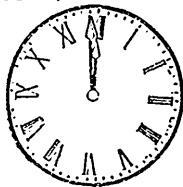


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"The love of Christ constraineth us."—2 Cor. v. 14.

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Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.—PSALM II. 8.

Subjects for Prayer and Reading: July—Mackenzie River, the Jews. August—Moosonee, Greenland.

MACKENZIE RIVER.

Just as we go to press comes the mail from Mackenzie River, bringing letters from the Bishop and Mr. and Mrs. Stringer. We give those of the latter at length here as so many of our women are keenly interested in the first W.A. who has traveled so far north.

ST. MATTHEW'S MISSION, PEEL RIVER, Feb. 10. "Since leaving Toronto I have not written you so I scarcely know where to begin. We had a safe and pleasant journey in and it was not so trying as I expected. I think the 95 miles drive in a waggon from Edmonton to Athabasca Landing was the worst part of the way. In the open boats on the Grand Rapids it was not so bad as we had fine weather. We had another rough ride at Fort Smith portage, but it was a short one, 16 miles or so, then we had the variety of the steamers at times, which I rather enjoyed as I was not at all sea sick. There are many delays on the way, I think it was just as well though, as it gave us an opportunity of getting thoroughly rested. At Grand Rapids Island we had a stay of over a week, waiting till the goods were taken across the portage. I did as I pleased here, nothing to bother me except the mosquitoes. I thought then that they were very bad but the experiences I've had since have shown me that Grand Rapids mosquitoes were few in number and of a mild disposition. When thinking of this place one naturally thinks of ice and cold, but rarely of the extreme heat and mosquitoes. The cold has not bothered me very much, even now, I go for walks with my husband and enjoy being out with the thermometer 30 or 40 degrees below zero. It has been down in the sixties this winter. On the 14th December our darling baby was born. We have not had her out yet but her father is talking of getting a "Husky" suit made for her so that he can take her out. When I go for my walks I always wear my deerskin suit, I am now learning to snowshoe. Mr. Young is well and has learned to drive the dogs. He hauls wood and ice with them, we melt ice for household use. In the fall it is cut in slices and left ready to haul. We are very glad to have Mr. Young with us. You asked me to tell you what kind of a