

once a week, in the evening, to give the women of the church an opportunity to attend if they wish.

Just before the holidays a society was organized among the women of the church, which we call the "Christian Women's Society." Its aim is somewhat like that of the King's Daughters. We hope it may prove a means of bringing the women of the church nearer together; of interesting them in looking after the sick; and in Christian work among both believers and non-believers, as well as in making money for the Lord. The meetings are monthly. We have a membership of over a dozen, and the women have collected quite a little sum of money already. Some money has been made by making over old dresses and selling them; some by washing clothes; some by sewing; some by selling paper and rags; some from eggs, unexpectedly found, and their value given; some, who are too old to work, deny themselves to give. One old woman, who lives in a poor home with her younger sister, also old, and whose eyes are so bad—she is half-blind—has saved about twenty-four cents by doing with less tea-cakes than she usually eats.

Two women have been baptized since last term. Takasoi San was telling me about her little boy who used to be a very troublesome child, but who has changed completely for the better since he started to Sunday-school. And one day when returning from the Sunday-school, some boys tormented him by throwing stones or sticks at him, but he bore it bravely and did not run. He said he felt that in the Sunday-school he received good teaching. Both he and one of his sisters, I believe, desire to be baptized.

Mayeda San in Kanoiwa, where we have women's meetings, has become a candidate for baptism, her parents having yielded consent.

Hayashi San has become a teacher in the Sabbath-school, and to her has been given charge of the women's meeting held especially for non-believers. A foreigner will attend to aid in the singing and fancy work, and others will help by speaking at the meetings and working for them generally, but the responsibility will be Hayashi San's. She is a felt power in our women's work, and always ready to do what she can.

Watanabe San, of Schikawa, the daughter of wealthy parents, and one of her brothers, a director of this school,