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## SPECIAL MEETING.

The Vice-Presidents of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society—viz., Presidents of Presbyterial Societies, Auxiliaries and Mission Bands—are reminded of the intimation in the July LETTER LEAFLET concerning the Special Meeting of the Board, to be held in Knox Church, Toronto, on Thursday, 13th September, at two o'clock, to which they are cordially invited.

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## LETTERS FROM MISSION FIELDS.

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### Some Account of Work and Progress at Portage La Prairie School.

MISS BEST.—I very gladly comply with your request, and shall try, without entering too minutely into details, to give you some idea of the present condition of the work here. As you, perhaps, are aware, I have been here a little less than two months, yet long enough to become acquainted, in the ordinary sense of the word, with most of our Indians. Fresh characteristics continually revealing themselves make me doubtful that I shall ever become thoroughly acquainted with them.

About a mile north of the town on a level stretch of prairie, nine tepees have stood for some time, each containing a family, with, usually, a few aunts, cousins or grand-children thrown in. Within the past few weeks some wanderers have returned from Brandon vicinity, and now we see sixteen tepees picturesquely dotted over the prairie.

I only know what the Indians here have been through accounts from those most closely connected with the work, and I can say