

Tokyo—Orphanage.

There is no change to report here. The nine little girls to whom the Orphanage is "home" live very busy, regular, happy lives. They rise at six, breakfast at seven, have prayers at eight, the older girls assisting in the housework and the care of the little ones. After prayers the work at which they earn the house rent is taken up—the little ones twist paper cord and the others work at drawn work and hemstitching, at which they have become quite skilful. Each child receives one-tenth of her earnings for pocket-money, and out of this they contribute regularly to the Sunday-school and Missionary Funds. After dinner all go to the King's Daughters' school for a daily Bible lesson and instruction in sewing, reading, writing, etc. After school until tea-time they play out of doors if the weather permits. The evening meal is followed by prayers, then lessons are studied for an hour, and the remaining time is given to twisting paper cord. The needle work is not taken up in the evening being hard on the eyes, and Japanese children are predisposed to eye troubles. We follow the good old rule of bed at eight o'clock for children under twelve years—the others sit up half-an-hour later. That is the outside routine life of our little orphan family, but the real life underlies it all, and these children are learning to repress selfishness, to be faithful in their work, to be kind and helpful—in a word, to love God and honor Him in their daily living.

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Shizuoka—School.

Thirty-five pupils registered during the past term. Of these, one has been obliged to leave on account of ill-health; and another, Kosugi O Mari San, graduated in English, having graduated in Japanese a year ago. Since entering the school, O Mari San has received her tuition free, and forty-five sen a month on her board (about twenty five cents), her family paying all her other expenses. She is now seventeen years of age, is a very clever girl, and we believe a true Christian. According to an agreement made with her parents six years