

formation that I could. I could only wish that I had three months instead of three weeks to speak of the work.

The work on this Reserve I am thankful to say continues to have its encouraging aspects. During the last eleven months nine marriages have taken place, six of these marriages were of those who had been living together according to the heathen Indian's idea of marriage, which allows the Indian to put away his wife at his pleasure. In some cases the Indian may give the woman sent away some small part of his small possessions, but they appear to realize the evil consequences of their old customs, and the advantages and blessing that follow a proper observance of the sacredness and binding nature of the marriage tie. During the same period six persons have been received on profession of faith, and two new members added to the W.F.M.S. The members of the Auxiliary are greatly encouraged by these additions, and I think their contributions will be in advance of what they have been doing for a few years. Henry Enoch and his wife, the parents of your baby Jean, were the last two received on profession of faith.

Since I started to write this letter, a young man named Edward Hanika (meaning Edward Long), called on me with Henry's daughter and a marriage license, and now they are married. We earnestly pray that it may be a happy marriage. The young man has asked to be baptized. All that I could say to him was that I would be pleased to baptize him when I had good proofs of his sincerity, and believed him to be a proper subject for baptism.

Mrs. Big Hunter is well, but Big Hunter has not been very well since last summer. Mrs. Big Hunter with the help of another stacked their wheat, and now she takes the wheat to market, cuts and draws the wood and hay, and attends to the horses and cattle. Martha Thunder, the only daughter of Isaac Thunder, is not well; she came home from Regina a few weeks ago.

Maggie Gray, who was married to James Gray last summer, and who, with her husband, was, on profession of faith, received to the Lord's Supper, had a daughter about fourteen years of age, who was attending the Regina School. A few weeks ago word came that her daughter was very ill. The mother went to see her daughter. In a few days she sent us word saying that her daughter was very sick, and that her heart was full of sorrow, she said she was reading the Bible and praying, and asked our prayers on behalf of herself and daughter. She has been able to get her daughter home, and shortly after the girl came home she asked to be baptized. Last Sabbath, many of the Indians being away from home fishing, I thought we would have our regular service