

Englishmen. Some; however, of the latter were the exception to this rule. As to the denominations of the people, the great majority of the Canadians and Scotch are Presbyterian, but all welcomed the missionary, he alone of all strangers could partake of their hospitality "without money and without price."

The mode of travelling is by rail, in general, though, not seldom, it is compulsory to hire a pony from an Indian to fulfill engagements, while frequently again under a boiling prairie sun one is compelled to trudge many a weary mile on foot in order to get to his meetings.

The number of services held varied greatly, sometimes only two, but, again, as many as six were frequently held in one week. But in the district the most unpleasant part of the work was the night travelling. Only one express train passes daily in each direction, and, as it happens, both in the night, so that as Calgary was the headquarters both in going out and coming in, the night's rest was broken, and frequently no rest at all was obtained! But this could sometimes be avoided by the privilege of riding on freight trains.

The writer has arrived in Calgary at 1.30 Friday morning, after having held services every evening during the week; started out at 1.30 Saturday morning, arriving at Cochrane at 2.30 of the same morning; held services on Sunday; started on Monday morning at 2.30; travelled until 4 of the same morning; had not a comfortable place to rest during the day; held a service that night, taking the train at 12.40, arriving back in Calgary at 3.30 Tuesday morning to enjoy a thoroughly refreshing rest. Such is a sample of the work done in a North-West mission field, and to add to it all, owing to the limited amount which the Home Mission Committee is able to allow, the missionary has to be contented with only a portion of the promised salary. Living is very high there, and it is impossible for a student to get board and lodging for less than \$1.00 per day, and as all other necessities are high in proportion, the student, relying upon this as a means for defraying the expenses of a winter's session, often finds that, as a reward for a hard summer's work, he has not much more than will repair his shattered wardrobe.

As to the liberality of the people in the North-West, I might say that if Eastern congregations would pay as much in proportion to their means, the continual cry of the church would not be for more money. The ordinary plate collections varied per Sabbath from 10 to 35 cents for every person present.

There is a great work indeed for the church to do in the North-