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We organized a class of thirty members, many of them, I believe, are trying to serve the Lord in His own appointed way.

We were only fairly settled down to work amongst our people when the news came of the rising of the Crees below.

Tobacco was sent them to join at once and strike for their rights. You must be for or against us. The tobacco was refused. I advised them to pitch off on a hunt for a short time.

They did so immediately, and while the tents were being pulled down and the horses packed, the representative men met at the mission house, unsolicited, and asked me to write a letter to Gov. Dewdney, assuring him of their loyalty to the Government. Some of them expressed deep regret at leaving. One man said, "My heart is sore leaving our church and school. I tell you this from my heart not with my lips only." In times like the present, we feel the safest place is with those with whom we have been laboring. All our Methodist Indians have shown themselves true Britons. None, I believe, have taken any active part in the insurrection.

JOHN NELSON.

BLOOD INDIANS.

Our work has progressed amidst much difficulty and opposition. By visits made to the Indian lodges and by public services we have sought to instruct the people in the truths of God with a measure of success. Attention has been given to the lessons of the Gospel, and some are thinking on these things. Our medical work has been a means of great blessing, and has extended our influence. Clothes were given to the children, the aged, and widows.

Improvements amounting to over two hundred dollars have been made on the mission property. During the rebellion our people were loyal, and listened to our counsels for peace with deep attention. The principles of our religion have exercised a very beneficial influence during the trouble in our country. The school has prospered much, considering the many difficulties in securing regular attendance. The vicious influences by which our people are surrounded have materially hindered our progress. A little has been done in the matter of translations.

Our sewing school was continued for several months during the year, but had to be closed through lack of materials, and was not reopened owing to the exciting influences of the rebellion. Slowly but surely the truth is winning its way, and we hope soon to welcome some who are on the threshold of life, and light, and truth.

JOHN McLEAN.

BATTLE RIVER.

Day-school opened in October again, and closed on the 7th of April, when the uprising of Indians commenced. On the register I had about twenty-five names. The average was less than half. Winter