

OFFICIAL MEETING WITH THE FOREIGN MISSION COMMITTEE.—

Upon our arrival at Winnipeg, we were invited to meet with the Executive Committee of the Foreign Mission Committee of the North-West. This Committee welcomed us most heartily, and considered at length the instructions received by us from our Board, which comprehended attention to the following points, namely:—An arrangement with the Committee, whereby our Board might receive applications for Mission service in the North-West and consider qualifications of applicants, whom we might recommend or otherwise; a request for more regular correspondence with the missionaries, and a yearly official statement from them of work done; the securing of information from ordained missionaries as to the general Mission work done in the various Reserves; information from teachers, matrons, etc., as to the amount of educational and industrial work accomplished in the schools; the strengthening of the bond of sympathy and co-operation between the members of our Board and the workers; opinions as to the best methods of transferring children from one school to another, the granting of holidays etc; and information as to the quantity, quality and methods of distributing the clothing and supplies sent to the reserves and schools, by our Society, comprising the following questions:—

1. Was the supply of clothing sufficient last year? If not, what was deficient? What was left over, and what use can be made of it? How about the supply of quilts and blankets?
2. To what extent are the children in the schools dependent on the clothing sent by the W.F.M.S.?
3. Could the Indian women make the pants, coats, dresses, etc, if paid for the work in goods?
4. What is the proper time to send supplies?
5. What medical aid is provided?
6. What is the number of able-bodied men and women who, while willing to pay for clothing either in work or supplies for the Mission, are dependent on the clothing sent by