

No penitent, friendless woman has ever been refused admission if there was a corner where she could be made comfortable.

It will be seen by last year's report that classification of the inmates was commenced, keeping the younger girls by themselves and as far as possible preventing contact with older and more hardened women; this plan has been productive of much good. It was also found necessary that, when placed by themselves, something to engage their attention, and occupy their time, must be given. A member of our Committee, a lady of experience in governing young persons, proposed engaging a Bible reader to remain with them during the day, to superintend their sewing, (which is cut and planned by a sewing committee) read to them, talk to them, keeping head and hand engaged as best she could. This was

#### NOT AN EASY TASK,

as will be understood, when it is remembered that many of these girls have never been instructed in any work, or subject to any discipline; but little by little we have noted the restraining influences brought to bear upon them, day by day has our patient, devoted helper (Mrs. Risdon) been sowing the "good seed," which is already springing up, let us hope, to bear fruit in the salvation of souls.

"We repeat this passage o'er,  
We believe it more and more;  
Bread upon the waters cast  
*Shall* be gathered at the last."

#### THE RELIGIOUS SERVICES

in the Home during the past year have been continued as formerly, the attention and interest on the part of the inmates has been most encouraging. Letters from the several friends conducting these services will be found in this report; we ask