

1887

“ Hokusei ” or Formerly

“ Sumisu Jo Gakko ”

Girls' Boarding School of the Presbyterian
Mission, Sapporo

This name, Sumisu Jo Gakko, was given to the school by the trustees two years and a half after it was founded, [a]s it had not been recognized by the Government as a school and private individuals had attached the founders name to it to distinguish it from “Sapporo Jo Gakko,” which the Government had established; and it was deemed unwise, at that time, to give any other; yet it must have a name in order to obtain a lease of government buildings for it.

This school was opened January 1887. Miss Tei Asawo and a sewing teacher were the assistants. The first students were: Miss Sono Soma, Miss Kawasaki, Miss Takayama, Miss Yoshimoto, Miss Kawai, Miss Chika Iwaya and Miss Ito Iwaya, all from Hakodate. These were soon joined by day students until the number was too large to be accommodated in the small rooms provided for them; which rooms were formerly a part of a stable which had been made over and fitted up for the accomodation of servants. One room was six feet by nine and the other nine by twelve. [G]overnor Iwamura learning of our need for more room kindly had built for us a small two story house with a room below twenty-one feet by thirty-three, and a sewing-room and a sleeping-room above.

Half of the salary received from the Normal School was allowed for the purchase of an organ (second hand) and for other expenses of the school during two and a half years, after which the entire expense has been paid by our Board.

The names of pupils entered the first year 1887, are as follows:

Hirano Machi
Mrs. Miura
Mrs. Matsumura
Iwamura Ezo
Iwaya Ito
Ishii Ai
Kito Nawo
Kawaii Michi
Adachi Ito
Nakayama Kiyoo
Mrs. Yonekura
Yamatani Hatsu
Soma Sono
Sakai Cho
Hori Haru
Mrs. Hori
Majima Hide
Miyabara Yoni

Mrs. Morimoto
Mrs. Ikawa
Ishikawa Shinge
Mrs. Uemura
KobayashiTei
Kodaira Koyuki
Abe Hide
Obigata Mine
Yoshimoto Riu
Takayama Nawo
Mrs. Suwa Fumi
Shirano Kiyo
Hori Teru

Mrs Matsuura
Mrs. Miazaki
Notoya Chiyo
Iwaya Chika
Ishii Hana
Uyeno Toshi
Kawasaki Fusa
Akagi Ume
Nohara Saiyo
Mrs. Oshima
Yamada Kaya
Tatsuno Taki
Sakai Yama
Mrs. Furukawa
Hayashi Kaworu

Total attendance 46; of which 10 are boarders and five are supported.

Total expense	508.25 Yen
Total receipts from school	70.25 Yen
Used from Normal Salary	438.00 Yen