

children such good warm underwear, and joy to them to receive the gifts, they send their best thanks. The reading matter and the Christmas cards are much appreciated. I will write later telling you of the clothing most needed and give sizes."

From Rev. C Weaver, Wabiskaw, Athabasca, to Leaflet Editor.

* * * "My salary is only \$500, out of this I must find food for some children. This is one instance. Two men went off hunting last Oct., one left us two little girls, the other one, they have to be cared for and by teaching and caring for their children we can get at the Indian. Apart from the buying, the cost of freight is very high—5 cents per lb. on food and bales. We find so many people come in expecting to be fed. Last Sunday we had ten besides all the Home children. It seems difficult to provide for all. We have taken in these children in faith, believing that our Heavenly Father will supply our needs. We have determined to take in all, trusting in God for the means of support. In a little time I must order in my supply of flour, etc., for next year, from the H.B Co., and help from friends would be a great boon. We have with us eight children from sixteen to two years. The mother of this last died in the summer. Many things are needed here, a wagon and more cattle, also poultry and pigs; we could provide more food then. Money can be sent for any of these needs, to the care of the Bishop, Athabasca Landing, N.W.T."

The Penetanguishene Branch received a very kind letter from Rev. Owen Owens, Touchwood Hills, thanking them for their bale, in which he describes in a most interesting way the work carried on in his mission. He lays great stress on the value of sending second-hand clothing, saying it is always most acceptable and serviceable. In conclusion, he says, "We work slowly. I have not come here to convert, that is the Holy Spirit's work. My work is to teach. Your part of the teaching is important, as by you and the W.A., the chief pillar of our Holy Faith—Love—is explained in a tangible form to the Indian mind. At first our Indian children cannot think of a number in the abstract, but if you ask them to add six horses and nine horses, they do so readily. In the same manner, talking of love, goodness and truth, is not very interesting to them, but when they see these things lived, they comprehend, and are drawn to them, even against their will."

REPORT JUNIOR BRANCHES.

I have great pleasure in announcing the formation of two new Junior Branches, Newmarket, with a membership of 27, and Havelock, with a roll of 40 members. Alliston, we trust, is re-organizing after a year's inactivity, and we hope to hear of a Branch soon in Bradford. So we have just cause for rejoicing, in that the children are helping to increase the Missionary zeal and work. I am also more than glad that