

her mother is relieved of the burden of paying for her support out of her own slender earnings of yen 3 a month. It has been very hard to find steady, industrial work for the children, owing to the match trade having been for a time stopped. However, the committee has been watchful, and procured work wherever it was to be had. In this there has been somewhat of a variety: Matchbox-making, toy-making, sewing mop-cloths, ripping dresses preparatory to washing, loosening out tangled thread and making paper-bags for shop use; and yet, with all these, less than 3 yen has been earned. We ask your prayers for these little folks that, rooted and grounded in the Word of Life, they may be made good reapers in the Master's harvest field in the days to come.

SUPPLY COMMITTEE WORK.

Let me congratulate your Society on the benevolent work of the Supply Committee. "Supply"—surely the name is very significant. How much we, who are in the midst of the needy ones, understand what it means!

It is amazing what can be done by united effort. Just to think of over \$3,000 worth of comforts, sent by your committee to the Lord's poor children. We have a number of very needy ones here, who are depending upon us to help them this winter. Notwithstanding we have some things on hand, we have not one quarter enough. My object is to make our people's homes more comfortable, for they are desolate indeed. You would be surprised at the changed appearance brought about by a quilt or a piece of carpet, a few knives or spoons, a picture or any ornament that helps to civilize. Our hearts and the hearts of our people overflow with gratitude to the ladies of the Supply Committee.

We have eleven Indian local preachers, who would never have a decent coat or clothing of any kind if we could not procure them for them. Our great trouble is to get them large enough, as they are men who will measure as much as forty-four inches round the chest, and our women are large also. But in this, as in every other matter, we pray that our Father may help us, and send the needed supplies.