

Report of Supply Committee

of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society (W. D.) for the season 1889, of clothing forwarded for Indian women and children in Canadian North-west, and presents and prizes for Indian and other Mission Schools :—

Instructions following the indications gathered from the letters of Missionaries, were sent to Presbyterian Societies on the 11th May. The work for reserves was arranged into three divisions, namely : Boarding schools only ; day schools, or smaller schools along with the reserve ; reserves alone, or scattered Indians.

Minute directions for shipment of bales were printed in June LETTER LEAFLET.

The response has been, as usual, hearty and loyal ; the returns are not yet complete, but show over 20,000 pounds of good second-hand and new clothing to have been sent, besides other donations.

The task of packing and shipping the bales, especially where they have to be reshipped, to take advantage of the half rates on cast-off clothing granted by Canadian Pacific Railway Co., tries the patience of shippers, but that they are not weary in well-doing is evidenced by the fact that they are to be found at their post when the next season comes. Their motive must be looked for as expressed by a member : " These words came into my mind all the time we were receiving the goods : ' Is it not to deal thy bread' to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house ? ' When thou seest the naked that thou cover him ; and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh ? ' " The kind and quality of cast-off clothing is described as very good. All the Presbyterian Societies contributed to the North-west boxes except Ottawa, which worked for Demerara and Trinidad ; Kingston for Central India ; and Columbia for Santo ; and the list is as follows :

New Richmond, Que.—50 pounds new goods, forwarded to Rev. Hugh McKay, Round Lake.

Salt Springs, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.—130 pounds new goods, forwarded to Rev. Hugh McKay, from the Missionary Society of St. Luke's Church.

Ottawa Presbyterian Society.—To Demerara : A large box and small bale containing new shirts, work bags, dolls, books, toys ;