

religious services, that some of these are enquirers, and that a considerable number of young people have received more or less instruction in the School, are evidences that we have not been losing sight of the one great object of our being here.

I am greatly encouraged by your letter, and by others received from friends making up boxes of clothing for the mission, and also by the special contributions of Sabbath Schools towards a School for Indian children, so that, despite your low funds, I am resolved to engage a teacher well acquainted with the Cree characters as Indian teacher, and who will also be able to interpret, read and pray in Cree in Mr. McKay's absence, when he and I may go off on such visits as we have talked so much about in this letter, provided that the person I have in view may be free to accept of such a situation.

I am thankful, *very* thankful to the Sabbath Schools, Ladies' Societies, &c., that are taking an interest in our work. I sincerely trust that such interest will greatly extend, and from these sources alone I may hope for ample support for my plans. Let all give their prayers likewise, for these we specially require.

It makes me glad to learn that the Lord is visiting some portions of our Church with special tokens of His favor. Whatever is human in such movements we have to mourn over, but then good is done, souls are quickened, and even those who have long followed the truth are revived by such scenes and seasons.

Rumor says we are now part of the *Dominion*. What effect is the change to have on this quarter? Are settlers from the Provinces to flock in here? I hope that before such shall be the case the Government will make a proper arrangement with the Indians, and appropriate proper reserves for them.

The Indians here have often spoken to me about such a movement as one that they dread, fearing that they will be crowded out of their own country as Indians in other parts have been.

If there are to be settlements on the Saskatchewan, I have no doubt that this will be one of the first parts to be pitched upon.

Thank God, we have had fine rain again to-day, and the fields are looking fresh and beautiful; the wheat is in ear.

With Christian regards to the Committee, &c.,

Yours most truly,

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LETTER FROM REV. J. NISBET TO THE CHILDREN OF THE SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, June 30, 1869.

To the Sabbath Schools, Canada Presbyterian Church.

MY DEAR YOUNG FRIENDS,—Although I have not much to communicate at present, I think it is time I were sending you a few lines. As I have not received any very late copies of our RECORD, I am not aware to what extent the Schools have sent contributions to our work here, so that I do not yet know how far I may go in extending our work among the Indian children. I am trying to make arrangements to have them taught separately in their own language, and to have a person to take special charge of them; hitherto they have been in the English school, but that is