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... Bible women are reduced to living
... ived the idea of sending each one
... ut for Christmas, since that was something which
... were getting very little of. I sent each family six apples,
... pears, and the single people, four of each.

The Christian Literature Society each year puts out a very pretty calendar, and this year's was especially nice, with a nice colored print of Christ and the Rich Young Ruler by Hoffman. We gave each teacher one of these, also gave one to each classroom. I also sent one to the hostess of each of the study classes as a token of our appreciation for allowing the class to meet in her house each week. I also gave a little pocket Christian diary to each teacher, including those in the study classes. They like these very much, as each day has a short scripture verse.

The men members of the church had a special party of their own of which the pastor was in charge. He was quite encouraged by the group that came and believes that he will have more than that next Christmas.

There is a clinic which deals especially with eye diseases held in Wesley church every afternoon except Sunday. The workers in the clinic invited me and several other missionaries to a dinner several days before Christmas. The man in charge of these clinics, Dr. Lee, reminds me of Dr. Grenfell. He is a very versatile organizer, and is meeting a real need in these clinics of which there are five or six in different churches, although the others deal with general diseases, while ours is especially for eyes. He trains young men to do the treatments, so that they are able to provide at least a form of medical service within the means of the people.

Perhaps you think that fifteen Christmases is too much for one to have in one year. I quite agree with you on that. In looking back over them and trying to decide which ones I could cut out, I feel a little like the woman who had too many children and promised to give one of them away, but she just couldn't decide which one she could get along without. Which ones could I cut out? Certainly not the children's, nor the poor women, nor the faithful teachers. I guess the good old Christmas Spirit has sort of got me going, because I enjoyed them all.

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