

BALGONIE.

MISS WIGHT.—Would like to refer to the little book called "The Pictorial Tract Primer," which is a grand one for children. Frances may meet some little girl in Heaven whom her little book led to Jesus.

And now with regard to our school, I think I must say first that ours is a very busy institution; we have no matron just now, and, not to speak of the cooking, etc., it is no slight task to keep in repair stockings, dresses, pinnies, etc., etc., for so large a family. We always expect daily visits from the parents and friends of the children, and to-day we had fourteen such visitors, eleven of whom are spending the night with us and are sleeping now on the school-room floor. Each day they come they stay for two meals at least, and quite frequently remain all night. The children are bright and intelligent and doing well in school; they very seldom run away from school and seem to think it their home, and so it surely is. Miss Rose very kindly sent us over her magic lantern and the children are delighted with it.

Did I tell you that one of our girls took a prize for writing, drawing and fancy work?

We have thirty pupils and our house is full. Three times during the past two months have alterations been made in the rooms, each time with a view to making more room for children. As far as the Indians are concerned, there seems to be great prospect of our getting many more children, but want of accommodation and means to carry on the work yet stand in the way, but the Lord, who is inclining the hearts of the heathen toward the way of life, will incline the hearts of the people to support His work.

Last Saturday one of the parents came to see her children and took them home in the evening, and brought them back (10 miles) clean and tidy on Monday morning. One of them told us on his return that he did not forget to pray before he slept while he was absent from school. I think you would like to hear such a number of clear, sweet voices of Indian children singing the hymns that your Sabbath schools are singing, and one of them playing the organ. Quite a number of them play very nicely, and they are fond indeed of it.

Day before yesterday two new children were brought by their parents, yesterday one, and to-day two. Can we take in any more? For a few days after their arrival they are often very homesick, and it must not be wondered at, surely, for they are much attached to their friends, especially parents to children and children to their mothers. Sometimes they cry bitterly for a short time, but soon dry their tears and seem quite happy until