

pretty busy. The Doctor finds a great deal of work in professional duties, besides the charge of the Home. Then we have been without a day-school teacher since last summer, and with so many children the school cannot be given up, so we have had to manage as best we could between us. Miss Hart taught for a time; at present I take the morning session and the Doctor the afternoon.

We had quite a lively time one evening last week. The whole mission community, numbering thirty-one, including Baby Bolton and our own family, took tea with us in the Mission House. We had three tables for tea; but it was not much trouble, and the children were delighted and had a very good time, playing games, looking at pictures, etc.; and certainly every one looked as well and neat as could be, and behaved very nicely. I was very glad you saw Jessie and Grace last summer—they told me about it. Gertie and Harold are growing so fast. I am so thankful that they have all good health.

Mr. Crosby reached home two weeks ago, after a trip to Victoria, taking in the missions by the way. He finds plenty to do at home. There is a large number of people here, and he will not likely be away much during the winter. The want of a teacher makes it more difficult for him to get away. The services lately have been full of interest, and many of the people seem much in earnest. They are improving very much in their homes and living. In sight of our windows is a very pretty two-story house a young Indian has built lately, and into which he has removed his family. It would be a nice little house in the street of any town of white people. You pray for us, I know; do not cease to do so. I find a book, also, from some one in Barrie—thanks to to giver. Mr. Crosby joins me in kindest love and prayer that you may be comforted and borne up day by day.

EMMA CROSBY.

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MY DEAR MRS. PARKER,—The readers of the *OUTLOOK* will, I am sure, be glad to hear that we have had so far a very encouraging year in our French Institute work. We have had eighty students, and our average attendance will be at least double that of last year. Then there has been a delightful spirit of harmony manifested and an eager desire on the part of the pupils to assist in every possible way in the work of the Institute. We have had a good deal of sickness—colds and an epidemic of measles; but the Lord has brought us through, and now every one is busy preparing for the examinations, which begin about a month hence.

There is a deepening seriousness amongst the pupils, and not the least so amongst the Roman Catholics. We expect to have special services every night next week; and we believe that, under God's blessing, many who are "almost persuaded" will be brought to decision and into "marvellous light."

Perhaps our most pressing need is a piano. We rent one, but it would be much better to have one of our own; and now is the best time to purchase it, as there are always a large number offered at the spring sales of household furniture. Besides this, we have a number of unallotted rooms which we shall be delighted to have adopted by Auxiliaries who are anxious to help in the good work. Then we still require bed linen, blankets, quilts, having had barely enough to carry us through the present session; and the prospects are that we shall have a much larger attendance next year, necessitating extra supplies of all kinds of house furnishings.

We have felt from the beginning of this session that we have been receiving the answers to the many prayers that were offered for the Institute last May, and we hope

that before very long the readers of the *OUTLOOK* may hear from us some of the results of those prayers.

BESSIE HALL.

March 16th, 1891.

FROM THE AUXILIARIES

TWEED (March 14th).—Since September last, our Auxiliary has been steadily increasing in membership and interest. To-day we number twenty members, and find our circle widening. Before Christmas we sent two quilts, made by the Auxiliary, and a pair of blankets, to the McDougal Orphanage. Last week we enjoyed a great treat in the shape of a lecture by Miss Crosthwaite. We feel that the lecture was a blessing to all who listened to it, besides leaving us with a little cash in hand. We are at present engaged in some home mission work.

MRS. GEO. FROST, *Cor. Sec.*

OTTAWA EAST.—Auxiliary is progressing favorably. As no message from us appears in the Annual Report, I must tell you of some of the work we have done. During last year our Auxiliary sent a box of clothing to the Oka Indians; and this year, in response to an appeal from them for help, two boxes of clothing were sent. Rev. Mr. Geofroy wrote in reply, expressing his gratitude and that of the poor people who were benefited by our gift. Our monthly meetings are well attended, and we find them a help and blessing. We have a few new members; have distributed twenty-four mite-boxes, and hope, in this way, to increase our missionary givings.

L. A. WHITESIDE, *Cor. Sec.*

ST. JOHN'S.—The members of the Woman's Missionary Society Auxiliary in this place held their first "At Home" at the residence of Mr. W. R. Westlake on the evening of 20th February, 1891. Although the night was a very wet and disagreeable one, we had a very good turn-out, and a very pleasant time was spent by all. A good programme was given, consisting of addresses, readings, recitations and vocal and instrumental music. Refreshments were served by the members. The interests of the missionary cause is steadily on the increase here.

MINNIE HAWKINS, *Cor. Sec.*

PETERBORO' (Feb. 18th).—An Auxiliary of the Woman's Missionary Society was organized in Charlotte Street Methodist Church by Mrs. Kendry, on Jan. 14th. Meetings will be held on third Tuesday in every month. The officers are: President, Mrs. Clarke; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Hamilton and Mrs. Wright; Recording Secretary, Mrs. A. L. Davis; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. A. M. Price; Treasurer, Mrs. R. Stinton. A very pleasant and profitable time was spent at the first meeting on February 17th. Mrs. Kendry assisted and gave much valuable information. Mrs. Locke also gave an address, which was highly appreciated. Copies of the Annual Report were distributed, and at the close we had fifteen members and eight subscribers to the *OUTLOOK*, with more to follow.

MRS. A. M. PRICE, *Cor. Sec.*

HAMILTON, Ont. (Feb. 19th).—Wesley Church Auxiliary has been in existence about three and a half years, though many of its members were connected with the first Auxiliary of the Woman's Missionary Society since the organization of our Society in 1881. The quarter ending December 15th has been the most successful of any previous quarter. Our roll numbers fifty-four, including eleven life-members. Sent