

sent her out. Had there been a shadow of softening or penitence we could not have done so, for we felt that perhaps she was throwing away her last opportunity.

We keep watch as much as possible over those who leave us from time to time, holding them still by all the cords within our reach. Some come back for the Sabbath services, others to tell of any joy or sorrow that comes to them, feeling that this is really their home where they look for sympathy.

We were obliged during the year to part with our Assistant-Matron, who had identified herself heartily with the Home, and only left to be nearer her own children. But her place is well filled by Miss Drennan, who was here in the same capacity several years ago, and so came among friends. Mrs. Spence, the Matron, continues to show her peculiar fitness for her position, and retains the respect and confidence of both Managers and inmates.

The religious services Sabbath mornings and evenings are still conducted by the same friends who have had them in charge so many years. The afternoon services have been conducted by ministers of different denominations, who have kindly consented to take them again this year.

The singing on Sabbath afternoon is taken in charge by a young lady who shows great interest in the work.

Dr. Britton has discharged his duties as medical counsellor and physician most faithfully.

The inmates have earned during the year the sum of \$1,249 07.

Through these years of commercial depression the Managers acknowledge with thankfulness the continued support from the friends of the Home. They have always had enough to carry on their work.

We never know our own powerlessness as when dealing with those who have no moral strength in themselves. We can make no appeal to their higher nature, for that is in the dust. We can only intercede with God to send His Spirit to enlighten the dark minds and to give strength for weakness. If there were many sick unhealed in Jerusalem on that day when His human feet took their last weary way through its streets, was it not because they had no faith in His healing power? Do you think the weakest hand was ever stretched out to Him in vain?

Let us all remember that "The Christ of God knows the footfall of them who seek Him, and for every step they take He takes ten to meet them."

Mrs. Pennington