

able to read and write Romanized colloquial as fast nearly as we can English, they will ask to be allowed to send their daughters here. We keep out all unnecessaries. We have two old converts, Bible women, and they exhort and visit and do much in gathering in others.

The wives of the preachers are so busy with their families, etc., that they can't go about much; still each one has her own influence in gathering in others.

Just now, this very day, there is one of the first band of girls in the school here with her husband, who is a preacher on the East coast. She was sick and nearly dead last year with fever; but is now well. She is so thankful for the little I did for her when in the school. She wrote me a letter herself as soon as she got well. I think I never saw a person more grateful. The Matron often brings the girls to our place to attend Dr. McKay's evening services, which all like so much. God bless you and all dear ladies in Canada who pray for us.

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#### A Band of Indians near the Armadale Mission.

##### MISTAWASIS RESERVE.

MISS C. B. MCKAY—I received your very kind letter this morning. I am still teaching. I did not take my holidays as I usually do; the children are keeping regular attendance this time of the year, and I wish to get them on nicely again as during the winter months they do not come so regularly, and consequently do not make much progress. This summer I have enrolled 37 pupils, and they keep me very busy; we had no examination yet this summer. The Government school inspector has not yet arrived.

We have a great many more people on this Reserve than we had last year. There are a small tribe of Indians who live about thirty miles from this place; they are very destitute, some of them came to see us last winter and we made up some clothing out of our goods sent to us from the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. They were ever so thankful, it made me so happy to see how little would satisfy them. There is no missionary where these poor heathen are, but my father visits them occasionally; they all seem quite friendly; we are going to do more for them in the future. Last year's supply of goods were all so nice, our storehouse is now quite empty. So dear Mrs. MacMurchy you may form an idea of their poverty. Many thanks for the Report book duly received.