

laughed. Na-to-a-pie-si, Na-mo-a-sita and my mother are to be baptized. Tell them to let me know if any of my relatives are dead. I always pray for them that God may greatly pity them and I like to know how they all are. I am always endeavoring here to put away stealing and all kinds of evil."

*From Julia Scott, St. Luke's Mission, Vermilion, to Mrs. Banks, February 28th, 1899.*

"Father has gone off on one of his long and cold trips to the distant Indians. It is about 170 miles, that is the round trip. The starting off is quite interesting to an onlooker. The sleigh or toboggan is packed with blankets and food, both for himself and man and dogs. The dogs, three in number are strong and well built. The dog driver is very lightly dressed, having on only a flannel shirt and a cotton coat; Mr. Scott much the same style, the thermometer being about 45 or 50 degrees below zero and a fairly good wind blowing. At last the dogs are hitched and the driver cracks his whip, off they start full trot, Mr. Scott running ahead and driver holding on to the tail line. As they pass the farms the farmers come out and wish them speed. Last Tuesday father got back from a trip, having been away six days, went the distance of 80 or 85 miles. walking about 40 miles a day on snowshoes, leaving the camp Monday, 9 a.m. and arriving here Tuesday, 7 p.m. I will give you a day's routine of the school. First fires are made at 5.30 a.m.; at about 6 o'clock I wake the children, help the smaller ones dress; at 6.45 two girls, a big and a small one go down and sweep and dust the school, room two others the dining room, two the dormitory. The boys go out and carry in wood and water and feed the horses, at 8 o'clock, breakfast, from 8.30 to 9 o'clock study, play from 9 to 9.30, prayers from 9.30 to 10, and from that to quarter to eleven, Bible lesson, from eleven to twelve lessons, dinner at twelve, school recommences at 1 o'clock, continuing until 3 o'clock, from 3 to 4 the girls sew or knit, the boys knit from 4 to 4.30 and carry in wood and play; supper at 5, study from 5.30 to 6.30, then prayers, bed at 7 o'clock. All my spare time from the children is filled up with house work of different kinds. To-day, because father was away, I could not take in school until 11 o'clock, as I had some Indians to see to who had come in from the