

was carried on for many years with much success. The Cote St. Antoine Mission Band and the Band of Willing Workers, rendered valuable assistance to this department of the home work.

In 1886, through the liberality of our North Georgetown and English River, and Lachute Auxiliaries, your Society was able to make a grant of money to Mission Work among the Indians in the North West. In 1887, the claims of the North West were urged upon us, and two boxes of clothing were sent to Broadview, Assinaboine, for distribution among the needy. This branch of our work rapidly extended, and was willingly taken up by every Auxiliary. Some Auxiliaries send one or two boxes, others three and four annually, to our North West brethren. Mrs. Dewey, convener of the Home Mission Committee, reported, in 1901, that the work of this Committee was principally the sending of clothing to the North West. Ten Auxiliaries sent their own boxes to Dr. Reid for distribution among the Doukhobors and Galicians, and thirteen auxiliaries sent clothing to other fields. It is almost impossible to estimate the value of these gift boxes (if we may so call them) to the recipients. And then let us recall the self denial practiced, the labor expended, the enjoyment experienced, as well as the interest taken in preparing these boxes and bales! In one Auxiliary of which we know, where the members had worked long and faithfully to prepare a box of clothing, they formed a circle round it, before closing it up, and sang: "Praise God from whom all blessings flow"! In 1900, our Society undertook to support one Missionary in the North West at an outlay of \$250. In 1901, another was added, and for work among the foreign population we gave \$334. The same number of Missionaries was maintained in 1902, and for medical work among foreigners in the North West \$456 was expended by the Society. In 1903 and 1904 we were responsible for four missionaries, and in 1905, we increased this number to five.