about the way of life—the medicine for the soul's healing—has to be largely left to the Bible woman. What avails the healing of the bodies if their souls be not rescued from eternal darkness?

We have taken the oversight of Miss Ross' school with the hope of saving it until some one is sent out to take up her work. Of the three Christian women who are teachers in it two have begun the study of medicine with us, so that we have now a class of three to whom we give lectures daily after the regular medical work for the day is over. We may never make M.D's. of them. but we can train them so that they will be able to earn their livelihood and be very useful to us as compounders or hospital assistants. Judging from our short three weeks' experience of a hospital we will very soon be obliged to endeavour to secure a larger building. The promised site is still only promised, and nothing can be done about it at present; but we wait patiently, knowing that as soon as the papers are handed over not an hour need be lost in setting about its erection. The lesson which our Lord has been teaching us during the year, that the work is not ours but His, ought to keep us patient and strong of heart whatever befall us or the work in our keeping.

## LETTERS FROM THE NORTH-WEST.

## Thanks for Clothing.

FILE HILLS, FORT QU'APPELLE.

MR. AND MRS. TOMS,—The goods sent by you all arrived in good order; we were at the time on the point of moving; two days after moving I was taken sick or I would have answered your kind and thoughtful letter long ago. The things you sent were just what we most needed, and I cannot express how thankful we feel for all your kindness. It is indeed a difficult matter for us to get clothing, and our stock was small, coming from a warm climate. I do not know what we would have done without so many nice warm things. You must thank all the ladies "for me" who have had any part in sending the good things both to ourselves and the Indians.

The things were good, very good, and the packing so well and neatly done, I am sure the patience and self-denial exercised

must have been something great.