

last year! In response to my appeal a young Wycliffe graduate, the Rev. I. O. Stringer, B.A., volunteered for work amongst them. He accompanied me the same summer to Fort McPherson, and showed his zeal and devotion by consenting to go at once to their village at the mouth of the Mackenzie River, and thus repeat the visit made by Bishop Bompas twenty-two years before. An account of the visit has appeared in some of the religious newspapers, so here it need merely be said that he was kindly received on his arrival, and listened to with attention; but when they found that he would give no presents, he was told pretty plainly that he need stay no longer. At length, however, after nearly giving up in despair, he succeeded in winning the young chief, and, on his departure at the end of a fortnight, was pressed to return in the winter, to become their minister and teach them. The following May, instead of returning to this party, he went to another tribe on Herschel Island, where he stayed three weeks, visiting the people in their snowhouses day by day, and being hospitably entertained by some American whalers who were wintering there. Another three weeks was spent with a family journeying back to the fort, during which he not only taught them, but obtained a better grasp of the language than he had done before. He says: "We were together for three weeks, in rough and smooth, through storm and sunshine, and got to understand each other. The old man wanted me to promise to live with him next winter. I felt much pleased by their hospitality and kindness. Many things on the trip were a little hard at the time, but they were kind after their fashion, and would have been kinder had they known how."

When I visited Fort McPherson last July, some of the same Eskimos were there whom I met the previous summer. In the evening they assembled for a short service in church, sang a couple of hymns, repeated the Lord's prayer, and another, and listened most attentively to a short address which I gave them through the interpreter. It was quite cheering to see how freely they visited Mr. Stringer, and made themselves at home in his room; and to observe the progress he had made in the language. He seems to have quite gained their confidence. There is good prospect of a successful work amongst them, and we have every reason to thank God and take courage. After my departure he intended to go again to the village at the mouth of the river, and then, after spending a week or two, to go westward along the coast to Herschel Island, visiting other villages *en route*, and to stay at the island until winter.

These are the people for whom Canada has done so little—heathens, but willing to be taught—interesting and intelligent, but ignorant of the one true God, and Jesus Christ whom He has sent—poor as regards this world's goods,

poorer still with regard to the true riches, and perishing for lack of knowledge.

St. David's Mission, Nov. 21st, 1893.

Woman's Auxiliary Department.

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

Communications relating to this Department should be addressed to Miss L. H. Montclair, General Corresponding Secretary W.A., 22 Mount Carmel St., Quebec.

THE W.A. of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto, presented Mrs. Mockridge, the wife of the secretary-treasurer of the society, with a life-membership recently, on her retiring from the position of president.

THE Rev. J. Gough Brick makes an earnest appeal for help in his mission on the Peace River. Clothing for boys and girls between the age of 5 and 12 years, and good second-hand clothing for distribution among our Indians, also donations of groceries, medicine, pills, liniment, ointment, etc., will be most acceptable. Bales or boxes should be addressed Rev. J. G. Brick, Peace River, per C.P.R., to Edmonton, N.W.T., and should be forwarded not later than May 1st. All monies should be sent to the secretary and treasurer, Miss L. A. Dixon, 29 Wilton Crescent, Toronto.

St. Barnabas Mission,

Sarcee Reserve, Calgary.

ALLOW me to lay before the many members and devoted well-wishers of the W.A. the following appeal for such assistance in our work as God may enable them to render. Our boarding school, which was first opened in May, 1892, has (notwithstanding occasional discouragements) given us cause for much thankfulness to God. Children who, before, were allowed to grow up in heathenism and depravity have been rescued, and are daily brought under Christian and civilizing influences. The result of this is that our children are becoming intelligent and industrious, well behaved, cleanly, and happy; and we look forward, hopefully, to the near future, when, with the divine blessing, they may take their places in the world as young Christian artisans or farmers. We have been, and still are, impeded in the work from want of funds; so much so as to threaten the closing of the institution. Several additional children are also waiting for admission into our Homes. Nine are promised to us under written agreements, but we are unable to receive them until some pecuniary help is given to us. Assistance to the extent of \$1,000 is very urgently needed to pay off the debt incurred in building the Home in order to receive the children at the earliest moment possible, and I earnestly ask help in the matter. Monies may be sent to His Lordship the Bishop, or to my-