

rapidly growing Mission to suffer neglect, but will send a necessary outfit of clothing for at least fifteen children. We hope to pass through Toronto about the end of August, and shall be very pleased to meet any members of the W.A.

LANDSDOWN MISSION, FORT ALEXANDER, *March 7th, 1896.*

DEAR MADAM,—I came here three years last July, and have laboured amongst my people ever since, and I am thankful to say with great results. God has blest me abundantly. I have enjoyed happiness and pleasure. Like my people, able to read the word of God, and sing praise in His Name, in our own language—that is Ojibeway. I have quite a long space as my field of labor, extending about 60 miles along the eastern side of Lake Winnipeg. I have just returned from a visit at the farthest station at the river, where I am sorry to say, all are as yet heathens. I have received into baptism two adults, converts, and have a Catechist stationed here. I also had Black River to look after, but I was relieved last fall. Rev. B. Mackenzie is in charge there now. My own station, Lansdown, is, I am glad to say, flourishing. * *

You ask me to give you the particulars of the two children I had adopted. While I thank you very much, and would also send you the particulars as well as I could, I would ask you to help us in the way of clothing for these poor Indians, they are so badly off. We have so many old widows, and they look to me a great deal for their living, I do sometimes really not know what to do, but thanks be to God He has given me plenty for all. And then at Hole River there are about forty children in the Register, and there are only about half can go to school in the winter time, on account of being naked; and we have about the same number in our school here. Any clothing for any of these would be very acceptable. Mrs. Thomas is not a very big woman, stands 5 feet high, measures across the shoulders, 1 foot 6 inches; round the waist, 2 feet inches. Little girl, five years old, stands 3 feet 6 inches high, shoulders, 2 feet 4 inches; waist, 1 foot 10 inches. Boy stands 5 feet 5 inches; shoulders, 3 feet 4 inches; waist, 2 feet 6 inches; length of leg, 2 feet 10 inches; length of arm, 1 foot 8 inches; round biggest part of leg, 1 foot 9 inches. These are measurements as near as I could make, I hope you will make them out. I do not get the LETTER LEAFLET, which I would be much obliged to get. You will please excuse my poor English and composition, you will see I am not able to write as I would. I am laboring under a disadvantage, I never had the chance of even a common day-school, but thanks be to God he has taught me all I know. Believe me with kind regards to yourself and to the kind ladies and girls who have thought so well of us. May God bless you all and make you a blessing.

Yours sincerely,

EDWARD THOMAS.