

soon as we had got over this trouble, *all* our Home children were taken sick, one after the other they were stricken with vomiting and dysentery; some we were very anxious about, but God graciously spared them. Then in the midst of it all our Matron was taken with the same complaint, only more severe. You can imagine all this was a source of great anxiety and responsibility, particularly as my husband was away from home—but here let me say that the Rev. G. White [Whose letter we give in this issue.—ED.] was with us, he was a great comfort, and rendered valuable assistance in every way in our time of need. God kept me up wonderfully all through, giving strength moment by moment, so that I could supervise and cook for the invalids, etc., etc., until all was over, and then I had a very serious attack of La Grippe, from which I do not yet feel to have recovered. Mabel, too, was very ill before this, but Mr. Holmes, I am thankful to say, was home again, and able to nurse and look after us. God willing, we shall be leaving here in July for furlong. Mr. Holmes is appointed a delegate to the Synod at Regina, which I believe takes place the first week in August, he also ought to remain for the one in Winnipeg, but if possible we shall go straight home to England. Please excuse more just now, would like to have written more fully about winter's work. One sad fact, so far as we can see from LEAFLET and other papers, *not a cent* for St. Peter's from East Canada this winter." In letter from Mr. Holmes of same date, he says. "I am thankful to say that all is now well both in the Mission House and the Home. We have had a very long cold winter, about half our winter's snow still lies on the ground, and we are still driving across the lake with horses and cutters. Within the last four days the geese and ducks have come to greet us. I reached home last week with seven fine fat geese. We slept outside one night, and on waking up in the morning, found our blankets covered with about two inches of snow. We have almost come to the end of our fish, so will have to hunt for both ourselves and children until the ice clears away and we are able to set nets."

The following list of clothing and sundries needed for Christ Church Mission, Upper Peace River, was sent to the Branch at Milton, in a letter from Rev. H. Robinson: Children's clothing, materials for boys' suits, dress goods, materials good and strong for women's dresses and underclothing, aprons, men's suits, or materials for making them (the Indian women are very good sewers) shirts, socks, children's boots or shoes, but they must be light, for they can only wear them in summer when the ground is wet. Skirts are very valuable, but as a rule they are not made wide enough at the bottom for the Indian women, mitts, comforters, quilts, blankets, thread, needles, scissors, thimbles, towels, combs, tin cups, tin plates, or granite-ware, knives and forks, spoons, beans, rice, salt, sugar, flour, etc. We will be pleased if only we can keep fifteen or twenty children next winter. We will gladly teach them if only our kind friends will help us to feed and clothe them.