



ALL of us who had the pleasure of seeing and hearing our Missionary, Miss Maggie Smith, when at home on furlough from her much loved work in Chilliwack this year, will remember how she told of Peter and his conversion. Peter was one of the boys in the Coqualeetza Home. Years ago in a letter written by Miss Smith and sent to Palm Branch, she says, "In my last letter I mentioned three particular boys—Peter Smith, John Smith (the sick boy), and George. Dear John, aged ten, passed away Feb. 2nd. He had been here nearly a year and was a dear, good boy. He was ready to go, and said, 'I know I am saved.' This makes the first death at the Institute. After his death Peter (his brother) who was very miserable, was allowed to go home to Vancouver, for a change, but as he did not improve, went into a hospital. We are all fond of him; he is a fine character, and, if spared, will make a good worker. He returned to us on Tuesday. Speaking of his brother Thomas, who had been converted, he said, 'I know God sent me home to help Thomas.' So you see Peter has begun his mission work. He has the simple child-like faith. He will not stop till his father and sister are converted and not then. Soon after Peter's return I found him and George in the school-room, George reading the Bible to Peter."

So, now, you see, Peter is a young man and married, and it is the pretty picture of his wife and baby that we give you this month. We would like to give Peter's too, for he is a fine, intelligent-looking young Indian man. He married one of the girls in the Home-School which accounts for her superior and intelligent look, also, showing what education and the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ can do for Indians as well as Canadians. The baby is surely as sweet as any

Canadian baby. We were greatly in hopes to have with this picture a sketch of Peter and his family to give you, and wrote to Miss Smith asking for one, but she had already left for Chilliwack. However we hope yet that she will kindly send us one, for you will be anxious to know all there is to tell about this interesting family.

In her report at Board meeting this year Miss Smith spoke of how much she had enjoyed this service for the Lord. Her work had been blessed, and blessed to herself, because through it she had been led to devote herself more entirely to God. Spoke of her first impressions of the Home. The first Indian to arrive there was Dennis, the child of Indian parents who were awaiting trial for murder. There were 102 children there last year, 30 of them very small. She found Indian children quite as quick to learn as white children. They are only instructed in school half of each day, the girls being taught housework, sewing, cooking and laundry work. The boys do industrial work also. They took many prizes at the Chilliwack Fair. The people wanted the girls as servants. Greater things were expected in coming years. The children listened to religious instruction with simple faith, and this not only in the class meeting, but in their daily walk. The Sunday-School work was very interesting. The camp meeting was held near the school and the pupils reaped great benefit from the meetings. The Indians themselves gave liberally to missions. Last year contributed \$65.



PETER'S WIFE AND BABY.

POINTS TO MAKE US GLAD.

The whole world is now open to the entrance of Christian missions. The Bible is now printed in two hundred and fifty languages. Four-fifths of the people who live in the world could read it in their own tongue.