MOONLIGHT SCHOOL ENABLES PRISONERS TO WRITE LETTERS

FRANKFORT, KY., May 12.—Since the inauguration of the Moonlight schools at the State reformatory many prisoners who could not even write their names, have learned to read and write and are now in position to communicate by letter with relatives. Mrs. Cora Wilson Stewart, chairman of the Kentucky Illiteracy Commission, daily receives letters from prisoners expressing their gratitude to her for the establishment of the school and for the Moonlight reader which she prepared for the Moonlight schools. Some of the prisoners write that only a few months ago they were unable to read at all, but now are able to read their Bible. In one letter to Mrs. Stewart a prisoner says that his folks at home do not believe that he writes his letters because he could not write when he left home. This prisoner will be released in a short time and has requested Mrs. Stewart to furnish him with a book that would be of some benefit to him in his studies. Another prisoner writes that the inauguration of the Moonlight school at the reformatory was the “grandest thing that ever happened there.” All prisoners write that their greatest pleasure is derived from being able to write to their relatives and to read the letters received from them. They all express gratitude to Mrs. Stewart for what she has done for them thru her Moonlight schools.