

parations for the public examination and exhibition of work, brings a heavy pressure to bear upon the three teachers in health. However, we have come through some pretty hard places together, and if Miss Carroll only regains her strength, no one will feel inclined to murmur.

The number of girls in residence has been forty-four for several weeks past, so that we have quite a houseful to report. I shall speak of examinations in my next.

Your suggestion that for a few months Miss Alton come to our assistance in the Home, meets with the acquiescence of Dr. Bolton, some other arrangement being temporarily made for the Hospital.

We shall need to await further developments concerning the matron's assistant, and in the meantime do the best we can, trusting our Father to set all things in order, and give needed strength. All through my missionary experience I can trace the good hand of God. He fails not, and I have learned to give thanks for trials and difficulties, for through such things I have been led into closer communion with my God, and into more successful service for those given to my care.

Notes from Room 20 and the Depots.

The following gratifying note concerning the Flag Exercise has been received at Room 20:

OIL CITY "The 'Flag Exercise,' prepared and published at Room 20, has been successfully given by the Junior League of this place. The children acquitted themselves admirably, both in song and recitation, and we know of nothing that could arouse a deeper missionary spirit than this 'Exercise.' Parents and friends were not only delighted but deeply moved to see the boys and girls, so early in life, falling in line with this great missionary movement."

**THE FLAG
EXERCISE.**

Send to Room 20 or the Depots for a sample copy, price 5c. The twelve Large Flags required, and as many small Union Jacks as are necessary, can be rented from Room 20 for \$1.00, and the return express charges. The flags are to be returned the day after being used, care being requested in packing them.



"THE STORY OF THE YEAR."—The Board of Managers, at its recent annual meeting, authorized the Literature Committee to issue the "Story of the Year." This will contain news from

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