

1889, \$3,428,790.50, shewing an increase since the same date the previous year of \$104,555.94.

The amount disbursed during the same period, and which for the most part was charged against interest, was \$289,765.53, being \$5,498.61 more than the expenditure for the year ended the 30th June, 1888, amounted to :

No other Indians in the Dominion have such a variety of resources from which to obtain a subsistence as the Indians of British Columbia, and as a rule full advantage is taken by them of the opportunities afforded. Last season was no exception to previous years in the display by them of their customary energy, industry, and enterprise, in pursuance of the various avocations which test those qualities. From the Kootenay country, at the base of the Rocky Mountains, to the borders of Alaska the same characteristics are discernable, as a rule, in all the bands, if we except the Kwaw-Kewlths of the south-west coast of the main land, and of the northern part of Vancouver Island : and even in the case of these, who are probably the most degraded and least advanced Indians in the Dominion, there are hopeful indications of improvement.

Indians are to be found in this Province engaged in every branch of labor, in mining, agriculture, cattle herding, catching and canning fish, working as hands on steamboats, at railroad work, seal hunting, trapping furs, manufacturing oil, working at mills, picking hops, &c., &c.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT SHOWING THE  
CONDITION OF THE INDIAN SCHOOLS  
AND THE NUMBER OF PUPILS IN  
THE DIFFERENT PROVINCES.

Ontario, 2,036; Quebec, 528; Nova Scotia, 123; New Brunswick, 94; Prince Edward Island, 19; British Columbia, 453; Manitoba, 1,170; North-West Territories, 2036; total, 6,459; total at school age, 15,835.

OUR INDIAN POPULATION.

Ontario, 17,752; Quebec, 13,500; Nova Scotia, 2,059; New Brunswick,

1,574; Prince Edward Island, 314; Manitoba and North-West Territories, 24,522; Peace River District, 2,038; Athabaska District, 8,000; McKenzie District, 7,000; Eastern Rupert's Land, 4,016; Labrador, Canadian Interior, 1,000; Arctic Coast, 4,000; British Columbia, 35,765; total, 121,520.

A THOUGHT.

The rushing wind, the roaring sea,  
The thunder's cra-h, the earthquake's shock;  
Proclaim God's wondrous power and might,  
Which all must feel and dare not mock.

The gentle breeze with perfume sweet,  
The wealth of flowers for great and small,  
The joyous birds on bush and tree,  
The glorious sunshine over all ;

These bounteous gifts that all may share,  
On every hand, below, above,  
O heed the message that they bring ;  
They speak to us of God's great love.

Then, while we tremble at His power,  
And humbly bow before His might,  
Let us with grateful hearts rejoice,  
And praise Him for *Love's* blessings bright.  
M. V.

THE CHILDREN'S EASTER.

On Easter Sunday I met my little class at the First-day school wondering what I should say to them. Though inadvertency the Quarterly for 4th mo had not been given me, and pressure of work through the week had prevented me from making any preparation for that hour's teaching. I had wondered on my way to the school if there would be a lesson of any special application to the day, and wherein it would differ from the teaching of Orthodox bodies. I was not, however, conscious of disappointment in finding nothing in the lesson or other exercises to remind me of the setting apart of Easter; and went into the eleven o'clock meeting to forget the day and its association, until strains of music from the church across the way, floating in at an open window, recalled to me the fact that all over the city the story of the resurrection was being made a topic of rejoicing, and this anniversary garlanded and