

*Chippewa—From Rev. W. J. Eccleston, Little Current.*

"We received the barrel to-day, it having been delayed by being sent to Spanish Mills, instead of Massey. We wish to convey the thanks of the Indians to your Junior Branch of W.A., for the many useful articles which they sent to them. Trusting God's blessing may rest upon them in their efforts to gladden the hearts of the Indians. I remain, etc."

*Merriton—From Rev. A. R. Mitchell, Port Sydney.*

"I hope you will pardon my apparent neglect in not writing to you sooner, but I am sure you will see that I have written as soon as possible, when I tell you that my Mission is over 30 miles long, and that many articles contained in the bales were taken to the houses. In addition to my Christmas work, I have been travelling about 100 miles a week, and giving six, and sometimes seven, confirmation lectures each week; besides having a Bible class on Wednesdays, a practice for S.S. scholars and a teachers' meeting on Saturdays, as well as three services and one Sunday School to attend every Sunday, and travel one Sunday 30, and the next 16 miles. Twenty-eight candidates were presented to the Bishop for Confirmation. Now, my mission contains four Churches, four S. Schools; one has about 45 scholars, two others about 30 each, and the last about 12. The bale you sent was chiefly given to the S.S. children at Brunel. The church is eight miles from here. The warm hood's and caps were given to those who face the cold mornings in their work, and pleased the recipients very much. The presents and scrap-books, etc., made the tree look very nice. You would have been delighted to have heard the clapping when the curtain was drawn from before the tree. The children were delighted with it; there were so many nice things on it, they said—Christmas cards, candies, toys, scrap-books, dolls, everything. A very hearty vote of thanks was tendered to those young friends who had so kindly thought of them, and had given so much time and money to make their Christmas-tide happy. May God bless you my dear young friends in all your efforts to help and cheer others less favoured than yourselves."

*Grimsby—From Miss Crawford, Sarcee Reserve.*

"You will, I trust, pardon my delay in writing to thank you for the bale you so kindly sent to this mission. Miss Symonds, matron of the Boys' Home, to whom you wrote, is not with us at present, having left for a visit to England. Mr. Tims and I opened your bale, and the clothing for one of the girls, I brought over to the Girls' Home. The other things, except the cape, were distributed among the Indians or laid by for distribution. The dresses are very pretty; and all the clothes beautifully made. Thank you very much for offering to take one of the girls. There are eight in the Home here. Their names are Lizzie Many-Horses, Annie One Spot, Mary Big-Crow, Fanny