

work, water to draw, and wood to split and bring to the house. At 10 o'clock a.m. the bell rings and we all meet in the school-room, and the Archdeacon holds prayers in English—the children understand and speak English very well—after prayers Mr. Percy Stocken and the children remain for lessons, while Miss Crawford is preparing work for her girls or superintending our Indian wash-woman, and I am getting dinner ready, etc. The girls are scarcely old or strong enough to undertake the washing, but they do some of their own occasionally, and always help in the folding, ironing and mending. Beef is our chief diet, we get it twice a week from the Government ration house close by; now we are enjoying vegetables from our own garden, planted watered and garnered by the boys. In the afternoon school again. Three boys are in the 3rd reader, and three girls and three boys in the 2nd reader; they show great interest in their lessons and are fond of introducing new words into their conversation. In the long evenings we sometimes have singing. They are fond of Chess, we should be glad of more games for the winter months, they play foot-ball and cricket during the summer. The girls knit mitts and stockings for the boys, and for Christmas presents. We should be thankful if some yarn was sent us. The boys, in summer, go home on Wednesday afternoons, the girls only go occasionally, and with Miss Crawford, you would scarcely believe that these girls belong to the wretched dirty squaws in camp; they are clean and tidy, and talk nicely. Last Wednesday the Treaty payments were made, and the children were greatly excited awaiting their parents to come round and give them a dollar or two. The Indians and the boys have gone to Calgary to spend their money; we take the girls next Tuesday to do their shopping, and they are invited to dine with their former matron, who lives there. Some very necessary improvements have been made lately; the Girls' Home built and painted, and a well dug and pump affixed, and the kitchen lathed and plastered, a stable built for the horses, cows and chickens. If the work grows as we desire it should, it means that more money is needed; we are most economical, but we are sorely in need of help. We feel that the spiritual side of our work is silently progressing, the children are daily taught the scriptures and trained in Christian ways. I fear my letter is too long, I thought I had nothing to say when I began.

Yours very truly, MARY SYMONDS.

In the LEAFLET for November, please read *thank* for *thanked*, *began* for *begun*.—Ed.

At the meeting of the D. and F. Missionary Society, held at Montreal, in October last, Dr. Davidson presented a report on the *Church Magazine*, and made several suggestions with regard to the LEAFLET, and the working of it in connection with the Magazine.