

JESUS LOVES ME.

The fading light of day stole softly into the room,
Touching the face of our darling (she was only three),
And had brightened our lives but a short, sweet space,
And we loved her tenderly.

She lay back among the pillows,
With the damp, bright curls on her face,
She was sleeping now so sweetly
And smiles down her cheek did chase.

We thought as we looked upon her,
At the fair, angelic form,
How hard it would be to lose her,
What a void in heart and home.

All at once the sweet eyes opened,
And she whispered low and clear,
"Sing 'Jesus loves me,' once again,
For I think that Heaven is near."

I checked back the tears rebellious,
That blindingly filled my eyes,
And tried to sing, I could doubt no more,
On her face was a look from the skies.

So I sang with a heart nigh breaking,
"Let his little child come in,"
Then glancing at the darling's face
I saw she had entered in.

How I miss the pretty, prattling voice.
And her little step on the stair,
But I miss her more when the shadows fall,
And it's time for her good night prayer.

But the shepherd's voice had said to her,
In tones so low and sweet,
"Come little one, the earth's too rough
For the tread of thy little feet."

She is dwelling now in the happy land,
'Mid fountains and flowers fair,
When the call comes to me o'er the harbour bar,
Thank God, I shall meet her there.

Dartmouth.

C. T.

est Workers" down in the Eastern Provinces were thinking and working for the cause out here.

In the name of the baby let me thank you for your donation. Will use it to purchase caps and shoes, for her and it will provide nearly enough for a year's wear. Am sending you a baby's cap as a sample so you can see what they use out here.

The little baby—Fuh-an-Lee Annie Ford is just as cute as she can be, and is trying to walk. She is still dressed in foreign clothes, except the caps and shoes, but next year will put on Chinese.

The other one, Shih Au teh—Ida Stone has on Chinese clothes. She is now nearly 3 years old. Of course walks all over and says everything in Chinese and also knows a few English words. She is fat and healthy, a very different looking child from what she was last year, when we picked her up from the street. We expect Dr. Hart up in a couple of weeks when we are going to have them both baptized.

If the ladies at home give us permission to start an Orphanage, we will probably have other babies in this winter that will not be provided for.

Besides these babies we have eight little girls with un-bound feet (school girls), on the place and it is a pleasure to see them run around and play like little girls at home, instead of limping around with their poor bound feet.

Wishing your Mission Band success in all its undertakings and that you may be used in our Master's cause,

I remain, sincerely yours,

SARA C. BRACKBILL.

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I.,
April 5th, 1898.

WHITE FISH LAKE, ALTA.,
Feb. 27th, 1898.

MISS MACRAE writes:—

I enclose a letter from Miss Brackbill which will be of interest to PALM BRANCH readers. I may state that the money was sent by the "Earnest Workers" Mission Band of Grace church in this city, to be used for baby Annie Ford. Another dollar is ready to be forwarded this year. This is the result of the kindly thought of the earnest and considerate resident of this Band, Mrs. T. Pickard. It is the intention of the Earnest Workers Band to send \$1.00 to baby Annie Ford every year till she grows to be a big girl. May God abundantly bless them and also baby Annie.

CHEN-TU-CHINA,

DEAR MISS KIRBY:— Nov. 12th, '97.

Your letter of July 29th containing \$1 bill arrived a short time ago and I was so glad to hear that some "Earn-

DEAR SISTER:—We have six girls in the Girls' Home at present, and we can get more without asking for them, inasmuch as the little start made has taken with the people, who are now offering to send their boys too. We think it wise to take care of the six as best we can until the accommodation is more ample, and the clothing more complete. The girls are very happy and busy. One of them, Jemima Apow, is allowed to be at home from Saturday until Monday, but she returns on Sunday after service in the church, or else has a good cry if prevented. She is only five years old.

The girls are in charge of Miss McAdam the matron, who receives \$10 per month.

I shall send a statement of expenditure to the W. M. S. at the close of the month of June.

Asking your sympathy, and prayers that God may bless this His work, I, in the cause,

Am yours very sincerely,

E. S. GLASS.