

boy is about six years old and the girl just *three*, they are very fond of and kind to one another. The boy is learning the letters well, the girl is rather young to learn much. These have yet to be baptised. I purpose that the boy shall be named after Professor McVicar, of Montreal, on account of the wish of the Cote Street Sabbath School to have a boy in the mission named after their former pastor. I mean to name the girl after Mrs. Esson, widow of the late Professor Esson, of Knox College, a lady that is constantly working and getting others to work for the benefit of this mission.

The remaining two are children whose mother died suddenly last winter. The father came with his children from the plains and entreated us to have pity on him, and take charge of his children, for he could not take care of them himself. The boy is only about *two* years old, and being so young, he is at present taken care of in a neighboring family, while the mission furnishes all that he requires. The girl is at least five years old, and lives at the mission. She is rather young to make much progress at school. These two have likewise yet to be baptised. I purpose to name them after Mr. and Mrs. Black, of Red River. There is no one who does so much voluntary work for the mission as the Rev. John Black.

We have taken these children at a time when we have literally nothing with which to clothe them properly. Our own children have had to share their clothes with them, and we have had to buy from the H.B. Company a few articles for the boys. The troubles at Red River prevented us getting any goods last year, but we hope that a good supply of donations as well as purchased goods is now on the way. But such a large addition of Indian children to our household presses upon us the necessity of having entirely separate accommodation provided for them, and a matron, as well as a teacher, to take proper care of them, and I look to you, my young friends, to help us in this work. At present the committee insists that we shall not exceed a certain amount of outlay, but if we are to continue to be so restricted we cannot extend the benefits of the institution to others who may apply. I wish you, by the largeness and number of your contributions, to let the committee know that this work must and will go on.

Will you also help us with your prayers for these children, that every one of them may become true Christians, and that they may yet be fitted to be useful to the people of their tribe?

Your sincere friend,
JAMES NISBET.

FREE CHURCH MISSIONS.

Mr. Van Andel sends an account of the baptism, at Prague, of a young Jewish lady who had been brought under Christian influences during a temporary residence in England; he also reports the baptism of a Jewish student of medicine.

Mr. Koenig communicates two letters which he lately received, the one from a young man of Constantinople, baptized in 1862, who is now living a Christian life in Wisconsin, and the other from a young man baptized in Pesth two years ago, who is now labouring in that part of the world as a Colporteur.

Five students in divinity, or probationers belonging to the reviving Protestant Churches of Hungary and Bohemia, are spending the present winter at the New College, Edinburgh.