



# W. B. M. U. TIDINGS

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## MOTTO FOR THE YEAR

“Be ye strong therefore, and let not your hands be weak  
for your work shall be rewarded.”

## HOME MISSIONS.

### OUR FIELDS

Our Maritime Provinces, The North West,  
and Indian Work, The Grand Ligne Mission.

Behold the fields! “They are white already to  
harvest.” To help work these fields, we, women of  
the W. B. M. U. have pledged ourselves to raise the  
sum of \$1,500 this year. The year ending, as we all  
know July 31st.

Will not the members of each Aid Society where  
this number of “Tidings” is read, kneel in prayer  
and ask to be guided in this matter, and then face  
the question. Have we as an Aid Society done all  
we could to help raise our portion of this \$1,500.00?

2nd. Have we as members of this church done  
all we could to influence other members of this  
church to give to this work? If these questions are  
answered in the negative, then—why?

One of our missionaries in the first of these fields writes, "The time has now come to decide whether the missionary can be kept on this field next year or not. If that ugly debt continues to hang over the board the present support must be withdrawn" In that very field twelve had risen for prayer, and on another part of the same field thirty have shown an interest in salvation. Must these be left? This is but a sample. In each of our three provinces the calls are loud.

### **The North West.**

To this part of the field we have promised \$800. In a recent letter received from there, the writer says "The opportunity is given us now of doing a great work for our country, building up a Christian Canada out of people of many religions and nationalities now coming to these Western provinces. Delay is disastrous, and is sure to make the work more difficult. Men without the Gospel degenerate with fearful rapidity,

### **Indian Work in Manitoba.**

This is a new field for our W. M. B. U. and last August we promised towards it \$100.

Mrs Mellich writes this week. "Some of our work will have to be given up unless help comes.

"We have on St. Peter's Reserve a neat Chapel with about twenty-five saved Indians formed into a church. If you could see that church and hear them testifying to the love of Jesus in their hearts you would have some idea of how they appreciate their Salvation. These need tender care and shepherding. St. Peters is situated on the Red river near Lake

Winnipeg, and the Indians come by boat from Reserves far North, and pass through St. Peters on their way to buy and sell in Winnipeg.

God has wonderfully blessed our Indian missionary Henry Prince as he has gone among his own people winning them to Christ.

Once a year Henry Prince goes on a trip to visit these Pagan tribes. He must go by dog train and take an assistant. The dogs are hired, and they require fish for food which must be taken as well as provisions for the men. Our missionary has just returned from one of these trips in which he suffered much hardship ; but we hope much good has been accomplished for Christ and perishing souls."

Each of these trips cost about \$100.00

### Grand Ligne.

On this mission we need say but little. Mr. Bosworth's letter having been before our sisters so recently, and the imperative need there is that we give the free religion of Christ to the French Canadians, must be seen by every christian who reads our papers.

Those of us who have been brought up from childhood in the faith of Christ which maketh free cannot understand the chains which bind our French Canadianis, yet surely we know that only the mighty power of the Holy Spirit can break these chains.

It was a great disappointment to many that our grant to this mission had to be reduced last year. Let our gifts now be so abundant that we will add not take from at our annual meeting.

What saith the Word of our God concerning these Home fields? "Gather the people together-

men, and women, and children, and thy stranger  
that is within thy gates, that they may hear, and  
that they may learn, and fear the Lord your God.”

