

send through our Mission House, of course we are glad to dispose of your gifts. Do you think you can send us some old toys or books? Last year we gave so many such things to parents that they might have gifts for their children, and the double pleasure thus conferred was delightful. The Sewing School has 130 members in regular attendance. We have patient and kind teachers, and all goes happily on the Saturday when they meet, but this involves much in the way of preparation, and we shall be glad of several ladies' help on Wednesday mornings to prepare work for the diligent little workers when they come. This class does very practical good—the little ones do learn to sew, and they also learn to come with clean hands and neat hair, and we hope that like the little Devonshire lasses, they "learn manners." The children enjoy singing their hymns and the short instruction after the workbags are put away.

Our young friends of S. Simon's Church relieve us of all care for the Sewing School Christmas tree, so here is one treat which we need not beg for!

The Dispensary continues to do its good work, and is valued and used by an increasingly large number of patients. Our friendly doctors are always most kindly attentive and regular in attendance, but we sadly need donations towards its support. We have actually no money beyond the small proceeds from the "Monday Sales" of clothing, new or second-hand; and though anxious buyers are numerous, and sales many, yet very little can be realized when our chief object is to provide warm cheap clothing, which can be bought for very small sums of money (when the needy have any money), and given away in very many more cases when there is no money forthcoming. We never have nearly enough clothing to meet the demand, nor have we as yet any blankets to dispose of as needs arise. Sometimes we receive good bundles of samples, or of pieces of material for mending, and these are most useful. We know our neighbors well, and therefore can distribute such things where they will be used to the most advantage. Pieces of cloth are made into good warm slippers for children, sometimes "samples" are made into good suits of clothing, an old coat or trousers cleverly turned and made over "as good as new," tops of worn out stockings made into mittens, indeed ingenuity and neatness are called out in various ways by the industrious mothers.

After Christmas we hope to recommence our dinners for invalids twice a week, as heretofore, and for this we are absolutely dependent on our friends and Associates.