

she went alone every Sunday morning and taught these children. It is not yet a year since O Kuni San herself became a Christian, and it made us glad to find her taking her place as a Christian worker in her own town.

*September 9th.*

Our ladies arrived safely on the 6th. We had one executive meeting that evening, and decided that Miss Washington should accompany Miss Robertson to Kofu, and Miss Sifton remain in Tokyo. Miss Robertson and Miss Washington started the next afternoon with Miss Preston. They intended to spend the night at Hachioji the railway terminus—so as to get a good start the next morning. We had a heavy down-pour of rain all day yesterday, and this morning a typhoon gave us a rough shaking, but we hope the Kofu ladies were too far in among the mountains to be affected by the latter.

From Miss Preston.

KARUIZAWA, JAPAN,

*August 20th, 1897.*

Our holidays are almost over and I am looking forward to seeing all the Kofu friends again, although vacation has seemed very short this year.

Here, with Misses Munro, Blackmore and Hart, it has been a quiet, restful summer. We have enjoyed the religious services very much. In the early part of the summer we had the pleasure of listening to Mr. Speer, Secretary of the Presbyterian Mission. He gave us some most helpful addresses. Then we have had the usual Sunday services. The morning Sunday School is very interesting. There is quite a large infant class, and it is most refreshing to hear and to see the little ones. But the greatest treat is Dr. Ashmore's Bible-class on Hebrews. Dr. Ashmore is a veteran Baptist missionary from China, a learned man and a very fine Bible student.