

one. There has been much sickness during the past two months, especially amongst the children, and our school has suffered by it, as nearly all the children have been sick ; but they are nearly all well again, and we are thankful none have been taken away. We were much pleased and encouraged by the visit of Mrs. Bennet and Mrs. Curtis, who called twice to see the school, and showed their kind interest in a most practical way, not only in speaking and singing to the children, but also in giving them a most sumptuous "Thanksgiving" dinner, which was most heartily enjoyed. May the dear Master bless these and all such kind hearts. The children were also entertained to a very fine Christmas tree, Mrs. Ross and Mrs. Torrence providing the candies and presents. We also received from Mrs. Torrence, for the poor, ten dollars, which was spent for food, medicine, fuel and shoes. We feel very thankful for this help in our work which is indispensable, and we would once more appeal to our kind friends for cast-off clothing. We have been overlooked in this direction this fall, having received but one small bundle from Mrs. Hall, of the Institute. Our children, some of them, are quite destitute in clothing and unable at times to attend school. Please bear in mind and come to our help. Wishing one and all a most happy and prosperous New Year, I remain, most sincerely, yours in the work,

M. P. LAMONTAGNE.

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