapporo, Miss Smith reports:

When Evangelist Kimura was visiting the Hokkaido we invited him to speak to our girls, which he did with such good effect that more than eighty gave in their names as having determined to become Christians and sometime in the future to receive baptism. Of these about twenty attend the Presbyterian Church, twenty the other churches, and the remainder no church (day-pupils). These last we are using every effort to bring in, though the home opposition in many cases it is impossible to overcome. Of the former seven have already been received into our Church, and in January many more are expecting to be.

Our School Flower Mission sent about the same number of bouquets to the hospitals as last year—2,900. Each one had a text attached.

A man released from the “Lockup” said he had been greatly impressed by our singing at morning and evening prayers. Though

the words could not be heard, the place being too far, yet they all listened for the music and it caused them to think deeply. Col. Carter paid our girls the compliment of saying he could distinguish them from girls of other schools by their quiet, ladylike demeanor on the streets. We hope this may be true for *all* of them, for a year ago, when we were asked to make a rule requiring every girl to wear a uniform trimming on her skirt, as in the public schools, which should make her recognizable at once, we decided to let them do as they liked about it, urging them to make themselves known by character and manner, rather than by dress, as belonging to a Christian school.

We celebrated the Emperor's birthday on Monday this year instead of on Sunday, the actual day, and received a letter of censure for having honored God before the Emperor. The writer seemed to think that there could be no atonement for such a sin. There was some such talk in the Government offices also, and it was feared by a few that our school might be closed, but reason prevailed and we were not disturbed. We are glad, however, that it does not occur on Sunday again very soon.

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LIST OF MISSIONARIES

OF THE

BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U. S. A. AND THEIR ADDRESSES.

MAY, 1908.

* On furlough in the United States. Mail can be sent to 156 Fifth Ave., New York City.

† Expecting to return on furlough during early part of year, May 1, 1908-May 1, 1909.

DATE OF APP'T	NAME.	MISSION.	POST-OFFICE ADDRESS.
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1904	Monk, Miss Alice	Mexico [<i>sic</i>]	Sapporo, Japan.
1880	+ Smith, Miss Sarah C.	East Japan	Sapporo, Japan.
1901	*Ward, Miss Isabella M.	East Japan	Sapporo, Japan.