

## Arrival of Clothing at File Hills.

FILE HILLS, *Aug. 19, 1889.*

REV. ALEX. CAMPBELL.—I have much pleasure in acknowledging receipt of your letter notifying me of despatch of two bales of clothing for the use of the Indians on these Reserves. The clothing has arrived and proves to be of excellent quality and suitable selection (350 lbs. in all.) I trust it will be of great service to our cause, not only by clothing the needy, but also by rendering parents more willing to send their children to our school, which is still largely a matter of hope and promise. Please convey our warmest thanks to the donors of the clothing.

[The bales which Mr. Campbell acknowledges were sent by the Toronto Presbyterian Society.]

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### Extract of Letter from Mr. McGillivray, Honan.

SINCE I last wrote you, several important events have taken place. The saddest is the death of my old teacher about a week ago at his home in Kuan Chuang. He was taken with dysentery, which medicines failed to check, and one evening he expressed a desire to go home. Although he was very weak we thought it best to send him, because to die away from home is very repugnant to a Chinaman, and a corpse on our hands would have been very difficult to deal with. He had a relative here, in Mr. Perkins' employ as hospital assistant, who waited upon him; hired a cart one evening, carried him out on his back, put him in a cart, and away they went. I accompanied his cart down the street a piece—a great mark of honor—but my step was heavy. I felt I was following him to the grave. The case was urgent, so they travelled most of the night, which was cooler than the day, the weather at this time being very hot. I retired within my compound and looked out at the sky. Summer lightning played back and forth. Where was the poor old man's soul bound for? We often studied together about Jesus, but alas! alas! I fear he never took Him as his Saviour. I know I was not urgent enough with him. Did his soul go away into the darkness? I shudder. Oh! to be urgent with people we are associated with.

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