

King, one of our teachers and myself, stayed up last night and unpacked them after the boys had gone to bed. We were more than pleased with everything sent. The splendid sheets, pillow-cases, boy's shirts, mitts, and flannelette material, are most acceptable, and will assist us much in our need, and I beg you will please convey to the members our warmest thanks and appreciation of their kind aid. Our boys are busy to-day decorating the Chapel and Shingwauk; each boy has different artistic ideas and seems bent on carrying them out; it is most difficult to get them to work uniformly. They are, of course, looking forward with considerable pleasure and excitement to Christmas, and are just a little bit difficult to control, as you might imagine nearly 70 boys would be with holidays and Christmas festivities in view. We hope to have a good Christmas tree for them. Mrs. King and I are going into town to-morrow to invest the \$5 kindly sent by the Dorcas Society of St. George's. Again assuring you of our gratitude, etc., etc.

Extract of letter from Mrs. Smitheman, Korah P.O., Sault St. Marie, to Secretary of Grace Church W.A., Ottawa.

"Mr. Smitheman posted a card to you announcing arrival of the bales, and now I must try and thank you all for your great kindness in so bountifully providing for our wants. I had no idea that we should have so delightful a Christmas. All the things are so useful and so very welcome. We should never be able to clothe the children with what we get in Algoma. The people are miserably poor, and I often think they do not give as much as they ought to. Bishop Thorneloe, however, is trying to imbue them with a better feeling, and I am sure, by degrees, he will see favourable results. You cannot imagine with what pleasure we heard of the carpet coming. We should have had to get some covering for our floors and now this very pretty carpet will give us great comfort. The beautiful silk body fitted me perfectly. I should like my warmest thanks given to the kind friend who sent it. The boys' clothing was very nice, and was much needed. Mr. Smitheman sends best thanks for his share of the good clothing. I did not apply for much help, this year, from Miss Halson, so we have not the quantity of warm things to dispose of that we had last year, but we were remembered with a goodly supply of Christmas things for our trees, from St. James' Cathedral, Toronto. Algoma should be deeply grateful to the older Dioceses for all their kind help. It seems truly marvellous to us, who have only seen it for a short time. Mr. Renison says he has experienced this great kindness all his Missionary life in Algoma. Thanking each and all, etc., etc.

Will the Branches kindly send the letters they receive to the Editor of LEAFLET (22 Gloucester Street, Ottawa), before the 17th of the month.