

speaks of Mr. Steinhauer being greatly benefited by his visit to Ontario and the East, and the delight with which the people welcomed him back. His visit to the day and Sabbath-schools, convinced him that Mr. and Mrs. Youmans had gone into the work with spirit. Mr. Youmans is making real progress in the language, and is also teaching the children English rapidly. They are setting examples of industry, economy, civilization, and Christianity, which are of inestimable advantage to the community in which their lot is cast. The Sabbath and week day services, during his stay, were blessed seasons. A Missionary meeting was held at which the Indians made capital speeches, and gave liberal subscriptions.

At VICTORIA the congregations on Sabbath and Monday were good. Within easy reach two Indian settlements are springing up. Brother McLachlan will have to work hard to meet the requirements of the mission in this vicinity. He is doing well in acquiring the language. Here, also, a permanent teacher is much needed, one with ability to conduct religious services in the absence of the missionary, as well as to take charge of the school.

Reaching WOODVILLE Mission he found Brother and Sister Nelson, after considerable hardship and difficulty, making themselves quite comfortable, and settling into missionary harness in right good earnest. Fully identifying himself with the place and the people, he and his good wife are preaching the gospel by precept and example. The Indians gathered from different points around the lake, thus several days were spent in religious services, councils, &c.

At MORLEY a very interesting gathering of more than 600 took place on New Year's day; and at Fort McLeod the Missionary is in labours more abundant, but it is much to be regretted that from none of the stations in this district have religious reports been received, as required by the Society and Conference, with the exception of the following, respecting the commencement of a new mission at

#### BATTLE RIVER.

For the next Missionary Report, which will soon be published, I wish to make a statement of my work on this new mission. In view of an ordained minister's arrival at Edmonton in the summer, I left that place in May, 1881, to commence work on a new Mission at Battle River, sixty miles south of Edmonton. The summer was spent in moving and building, a great part of which I did alone. At the beginning of cold weather we moved into the house, which during the winter was comfortable, though not completed. When I could secure an interpreter last summer, I had services with the Indians, and Sabbath School with the children. After moving from the tent into the

house, I started women. The I can now express language, which I spent over language. The done very little in English devoted Evangelical words upon the language. To pronounce the words often to say to pronounce. no difficulty in

Next Sabbath I hope to continue reads in Cree and I shall be praying to God freely.

I have received wages here and them for supplies freight on my horse run the expenses are 18

We have ready to get assistance for anything, as I have lumber, and I can do to for and in building month at a time

The Missionary \$100 is granted from it. For another building prayers, and

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