

FOREIGN MISSIONARY TIDINGS

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA
WESTERN DIVISION



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NEW SERIES

NOTICES.

The Board of Management meets on the *first Tuesday* of every month, at 3 o'clock p.m., and on the remaining Tuesdays of each month at 10 a.m., in the Board Room of the Bible and Tract Societies, 104 Yonge Street, Toronto. Members of Auxiliary Societies, or other ladies interested in the work and desiring information, may attend a meeting if introduced by a member of the Board.

Letters concerning the organization of societies, and all matters pertaining to Home work, are to be addressed to Mrs. Grant, Home Secretary, 540 Church Street, Toronto. The Home Secretary should be notified *at once* when an Auxiliary or Mission Band is formed.

Letters asking information about missionaries, or any questions concerning the Foreign Field, as to Bible-readers, teachers, or children in the various Mission Schools, also letters concerning supplies for India, should be addressed to Mrs. Shortreed, Foreign Secretary, 224 Jarvis Street, Toronto.

All correspondence relating to work in the North-West and British Columbia, including supplies, will be conducted through Mrs. A. Jeffrey, Secretary for Indian Work in the North-West and British Columbia, 4 Classic Avenue, Toronto.

All letters to the Board not directly bearing upon work specified in the above departments should be addressed to Mrs. Hugh Campbell, Corresponding Secretary, 220 Richmond Street West, Toronto.

All requests for life-membership certificates should be sent to Miss Bessie MacMurchy, 254 Sherbourne Street, Toronto, to be accompanied in every case by a receipt from the Treasurer of the Auxiliary into which the fee has been paid.

Letters containing remittances of money for the W.F.M.S. may be addressed to Miss Isabella L. George, 277 Jarvis Street.

All correspondence relating to the business management of the FOREIGN MISSIONARY TIDINGS—all orders, remittances and changes of address—should be sent to Mrs. Telfer, 72 St. Albans Street, Toronto.

Notices of Presbyterian meetings intended for the FOREIGN MISSIONARY TIDINGS may be sent to the editor, Mrs. Geo. Hunter Robinson, 592 Markham Street, Toronto.

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Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Presbyterian Church
in Canada.

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VOL. I.

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SUBJECTS FOR PRAYER.

October.—Thanksgiving for our Gospel privileges. For extension in the Home work. For personal, family and national mercies, and for the bounties of God's providence. Confession of our shortcomings.

“Being enriched in everything to all bountifulness, which causeth through us thanksgiving to God.”

“Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift.”—2 Cor. 9: 11, 15.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

INCREASE.

Presbyterian Society—
Brockville..... Elizabethtown “Talent” Mission Band.

DONATIONS TO MEMORIAL FUND TO SEPTEMBER 8.

Hyde Park.....	\$0 90
Mount Pleasant, B.C.....	2 00
Elora, Chalmers' Church.....	1 35
Galt, Central Church.....	2 10
Seaforth (additional).....	1 00
Collingwood, Mission Band (additional).....	0 40
Admaston	1 50
Vernon	1 00
Appleton	1 20
Crumlin	0 40
Strabane (additional).....	0 50
New Westminster, B.C.....	3 00
Glenallan	2 00
Mrs. Dickenson.....	2 50
A Friend, Agincourt.....	0 50
Toronto, Knox Church Mission Band.....	3 25
Shannonville	2 00

Newcastle	\$1 60
Greenbank	1 00
Walkerton	14 00
Lucan	1 50
Lanark	1 50
Vancouver, St. Andrew's Church.....	2 10
Toronto, McCaul Auxiliary.....	1 70
Toronto, Cooke's Church Mission Band.....	1 90
Vaughan, St. Paul's.....	1 00
West Brant.....	7 35
Lieury	1 60
Egmondville	0 75

CLOSE OF THE MEMORIAL FUND.

It has been decided by the Board to close the Memorial Fund on the 1st of October. Any societies having donations in hand will kindly forward without delay to Mrs. Grant, St. Margaret's College, 403 Bloor Street West, Toronto.

It is expected that Miss George will resume her work as General Treasurer immediately on her return to Toronto in October. See Standing Notices.

LIFE MEMBERS.

Miss Isabella Jane Wyatt, Miss Annie Elisabeth Wyatt, Miss Mary Elisabeth Milliken, Miss Lillian Amelia Milliken, Springbank, East Williams.

Miss Janet McDougall, Ormstown Auxiliary, Quebec.
 Mrs. Elizabeth L. Shearer, Drumbo Auxiliary.
 Miss Glennie, St. John's Auxiliary, Hamilton.
 Mrs. Hyslop, Knox Church Auxiliary, Stratford.

THE EWART MISSIONARY TRAINING HOME.

The Training Home will be open for work on the 1st of October. A house has been taken at 540 Church Street, and the superintendent, Mrs. Ross, has been placed in charge. Although the Home is intended primarily and chiefly for the training of foreign mission candidates, other Christian workers desiring to avail themselves of its advantages will be received as boarders, subject to the approval of the Board of Management of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. Applicants may obtain all necessary information from Mrs. Shortreed, Foreign Secretary, 224 Jarvis Street, Toronto.

PRESBYTERIAL MEETING.

BRUCE.—The tenth annual meeting of this Society was held in the Presbyterian Church, Port Elgin, on Thursday, September 2nd, and was most successful, delegates being present from all the Auxiliaries and Mission Bands in the Presbytery. The meeting opened at 2 o'clock. The president, Mrs. Johnston, of Paisley, occupied the chair. The church was well filled with a large audience of women. After the routine of business, reports from the various Auxiliaries and Mission Bands, etc., were read. The president delivered an earnest address taking for her motto the words of the Lord to Moses, "Speak to the children of Israel, that they go forward." She said that upon each individual member of the Society rests the responsibility of the work. There were difficulties in the way of the children of Israel, the sea lay before them, when the command came to go forward. And if we go where the pillar of cloud and fire leads, the difficulties, like the waters, shall be divided, and there shall be a path. The annual reports showed a membership of 242; one life member added during the year; contributions amounted to over \$500, and \$52.54 contributed to the Memorial Fund. Clothing valued at \$212 sent to the Indians on Pasquah's Reserve. Miss Muir, of Port Elgin, gave a recitation, entitled "The King's Temple" in an impressive and effective manner. Officers for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. Johnston; first vice-president, Mrs. Drumm; second vice-president, Mrs. Robertson, of Walkerton; secretary, Mrs. Ferguson; treasurer, Miss Millar, of Paisley; secretary of supplies, Mrs. Robertson; literary secretary, Mrs. Munro, Port Elgin. The next meeting will be held at Chesley, September 1st, 1898. It was moved by Mrs. Robertson and seconded by Mrs. Drumm and carried, that a committee of two ladies, namely, Mrs. Ferguson and Mrs. Mackenzie, of Chesley, be appointed to frame and submit a minute anent the late Mrs. Ewart, the beloved president of the General Society, and that our secretary send a copy to the secretary of the General Society. Excellent and practical papers on "How to create enthusiasm and foster interest in our Auxiliaries," by Mrs. Chisholm, Paisley; "Woman's part in the great commission," by Mrs. Guthrie, Walkerton, were read. At a public meeting held in the evening Rev. Mr. Drumm, pastor of the church, occupied the chair and gave a short address, welcoming the Society to Port Elgin. Rev. Mr. Johnston, of Paisley, and Rev. Mr. Fitzpatrick, of Underwood, assisting in the exercises. Rev. Mr. McDonald, of Glammis, spoke on the subject. "Woman's place in the Church and in Missions," and took for his theme the 11th verse of the 68th Psalm. Mr. C. J. Mickle, B.A., of Chesley, gave an address on "Missions and the Victorian Era," dealing with the opening up of the world to the preaching of the Gospel during the last sixty years, the upraising of young men and women to the work, the development of

women's work, and the increase of missionary literature. Rev. Mr. McLennan, late of Honan, China, spoke on "China and the Chinese: the religions of China and the defects of the religions of China." The address was most interesting, and touched upon many new points.

EXPENDITURE FOR W.F.M.S., 1896-97.

I. NORTH-WEST INDIANS.

Birtle.			
Mr. W. J. Small (salary).....	\$600 00		
Miss McLaren (salary).....	450 00		
W. Martin (salary).....	215 00		
Miss McLeod (salary).....	350 00		
Maintenance	198 00		
Building	5 25		
Furnishing	58 50		
Insurance	54 00		
Service during holidays.....	27 00		
			<u>\$1,957 75</u>
Crowstand.			
Mr. James Hamilton (salary).....	\$183 40		
Miss K. Gillespie (salary).....	450 00		
Miss Carson (salary).....	370 00		
Miss McIlwaine (salary).....	185 00		
Miss McIlwaine (travelling expenses).....	41 40		
Mrs. Simons.....	30 00		
Maintenance	225 00		
Insurance	36 00		
Furnishing	29 72		
			<u>1,550 52</u>
File Hills.			
Mr. Alex. Skene (half salary).....	\$350 00		
Maintenance	270 00		
Service	180 00		
			<u>800 00</u>
Hurricane Hills.			
Mr. N. Gilmour (half salary).....	\$300 00		
Building	1,900 00		
Furnishing	150 00		
Insurance	41 10		
			<u>2,391 10</u>

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Lakesend.

Miss E. McWilliams (salary).....	\$297 09	
Mrs. Leckie (salary).....	180 00	
Maintenance	412 28	
Travelling expenses.....	93 55	
Insurance	34 25	
Building	43 50	
	<u> </u>	\$1,060 67

Lizard Point.

Mr. John Black (half salary).....	\$185 00	
Furnishing	32 00	
	<u> </u>	217 00

Mistawasis.

Miss McIntosh (part salary).....	\$150 00	150 00
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Prince Albert.

Miss Baker (salary).....	\$450 00	
Miss Cameron (salary).....	150 00	
Building	43 00	
	<u> </u>	643 00

Portage la Prairie.

Miss Fraser (salary).....	\$300 00	
Miss Laidlaw (salary).....	300 00	
Mr. David Ross (salary).....	36 00	
Maintenance	154 98	
Insurance	22 40	
Taxes	75 00	
Service during holidays.....	35 00	
	<u> </u>	923 38

Rolling River.

Mr. W. J. Wright (part salary).....	\$400 00	
Building and furnishing.....	70 00	
	<u> </u>	470 00

Round Lake.

Mr. W. Sahlmark (salary).....	\$225 00	
Mr. J. Bear (salary).....	360 00	
Mr. R. G. McKay (salary).....	225 00	
Mr. R. G. McKay (travelling expenses).....	42 50	
Maintenance	200 00	
Building	400 00	
	<u> </u>	1,452 50

Okanase.

Mr. R. C. McPherson (salary).....	\$300 00	300 00
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Pipestone.		
Mr. John Thunder (part salary).....	\$260 00	\$260 00
Moose Mountain.		
Mr. D. A. McKenzie (part salary).....	\$256 00	
Building, half-cost	461 00	
Furnishing	56 00	
Insurance	4 00	
Conference expenses.....		787 00
Convener's expenses (in part).....		123 30
		150 00
		<u>\$1,236 22</u>

2. BRITISH COLUMBIA INDIANS.

Salaries.	\$360 00	
Miss Johnston	150 00	
Miss Armstrong	60 00	
Mr. John Ross	375 00	
Mr. Russell	150 00	
Mr. Easton.....	1,000 00	
Maintenance	356 50	
Building at Ahousaht.....	108 60	
Balance on building at Alberni.....	11 82	
Plough and ensign.....	388 45	
Day schools, Ucluelet, Ahousaht, Dodger's Cove		<u>2,960 37</u>

3. CENTRAL INDIA.

Neemuch.	\$730 00	
Miss A. Turnbull, M.D. (salary).....	178 00	
House rent.....	7 68	
Evangelistic	795 00	
Medical	39 00	
Miscellaneous		
	1,749 68	
Less sale of medicines.....	97 00	
		1,652 68
Miss Duncan (salary).....	\$730 00	
Evangelistic	33 00	
Educational	321 00	
Miscellaneous	23 00	
	1,107 00	
Less fees	4 00	
		<u>1,103 00</u>

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Neemuch—Continued.

Miss Campbell (salary).....	\$730 00	
Evangelistic	6 50	
Educational	160 00	
Miscellaneous	28 00	
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	924 50	
Less sale of books.....	1 00	\$923 50

Ruflam.

Mrs. J. F. Campbell, Bible-women, etc.....	\$161 00	
Girls' school	28 00	
	<hr/>	189 00

Ujjain.

Miss Jamieson (salary).....	\$730 00	
Evangelistic	62 00	
Educational	250 00	
Miscellaneous	4 00	
	<hr/>	1,046 00
Miss Weir (salary).....	\$300 00	
Pundit	21 00	
Travel	293 70	
Outfit	250 00	
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Indore.

Miss Oliver (salary).....	\$730 00	
Evangelistic	44 00	
Medical	1,218 00	
Building	85 00	
Miscellaneous	15 00	
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	\$2,092 00	
Less fees and medicines.....	256 00	1,836 00
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Miss McKellar (salary).....	\$730 00	
Travelling expenses	300 00	
	<hr/>	1,030 00
Miss White (salary).....	\$730 00	
Evangelistic	17 00	
Educational	315 00	
Miscellaneous	25 00	
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Miss Grier (salary).....	\$730 00	
Evangelistic	42 00	
Educational	324 00	
Miscellaneous	3 00	
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Miss Ptolemy (salary).....	\$730 00	
Mangelistic	11 00	
Educational	106 00	
Miscellaneous	27 00	\$874 00
Miss Chase (salary).....	\$730 00	
Miscellaneous	33 00	763 00
Miss Sinclair (salary).....	\$300 00	
Furlough	150 00	
Travelling expenses	310 72	
Educational	181 00	
Miscellaneous	20 00	961 72
Building veranda	\$821 00	
Freight on boxes.....	104 96	925 96
Miss Thomson (salary).....	\$300 00	
Travelling expenses	292 40	
Outfit	250 00	
Pundit	7 00	849 40
Mhow.	\$730 00	
Miss Ross (salary).....	300 00	
Travelling expenses	176 00	
Evangelistic	184 00	
Rent	478 00	1,868 00
Educational	\$730 00	
Miss Calder (salary).....	56 00	
Evangelistic	476 00	
Educational	1 00	1,263 00
Miscellaneous		
Mrs. N. H. Russell.....	\$ 51 00	
Evangelistic	47 00	98 00
Girls' school		
Miss Leyden (salary).....	\$300 00	
Travelling expenses	298 65	
Outfit	250 00	
Miscellaneous	8 00	856 65
Miss Fraser (furlough).....	\$300 00	
Travelling expenses	300 00	600 00

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Dhar.			
Miss Dougan (salary).....	\$730 00		
Evangelistic	7 00		
Educational	73 00		
Miscellaneous	20 00		
			<u>\$830 00</u>
Mrs. F. H. Russell.....	\$ 17 00		
Evangelistic			17 00
Ladies' bungalow.....	\$3,286 00		
			<u>3,286 00</u>
Miss O'Hara (salary).....	\$730 00		
Rent	25 00		
Evangelistic	183 00		
Medical	460 00		
Miscellaneous	8 50		
			<u>1,406 50</u>
			<u>\$25,430 11</u>
Primary Schools for Boys.			
Neemuch, Mandsaur, Jawad and Bajana.....			<u>1,660 00</u>
			<u>\$27,090 11</u>

4. FORMOSA.

Matrons and Bible-women.....	\$700 00		
Girls' school (coolies).....	60 00		
Food	50 00		
Clothing	25 00		
Teachers in day schools.....	254 27		
			<u>1,089 27</u>

5. HONAN.

Miss McIntosh (salary).....	\$500 00		
Miss J. Dow, M.D. (salary).....	500 00		
Miss Pyke (salary).....	250 00		
Miss Pyke (outfit).....	250 00		
Miss Pyke (travelling expenses).....	369 11		
Miss Robb (salary).....	250 00		
Miss Robb (outfit).....	250 00		
Miss Robb (travelling expenses).....	367 16		
Bible women	15 53		
Proportion of station expenses (850).....	850 00		
			<u>\$3,601 80</u>
Less received from Montreal M.S., salary of			
Miss Dow	500 00		
			<u>3,101 80</u>
Medical examinations			18 00

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SUMMARY.

North-West Indians	\$13,236 22	
British Columbia Indians	2,960 37	
Central India	25,430 11	
Primary schools (Central India).....	1,660 00	
Formosa	1,089 27	
Honan	3,101 80	
Medical examinations	18 00	
		\$47,496 77

ESTIMATES FOR W.F.M.S., 1897-98.

INDIA.

Neemuch—Miss A. Turnbull, M.D.		
Salary	\$730 00	
House rent.....	162 00	
Evangelistic	95 00	
Medical	1,104 00	
Miscellaneous	18 00	
		\$2,109 00
Miss Duncan.		
Salary	\$730 00	
Evangelistic	123 00	
Educational	392 00	
Miscellaneous	18 00	
		1,263 00
Miss Campbell.		
Salary	\$730 00	
Evangelistic	92 00	
Educational	288 00	
Miscellaneous	16 00	
		1,126 00
Rutlam—Mrs. J. F. Campbell.		
Evangelistic	\$162 00	
Girls' school.....	130 00	
		292 00
Ujjain—Miss Jamieson.		
Salary	\$730 00	
Evangelistic	192 00	
Educational	401 00	
Miscellaneous	9 00	
		1,332 00

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Miss Weir.			
Salary	\$730 00		
Pundit	28 00		
		<u> </u>	\$758 00
Indore—Miss M. Oliver, M.D.			
Salary	\$730 00		
Evangelistic	62 00		
Medical	1,321 00		
Miscellaneous	40 00		
		<u> </u>	2,153 00
Miss Thompson.			
Salary	\$730 00		
Pundit	28 00		
		<u> </u>	758 00
Miss M. McKellar, M.D.			
Furlough	\$300 00		
		<u> </u>	300 00
Miss J. V. Sinclair.			
Salary	\$730 00		
Educational	538 00		
Taxes	30 00		
Whitewashing	36 00		
Miscellaneous	18 00		
		<u> </u>	1,352 00
Miss White.			
Salary	\$730 00		
Evangelistic	105 00		
Educational	225 00		
Miscellaneous	16 00		
		<u> </u>	1,076 00
Miss Grier.			
Salary	\$730 00		
Evangelistic	85 00		
Educational	404 00		
Miscellaneous	10 00		
		<u> </u>	1,229 00
Miss Ptolemy.			
Salary	\$730 00		
Evangelistic	85 00		
Educational	292 00		
Pundit	28 00		
Miscellaneous	16 00		
		<u> </u>	1,151 00

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Miss Chase.	\$730 00	
Salary	105 00	
Evangelistic	28 00	
Pundit	14 00	
Miscellaneous	<u> </u>	\$877 00
Mhow—Miss Ross.	\$300 00	
Furlough	420 00	
Educational	10 00	
Miscellaneous	<u> </u>	730 00
Miss Calder.	\$730 00	
Salary	180 00	
Rent	65 00	
Evangelistic	384 00	
Educational	<u> </u>	1,359 00
Miss Leyden.	\$730 00	
Salary	28 00	
Pundit	<u> </u>	758 00
Dhar—Miss O'Hara, M.D.	\$730 00	
Salary	137 00	
Evangelistic	800 00	
Medical	25 00	
Miscellaneous	<u> </u>	1,692 00
Miss Dougan.	\$730 00	
Salary	58 00	
Evangelistic	262 00	
Educational	18 00	
Miscellaneous	<u> </u>	1,068 00
Mrs. F. H. Russell.	\$114 00	
Evangelistic	<u> </u>	114 00
Mrs. Dr. Woods.	\$65 00	
Girls' school.....	<u> </u>	65 00
Primary Schools for Boys.	1,660 00	
Neemuch, Jawad, Mandasaur, Bajana.....	<u> </u>	1,660 00
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HONAN, 1897-98.

Miss McIntosh (salary).....	\$500 00	
Miss M. A. Pyke (salary).....	500 00	
Portion of station expenses.....	850 00	\$1,850 00

Dr. Dow's salary is paid by the Montreal Woman's Missionary Society.

FORMOSA, 1897-98.

Bible-women	\$750 00	
Teachers	250 00	
Coolies (Girls' school).....	60 00	
Food (Girls' school).....	50 00	
Clothing (Girls' school).....	15 00	\$1,125 00

NORTH-WEST INDIANS, 1897-98.

Birtle.		
W. J. Small (salary).....	\$600 00	
Miss McLaren (salary).....	450 00	
Miss McLeod (salary).....	350 00	
Hugh McKay, assistant.....	180 00	\$1,580 00

Crowstand.		
Miss Kate Gillespie (salary).....	\$450 00	
Miss E. C. Carson (salary).....	370 00	
Miss McIlwaine (salary).....	240 00	1,060 00

File Hills.		
Alex. Skene (salary).....	\$700 00	
Maintenance	250 00	
Matron	180 00	1,130 00

Hurricane Hills.		
Neil Gilmour (half salary).....	\$300 00	300 00

Lizard Point.		
John Black (half salary).....	\$210 00	
Half cost of house.....	250 00	
Half cost of furnishing.....	25 00	485 00

Mistawasis.		
Miss McIntosh (salary).....	\$150 00	
Repairs to building.....	50 00	200 00

Moose Mountain.

Missionary (half salary).....	\$300 00	
Half cost of furnishing.....	100 00	
	<u> </u>	\$400 00

Okanase.

R. C. McPherson (salary).....	\$300 00	
Half cost building.....	200 00	
Half cost furnishing.....	25 00	
	<u> </u>	525 00

Makoce Waste.

Miss Baker (salary).....	\$450 00	
Miss Cameron (part salary).....	150 00	
Building	100 00	
	<u> </u>	700 00

Pipestone.

John Thunder (part salary).....	\$260 00	
Repairs	45 00	
	<u> </u>	305 00

Rolling River.

W. J. Wright (half salary).....	\$300 00	
	<u> </u>	300 00

Round Lake.

R. G. McKay (teacher's salary).....	\$450 00	
Jacob Bear (salary).....	360 00	
	<u> </u>	810 00

Portage la Prairie.

Miss Annie Fraser (salary).....	\$300 00	
Miss S. Laidlaw (salary).....	300 00	
David Ross (salary).....	36 00	
Maintenance	150 00	
Building	750 00	
	<u> </u>	1,536 00

Contingencies—Half cost of insurance, travelling expenses of missionaries and conveners.....	<u> </u>	400 00
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Lakesend	<u> </u>	\$9,731 00
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		\$10,731 00

INDIANS, BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1897-98.

Albarni.

Miss Johnston (salary).....	\$360 00	
Maintenance	1,000 00	
Mr. Ross (part salary).....	60 00	
	<u> </u>	\$1,420 00

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Miss Armstrong (salary).....	\$450 00	
Less Government grant.....	300 00	
	<u> </u>	\$150 00

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J. W. Russell (salary).....	600 00	
	<u> </u>	600 00
		<u> </u>
		\$2,170 00

SUMMARY.

North-West Indians	\$10,731 00	
British Columbia Indians	2,170 00	
Central India	21,562 00	
Primary schools, India.....	1,660 00	
Honan	1,850 00	
Formosa	1,125 00	
	<u> </u>	39,098 00

BRING AN OFFERING AND COME INTO HIS COURTS.

A writer in *The Helping Hand* gives us these timely thoughts :

"Are you tired and overworked? Be thankful for work to do and strength to do it.

"Are you sick and weak? Be thankful for the dear home and kind care.

"Are you worn out with care of children? Be thankful that you are not separated from them as some of our missionaries are from theirs.

"Are you poor? Be thankful for the rich Father who will supply all your need.

"Are you lonely? Be thankful for the Friend who sticketh closer than a brother.

"Are you rich? Oh, be thankful for all of your opportunities to give to Christ through His needy ones.

"If you still find that you have not one single thing in your own life to be thankful for, then thank God that we have such brave, true missionaries; for the beautiful results of their work; for the brightened lives of heathen women; for beginnings of Christian homes; for little children rescued; for the rapid spread of the Gospel.

"Always as you pray remember the words of a dear old saint : 'There is always more to be thankful for than to ask for.'"

Did you ever notice how, in that wonderful ninety-sixth Psalm, David, in the midst of a torrent of praise, makes the practical suggestion that they bring an offering as they come into His courts? How can we come into His presence, knowing the need of His world, and withhold what we might give?

Send for a supply of thank-offering envelopes at once if you have not already done so, and send at the same time for enough copies of the new thank-offering story to place this little reminder in the hands of every woman in your congregation in good time before the thank-offering meeting.

"Beloved, if our hearts condemn us not, then have we confidence towards God, and whatsoever we ask we receive of Him, because we keep His commandments and do those things which are pleasing in His sight."

INTEREST IN FOREIGN MISSIONS.

It is thought by many Christians that all that is needed is to inform the Lord's people of the work, its needs, difficulties, and successes, and men and money will be volunteered. It is, no doubt, most important to make known the facts about Missions and their work, but to suppose that doing so will, to any considerable extent, create zeal for the glory of God when it does not already exist is a vain hope. Bishop Tugwell, of the Niger, lately remarked to the effect that he felt less and less inclined to tell of missionary work; it roused a temporary enthusiasm, it kindled a temporary enthusiasm, it stirred a temporary generosity; but what was wanted to ensure permanent results was that Christ should be revealed to the soul.

This is, indeed, what is needed. Consider how God has prepared His choicest workers and His most generous givers in the past. Has it not been by revealing Himself to them? The God of Glory Himself appeared to Abraham before he gave up home and kindred and started forth on his wonderful life of obedience and faith. God manifested Himself in the bush to Moses before he undertook to bring Israel out of Egypt. God revealed Himself to Joshua, as captain of the host of the Lord, before He conquered Canaan. The Lord revealed Himself to Samuel before he entered upon his prophetic and judicial work. David had many wonderful revelations of God's mind and heart before he prepared with all his might, and gave his millions towards the building of the temple. Isaiah saw the Lord, and was thus prepared to prophesy. All the apostles had a revelation of God in Jesus their Lord, and were thus, through the Spirit, prepared for their work. In post-apostolic times also, it is the men to whom God has revealed Himself who have moved the world.

If, then, we are to have increased interest in foreign missions, or home missions either, there is only one way to obtain it: that is, by getting His people to be more and more personally acquainted with, and interested in, God, His plans, His purposes, His Gospel, His Church, His kingdom.

Visions of these must become the inspiring visions of their lives. For the receiving of such visions two things are necessary: First, a

deep self-humbling before God in trembling at His word; and, secondly, prompt obedience to His word. There are few more certain hindrances to fresh revelations of God than failure to obey previous revelations. The true basis of a permanent and ever-deepening interest in missions is enthusiasm for God, like the zeal for the Father which consumed Christ—is enthusiasm for Christ, like the love which moved the Father to exalt Him to the throne. Let us seek to foster this enthusiasm in ourselves and others.—Exchange.

WHAT IS SELF-DENIAL ?

I have a sewing-girl in whom I am much interested. She comes to me one day of each week to do the mending, and every spring and fall she does up the plain sewing for the children. She has an old mother who is nearly blind whom she manages to support, and they board in a cheap house on Fourth Street. I have always liked her for her faithful work, and for certain quiet, self-respecting ways.

Usually she is quite reticent, so I was the more surprised when she said to me, this morning, somewhat timidly, "Mrs. Hoyt, I would like to ask you what you think about this?" and she handed me a circular letter. A glance showed me what it was, for I had received one just like it. It was an appeal sent out by one of our women's missionary organizations to each woman within its jurisdiction, asking for a week of self-denial, the results to go towards freeing the society from debt. I was really, not prepared with an answer, because when the letter came to me I had simply slipped \$5 into the accompanying envelope and sent it back without another thought.

So I turned the tables by saying, "Why do you ask? What do you think about it?"

"Well," she said; "I want to know what is my duty. You know, about two years ago our minister (we are members of the same church) preached about systematic giving. I talked it over with mother, afterward, and we decided to try it and give a tenth of what I earn; for, as near as I could make out, that was about the least one ought to do. And we've enjoyed doing it, too. It makes us happy to think we help the good cause ever so little. But when this letter came I really didn't know what was right. If we kept house I might go without tea and coffee for a week, though they do rest me so when I'm tired, but our landlady would hardly deduct the cost of them if I should do it now; she'd be apt to think I was crazy to ask such a thing. I bought a dress last week—seventy-five cents a yard it was. Should I take one at fifty cents, and save the rest for the Missionary Society? I thought that over, too. But the cheaper material was shaggy, and wouldn't wear half as long as the other; and I knew it wasn't good economy for me who can buy

so few dresses, so that wouldn't answer. There is just one luxury we indulge in which could be given up for once. Every Saturday night I buy twenty-five cents' worth of cut flowers for mother. She can just see their colours, and their fragrance reminds her of the old home garden. She says they help to make her Sunday for her. So I asked her, and she was so glad to do it that I did send on that twenty-five cents."

My eyes were dimmed a little, and I resolved that no Saturday should pass hereafter without a bunch from our conservatory going to this dear old saint.

But my sewing-girl had warmed to her subject and forgotten her timidity for the moment, as she went on.

"Afterwards I was almost sorry I did it, for isn't my mother one of the Lord's poor? I don't rightly know how to express it, and I don't mean to be envious, for that is sinful, but sometimes I wonder if rich folks know anything of what self-denial is when they talk about it."

"Why, yes," I answered; "indeed they do. One friend of mine gave up going to Newport last summer, and took a cottage in the country instead, so that she could give more. Another rich lady who doesn't need to work, sewed almost as steadily as you do, to make fancy articles to sell at Christmas, and gave away all the money they brought."

"Yes," was the response; "and by doing it she took just so much work out of the hands of poor girls. Why didn't she give the money out and out, if she could?"

Well, I was nonplussed. She went on:

"It seems to me, if I were rich, I'd be ashamed to ask very poor people to screw down a little more. I'd go without a party dress or a summer trip rather than ask folks to give more, who never thought of a party or never go into the country for more than a day. It seems such a muddle. The Lord says, 'The cattle upon a thousand hills' are His, and yet there's never enough money to make His cause go on as it ought."

By this time I had gathered myself together somewhat, and I began.

"There is something to be said, however, on the side of the rich. Many of them do give liberally. Then you must remember that each one is in a manner bound to live according to her station. Besides, if you do away with fine houses and handsome dress, you stop the work of thousands of working-women. What are the domestics and the dressmakers to do in such a case? or the merchants who sell the goods, or the dealers who supply the tables? That was what President Lincoln said to a committee of ladies who waited on him during the war. They asked that he should come out in favour of the greater economy, and he told them that would cut off part of the revenues of the country. We ought not to judge others," I added,

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a little severely, perhaps. "Besides, you know what commendation was given by the Saviour to the widow who cast into the treasury all her living."

A radiant smile lit up her face for a moment as she said: "Yes; but, ma'am, I never heard that He gave any commendation to the rich who stood by and cast in their 'much.' As I said before, it's such a muddle. I wish I knew the rights of it."

Then a happy thought came to me. "Perhaps it is all a part of the character building which our Father is carrying on in us. 'The cattle upon a thousand hills' are His, indeed. He does not need our money in one sense, for it is all in His power; but we need the discipline of love and service, which giving brings to us. You, a poor woman, need it as surely as your rich sister does. Neither you nor she could really love the Lord without testifying that love in some such way. Then, too, a true self-denial is not obtrusive. You would never think of publishing to the world the fact that you had given your mother's nosegay to missions; so you may well believe that others, and rich women also, are constantly making sacrifices of which you never hear. Self-denial may be one thing to you, and quite a different thing to another woman, but the blessed rewards come to both. Is it not so?"

Her face softened, and it was easy to trace the connecting thought as she replied, "Mother said she'd had such a happy Sunday—the Saviour had seemed so near she'd hardly thought to miss the flowers all day. I suppose He made it up to her ('Poor in this world, rich in faith,' I thought). Thank you for talking to me so kindly, Mrs. Hoyt. I'm sorry if I said anything to vex you, but you've made me see things a bit clearer. I shall remember, hereafter, that my Father wants me to show my love, and that somebody else can't do it for me. All the same, it does seem a shame that our missionary society has to just beg for money, as if 't was a pauper."

And so it is a shame. I think over this talk with my clear-headed sewing-girl, and find it very suggestive of questions.

If, as she says, one-tenth is her right proportion for giving, then what is the right proportion of the person whose income is a hundred or a thousand times as much as hers?

Every person who is engaged in the benevolent work of the Church knows that it is the aggregate of small sums given by the comparatively poor which swells the treasury. Is this right? Everyone knows that the work of missions is constantly crippled by the lack of liberal gifts. Is this right? Do we not read of One who was rich, but for our sakes became poor?

What is self-denial? Who will tell? Certainly I know there was self-denial in the twenty-five cents which my sewing-girl sent off in her little envelope, and there wasn't a particle of it in the five dollars I sent in mine.—New York Observer.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

Central India.

Letters have been received from Miss Jamieson and Miss Weir, dated respectively June 22nd and July 7th. They, with Mr. Jamieson's family, had spent three months at "East Wood" Landour, and returned to Ujjain July 1st, all very much improved in health. Baby Olive especially looking so well. Later—Word has reached us that the dear little Olive has been called to her Father's home above, and a great blank left in our missionaries' home at Ujjain, where her presence was like a sunbeam brightening and cheering the lives of those who loved her so dearly. Still later.—News has reached us that Mr. Jamieson is again seriously ill. Our deepest sympathy is with these dear friends who have been so sorely tried throughout the past year.

Miss Turnbull, Neemuch, July 26th, writes that she much enjoyed her rest and change, but was glad to be back at work again.

Miss Thomson, Indore, July 20th, writes of the famine orphans as "contented and happy" in their new surroundings. Great care is required in nursing them back to health, but in spite of all the care given three had died, and several were then in the hospital suffering from measles, fevers, etc.

Miss Calder, Mhow, August 4th, states that, "Mhow could get along nicely with four ladies, as there is such an amount of work to be done in the houses as well as in the schools.

"The distress caused by famine is beginning to be felt even in Central India, not so much from want of grain as from the inability of the majority of the people to pay the price now demanded for it. A good quantity of rain has fallen, and we are hoping that shortly the distress will be greatly lessened.

"In the villages particularly one sees a very great deal of want and hunger, and many cases of famine. A short time ago a woman died of hunger in Dhar Naka, a village in which I have a school. She came in from some distant village, and died before I could do anything for her. She left a son, who was then in a fearfully emaciated state, and only living, but with care he is getting all right again.

"Miss Leyden has been quite ill, but is able now to be about, although not yet fit for much. The weather at present is exceedingly trying, and many are ill of diarrhoea and dysentery.

"Miss Dougan and Rev. F. H. Russell are also in rather a poor state of health, but we trust a change of weather may set them right again."

Miss Dougan, Dhar, writes June 23rd:

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counting on having them with us by this time. The rains have really commenced. The green is springing up everywhere. It is a welcome sight, although we have not found the hot season a trying one.

"My Marathi school has been doing very nicely for a week or two. About half a dozen Brahmin children have been coming, and I am hoping it is a nucleus. But one never knows what will happen. So very often just as I begin to congratulate myself that all is going well something new turns up to scatter my little band, and then we have to begin all over. There were eighteen present in the Marathi school to-day, and twenty-two in the other."

LACK OF SUITABLE HELPERS.

FROM MISS GRIER.

Indore, July 27, 1897.

From some months now Miss Ptolemy and I have only had one Bible-woman between us. She one day visited in Hindi-speaking homes, and the next in Marathi. But as she is a Marathi woman, with a limited vocabulary in Hindi, we have thought it best, since our work reopened on 15th June, to have her do Marathi work only. So now she is Miss Ptolemy's Bible-woman, and I am my own. I will get one, of course, as soon as I can get a suitable woman, but in the meantime I prefer doing the little I can get over myself, rather than employ women whose greatest desire in doing the work is for the salary attached to it. Last year we had two women who went about together, but the work of the one was found to be rather superficial, and she made so much mischief among the other women that finally we dismissed her.

In the case of children two and three years of age there is a real difficulty. They are too young for boarding school, and if they accompany the mother to her work in school or zenana, they need a good deal of attention, besides which in so many cases, the mother has also a baby in her arms to look after. On the other hand, if left at home they simply run about wild.

Our great drawback is lack of suitable helpers. As I go to school every day myself, no real, heavy responsibility rests on any of the teachers. As very few girls are allowed to attend school regularly after they reach the ages of ten or eleven, you see a teacher's accomplishments need not be very great. Reading, writing, memorizing of Scripture portions and sewing, a little geography, arithmetic and wool crochet work is about the extent of our curriculum. Nuriebai can do all this and much more if she likes; Dhondibai does very well in teaching the beginners, and in always being willing to

go with me to new houses, and so on, while Radhabai, the Brahmin widow, also teaches beginners, and will go with me to places I do not care to visit alone, or, indeed, do anything I ask her to, either in or out of school hours. I have been fortunate, I think, in the heathen women necessity has made me employ. One of my calling women—a widow—says she has long given up the worship of idols, and worships now the only true God. She prays morning and evening (the Lord's Prayer), and can make a very good extempore prayer.

I have been trying to get a school started in another part of the city, but in the start am handicapped for want of a teacher. So I only have it open twice a week, Wednesday and Saturday, and Sunday School on Sunday, of which Miss Chase is kindly undertaking the charge, thus leaving me free for the other school on Sunday. This second school is in a great Hindi-speaking part of Indore city, where the people are almost all of a good class. So far we feel much encouraged, as up to date the attendance has not been less than fourteen.

I do long for a good season's work, and for more enthusiasm and zeal in the Master's work. Oh, that I may never become used to the heathenism and idolatry which is on every side, and which is so deadening in its influence. It is so difficult to arouse in the people a sense of sinfulness, and of their great need of a personal Saviour. We rely much on your prayers for ourselves and our work.

The death of Mrs. Ewart has been a great loss to us all; and we feel for you also, who have been associated with her in the work for so many years.

You will have heard of the death of the Jamiesons' baby. They have, indeed, passed through deep waters since returning to India.

Dr. and Mrs. Thompson, we are glad to know, have reached Ontario. What an awful journey they must have had, and how often they must have wearied for a sight of home!

IN THE DARK VALLEY.

FROM MISS SINCLAIR.

Indore, August 18, 1897.

I must not forget to tell you that after all these months the missing box turned up. I do not know where it had been lying, but very recently I had a letter from the Bombay agents saying that they had found the box.

It contained among other things the sectional Scripture pictures prepared by a Parkdale Mission Band. The Boarding School girls are delighted with them, and spent part of last Sabbath and the one

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The past three months have been exceedingly trying ones, but the worst is now over, I hope. Twelve of the famine orphans have died. Some of them suddenly, others by fractions of inches. The last to go was a very nice girl. We were all so fond of her. When she first came she had a bad attack of dysentery, but after that seemed to be doing nicely. She was much emaciated, but was so willing to work. On the Wednesday evening she with others went to prayer meeting and listened most intently while the story of the raising of Jairus' daughter was being read. After we came home Miss Grier and I both remarked how she had seemed to drink in what she heard. The next day she helped me divide the food for the morning meal, and seemed quite well. About 2 p.m., she was taken ill with cholera and in two hours was beyond hope, though she lingered all night. It was such a long, weary night. She would cry out, "Oh, let me die quickly," and again, "Oh, I'm going alone, alone." About 3 a.m. I held her in my arms and sang, "The Lord Jesus saves my soul." Never once after that did she speak of going alone. I believe she went to Him. She was about 12 years old, and seemed only to need to hear of the Saviour to accept Him.

I dare not begin to tell you of the developments of disease among them. It would be almost incredible to you. There are still thirty-eight left, but there are two or three more whom I can scarcely hope will pick up and pull through.

Last Wednesday a matron came from Allahabad, and I am already feeling how helpful she is. This rainy season has been unusually hot, and on every side one hears of sickness.

POOR INDIA!

FROM MISS PTOLEMY.

Indore, July 14, 1897.

Fourteen more famine orphans came to Miss Sinclair last Friday, making about fifty altogether that have come to her. Most of these are still here. Some poor little skeletons died, and two have been sent to the Industrial Home. Among them are some very bright, nice girls, while others are hard enough to manage. We all sympathise with Miss Sinclair in her work, which is neither easy nor pleasant at present.

One scarcely realizes the difference that Christian training has made in the Boarding School girls until one sees the contrast between them and those just brought in.

We are having some nice showers this week, for which we are very thankful. It means so much in India to have the rains at the

proper time, and after so much famine and the rains being so long delayed people were getting very anxious.

One Sunday, after special ceremonies by the heathen had failed to bring rain, a Mohammedan, meeting Mrs. Wilkie and Miss White on their way to church, begged them to ask Mr. Wilkie to pray for rain in church that night. This may not have shown much faith in Christianity, but it sprang from loss of faith in their own form of worship.

The people of India have surely had enough to make them think this year—famine, plague and earthquake. War seems to be all that is lacking, and in some parts the riots are next thing to a civil war. Poor India! How changed all might be if Jesus were king!

New Hebrides.

WONDERFUL POWER OF THE GOSPEL.

FROM MRS. ANNAND.

Tangoa Santo, New Hebrides, June 4, 1897.

I rejoice to say that the institution is prospering beyond our expectations. At least in regard to the number attending. We have now fifty-six pupils, eighteen of whom are married. These, with eight children, give us a family of eighty-two to look after, feed and clothe. We expect a number more students shortly.

The Rev. F. G. Bowie, M.A., and Mrs. Bowie arrived here in February last, and have now our old field of labour, namely, South Santo. He is building his house along side of us, not more than a hundred yards away from our house. They and their six-weeks-old boy are our guests until their house is erected. It is a great relief to us to know that there is now some one to look after the bush tribes.

Two more missionaries arrived in the islands last month, both are medical men, Drs. Bowie and Agnew. As the latter's wife is in bad health and could not come to the islands he is not to be settled for some time, if ever. However, we trust that his wife's health may be restored. Dr. Bowie and his wife have gone to East Santo, over fifty miles from us and about twenty-five from Dr. Sandilands', to settle, most likely at a place called "Hog Harbour." There are now four missionaries, exclusive of ourselves, on Santo.

This year at Synod Gueteneto an Aneitymese was ordained as the first native pastor in our Mission. He looks after the work at Dr. Inglis' old station, Aname, now under Dr. Gunn's charge.

To our surprise and disappointment a large majority of Synod voted this year for a new mission steamer. This year we have been

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getting our mails every three weeks and our supplies every six weeks, but if we have a new Dayspring we shall only get our mails and stores once in ten or twelve weeks, and that also at a higher cost to the friends of the Mission. However, all will be well.

I did not go to the Synod meeting this year, but with Mrs. Morris (a sister of Mr. Gillan, who is keeping house for her brother since his wife's death), Mrs. MacKenzie and Mrs. Sandilands, spent sixteen very happy days with my old friend on Nguna.

I could but compare this visit to the first visit I paid Mrs. Milne about twenty-four years ago. At that time the people were all, with the exception of four little boys, sitting in dense darkness, and were in that state for some years after that. Now all the people of Nguna and all the surrounding islands in Mr. Milne's parish are won for Christ. What a wonderful power the Gospel has! We have twenty students from Mr. Milne's parish. When we were leaving Nguna for home lately the people made us a present of nearly a ton and a half of fine yam for the institution. We use a ton and a quarter of yam a week, besides rice, beans and biscuits. They get biscuits and tea every evening and their breakfast consists of rice. They only get meat once a week.

The Synod appointed Mr. Bowie to take charge of the Training Institution for six months beginning about October, to allow us to take a furlough, which we both need. My husband is a good deal run down.

REPLACING THE LOST DAYSPRING.

We notice from a report in one of our exchanges that the Mission Synod of the New Hebrides, with only three opposing voices, resolved that "in the interests of the moral and spiritual welfare of the natives, a new mission steamer is necessary."

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WOMEN VERY FRIENDLY.

FROM MRS. MALCOLM.

Hsin-chen, July 24, 1897.

We hear with sorrow of Mrs. Ewart's death, although her years were full. Please accept our sincere sympathy.

These are our trying days; but the longest part of the summer is over, and we are thankful. Dr. Malcolm and I went for a few

weeks' trip on the house boat, and enjoyed it very much. I must thank you for The Canada Presbyterian, containing a report of the annual meeting, which we enjoyed very much. What a privilege it must have been to hear reports so encouraging, and to meet so many earnest women.

We are enjoying Miss Pyke's company. She came to us on Wednesday—I hope to stay a long time. We are taking prayers every morning, and, although able to explain very little, find the work pleasant, for we are able to teach simple hymns and prayers. Some of the women are very anxious to learn, and they do enjoy the singing. It is a great pleasure to me to have Miss Pyke after being alone so long. There are women calling every day, and they are all very friendly. Some are rude, and need a word of rebuke, but others are polite and anxious to understand our wishes.

Not long ago we had a call from two Yamen officials and their wives from Wei Hui-fu. The women were beautifully dressed, and very polite. They were delighted with the organ, and the foreign furniture generally. They came to be treated in the Dispensary, and I hope went away impressed.

This hot weather brings out the scorpions. We have killed four in our bedroom. It is quite exciting to come in to find a couple on the floor. One morning I found one in my bathing water, and might have come to grief if I had not noticed it. The sting is intensely painful, and many people come to the doctor, generally in the evening, to be treated. The natives are very much afraid of the scorpion.

North-West Indians.

ENCOURAGING REPORT FROM OKANASE.

FROM MR. R. C. M'PHERSON.

Nearly all the adults in the Reserve are now members of the Church. During the past year the attendance in church on Sabbaths has been very good, averaging about fifty in the morning, but not quite so many in the afternoon. The Wednesday prayer meetings are held in our people's houses; the average attendance is fourteen. There are, in all, thirty-eight Indian communicants on the roll, four of whom were received into full communion of the Church for the first time on profession of faith at our last communion service.

I am glad to be able to report that there is a deeper spiritual feeling amongst our people, particularly among the women, some of whom are anxious to learn to read the Bible in their own language. One of the chief's daughters is teaching two of her elder sisters to read.

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The health of our people during the past year has been good, and very little sickness; still death has claimed three of our number. Among them the chief's eldest son, George Flett, who leaves a widow and large family, but they are left fairly well provided for. George Flett was an earnest Christian, and he died trusting fully in the Lord Jesus Christ as his Saviour. He was a very quiet man, and we miss him. He requested in his will that the Church look after the education of his children, and three of his boys are now in the Regina school.

The day school has also been carried on as usual; fair progress has been made in the senior classes, but as most of the scholars are young, the same satisfactory results are not so perceptible among the juniors. Still we have reason to be pleased. In the industrial department, among the girls, progress is more perceptible, and some of the little ones give promise of being good workers. Their sewing and knitting is very good considering their ages. Four children have been sent from our school to Regina and one to Birtle school. The school is opened with prayer, praise and reading of Scripture, and closed with praise and prayer.

August 17th.—I am sure you will be sorry to hear that the boy, Donald Flett, who was sick when you were here, died the Tuesday after you left, one week after your visit. We did enjoy your short visit, and are sorry it was not longer, but we have met and understand each other better than formerly, and in writing you we can see you before us, and we know to whom we are speaking.

Everything in the Reserve is going on as usual. The attendance at church is very good. Our church is quite full every Sabbath morning. School begins next Monday, when we open our new school.

A VISIT FROM FELLOW-WORKERS.

FROM MRS. WRIGHT,

Rolling River, Minnedosa, August 4, 1897.

Mr. McPherson and Miss McLaren were down from Okanase last week. Although they could not stay more than a few hours, we enjoyed their visit very much, and had a good talk over the work. Miss McLaren is so energetic and full of hope that a talk with her gives one fresh courage to go on through all discouragements.

We have still some sick ones on the Reserve. Have lost twenty-three since February. Mrs. Wa-pa-cappo is very low. She has gone in rapid consumption. She lost her baby a couple of months ago and her other little boy is coughing very hard now.

Mr. Wright is away with the Indians, about eight miles, making hay, and Willie is attending to the work at home. My boys are

well and growing very fast. I shall soon be having to think of school for them.

STARTING WORK AGAIN.

FROM MRS. MOFFAT.

Industrial School, Regina, Sept. 3, 1897.

I send by to-day's mail a sample of the work of some of the younger children. It is not "doctored," but is altogether their own work. We have had a good many visitors lately, and they all seemed surprised and pleased at the neatness of the children's work.

Our holidays are over; school started on Monday, with Miss Nicoll in charge of both departments. So many of the children are away just now, some working, some visiting on their reserves, that school is reduced to about half its size. Our camp ground was "Whitemore's Grove" this year, the prettiest place that we have been in yet, and just a nice drive from the school. The children seemed to thoroughly enjoy it, and came home looking so well and happy, and brown as berries. The girls look better than the boys this year, but we hope that they, too, will pick up before the heavy work of the fall begins.

We have a new press in our printing office. James Friday is in charge, and is very proud of it, indeed; he would like to be back again to run our little paper for us, but he is only home for his holidays. He is still working in The Standard office in town, where they are very much pleased with "my boy James."

The Pelly children are not back yet, nor will they be till the end of this month. William Henry, Francis and Robert Cote are working for their respective fathers, but Charles has not been well at all; he is better now and hopes to be well enough to come back with the others. We were all very glad to see Miss Nicoll back again, and looking so much the better of her trip. Mr. Stewart, too, was away for a week. We were quite lost without him.

Our little friend, Berrill Gillespie, has not been well at all lately; he has been receiving letters from the different missions that he is helping, and is so pleased with them.

I cannot tell you how much we all miss Mr. Munro. It seems impossible to realize that he has gone, never to return, he was such a personal friend to every one in the school, pupil, as well as teacher, and his whole heart was in our work here; it seemed hard to have to give it up, but we were all glad at last to know that he was at rest for he had suffered so.

The evenings are drawing in now and makes one think of the winter's work. It is quite pleasant to go into the big room after 7, and see the children seated quietly at their different games—croquet, authors, etc.

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