

common thing for him to be called out several times during the night to visit the sick. Dr. Bolton has performed some difficult operations, and with God's help they have all proved a success. There are so many surgical cases and gunning accidents—we have had three such cases since September, and one serious case in the hospital at present. Hoping our dear friends in the east will not forget to pray for Dr. Bolton's work on the Pacific coast.

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From Miss Freston.

KOFU, Oct. 4th, 1892.

We are trying to get an entrance into the silk factories to talk to the women, but so far have been unsuccessful. The great difficulty is the Sabbath question. If the women became Christians, they would be obliged to keep the Sabbath, and that would mean loss of money. In this factory there are two hundred hands employed, working from 5 a.m., to 7 p.m., the very best never making more than 30 sen per day, and that is a rare price, an ordinarily good hand making only about 25 sen (about 19 cents of our money). They seem to have no regular holiday except as something occurs at the factory to necessitate it, and the factory runs for nine or ten months out of the year. At this one they reel about \$300 worth of silk in a day, and to keep the Sabbath means money loss to both employer and employee. Should the employer, on the one hand, close the mill on the Sabbath, the hands who live from hand to mouth would look elsewhere for employment; and, on the other hand, the employer would not like to forego, for the sake of keeping the Sabbath, the profit of even one employee's work.

K—, the young woman we met at the mill, and formerly one of our students, brought me the decision, and after a talk on this Sunday question, we turned to personal subjects. Her parents have worked their way up from a small beginning to their present position by dint of hard work, integrity and courtesy to others. According to the standard that passes current in the world, they are fine, upright people. K— herself has been well trained, taught to be obedient to her parents and faithful to her husband. Her parents and her husband are well satisfied with her conduct,