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a mother disposed to cooperate with us is placed over them.

Rose Herbert and Margaret Caton were confined to their cells during one of our visits for disorderly conduct. Judging in short they are evidently much troubled but they have our good opinion but the breach in feeling is apparently as wide between them as ever though they did make promises of amendment which we trust will prove sincere.

There were two new convicts admitted during the month; Harriet Stanbury for 30 months & Elizabeth Skinner for 18 months neither of whom knew their letters and the latter is now beginning to spell.

The interest of the women in their studies does not appear to abate and their progress in reading & writing is marked. Several of the colored women write very well and some have committed whole chapters of the New Testament to memory 20 & 30 verses of which they will repeat at a time.

There have been ten spelling books and two testaments distributed - a record of the names of those to whom they have been given has been kept - and we would again urge upon the committee the propriety of keeping such a list as many of the women have been twice furnished with the same books by different visiting committees.

Manly Miller has applied for a hymn book of which there are none on hand.

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We have been deeply impressed with the importance of having rules for the better government of the women and to this end we have drawn up the following which we submit for your approbation and to which we trust the women will give their cordial assent and submission and we would propose at way may open under a new motion that some plan be devised by which their deportment through the week may be laid before us and that to those who are the most orderly and attentive small rewards be given at stated periods in which case we would discourage any gift unless under some peculiar circumstances by any ^{individual} member of the Committee.

Rules.

1st The women are requested to assemble in the work room at two o'clock with all their books and stated

2^d Two of their number will be appointed every month to see that the benches are arranged and that the room is properly warmed and ventilated before the arrival of the committee.

3^d The women are desired not to leave their seats during the time of school without permission from their teachers.

4th Cleanliness and neatness in their persons and appearance are particularly requested.

5th They are required carefully to guard against anything that is likely to occasion quarrelling or