

father and mother, and the other was for the children, who were five or six in number. In one of these bunks lay the father, who was certainly ill, and it did not take long to find out what was his trouble, for he had that cough, which alas, we get to know too well along this coast—the man was dying with consumption. This was the first of many houses of its kind I have been in during my trips with the doctors, and the more I see the more I realize what a grand work Dr. Grenfell has been doing in trying to lift the poor, ignorant people out of their misery and filth.

I remained at Battle Harbor until the first of October, when Dr. Grenfell asked me to take the launch to St. Anthony Hospital, about sixty miles south of Battle; this meant crossing the Straits of Belle Isle, which at the point I was to cross is thirty miles wide. I had never been across except once in the mail steamer. However, I got my charts and compass and with a small boat in tow started, with one man to assist me in steering, as I had to look after the engine. We got to Henley, from which point we were to make Cape Bauld. After waiting there for a couple of days for a gale to blow itself out, we started on a nice clear morning; but anyone acquainted with the Straits in the fall of the year knows that the weather cannot be counted upon very much, as I found out when we were about half way across. By that time the tide was running out; it was my trick at the helm. My mate was eating his dinner, when I noticed the wind was rising, and in a few moments a gale was blowing from the east, which, with the outgoing tide, made it pretty rough. Just then I happened to look astern in time to see the boat we were towing turn bottom up, and take a dive. I called to the other man to come and take the helm, while I pulled in the surken boat close astern. By this time it was rough, and no mistake; both of us sat on the deck and hung on to the rail for dear life to save ourselves from being knocked overboard. For a while I thought I should have to cut the boat adrift, as it was impossible to bail her out with such a sea, and she was trying to ram the stern out of the launch every now and again, as a big wave would come up. However, I managed to keep her off pretty well, and we were two thankful men when we ran into the harbor on the lee side of Cape Bauld.

During the fall at St. Anthony the launch did good work, and had some pretty rough trips, but there is not room to give an account of every trip.

I call to mind one case the doctor went to see. It was an urgent call. We left St. Anthony just after dinner, expecting to reach home again before dark, as the place we were to go to was only twelve miles away. Unfortunately, when about half way there our engine became partially crippled, and we were only able to reach our destination at a snail's pace. It was 10 p.m., when we sighted the St. Anthony light, and we were glad to get in, as it was a very dark night. The patient the doctor went to see was a boy about fourteen years of age, very ill with peritonitis; too ill to be moved to the hospital that day, so he had to be left until he gained strength enough to stand moving. In a few days this was done, and he was 'fed up' on something more beneficial than salt pork, bread and molasses. He spent three or four months here and returned home on a komatik an entirely different boy, well fed and well clothed. I enclose a photo of him in a wheel chair, with his father standing beside him, with a happy smile on his face, which he might well have, for his boy had been very near death's door. This was one of the patients the 'Northern Messenger' brought to the hospital, and whose life was saved.

Spring is once more upon us, and I am turning my thoughts to the 'Northern Messenger,' and am commencing work upon her making a few improvements and putting on a new spring dress of fresh paint, which will be of slate color. I am also the recipient of a lovely Canadian flag, kindly donated by the Faithful Circle of King's Daughters of Montreal for the Harrington launch.

I hope this account of some of the work done by the 'Northern Messenger' will interest your readers and show them that the money they invest in the work of this Mission is paying them high interest in the know-

ledge that they are helping in a good practical way to save lives and to save souls.

Yours sincerely,
F. M. H. CUSHING.

Acknowledgments.

LABRADOR FUND.

Received for the maintenance of the launch: A Friend.	\$ 3.50
Received for the cots: A. C., Stella, Ont., \$2.00; Scholars of Pres. Church Sunday School, Barrington Passage, N.S., \$3.75; Two Friends, Farrington, \$1.68; Total	\$ 7.43
Previously acknowledged for the launch	\$477.39
Previously acknowledged for the cots	86.55
Previously acknowledged for the komatik	55.60
Total received up to July 2.	\$629.97

Now that the stress of the famine in China is over, we feel sure that our readers will be able to give more of their thought to the work in Labrador. To keep this properly maintained funds have to be in well in advance of the winter months, during which there can be so little communication with the various stations. So let us all send our gifts and have our share in launch or cots or komatiks.

Address all subscriptions for Dr. Grenfell's work to 'Witness' Labrador Fund, John Dougall and Son, 'Witness' Office, Montreal, indicating with the gift whether it is for launch, komatik, or cots.

Religious Notes.

A Christian worker, who has been in Utah for twelve years, recently is quoted as saying that there was more actual progress in the work during the last two years than in the preceding decade. The Baptists have been holding special services in Ogden and Salt Lake City. In Sandy the Congregationalists recently received 20 into the church. One Sunday 17 joined the Third Presbyterian Church in Salt Lake City. The First Methodist Church in the same city received since conference over 100 by letter and on probation. The Liberty Park Church received upward of 20. The First Methodist Church of Ogden has lately closed a very successful revival meeting, with more than 40 additions resulting. The Presbyterians are completing a new building for Westminster College, and expect the coming year to build a hall for girls. The Collegiate Institute will be moved to the grounds of the college.—'Missionary Review of Reviews.'

Miss Anna T. Jeanes of Philadelphia, a Hicksite Quakeress of large means, who lives a simple life and long since established a reputation for generosity in Philadelphia, has given \$1,000,000 the income of which is to assist 'Southern community, country and rural schools.' Messrs. Booker T. Washington and H. B. Friswell, of Tuskegee and Hampton Institutes, have been appointed trustees with power to name a board of responsible directors. They have announced that Negroes as well as Whites will be represented on the board; and that it is impossible to express adequately the gratitude due Miss Jeanes for her course in providing ways and means for supporting a few of the best kind of rural schools in many counties in the South, which may serve as object lessons far and wide. They pledge that the fund will be used to encourage self-help, and to supplement, not supplant, money appropriated by the Southern states. Multiplication of better schools in the South will increase the demand for such teachers as mission schools can supply; on the other hand, betterment of primary and secondary educational conditions will have its uplifting and expansive effect on institutions of higher learning among the Negroes, increasing the number of pupils. Notwithstanding such gifts as this of Miss Jeanes, and of Mr. Rockefeller to the General Educational Board, notwithstanding the increased prosperity of the South as a section, notwithstanding the new disposition of Southern political leaders to champion generous appropriations long-tried friends in the North still have their duty and generosity to perform.—The 'Congregationalist.'

CHINESE FAMINE FUND

The following acknowledgment, from the Canadian missionary in China to whom the Famine Relief Fund contributed through the medium of the 'Montreal Daily Witness,' was sent, has been received. It was written under date of June 4, 1907:—

'Messrs. John Dougall & Sons, Montreal:

'Dear Sirs,—Many thanks for yours of May 7. I have already written thanking your donors for various sums they have sent in relief of the famine in China. I am very grateful to them all, and I am sure that the missionaries to whom I have entrusted the money will use it to the very best advantage, namely, for the prevention of famine by relief works. They have already accomplished a vast deal in draining off great bodies of water which occupy fertile land, and in also banking up fractious rivers, so that they will not so easily overflow their banks.

'Characteristically enough, the Chinese officials prefer to give money direct without asking for work in return. They said the man who works requires more food than the man who sits still, and therefore we will not make the people work. But such a policy, while at the time less expensive, is, in the long run, excessively foolish, and the missionaries who are the almoners of the Christian public in this famine, have taken the wiser course. 'An ounce of prevention will be worth a pound of cure.'

'I shall be delighted to receive the 'Witness' regularly, as we do not regularly receive any Canadian paper, and while a young man in Canada years ago the 'Witness' was one of the formative influences of my life.

'Yours sincerely,

'(Signed), D. MACGILLIVRAY.'

ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

Since the last public acknowledgment the following contributions have been received, making a total of over ten thousand dollars for the relief of the famine stricken Chinese:

John Keith Mackenzie, Victoria, B.C.	\$ 1.00
Burnie McClelland, Brookholm, Ont.	1.40
'A Friend,' Mountain Mill, Alta.	1.00
F., ten cents a day	\$1.00
O. S.	3.00
B., ten cents a day.	3.00
	7.00
Mrs. Alex. Fernie, Theodore, Sask.	1.00
A Rural School, Solina, Ont.	1.00
Martin Warr and sisters, Little Harbor, Nfld.	2.00
'The Expositor,' Brantford, Ont.	2.00
Junior League, Sharbrooke Street Methodist Church, Montreal.	10.00
I. C. H.	2.00
Mrs. John Dunwoodie, Albert, Ont.	2.00
'A Friend,' Alberni, B.C.	2.70
Craighurst, Ont.25
Y. P. S. C. E. and Pres. S.S., Birnie, Man.	6.55
From 'A Contributor,' Strathcona, Alta, per J. M. Holson	1.00
A class of girls, Fairmount Ave. Sunday-school	1.00
Friends in Belgrave, Ont.	1.00
	\$ 42.90
Total to June 25, 1907, per ack.	\$10,475.23
Less \$10.40, intended for Labrador and credited by mistake to Chinese Fund	10.40
Total.	\$10,507.73

This fund is now closed.