

the matter of dress, in which none of them excel. Among the supplies were also some nice hoods, just the articles desired, and comfortable for the cold weather. I offered them to a number of the women on condition of wearing them to church, but they declined them, preferring to retain the use of their shawls. Since coming here we have got some of the women to wear hats, but only with difficulty. If some plain straw or felt hats were sent the next year we will make another effort. The school girls like the hoods for school, but invariably take them off when they come to church. It is only with difficulty that we can persuade them to use their handkerchiefs for any other purpose than on the necks. The attendance at day-school has been much better since the clothing was given out, as some of the children could not attend through lack of clothing. The gratitude of the old people was past expression, most of them receiving good, warm quilts, underclothing, and jackets or overcoats. The old chief, Mistawasis, desires me to send his regards to his good sisters in the East for their thoughtful kindness of him in these his declining years, as well as for the interest they have ever shown in the work here. He is fast failing in strength, and it is doubtful whether they can remember him next year with clothing.

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CROWSTAND SCHOOL,  
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MR. LAIRD.--Permit me through the LEAFLET to thank the different societies who have forwarded clothing to our school children and Indians. The supply this year is amply sufficient for all our necessities, and I need scarcely say that the material is suitable and that all the articles sent are serviceable and will be of great assistance to us in our work.

I may repeat here what I have said on several occasions that it would be impossible for the missionaries to carry on the boarding and industrial schools as they are now carried on, were it not that the ladies of Woman's Foreign Missionary Society send such valuable contributions of clothing.

We have not yet got all the clothing from Yorkton. I have just got home from the meeting of Synod at Brandon and am now setting out for Yorkton with two teams to bring the balance. I do not need to say much with regard to the clothing; it is all