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VOLUNTEER TEACHERS AND LITTLE GIVERS AT SAPPORO.

Our daily attendance at school is eighty and more, of whom thirty are boarders. Four were graduated in April. Three of them remain to help in the school, for which we are profoundly grateful ; two, who were self-supporting during their five years in the school, are Christian volunteers, and I would not ask for better. They come from good families and do not need or wish for salaries, only their food and a little spending money. They wish to help the school because they are Christians and it is a Christian school, and their families, although not Christians, consent, because in these days many people think that one religion is about as good as another and none of them are worth troubling about.

This term, for the first time, we have succeeded in getting the older class of day scholars to attend church. Including forty from our school, there is a regular attendance of about one hundred.

I was surprised a few days ago by some of the youngest boarders, children ten years old, bringing me a box of pennies, and to learn that they have a prayer-meeting every morning in my recitation room, where, after praying, they put into this box any pennies they may have saved or earned. This is to help the school.

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