

ciate the simple, earnest preaching of the Gospel; souls have been converted and built up in the faith. Our prospects for the future are encouraging.

R. W. CLEMENTS.

Muncey (London Conference).—Since Conference we have buried sixteen Indians, mostly children. These all gave a good testimony, that is, those old enough to exercise faith in God. Among those who died was Chief John Henry's son, a young man of twenty-one years. He said to his father, "I am going to leave you, but all is well." One little boy said, "I am going to a better home, mother." "Our people die well," was Peter Jones' favorite sentiment, and here I wish to endorse his proverb. We have improved our Colborn church to the amount of \$65. It is now in good repair. The whole amount has been raised. We were assisted liberally from the institution. We have a constant increase of probationers by our regular services.

A. S. EDWARDS.

Louisville (London Conference).—We beg to assure you of our continued steady progress. Though only a mission two years old, we confidently anticipate asking for a place on the list of self-sustaining circuits at the next Conference. Our next report will, we trust, contain such a request, and also a more detailed statement of our position. Our first year's receipts from the people was a trifle more than \$300; this year they will give us more than \$500, and increase their contributions to the Mission Fund 50 per cent. over last year.

S. J. ALLIN.

Qu'Appelle (Manitoba Conference).—I had arranged for an Indian service here for yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, but it was so bitterly cold none would leave their tepees (tents), so I went with my half-breed Joseph Tait to see one of the lodges. I found two old women, one young woman, and a boy and girl. They seemed in very poor circumstances indeed. The oldest woman, the grandmother, said that her son had drawn her treaty money every year but two, and she had hardly any clothes. She said she was too old to go for her rations, and that is why her daughters come here to beg and work a little. I cannot tell how much truth there is in her story. I shall inquire more fully, and if necessary write to Governor Dewdney about them. I gave them a little food, sang a hymn and prayed with them, Joseph interpreting the prayer. We are to have another trial at holding an Indian service in our nice church next Sabbath morning. I preached at our regular service at eleven o'clock; then, in face of a scorching north-west wind, with glass as low as 30 degrees below zero, drove eight miles to Edgeley. I was all but frozen. No fire in church. The people did not expect me. Went into a farmer's house, and with three neighbors who came in preached. Returned home and preached at night to the best congregation I have seen here. At the prayer-meeting following one young woman professed to have found the Saviour during the week, and several others spoke and prayed, all for the revival of God's work. You will think, perhaps, that is pretty tough work for a man of my age and years in the ministry. But my strength and health keep good and I am very happy in the work. Then we have a comfortable home close to the church and enough to keep us from any discomfort.

ALFRED ANDREWS.

Facts and Illustrations.

NEAR Yokohama a poor blind man has just been baptized. He goes in the evening, when the people are returning weary from work, with his stick and little fife, up and down the street. According to the custom of the land, when he is asked into a house, he tells a story to amuse the inhabitants. As most of the Japanese stories are indecent, the blind man has begun to repeat Bible and Gospel stories.—*Anzeiger*.

AN English official in India tells of a French Catholic priest who, receiving a legacy of a few thousand francs, started on a visit to Europe after long service and with most joyful anticipations. He got as far as Jubulpore, where he found a very needy church, to which he gave all his money, and returned to his field and his work.

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