

makers. When we see how little comfort or order there is in their own homes we feel they have a long way to go before they can be called desirable citizens."

The Mission Band at Sifton is always of interest, and this year we are glad to report that two of the girls are now Junior Life Members, one given by a friend and the other won by themselves with money they earned at the school fair. They have memorized a number of Psalms and chapters in the New Testament and are remarkably fond of Bible stories. At Ethelbert four of the children united with the Church last year. Every Friday evening Mr. Tymchuk conducts a Ruthenian prayer meeting in the Home.

At Teulon, our boys have begun a night school for the Ruthenian men, and are teaching them reading, writing, arithmetic and English and Canadian history.

In a village where we have Homes, the people remark on the way the boys pick up after being under our care for a while. When they come they are such a bad color, but good, plain, nourishing food and plenty of ventilation soon tell on them. Speaking of ventilation, the matron says she used to have considerable trouble in making the boys keep their windows open at night in the cold weather, now she just puts one or two "old boys" in each dormitory who will see that the windows are kept open. If any of the new boys close them, these "old boys" give them their lesson and, the matron adds, "One is usually enough." In this same home there was always need for watchfulness lest the boys forget to use their tooth brushes. Now they watch each other and if a boy neglects this duty, the others attend to it for him.



Children at Sifton.

A small girl in one of the Girls' Homes was very fond of dolls. One Saturday she had them out and was playing with them when the matron noticed one missing and enquired about it. One of the other children said, "Oh, ——— put it in the fire because it was made in Germany," and the little owner added, "Mind you, I liked it, too." They had read in a paper that children should not be allowed to play with dolls labelled, "Made in Germany."

All our matrons keep before those children, who are earning a little money, their duty to the Church. One boy had left the Home and was working on a farm. His matron wrote to him about the budget of our Church, what it was, and his duty to it. The boy replied that he knew he should help others to have the chance he had had and that he would send her 1/10 of what he earned. In another Home, last fall, the boys and girls had a