

## Field Notes.

THE letters published in this number of the *OUTLOOK* are all deeply interesting, and will repay perusal; but we would call special attention to the letter of Brother A. E. Green, and the appeal which he makes for aid in his orphanage work. For years he has been caring for a number of orphan lads who, but for this care, would have been compelled to take their chances in heathen villages, without a friend to stand by them; and during the past year all the aid he has received was a single contribution of \$10. Will not some to whom the Lord has given the means extend a helping hand to this deserving charity?

REV. A. ANDREWS writes from Moose Jaw, of some interesting facts in connection with the establishment of Bible depots along the line of the C.P.R. Among other places mentioned are Qu'Appelle, Broadview, Whitewood, Moosomin, and Regina. Bro. Andrews speaks of the difficulty of obtaining cheap Bibles in the Territories; Edmonton being the nearest place where they can be got at reasonable rates. We fully concur in the view that "this work is a valuable factor in building up the Christian civilization of the great North-West."

WE learn with regret of the illness of Mr. Hodgson, now stationed at Saskatoon. Bro. Hodgson has been a faithful and energetic worker, and, as might be expected, was beloved by his people. We earnestly pray that a kind Providence will see fit to restore him to his wonted strength and vigor, and that he may be able to resume the work in which he has been so successful, and that is so dear to his heart.

MRS. W. B. OSBORNE, late of Niagara Falls, has opened a Missionary Training School at 4,045 Ogden Street, Philadelphia. It is conducted on the basis of faith and prayer. Mrs. Osborne aims to put a course of preparatory study within the reach of any who desire to go as missionaries to foreign lands, and yet have not the necessary means at their disposal.

WE have just received the statistics of the Methodist Sabbath-school Association of Montreal, for 1887. The total amount raised by the schools of the city for missions is \$4,373.82, being an average of \$1.09 for each scholar.

OUR Missionaries have been so busy "making history, that they have not had time to write it," and hence, when information is needed, it is very difficult to find,

and we receive many letters of enquiry to which we are unable to give anything like satisfactory answers. We are pleased to know that the life of the heroic George McDougall will soon be published, written by his son, Rev. John McDougall, of Morley Mission, with an introduction by the General Missionary Secretary. As Mr. McDougall was among some of the first to penetrate into the western part of our North-West Territories, we have no doubt it will give valuable and interesting information regarding the opening up of missions in that vast country.

FROM a letter received from Brother Hiraiwa, near the end of his long and arduous campaign, we make the following extract:—

"I shall not feel sorry for the campaign to be at an end; but I hope that my work was not in vain, and if any good has been done at all, the glory be to the name of God and His cause. I have never before experienced such strange sustaining power of God for my body and spirit as during this long-continued siege, or else I could not stand the weather and work so well. I have never refused even any of the extra work requested of me hitherto, but the strength and grace given of God were commensurate with the work. I am heartily and sincerely thankful to God, and give all the glory to Him."

MISSIONARY money does not come in as promptly as it should or as it might. The great bulk of the fund does not reach the Mission Rooms till after the May District meetings. This is much to be regretted. It means large expenditure for bank accommodation, which is absolutely necessary to keep the work going till the money comes in. There does not appear to be any good reason why the greater part of the missionary income should not be collected before the holidays, and this would effect a great saving. Up till the end of March, only a little over \$20,000 had been received, while the expenditure for the same period has aggregated over \$140,000. Remittances at the present time would be greatly appreciated by the Treasurers.

*The Missionary Review* for May came early to hand, and is full to overflowing with interesting matter pertaining to every phase of mission work. It embraces eighty pages, and contains the following departments:—1. Literature of Missions. 2. Organized Missionary Work. 3. Correspondence and General Intelligence. 4. International Department. 5. Monthly Concert of Missions. 6. Progress and Results of Missions. 7. Statistics of the World's Missions. If you desire to keep fully abreast of the great missionary movement, subscribe for the *Review*. Funk & Wagnalls, New York. Price, \$2.00.