

write as they sit on the floor. Then when we had soap, towel and comb, our little room, which costs us fifteen cents a month, looked quite inviting.

The school opened the last of September with ten little girls enrolled.

Takenchi san is the teacher. Every morning they have a short Bible lesson, then reading, writing and sewing. They have come regularly—on time, with clean faces and tidy hair.

As we visit the schools from time to time, we feel it is good work to train these little, otherwise untrained children for life.

The mothers are becoming interested and this week a meeting will be commenced for them. Every Tuesday afternoon a children's meeting is held in our little room. It averages about thirty. As yet the work is small, but we hope by moving carefully to have regular work in this part of the city.

There are always more demands on our time than we can supply. I try to do the work that is most needed, and trust in time we may have a good Bible-woman to help us.

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MISS PRESTON writes from KOFU, *November 28th*, 1898.

WE are having good times in both school and evangelistic work. There is a prospect of further increase in the number of pupils in the spring. The school is becoming better known and there are a number even now in the school who are related to former students.

There is a wide work for us among this class; some few of them come to our women's meetings, and there are many more open doors than we can well enter.

Yesterday I rode out on my bicycle to S——, where we had a nice little meeting. We now have meetings there regularly every two weeks, usually also one for the children, who are very well behaved and regular in attendance. I have invited them to our Christmas gathering here in Kofu.

Sunday morning at nine o'clock we have a Bible class for young men in the church. It is well attended, twenty-