

It must have been in 1883 that Miss Baker first came, to a certain extent, under the care of the W. F. M. S., at least to the extent of sending clothing to assist in making the Indian children, still attending that school, more comfortable. It is in the 8th volume, 1884, of the W. F. M. S. reports that we find the first mention of Miss Baker. After speaking of the Prince Albert work being so greatly reduced by the removal of the Cree Indians to the "Mistawasis Reserve," it goes on to say, "Her school is now mainly supported by the white settlers of the neighborhood, and attended by their children. She, however, receives a number of Indian children whom she not only teaches gratuitously, but also feeds and clothes during the winter season. A few of the Cree Indians still reside in the vicinity and for the benefit of these, adults as well as children, Miss Baker is about to establish a Bible Class." "Miss Baker states, that though the school cannot now be said to be doing 'Indian work,' still its value cannot be overestimated, its aim having ever been a thorough Christian education." "Over 50 of both races are now attending the school," and Miss Baker adds: 'Were I to give you a detailed account of my work from day to day I am sure you would be both interested and amused.' "It has been a positive necessity that I should open my house to girl boarders, having at present three, and have had several others. As I have to be matron, cook and teacher, my duties are never done until a late hour."

"The Christians in the East cannot be too zealous in putting forth every exertion to mould the character of the young people of this coming great north-west."

One of Miss Baker's assistants gives the following testimony regarding our missionary's bright, optimistic disposition. "Miss Baker," she said, "was never depressed, never lost faith, always had a strong sense of humor. Did she turn out their dog-soup (soup made from dog flesh) on an occasion when they were making medicine, and the said soup was unusually 'holy' (even for dog soups; and the men used language that is not generally used in polite society; Miss Baker just went home and read Shakespeare; and found that the language used by the Indians was not so very much