

"besides our own family. It is a rare meal that we do not have fifty mouths to feed. We have had several additions to our Church from the Romanists, in some instances whole families. God bless and cheer you."

Miss Mussen, of Farnham, has also received letters of thanks from Mr. Haynes, Victoria, School, Piegan Reserve, in acknowledgements of a bale and \$14.05 in money, which latter immediately went towards the purchase of more coal, no mean item in such a climate.

HURON. Mrs. Reeve, wife of the Bishop of Mackenzie River, writes to Mrs. De la Hooke, London, of the safe arrival of the "co-operation bales" sent from London, last June (see August 1898, LEAFLET page 336), "I have much pleasure in informing you of the safe arrival of the bales in September. I opened one end of the bale addressed to Mrs. Stringer, apparently everything was in good condition. All being well, the Bishop will take it with him when he goes to Peel River in the spring. The only damage in our own bale was a broken bottle of medicine, a burst package of tea, and a squashed tin of cocoa. A small quantity of tea had scattered itself through the bale; the cocoa was strongly sewn up in cotton, and I was able to gather it up with but little waste. May I venture to suggest to our kind helpers how important it is to stitch up thoroughly packages of groceries, that nothing be lost in the transit. Thank you very much for the hot water bottle, which is a great comfort, and keeps my feet warm whilst in church. I had influenza six months ago, and have had a very bad cough (like whooping cough) and am obliged to protect myself from chills. Please thank the Hellmuth College Banch for the eiderdown quilt sent to me, also all the other Branches which have contributed to the bale. Many articles of clothing are already given away to deserving Indians, who were grateful for them. It is very cheering to us to receive such tokens of your sympathy and thoughtfulness, and we return to our work with renewed energy and vigor after reading the kind letters and opening the bales. I wish you all a very happy new year." Rev. A. Owens writes to Mrs. Boomer: "Will you, through the LEAFLET, ask people who have sent us bales and get no letter, to send us a post card, I *always* write, but fear that some of my letters go astray. The ladies ask me to say