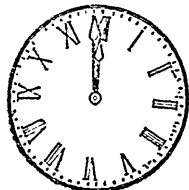


# Letter Leaflet of the Woman's Auxiliary

"The love of Christ constraineth us."—2 Cor. v. 14.

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Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.—PSALM II. 8.

Subjects for Prayer and Reading: April—Caledonia, B.C., India. May—Saskatchewan, Calgary, Palestine, and Assyria.

CALEDONIA, B.C.

Mrs. Field, writing from Hazelton, Skeena River, Sept. 1897, says, "We have had a *very great* disappointment. What will you say when I tell you that the lumber for the church has not come? Nor is there any hope of our seeing it now before next May, when the captain of the steamer has faithfully promised to bring it, if all is well. We had such intense heat in June that it caused the snow on the mountains to melt so rapidly that by the time the *Caledonia* was able to get through the canon on July 1st, she found the greatest difficulty in getting up her freight for Hazelton and the interior—indeed, on her last trip she damaged her hull and machinery considerably. Owing to insufficiency of water it was quite impossible for her to get the lumber up. Mr. Field was put about, for we had set our hearts on seeing a beginning of the church this year, and Mr. Stephenson (the builder), had got back with the window mouldings, etc., for it. Ah well! the Master knows best, and it seems to be His will that we should wait a little longer for our church, so we must have patience. I suppose by now, Bishop Ridley is on the Coast again. It is too late for him to pay the Skeena a visit this year. Our summer has been very trying—so hot at times and a great deal of rain; but I am sorry it is over. I dread the thought of winter, which is usually so long and cold, and the isolation very trying. Our people are fast returning, but only to go out to fish for themselves now. They will be unsettled for some time yet; but school and all classes begin next month (p.v.). The salmon fishing has been very bad, and those who went to work in the mines have done even worse. October: The people are all home now; I pray that God will draw every nigh to some of them who have seemed, lately, to be weakening their faith, and make them a tower of strength. Of course they have to go out to earn their bread, and in the mines and salmon canneries they are exposed to very many temptations, and some of them