



UNSUBDUED ABORIGINES LIVING IN THE MOUNTAINS.

Woman's Auxiliary Department.

"The love of Christ constraineth us."—II. Cor. v. 14.
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Remember daily the mid-day prayer for missions.

"Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost part of the earth for thy possession": Ps. ii. 8.

MACKENZIE RIVER.

This cheering letter has just been received from Bishop Reeve, and would seem to effectually answer those who ask, "What good are missions to the Eskimo?"

ST. DAVID'S MISSION, MACKENZIE RIVER,
N.W.T., CANADA.

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In taking a mental review of the events of the past year, there are several which present themselves as matters for great

thankfulness and encouragement; e.g., my visit to the Eskimo and the work amongst them; confirmation at Fort Norman; the stand made by the Indians at Hay River; the addition to our staff of workers, etc. Perhaps it may be well to refer to these in the order in which I have mentioned them. The difficulty is to say all I would like to say without making the letter too long.

VISIT TO THE ESKIMO AND WORK AMONGST THEM.

When I left home at the beginning of June it was with no thought of going so far north as the Arctic Ocean, but on reaching Fort McPherson both the Archdeacon and Mr. Stringer considered it advisable. The Eskimos, too, seemed pleased at the idea of my going to see them in their own homes. So after much thought and prayer I determined to go, although not very well prepared for such a trip. In company, then, with Messrs. Stringer and Whitaker (the latter a new recruit for this work), and two Indians, I left Fort McPherson in a whale-boat on July 29th, and, after a somewhat cold and rough passage, we reached the Eskimo village on August 6th. All turned out to give us a welcome, and, after the hand-shaking was over, we were invited to the Council House, where I was accorded the seat of honor, and where in due time a goodly number assembled