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MISSIONARIES SENT OUT 1909-1910.

JAPAN.

Returning--. . . Rev. and Mrs. Weston T. Johnson, . . . Miss S. C.
Smith

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In the Hokkaido, in the city of Otaru, is to be found an Industrial Boarding School for Girls with 50 enrolled, and a kindergarten department with 100 children. In Sapporo, the Girls' School reports 152 pupils. These institutions minister to the needs of our growing Christian population there, as well as attract a large number of pupils from the families of non-Christian people.

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The tone of all the reports from the field is distinctly hopeful. The schools have never had greater opportunities or better results, and there are many indications of an evangelistic movement soon to be witnessed of a more far-reaching nature than anything hitherto known in Japan.

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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 Alice M. Monk and Rev. and Mrs. Weston T. Johnson.

TRANSFERS: Miss I. M. Ward, from Sapporo to Tokyo.

ON FURLOUGH DURING THE YEAR: . . . Rev. Weston T. Johnson and Mrs. Johnson, Miss S. C. Smith,

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Miss Monk reports for the *Hokusei Jo Gakko*, or Girls' School in Sapporo, where she and Miss Smith and Miss Moore are laboring:

March 31 a class of 24 was graduated, four from the full English-Japanese courses, 20 in Japanese only. Of these 14 were baptized Christians, and of the remaining 10, all but one, it is believed, were truly followers of Christ.

After the large enrollment of new students last year (80), the number this year seemed very small, being only 40. But since, on account of hard times, girls' schools throughout the empire experienced an equal or greater proportionate falling off, this is no reason for discouragement. The decline was in the number of day-pupils. The dormitory vacancies were all filled immediately. The total enrollment thus far is 152, as against 179 last year, or about 15 per cent less.

The number of Christian students is 25, while the number of those received into the church during the year is 4.

Ten of the teachers and older pupils have maintained during the year four Sunday-schools, with a total attendance of about 250.

The Christian Endeavor and "Violet" Societies in the dormitory have, during the year, given yen 38.81 for various religious and philanthropic purposes.

They also spent yen 6.80 on local needs. The "Violet" Society distributed at five hospitals during the summer no fewer than 1,500 bouquets, each accompanied by an appropriate verse of Scripture.

Miss Moore speaks of a progressive Sunday-school work in another part of the city :

The Sunday-school at Toyahira [*sic*] has been kept up regularly. We have there over 100 on the roll, but the average attendance has been nearer 60. Last January we began holding meetings at the same place, on Friday evenings, for the grown people. As a result of these meetings there have been three baptisms, and there are now several others who seem most ready to become Christians.

EVANGELISTIC.—Mr. Johnson reports for the work of which Sapporo is the centre :

. . . Here in Sapporo the church begins to show new signs of life.

We have been having great success with cottage prayer meetings. One of these is held in the poor district, where recently a number of the Middle School students have come, not only to study, but to hear the Word explained. At another place a weekly meeting is held for students in the University. This meeting has been the most inspiring to those who have seen the work in charge.

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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.

APRIL 1, 1910.

| DATE OF APP'T | NAME. | MISSION. | POST-OFFICE ADDRESS. |
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| 1904 | Monk, Miss Alice | East Japan | Sapporo, Japan. |

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Smith, Miss
Sarah C.

East Japan

Sapporo, Japan.