

safe. The contents of the other two were not in the least damaged and the bale was quite dry, and everything in it in good order. I must say your present to this Mission is a noble one. Oh! how I wish that my poor Indians were capable of appreciating the greatness of the gift, but alas, poor creatures, self denial for the good of others is a virtue never practised by themselves and consequently they have no idea of gratitude, or if they feel any I am quite sure it is the 'Morning cloud that passeth away.' But I know how my own heart feels with respect to these precious gifts. I am grateful for everything you have sent. But the lamps and fixings! O dear friends in Christ I do thank you for them. I was just beginning to despair of ever having anything decent to light up our little church in the winter, when it is so needful to have service after nightfall. Now I am all right as far as that goes. The quilts are simply grand, the trouble is I can only give the very plainest to some of my Indians. It would be a real pity to give them the fine ones only to be spoiled in a very short time. But you may be sure I will do the very best I can. The groceries will be a very great help, for the like are not easy to get in this far western country. I am particularly thankful for the large supply of rice sent; it is always needed and can be so quickly prepared for the sick. We have three on the list just at present, two of which will in all human probability succumb before the end of the coming winter. Let us devoutly and unceasingly pray for the outpouring of God's Holy Spirit to convert the unsaved. P.S.—The cartage from Saskatoon is at the rate of fifty cents per hundred pounds."

*From Rev. J. Pardoe, Novar, Muskoka, to Mrs. Wright, St. Mark's, Hamilton.*

"I beg to thank you and the members of St. Mark's Branch very much for the lamp, which will meet a long felt want and be very useful in this Mission and which, I am glad to say, reached me safely and in good condition. May I also thank you for your kind note with 35c., cost of freight, enclosed."

*Also following from Mr. Williams, Day Star's Reserve, Kutawa, to same Branch.*

"I am most lappy to inform you that I received the box of clothing and found everything all right, as stated in letter from M. C. Bates, except three towels. I thank you most heartily for same. It will be quite an acquisition to the appearance of the children. I must also say that the dresses made out of denim are just the thing for the girls, something that will wear. I would also suggest that when making new material it be made out of the above, woolen goods so soon wear out. The children don't seem to have any idea of taking care of their clothes like white children. I sincerely trust that another Branch will kindly send another bale before long. With best wishes to the W.A. of St. Mark's, etc."