

JAM-MAKING.

Jam-making, as one of the departments of relief work, has been well known to everybody in school. To those whose work has allowed of their participating in it, it has become a very pleasant memory. Not often in ordinary life in town is there an opportunity to revel in hampers upon hampers of damsons, golden plums, blackberries and apples. Weighing, boiling, stirring and stoning also have their joys, and occasionally their sorrows, and people who have bottled, and covered, and labelled jars containing 2,400 lbs. of jam, and stored them away for future use, have had no light task.

The news that we have jam for distribution has travelled far, and applications for it have come in even from London. It has gone to Oldham and Stockport, to many military and



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Red Cross hospitals in the neighbourhood, to Belgian households, and to organisations and homes in the poorer districts of Manchester. It has been remarkable during the three months when sugar, fruit and jars have been used in such great quantities, that never has there been a sign of shortage in any necessity, but the next morning brought the required help. Some gifts stand out, such as that of six cwts. of sugar, and that of more than 1,000 lbs. of fruit from Mr. Austin Coe, of