

## JAPAN EVANGELISTIC WORK.

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The enclosed Bible-women's reports only give a bare idea of their work. The most interesting parts are so often left out, not because they mean to deprive us of them, but because they don't seem to wish to tell on paper all their trials, joys and sorrows.

Mrs. Inomata has had joy in sorrow, indeed. She had the pleasure of seeing two women, whom she has been teaching for months, baptized last Sunday. One of them had been refused permission to receive baptism by her husband, but applied, saying she believes he would consent at last. 9.30 a.m. on the day set came, and still he had not consented, but just then he told her she might, and away she went to church, lest he should retract his promise.

Then our old matron's (O Chika San's) husband was baptized. You will remember that she died about two months ago. His friends insisted on a Buddhist funeral, which took place at 5 a.m. He was led by that funeral to careful consideration of Christianity, and last Sunday publicly confessed his faith in Christ. Truly, she being dead, yet speaketh. Some time before her death she persuaded him to give up the sale of saké (liquor), but the great result of her short married life follows after.

The other day our Bible lesson was on Acts xi., and in the review Mrs. Sabashi said, "That part of the lesson that tells about Peter being told by the angel to go along with the men from Cæsarea, nothing doubting, taught me a lesson. The other day I wanted to go to see a woman whose name and name of the square she lived in I knew, but whose number I did not know. So, as there was no way of finding out, I just told the Lord all about it, and started out, for I was sure He would show me the way. Well, I went over there and asked a man where Mrs. — lived. He said, 'I don't know.' I was a little troubled, but went on a little farther, and asked a child, and he said, 'I know,' and led me to the spot." To one who knows how difficult it usually is to find a person in Tokyo whose number is not known, that is a clear case of Divine guidance. Mrs. Sabashi was confident the Lord showed her the way.