A NARRATIVE OF FACTS

RELATIVE TO WORK DONE FOR CHRIST

IN CONNECTION WITH THE

ORPHAN AND DESTITUTE CHILDREN'S Emigration Homes, Glasgow,

FOR THIRD YEAR ENDING 31st OCTOBER, 1874.

WILLIAM QUARRIER.

BOYS' HOME,
CESSNOCK HOUSE,
GOVAN ROAD.

CHILDREN'S NIGHT REFUGE,
. MISSION HALL,
EAST GRÆME STREET.



"Naked, and ye clothed me."

GIRLS' HOME, 93 RENFIELD STREET.

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MISS MACPHERSON'S
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ALICE C. THOMPSON, AS RESCUED.

When this poor child's mother died, an uncle took her, the used her so cruelly in his drunken fits that he was sent seven months to prison. After taking her in, we had to nurse her five weeks in a room by herself.



ALICE C. THOMPSON.

As adopted, May, 1873, by Christian Friends near Glasgou.
She is very much beloved by these friends, and when spiniting the Hone lately we could hardly realize that it was the same poor little Alice whom we took into the Home two years ago, she was so much improved.



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Another year has come and gone, and as we stand at the threshold of the unknown future and look back on the way the Lord has led us, we can only use the words of the Psalmist and say, "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits; who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases; who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with loving-kindness and tender mercies; who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagles;" and again, "All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth." "He has made the outgoing of the morning and evening to rejoice over us." The reader is not to think that we have been without trials, for what "son is he whom the father chasteneth not?" In the early part of the year death entered our own home circle and removed our youngest daughter to be a treasure in Heaven, and now, at the close of the year, we have been watching for five weeks over the sick bed of our only surviving son, who has been very near the gates of death, but, as he is now out of danger, we trust he may be yet spared to us. Through these clouds the Lord has shone and enabled us to see, and not only see, but feel, that "He hath done all things well." There have been trials and difficulties in the work of the Homes; but here also has the Lord helped us, and enabled us to feel that we can hope all things and bear all things through Christ, who strengtheneth us. (For the information of friends, we would here repeat that no one is called on for subscriptions. We depend on God to move the hearts of His people to supply all our need.) Our third year commenced on November 1st, 1873, and the thoughts which filled our hearts as to what should be done during it we will endeavour to give briefly. One great desire was that the working classes (or lapsed masses, as they are called) should be reached more effectually. That the Lord gave this desire we have no doubt; and how He signally blessed the efforts made, and answered the prayers then offered. will be detailed further on, under the head of Refuge and Mission Work. A second desire was that God would signalise this year by sending in a large sum of money towards the £20,000 for the Orphan Cottage Homes, and that He would choose our inheritance for us in ground for the building of these. To show how the Lord answered this desire in sending means, I will give a few

details. On the 3rd November I received £1, with a very encouraging letter, that the Cottage Homes should be the means of rescuing many more little ones; on the 7th another donation of £1, with an encouraging letter; and on 21st, a donation of £5; on the 24th, an anonymous friend, £1; on the 26th, a donation of £15—£10 of it to go for Orphan Cottage Homes. This friend's letter and donation greatly encouraged us to look for greater. On Dec. 1st I received the following letter:—

GLASGOW, 1st December, 1873.

Dear Mr. Quarrier,—I am ready to advance two thousand pounds when required to build a cottage for the orphans. With kind regards, yours sincerely.

J. ———.

When we received this we could only praise the Lord for His faithfulness and for the abundant liberality of His servant. On the 5th of December, £10 from a lady in London, with an encouraging letter (this dear friend has since gone home to be for ever with the Lord). There were other gifts by this friend. What a blessing it is to be found working for the Master when he comes to call us home! On the 8th, £1; on the 12th, £5 from a Friend, Bridge of Weir, who has also since entered into restanother warning to be ready. On the 17th, from a Friend in Rothesay, £1; on the 18th, from W., Demerara, £1; again on the same date, £10 from a Friend in Helensburgh; and on the 24th, £31 5s, proceeds of a bazaar promoted by ten school girls in Helensburgh, for Orphan Cottage Homes. Mark, dear friends, the different places from which donations are sent, God touching hearts here and there to send of their means for the building of these Homes for the upbringing of His "little ones," for He is the orphan's God and the Father of the fatherless. He knows how and when to provide. On the same date, from a friend in Glasgow, £2; on 30th, £10 from a Sabbath School. Not to weary friends by giving here all the sums sent in, I will give the following letter, as a sample of others, which have greatly encouraged us in the work :-

Paisley, 29th January, 1874.

MR. WM. QUARRIER, GLASGOW,

Dear Sir,—Enclosed I beg to hand you cheque for £20, of which I propose that you set aside £10 for the "Cottage Homes," £2 or £3, as required, for the Mission and Refuge, and remainder for general expenses of the Orphan Emigration Homes. By and by I shall probably send you £10, as formerly, to take one child to Canada. I hope you may ere long see your way to start the "Cottage Homes" by the erection of a couple of cottages at least. I like the scheme, and think it should be started, before waiting for 10 cottages, at any rate. Were you now in a position to begin, I should be strongly disposed to send a larger contribution; but when you are ready I hope I may be both able and willing to help further.—With best wishes for your noble work, I am, yours respectfully,

In last year's "Narrative" we mentioned that when a fifth part of

the sum of £20,000 was got, we would look out for ground, and at the beginning of this year, in money received and promised, we had upwards of £4000, so that we set about, with other friends interested in the work, to look out for ground. Many sites have been looked at, some unsuitable, and others too high in price, and up till this date we have not been able to secure a suitable piece of ground, so we must just keep praying and looking, feeling assured that the Lord will open up our way. One donation after another was sent in for this object, so that at the end of the year we have, in definite

promises and money in bank, £4686.

The work at the Homes amongst the children goes on steadily; there have been trials to meet and difficulties to overcome, yet there has been much good done, and we give to the Lord all the praise. In the outpouring of the Spirit of God in our city and other places, in the early part of the year, the Homes at Cessnock and Renfield Street were not without evident tokens of His presence and blessing, many of the children giving unmistakable evidence of having found peace in believing, and altogether there has been a hallowed influence amongst the whole of the children, which has continued till this time. A case or two, shewing the class of children we try to help, as well as shewing how the Lord leads His rebellious creatures into the joy of His salvation, will be interesting. The first is the case of an orphan girl from Ireland, who came to Glasgow with the view of getting into a public work. The wages she received were not sufficient to maintain her, and the few articles of clothing she had, were soon parted with to keep her from starvation. She lost her situation, and made application to the Parochial Board to have her way paid back to Ireland. This they refused to do; but a poor woman who met her at the gate, and heard her story, told her to apply to us, which she did; and after hearing her tale, and making enquiry about her, we took her into the Girls' Home. For a week or two she seemed to promise well; but one night, after all had gone to bed (she with the rest), she got up, dressed herself, and packed a bag as full as she could with things that did not belong to her, and went out, tying the door to the stair railing, so as not to make a noise by shutting it. When the morning came, there was no small stir on the part of the matron and amongst the children as to what had become of her. The matron communicated with me at once. Here was a dilemma. What was to be done? Should we hand her over to the police, or make another effort to rescue her? The latter thought prevailed, and so we set out in search of her. We called at her former lodging, and found that she had been there, but had gone. It was thought she would take the Belfast boat that night, so we resolved to watch it, but continued our search, and towards the afternoon we met her in Gallowgate, and you may be sure she got a surprise. She expected

we would hand her to the police; but, instead of that, she was taken back to the Refuge and reasoned with, and shown that if she had asked to be sent home to Ireland she should have said so. and it would have been done. We showed her the enormity of her ingratitude towards friends who were willing to help her to a better way. We engaged in prayer, and she fairly broke down and sobbed aloud. We felt that her heart was reached, and that there was hope for the future. In a day or two she was removed back to the Girls' Home, and after a while she was led to see herself as a sinner, and to accept of God's salvation through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, and became one of the most exemplary girls we have ever had, giving great satisfaction to the Matron and to all connected with the Homes. She was one of those we sent this year to Canada, and there have been letters received since, speaking in grateful terms of how the Lord has dealt with her. Had this case been handed over to the police, in all likelihood she would have been lost to society; the law terrifies; it is love alone which reaches the heart. Another case is that of an orphan boy who was for a number of years trained in one of our Institutions in the city, and at the end of his term was sent out to a situation, but fell in with his old companions and got into bad habits and became worse than at the beginning. When he was received, the rags and filth of this poor boy were vexing to look at. No doubt he had a peculiar temper, and it was difficult to manage him, yet he had a heart, and we felt sure if that could be reached that he would become a credit to the Home and to society. Prayer, the never-failing refuge in all difficulties, was offered for J., and he after a while was led to see himself as a sinner, and to accept of the salvation provided in Jesus Christ our Lord. To hear him pray for himself and his old companions was very touching; and his conduct at play, school, and work, all gave evidence that he had passed from death unto life. He was also sent to Canada this year; and in the letters which he has sent since, he speaks as one who knows in whom he has believed, and says he is determined to live for Jesus.

A number of other cases quite as interesting as these might be given, but the above will suffice to shew that not only are the physical wants of the children under our care met, but the higher and spiritual life is sought after by earnest prayer. The following, from a number of letters from the children, will shew further how the Lord was working amongst them at this time.

Cessnock House, Govan Road, 28th March, 1874.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I write you this letter to let you know that I am very thankful that you have taken me into this Home; and I am very glad that I have found the Saviour, and it is since I have come into this Home. I remember, before I came into the Home, when I was "dossing" I was very ill, but now I am very well, and I thank

God for it. I like the Home very much, and I thank Mr. Aitcheson for telling me about Jesus and Heaven. Before I was saved I was very selfish, but now I feel the Lord helping me to fight against it. We have little meetings for asking anything, and thanking our Heavenly Father for what He has done. "I am so glad that our Father in Heaven tells of his love in the book He has given; wonderful things in the Bible I see, but this is the dearest, that Jesus loves me." I am very glad that Mr. Aitcheson is trying to get more boys to love Jesus Christ, and we are very glad that it was not one of us that was taken away; and if it had been me I would have been ready to die. No more at present, but remains, yours truly,

ALEX. M'D———.

CESSNOCK HOUSE, GOVAN ROAD, 1st April, 1874.

DEAR Mr. QUARRIER,-I write you these few lines to let you know that we are all well, and hoping you are the same. Dear Mr. Quarrier, I am very glad to tell you that on the Sabbath nights the boys and Mr. Aitcheson are having some meetings about the Bible lessons; and I am so glad to tell you that there are some more of the boys have found rest in the Saviour, and we that are saved are all travelling on the same road that leadeth to life eternal. I am so glad that you have brought so many of us into a home like this, where we are all well treated, for we get everything we need, balls, crickets, and all the good meat at a right time. And I am very glad to tell you that I am getting on well with my school and work, and that we are getting on well with the garden, and that all things are well.-"I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."-John xiv. 4. "Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me."-John xv. 4. This was the text on Sabbath. No more at present, but remains yours

> Cessnock House, Govan Road, May, 2nd 1874.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I write you these few lines to let you know that I am well. I am very happy since I found the Saviour:

"My Jesus, I love thee, I know Thou art mine, For Thee all the pleasures of sin I resign. My gracious Redeemer, my Saviour art Thou; If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now."

I am very glad that I am in this Home. I am getting on very well at my school. I could not write any when I came into the Home. I am now trying to write my first letter. I would like to get my sister and half-sister into the Home. I would like you to pray for the Lord to open up a way for my sisters to get into the Home. I would like to get my sisters to Canada with me.—"Let the wicked forsake his ways, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon." Isaiah lv. 7.—Hoping you are all well, no more at present, but remains yours truly,

CESSNOOK HOUSE, GOVAN ROAD, 12th May, 1874.

Dear Mr. Quarrier,—I write you these few lines to let you know that I am well, and that I am getting on well with my schooling and work. I am glad to say that I have found the Saviour, and he has taken my sins away. We have little meetings with Mr. Aitcheson every Sabbath night, and we search the Scriptures. I am very thankful to you for taking me into the Home. I am always happy, and I hope that my sister has found the Saviour too. All the boys are getting on well and we thank the Lord for sending in the food and raiment and other things to carry on the work. I would be glad to hear if Mrs. Poole is getting better. I am so glad that our father in heaven tells of his love in the book he has given. We are very thankful to God for sending the money for the boys to go to Canada. I would like very much to go to Canada, and I hope the Lord will spare us till the time comes, and the boys who are not going, I hope they will do well at home. So no more at present but remains, yours truly,

"Be kindly affectioned one to another, with brotherly love, in honour preferring one another."—Romans xii. 10.

The year commenced with 60 children in the Homes; child after child was rescued and taken in, until at the beginning of April we had 94. This crowded us very much, and we were sorry that we had to refuse a number of applications at this time for the want of room, which made us long for increased accommodation, so as to be able to receive more of the class among whom we have laboured in the past, as well as to help others whom we have not been able to reach yet. The Lord has not left us without evidence that He wishes us to extend the work. From the number of donations sent in towards the £20,000 for the Orphan Cottage Homes, I feel sure that the Lord means us to go forward with these. When they are ready, we will be able to take in a much larger number of children, and many of a class we have not yet had room to assist, who will be trained for home work, as well as maintain the Emigration feature as formerly, for those whom it will be desirable to send to Canada; not that the children we send to Canada are worse than those we intend to keep at home, for in the sight of God we see no difference, but because of circumstances it is desirable that those should be separated from their old surroundings, that the good which has been begun in them may be continued and carried forward. And after three years' experience of the Emigration plan, we are persuaded that it is the best thing that can be done for this class of children, as well as for our own Canadian empire.

We are asked what sort of children we receive? The following cases are a sample of the whole:—John and James W., orphans, found sleeping in a hay loft; W. M.C., an orphan, was sheltered by a poor person in the east end of the city, who also kept his

sister, who was dying of consumption. It was a wretched hovel. When the poor boy went, some time after, to see his sister, he found that she was dead and buried. Little Jimmy L., an orphan who used to frequent the Trongate and Saltmarket selling vesuvians. His father died in the infirmary some months before we took him in, leaving no one to care for the poor child. J. and W. M'N., sons of a widow, with four children, who was once in comfortable circumstances, but who, through one misfortune and another, was forced to seek the shelter of the poorhouse, where she remained but a short time, when she was brought under our notice by a lady who took an interest in her. A. H., whose mother was stricken down with smallpox, and was so reduced that she had to give up her little house. J. M., an orphan girl, brought up in the poorhouse, had gone to a situation which turned out a very bad one; and she was found on the street by a friend who brought her to us. M. & J. D., orphan girls; father died in Saltcoats Home; no one to care for them. A. M'D., an orphan, who, when "dossing" out (sleeping out), picked the most sheltered place on stairs, where he would not be disturbed by the police. A. T., an orphan; his only relative was an old grandmother, who lodged bad characters in a poor, miserable single apartment. When "dossing" out, this boy was frequently disturbed by the police, to cheat whom, he used to leave his sleeping place early and get a piece of brick wrapped in a handkerchief to represent bread, and an old tin can, to make them believe that he was a working boy. In this guise he got walking the streets without being disturbed by them. Many more cases might be given, but these will suffice to show the class of children we have been working amongst, and also show that the money entrusted to us is well spent, in pulling these little ones out of the fire, and leading them to Christ, that He may lay His hands on them and bless them.

At the end of April we began to consider how many children were, by training, &c., fit to be sent to Canada; and after seeking direction from above, we decided to send about 60 of the 94 we had at that time, and in looking over our cash-book we found that there were 42 paid for. It has been our principle from the beginning, to send no child to Canada who has not been specially paid for. As shewing how God has led, for this special purpose of emigration, the following letter will be interesting:—

My Dear Mr. Quarrier,—Enclosed is letter of credit for £100 to be acknowledged thus:—"From D. H. E., per Mrs. B., Aberdeen, to send out ten boys to Canada." The money is from Mrs. M., a widow, and it is in remembrance of her departed husband and sister. She wishes these letters named. It was her intention to leave it by will to your Homes, but on prayerful consideration thought it best to give it at once as an encouragement to your faith, and thinking it might be most needed now. I told Mr. A., who was here last week, that I had hopes of this money, and am to write to him to select the boys, as he has more time than you, and to give me a little history of each to send to the lady.

Also, you will kindly allow him to get two photographs each of those he fixes on. I do not think it will be any loss to the Institution. I am as anxious as possible to keep down expense, but in my invalid condition I can only help you by reports and such like means. I have scarcely been out of bed since I saw you, but feel getting rather better. I trust you are strong, and that Mrs. Quarrier and the family are all well. Mr. A. took away two of Joe's letters to show you. There are home allusions that unfit them for being printed, but it will delight your heart to see the whole tone of them. We trust his stay with you, and his being sent to Canada has been the means of good to his soul, which was truly as much matter of prayer as was his having a path opened for him in this world.—Yours most sincerely, M. B.—, Aberdeen.

Mrs. B., of Aberdeen, although nearly constantly confined to bed, has been one of our most active and useful workers on behalf of the Homes, and has been the instrument of sending not only these 10 children, but as many more, and it may interest others to know the simple way by which this dear friend was led to take an interest in the work, although far away from it. One day she picked up a piece of old newspaper, with a short account of how the work was carried on, in dependence upon God, and the sort of children we endeavoured to rescue, and the Lord touched her heart to take a warm interest in the Homes, which has never grown weary. Thus we see how God uses the most feeble instruments for carrying

out His plans to help the widow and the fatherless.

Shortly after that I received a note to call at a certain place, as the person wished to see me. The locality was strange to me, and, on looking the Directory, I saw that it was in a very poor district. I thought that it would be some poor person who wished help, so I went, and my surprise was very great when this Christian friend handed me £40 to take four girls to Canada. May the Lord reward her for her practical sympathy on behalf of the destitute little ones! At the beginning of May, we saw that we still needed £180 more. Here was a trial of faith! Shall this sum be provided before we need it? God's words are—"All things are possible to him that believeth." We expected a legacy of £100, about the middle of June, which had been left by a dear friend, but as we did not know whether it was for emigration or general purposes, we resolved not to depend on it, but to trust the Lord to send us the £180, and, as He had led in this in the past, we felt that He would do the same this year also. Sum after sum was sent in, so that before the children left, a little over the amount needed was in hand. My dear friends, I cannot describe to you how these special leadings in answer to prayer have tended to strengthen my faith in God, and to feel that He is the answerer of prayer for material blessings as well as spiritual. Shall we limit Him, whose power rules the "worlds on high," as well as notes the sparrow's fall? We have now come to the time of the children's leaving for Canada.

On Monday, 22nd June, a number of friends came to Cessnock

Home, to bid the children farewell, and to commend them to the care of our Heavenly Father. Among those present were-Rev. Dr. Wallace, Rev. Dr. David M'Ewan, Rev. Messrs. Gault, Cuthbertson, Crozier, and R. Johnstone, LL.B.; Dr. Donaldson, Captain Hatfield, from Nova Scotia; Messrs. John H. N. Graham, W. J. Stewart, James, Porter, Ross, &c., &c. It was a precious time, and the presence of the Lord was present to help. The prayers then offered have been abundantly answered in the safe journey of the children to the other side. Special prayer was also offered for them in Rev. Mr. Howie's Church, Govan, where the boys attend, and also at the Foundry Boys' forenoon meeting, and the interest of friends in the little ones, was specially manifested by the number of gifts which they each received-some giving one thing, and some another. One gentleman, who provided a Bible for each, last year, did the same this year; another provided a copy of "Grace and Truth" for each. This year we provided each boy and girl with a strongly-made chest. Each boy's outfit consisted of two suits of clothing-one for wear and another for Sabbath; a light suit for warm weather, five shirts, two pairs of boots, and four pairs stockings, box of collars, two neck ties, cravat, Balmoral cap, and straw hat for summer. The older boys had long boots for winter, and a top-coat. All these were in addition to what they had for travelling. Each girl's outfit was quite as ample. It was very pleasing to see the gratitude of the children for what had been done for them; and we feel doubly grateful to our Heavenly Father and kind Christian friends for the means which have enabled us to send them out so comfortably equipped.

OUR THIRD LITTLE EMIGRANT BAND.

Tuesday, the 23d of June, was the day intended for our little ones leaving Glasgow, but owing to the strike amongst the quay labourers, it was Saturday morning the 27th before they got away. The party consisted of 64 children, and one widow from our own Home, three from Leith, and three from Maryhill Homes -71 in all. Mr Aitcheson, Superintendent of the Boys' Home, who accompanied the party last year, took charge this year also; and a young lady, Miss Macindoe (to whom we are much indebted) volunteered her services, and went in charge of the girls. The arrangements made by the Messrs Allan for the comfort of the children were everything that could be desired, and we feel deeply grateful to them for their practical help. The children marched from the Home to the ship singing some of their sweet hymns. All was ready for starting when the party got on board, the gangway was pulled off, and when moving away the children on board struck up that beautiful hymn of the jubilee singers, "Say, Brothers, will you meet us on Canaan's Happy Shore?" The children on the quay responded, "By the Grace of God we'll meet you." The scene was a touching one, and not likely to be soon forgotten; and as the ship sailed away many a prayer was offered and wish expressed that God would bless and keep the children. The following from the North British Daily Mail will give further particulars of the departure and the sail down the river:—

On Saturday morning, 27th June, 1874, nineteen girls and forty-seven boys from the Orphan and Destitute Children's Home left Glasgow for Canada in the Allan line steamer "Phœnician." At eight o'clock we drove to Cessnock House. Groups of men, women, and children, lounging against trees, stretched on the grass, or sauntering up and down the grounds, gave the first indication of the motley exodus about to take place. The little crowd increased, as the time wore on, and at length the parents, relatives, and friends of the sixty-six little emigrant Arabs were represented by some three dozen people, exclusive of several ladies and gentlemen, who are interested in the work. All the boys were already assembled in the hall. A strange picture! Boys and girls ranging from eighteen years old to three, occupied the centre, flanked by their friends; some factory lads, with begrimed hands and faces, new from work; bare-headed women, young and old; one or two rough, hard-headed looking men and little children in arms. One of the boys, it appears, a poor little fellow whose legs are off the ground a couple of feet or so, has a mother living, also a sister.

"Will the mother be here to-day?"

"I can't say."

"Does she know the boy is going away?"

"The sister must have told her. She (the mother) has never been to see the lad since he came to us, a twelvemonth ago, so I don't expect her to-day. She is probably drunk—never sober."

"Who put him here, then?"

"The sister; she's gone wrong, and wanted to keep the boy from going the same road, so sent him to us."

"Who are those?"

The group indicated by my finger consisted of a paralytic old woman (who came hobbling up on a crutch) and two younger ill-clad women. The old woman is wonderfully garrulous, and so extraordinary grateful to Mr. Quarrier for all his kindness, that she brings in some scriptural phrase at about every sixth word.

"Jamie (the boy confided to the Home) was awfu' obsteenit, and did naething but fling stanes at me; but, aye, noo I thank the Lord and

Mr. Quarrier that he's redeemed," etc.

"This, sir," she says, pointing to one of the women, "is his aunt; this," pointing to the other, "his step-sister. I'm his grandmother."

His grandmother, being wonderfully cheerful about her grandson's prospects, seems to brighten up more and more as she talks of his going away, and the stone throwing incident. She says a great deal about her love for the boy, and thanks to the Lord. The two women stand by, one never raising her eyes, but twitching convulsively at the hem of a cotton handkerchief; the other is crying very bitterly. Though the old woman says much, these two silent women, thus standing, and not speaking, seem to say much more. Slowly they get to their seats. Silence! Hush! The room has gradually filled; all the inmates of the Home are there, to take farewell of the little emigrants. The parting hymn is given out. The boys to the right of me sing the first lines—

"Whither, pilgrims, are you going— Going each with staff in hand!"

The boys on my left hand sing the next, without reference to book or note—

"We are going on a journey;
Going at our King's command."

The effect of the singing, wafted as it is through the open windows in the bright warm summer morning, brings a group of stragglers into the grounds to peer within. The most callous begin to look serious as they are told the parting time is near. Stifled sobs are heard from some the women; one, miserably clad, catches a little bare-footed boy she has brought with her to her arms, and hugs him, and covers her poor, sallow face with her apron, resting her head upon her elbows. She hears nothing of the hymn or prayer; she only hears her boy's voice, and sees him parting from her for ever.

"Star of peace to wanderers weary,
Bright the beams that smile on me—
Cheer the pilot's vision dreary,
Far, far at sea.
Star of faith, when winds are mocking
All his toil, he flies to Thee;
Save him on the billows rocking,
Far, far at sea.

A short address by Mr. Quarrier, a psalm read, a prayer offered, a general rising, and the boys are filed off into the grounds. "Attention; stand at ease; right about face; shoulder to shoulder; march." A long, loud "hooray" rings on the morning air as they pass the gate of the old lodge for the last time. They march in procession along the Govanroad, and sing a hymn as they go down to the quay. There they stop. The superintendent produces the tickets for the voyage. There is a rush at the door of the shed, a hundred anxious faces crowd around, and press to go in with the children. Some cries are heard. "Gie Willie and Jamie this saxpence, sir, from feyther. It's all I can gie them," cries a poor mechanic, forcing his way to the superintendent at the gate.

Clash! clash! the gates are closed; the boys are drawn up in line inside the shed, in the midst of a crowd of ships' officers, passengers, and other officials. Then we hear long and loud ringing of a bell. Those that are leaving cross the gangway, the rest are on the edge of the wharf. Another cheer! then stands the group, some with wondering, some with laughing, most with tearful eyes. Again a familiar hymn-one verse is sung by those on board, the others by those on shore! The sobs of the weepers are for a moment forgotten in another hearty cheer. There is a confused mass of weeping faces, intermingled with waving hats and handkerchiefs; some struggle to get forward for the last grasp, and are held back by the police. The steamer is under way! "Mind and write. Willie. God A'mighty bless you a'." a porter shouts. "A fair wind and a smooth sea!" "See!" cries the superintendent, "take your last look at the Home as you pass it." Another shout; "hooray!" All the faces of the friends of the emigrants we saw in Cessnock House, seem to re-appear on the wharf, and straggling groups of men, women. and children line the bank as far as Govan. The last object of recognition is the spire of Mr. Howie's church, where the boys have attended service since they came to Cessnock House. Down the river we steam-the children forgetting the sadness of parting in the novelty of the situation and the varied scenes which they witness probably for the first time in their young chequered lives. Boxes of whips for tops, mouth organs, little

ships, toys of every description for the younger ones are provided. As we write these words, the measured tramp of the boys above suggests that. under the care of the superintendent, the same excellent routine preserved in the Home will be maintained throughout the voyage-the same form of worship, morning, evening, and on Sabbaths, drill and lessons. Wonderfully hopeful the boys look; so do the teachers; so does the superintendent, and why not? Out of no fewer than 230 boys sent out hitherto from Cessnock House-the first and only Home in Scotland carried out on the "Müller" principle-there has not been a single case of failure.

The children know well enough that they go to Canada to a home. In cases of illness, just dissatisfaction on either side, or unfitness, they return to that Home, not a mere institution, college, or asylum, but a Home, modelled simply on principles which govern the best Homes in their dear old country. Writing this in the cabin, the vessel lying "at the Tail," I find myself confronted by the captain-

"A strange cargo, captain," I begin.
"The boys, sir? Yes; but Tm used to 'em."

"You've met them before?"

"Out with those from the London Homes."

"A good institution, eh?"

"First rate. They're wanted in Canada. People take to them there -take to 'em, adopt 'em. They're of more value there, so to speak, than grown-up men; I know it for certain. They like Canada; Canada likes them; so they very seldom run away. They become habituated o the customs and habits. 'Go in Scotchmen, and come Canadians.' "Are they well conducted on the voyage?"

"Couldn't wish for any ones better."

"Your testimony is worth a hundred pages; will you allow me to take your statement down?"

"Certainly, with pleasure, word for word."

So here it is. If one may trust to facts, and judging from the statements of Mr. Quarrier, and balance sheet published from time to time. we should say the Home is specially blessed by Providence, for, in every case where it has been needed, the requisite amount for the boys' outfit and passage money has been forwarded unsolicited.

The Government Inspectors are on board, each boy is passed, the tug is alongside; the gun is fired, a farewell huzza, a group of young faces. another waving of hats, handkerchiefs, the cheer growing fainter as we recede, the steamer with her bow pointing to the bright horizon, her stern to the dark foulsome river in the distance-fit symbol of the past and future of the little ones on board, and thus the scene of one of the acts in the great drama of the life of the once "Glasgow street Arab" closes for ever.

The following letters, from Mr. Aitcheson and Miss Macindoe, give the voyage accoss the Atlantic and the reception of the children at the Homes on the other side.

S.S. PHENICIAN, OFF CAPE RAY, July 6th. 1874.

DEAR MR QUARRIER,-We are now drawing to our journey's end, so I commence to write in order to have a letter ready to catch the mail at Belleville. I need not tell you of the tearful parting of the boys and girls from the many friends who assembled at Mavisbank-the pleasant sail down the Clyde-the bright singing of hymns-the solemn addresses from the gentlemen who accompanied us-and, last of all, the loud cheer which followed you as the tug left us. They continued bright and cheerful during the day, examining the ship, and asking the names of places as we passed along. About eight o'clock, we, with a number of our fellow-passengers, assembled on deck, when Mr Aitcheson conducted family worship; and, although the circumstances were so novel, the behaviour of the children was most becoming. Now followed the business of getting to bed, and, being the first attempt at sleeping "in a drawer," they were rather awkward, and greatly amused at their difficulties. However, these overcome, and the hymn, "Jesus, tender Shepherd, hear me," being sung, with a cheerful "good night," they fell asleep. Next morning a number of them were very sick, and, although it was Sabbath, it was impossible to go down stairs for service. Mr Aitcheson being ill, we remained on deck, and those who were able sung, read, &c., after which one of the passengers very kindly read them a story. In the evening we had a short service-altogether, we had a strange Sabbath-day! On the following morning the children were much better; but on Tuesday the wind rose, and for nearly three days we had half a gale, which necessitated the children being kept down stairs. The wind fell on Thursday evening, and Friday and Saturday were very pleasant days. On Friday the girls commenced their knitting, and got on with great spirit. Yesterday (Sabbath) was a most memorable and delightful day. As usual, the children had breakfast at eight, after which worship. At half-past ten we assembled in the "saloon," where the captain read the English service. Then followed dinner; afterwards we went down to the steerage, where Mr Aitcheson had a very impressive service. On coming up stairs, to our great delight, we were shown two icebergs, and during the evening not fewer than six passed on their way south. By-and-bye the cry got up. "Whales! whales!" and there, indeed, they were, spouting and tumbling around! Some of them were very large, and two came within a stone's throw of the ship! I need not try to picture the delight of all the children! Before retiring for the night we had a sight of land—Cape Rice. To-day (Monday) we are nearing Cape Ray. The conduct of the children throughout has been very good indeed; they have all suffered more or less from sickness; there has never been a murmur or complaint; and every inconvenience and discomfort is borne most cheerfully-even when the ship heaved, and they were tossed from one side to the other of the square set apart for themselves, it was only a source of fresh merriment. Mrs. Dunn will be gratified to hear that the girls have not forgotten her, and often speak of "Mother." Rachael M'Alister has attended most faithfully on wee Jeannie Lennox. The boys are most obliging and ready to assist. The two Whittles and Crawfords have acted as stewards, and have done their part well. They are also my shoeblacks, and polish beautifully. John M'Pherson assists in the bakehouse, and very good things come from it. Farrol and Shirloch have stood the voyage very well, and are looking greatly better. Alick Beaton is a great amusement to every one on board. But time would fail to tell all. It is often very pleasant to overhear the conversations among themselves. For instance, one evening Maggie Donaldson and John Smith were sitting together, when I heard John saying to Maggie, "Are you no fear'd the boat sinks?" The answer was a surprised "No!" "Why?" said he. "Just because, if it does go down, we'll just come to Jesus' hands."

Oh, how I did wish every one on board had the simple faith of that dear little girl!

MARCHMONT DISTRIBUTING HOME, BELLEVILLE, July 14th.

We landed at Point Levi on Friday Morning (10th), where we were met by Mr. Thom, who had been waiting our arrival for several days. The children, though delighted to get on shore, behaved in a most quiet and orderly manner. Indeed, their behaviour has been such all along, to the great surprise of every one on board, and they are greatly exercised to find out how Mr. Aitcheson has such control over all the boys. Too much cannot be said of the kindness we have experienced since leaving home. Captain Graham has been very kind, and most indulgent to the children, and we have had the liberty of the whole ship. Dr. Hunter was most kind and attentive, and has a most gentle, winning way with the little sick ones. Made powders, bathed eyes, extracted teeth, and dressed fingers to any extent. As for the stewards, I cannot possibly tell in a letter of all their kindness. Suffice it to say, nothing they could do to contribute to our comfort or happiness was left undone; and the stewardess has acted quite a mother's part to our motherless children.

May God bless and reward them all!

We left Point Levi about eleven o'clock; and through the kindness of the railway officials a first-class car was attached to the usual emigrants' cars, which added not a little to our comfort. On arriving at Richmond our car was attached to the express, which allowed us to reach Belleville on Saturday morning, and Mr. Aitcheson to reach Galt on Saturday evening, instead of waiting here until the beginning of the week. On coming here, I, with my party of twelve girls and twenty-four boys, received a very kind welcome from Miss Bilbrough and Miss Mudie. who made us feel quite at home immediately. The children were very happy and quite delighted with the beautiful "Home." What a contrast to the one in Renfield Street! Miss Bilbrough and Mr. Thom are very much pleased with the conduct of the children. They say they reflect great credit on their teachers. They never got children better trained or better fitted out. The Canadians who come for them are delighted with their singing, and surprised with the sight of their boxes. I will try and write you by next mail to tell how the children are placed out. Meanwhile I cannot, as I have got so confused among the strange people and places. Mr. Aitcheson expects to be here next week, when Miss Bilbrough and I hope to accompany him in visiting some of the children in their new homes. I am afraid you will think this a very long letter, so will close with thanking you for the great privilege and honour you conferred on me by allowing me to come with the dear children, I have never spent a happier time than since we sailed from Glasgow.-With kind regards to Mrs. Quarrier and family, believe A. M. MACINDOE. me, yours sincerly,

BLAIR ATHOL, GALT, DISTRIBUTING HOME. ONT., July 15th, 1874.

My DEAR MR. QUARRIER,-In my last, written when sailing up the St. Lawrence, I stated all the facts of importance till we reached Leather Point. Here we were detained a little waiting for the pilot. When he was taken aboard we moved on at a fair speed, hoping to make Quebec on Thursday, the 9th, about one o'clock, A.M., but were

unable to do so, and cast anchor a little way out from the harbour till four in the morning. On the evening before landing, we had all the children's boxes taken out of the ship's hold and piled in one corner by themselves. While this was being done what excitement there was amongst the children. One calling, "There's your box." "Oh, wee Anderson is the first out; never mind wee Jimmy." Here Anderson could not stand their applause any longer, and he took off his cap and threw it on the deck, screaming and shouting, "I'm wee Anderson; that's my name." When the morning came we had the boxes all piled together in one heap on the wharf. The Custom-house officer asked if we had any things with us chargeable. On being told that we had not, he passed us without any further ceremony. Mr. Thom had been waiting for us at Quebec nearly a week. We left the children in the ship, singing, while he and I were seeing after the luggage being checked, &c. I should have mentioned that, as we were getting into Quebec harbour at five o'clock A.M., everything was so quiet that you could have heard the sound of a pebble dropping into the water. At this time I was collecting the boys on deck, two deep, for breakfast. They are now all nicely in order, standing up erect and manly, many eyes gazing on them from the shore, and while the sailors are pulling the ropes, the boys began to sing-

"Light in the darkness, sailor, day is at hand, See o'er the foaming billows fair heaven's land; Drear was the voyage, sailor, now almost o'er, Safe within the Life-boat, sailor, pull for the shore, Pull for the shore, sailor, pull for the shore."

For the shore the sailors did pull, and no mistake. When the luggage was all ready, and a first-class car hooked on to the others for our own use, we got the children all out on the quay. Look at them now, they seem to have got their land legs, for they can fall in two deep and mark time as they used to do at dear, dear old Cessnock! But listen a minute—the air rings with their three cheers for the captain, officers, and the Phœnician, while their caps fly up in the air. All is now quiet; the children are told to face the ship, all the spectators look on intently, wondering what is to follow, when the children start up-

"Shall we ever all meet again?" &c.

They all march up to the cars, and get seated on velvet cushions. We have a large quantity of provisions which we got from the ship. We left about 10.30 A.M., and made Richmond about 5 P.M. Here the agent of the Grand Trunk was very kind, and had our carriage unhooked from the emigrant cars and attached to the express train. Now off we start, leaving our luggage and other emigrants behind us. Mr. Thom, being acquainted with the agent, got this effected. We made Belleville about 8 A.M. on Saturday; the train waited for such a short time here that we had not time to bid Mr. Thom, Miss Macindoe, and the 36 children who remained there, good-bye, The other 34 and myself made Galt about 6 P.M. on Saturday evening. Of course we were not expected so soon, but we received a hearty welcome from Miss Reavell, Mr. Merry, and other friends here. On arrival, the boys had a bathe in the grand river, after which, they did no discredit to a good supper. The friends speak well of our children, and have plenty of applications for them.—I am, &c., SAMUEL AITCHESON.

LETTERS FROM CHILDREN IN CANADA.

THE following letters from boys, describing the homes they have got will be interesting :-" PEEL, July 30, 1874.

"DEAR AND MUCH RESPECTED FRIEND,-I write you those few lines to let you know that I am well, and I like Canada very well. I arrived at my place on the 15th of this month, and I like it very well. I am getting thirty dollars for a year, and three months' schooling in the winter. I am beside some of the other boys-Robert Crawford, Thomas Currie and David Lang. I am just about a mile from either of them. I hope all the boys are well. How is my little brother keeping now? I suppose you would like to know what I have to do? Well, my first job was picking potato bugs, and now I am washing dishes and learning to milk, and sometimes picking raspberries. We have 9 horses, 12 pigs, 23 sheep, 10 cows, 3 calves, 12 steers and heifers, 6 geese, 40 cocks and hens, 1 dog, and 1 cat. We have 300 acres of land-60 acres of wheat, 30 acres of hay, 10 of barley, 20 of oats, 13 of peas, 10 of flax, 9 of turnips and potatoes; the rest is summer fallow, pasture, and bush. I have a mother, 5 brothers, and 1 sister, and they are all Good Templars. We go to church on Sunday-the United Presbyterian Church. The minister's name is Davidson. I learn my text every Sunday, and sing a hymn every night and read a chapter. I say my prayers before I go to bed. I would like very much to hear from you as soon as you can conveniently write.-No more at present, but remains, yours truly,

HARKER POST OFFICE, COUNTY OF WELLINGTON, ONTARIO.

HALLOWAY POST OFFICE, HASTENS COUNTY.

My DEAR FRIEND,-I have been informed, through your love to me for sending me out to Canada, to let you know how I am getting along. I am very happy in my home. My master and mistress are very kind to me. I get everything I need. I get good meat, and we have family worship every morning and night, and we have some of the old country's hymns, which we sing, and my mistress plays them on the organ, and I am learning to play it. And I am to be a miller, which is a very good job; and as I am working in the mill there is gentlemen they come to me and say, "John, do you know where I will get a boy like you?" "Yes," I say, "you can get one in Marchmont." He'll say to me, "Are they Scotch boys?" I have to say, "I am very vexed to tell you that they are all gone to places." I will say that "You can get an English boy in the middle of August." He'll say to me, "I don't care for English boys; I don't want them." "Then you can get one next year." "The next one you see, tell me." And I have nine pigs, three cows, horse and buggy, and I drive the horse. And I am going to see Alexander MacDonald; he stops eight miles from me; he is in a good place also. And, as I am going along the road, there is loss of raspberries and apples, butternuts, gooseberries. Mr. Aitcheson and Miss MacIndoe they will be able to tell the boys what I have left out. Seeing I have no more to say, I will now wipe my pen and stop. Yours truly, and remember me to all the boys. My kind love to you all. J---- M----

Please enclose this letter to Dr. Black, Inverness.

SIR,-Hugh Lymburn has been with us since the 1st of April; he came on a visit from the Home. We had no thought of keeping him when he came, but he proved to be so trusty, faithful, and agreeable, we have taken him as our own. We have but one child; she is eleven

years old, so Hugh is a pet for us all, and he is so full of music, he sings most of the time. We are farmers in the county of Oxford and township of East Oxford, of Canada West. Would you be so kind as to forward Hugh's letter to his mother. It is written in his own words. We would like to know his exact age. We hope his mother will write

him.-We remain, yours respectfully, Mr. and Mrs. B-

WOODSTOCK POST OFFICE, CANADA WEST, OR ONTARIO.

"EAST OXFORD, July 14, 1874.

East Oxford, July 18, 1874.

"DEAR MOTHER,-I would like to see you very much. I am out in Canada. I live with Mrs. Bursee. I like to stop here. I go to school, and I am learning to read and write. I have lost four of my teeth. I have got a little one growing in. I have not seen Tommy and Mary since last winter. The ladies at the Home said that they would write to me when they heard from them. I work at making hay, and sometimes drive the horses and pick berries, bring up cows, and milk one cow that is my own. I go to Sunday School, and get little books. I am growing fat, big and well. I hope you are well. Has George come to Canada? I hope you will come out to Canada, and write soon. From your affectionate son,

MARCHMONT, BELLEVILLE, ONTARIO.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,-I write these few lines, as I promised, hoping they will find you well, as they leave me at present. We had a very safe and pleasant voyage across the Atlantic Ocean. I had a situation and the master was not very good to me, and his son tried to lead me in the wrong path with bad companions, but I did not go with them. He wanted to fight with me twice, because I would not do as he wished; so I came back to the Home. I have got another place to go to soon; but I am staying here for a few weeks to help Miss Bilbrough with the harvest. Dear Mr. Quarrier, I wish you would take my little brother and sister into the Home. I would like to know how Mr. Halloway is getting on. I hope he is well. I like Canada very much, and will never leave it. It is a very good country for all those who are not afraid of a little work. We get very good wages here. James H milton was at a situation, and his master brought him back with a very good character. He only wanted him for the harvesting. I must now conclude, with best love and kind wishes.—I remain, yours truly,

- M·C-"Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid" (John xiv., 27).

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I write you this letter to let you know I am well, and hope this will find you and all the boys the same. I would like you to tell me how Tom Sim and James Tenson are getting on. We have worship the very same as at home, morning and evening. I was very sea-sick the first three days, and when I was sick the steward was very kind to me, and when I was better I could eat like anything. We had two very rough days, and the table where we took our meat was knocked down. I send my kind love to my aunt and uncle; tell them I am praying for their conversion .- No more at present, but remains, yours truly,

A------ M'D----

MISS MACPHERSON'S DISTRIBUTING HOMES IN CANADA.

LETTERS AND REPORTS.

MARCHMONT HOME, BELLEVILLE, ONT., July 16th, 1874.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,-I see Miss Macindoe has written you a long letter, and I know Mr Aitcheson will also; and perhaps mine had better wait till next week. At the same time, I thought I could hardly help sending you a line telling you how much pleased we have been with the party of children committed to us. So well trained and wellbehaved, and I think many, if not all, cannot help doing well. It reflects great credit on the whole management, that, when away from your institution and their teacher, they still do so well. I am much pleased with all the homes they have got, though in this letter I cannot enumerate them-the two Whittles with excellent Quaker friends, the Mullets; John M'Alpine with an earnest Christian, a miller, who will teach him the business. I hope Mr Aitcheson will give us a little time at this Home to visit them. May you be encouraged more and more to undertake the cause of the destitute, and those for whom no man careth, and the Lord fill us both with the spirit of praise for all that He has done for us !-Yours sincerely,

ELLEN A. BILBROUGH.

Report of Boys and Girls from Glasgow placed from Marchmont Home, Belleville, Ontario, Canada, July, 1874.

John Winkie-placed with Mr. George Simpson, Rawdon Township -con. 10, lot 12, Springbook, P. O.; to receive board and clothes and five months' schooling (each year) for two years, then wages.

John M'Allister-Mr. Chas. H. Collinson, Sophiasburg-con. 1, lot

17. Pictou, P. O.; same terms.

James Whittle-Mr. W. H. Mullett, Huntingdon-Roslin, P. O.; to receive 36 dols. first year, and three months' schooling. This is a Quaker family well known to us, having had three of our smaller children for over three years.

John Whittle-Alfred Mullett, Huntingdon-Roslin, P. O.; the same terms as his brother. They are placed within a short distance from each other. John has been ill since going to his place; but he has received every attention, the whole family nursing him. He is now better.

John Geoch-Mr. Eli M'Creadie-adopted; Roslin; six months'

school or more.

James Stevenson-Mr. Henry Rogers, Pittsburg, near Glen Logie-Kingston, P. O.; to receive 36 dols. for the first year, and 3 months' school.

Robert Robertson-Mr. Peter French, Murray-con. 9, lot 13, Frankfort, P. O; to receive 40 dols. for first year, and 3 months' schooling.

Alexander Hart-Mr. Samuel Youker, Thurlow-con. 8, lot 10, Galloway, P. O.; good clothing, and 4 months' schooling for first 2 years, afterwards wages.

Alexander Tassey-Mr. M'Kenzie, Colborne, P. O.; went to pay his brother a visit; he wishes to keep him; wrote him to have 4 dols. a month for 9 months, then 3 months' school.

John Irvine-Mr. John D. Clapp, Thurlow-con. 3, lot 17; Belleville, P. O.: takes John, 25 dols. the first year, and 3 months' or more school. George and Katie Allan-taken by Mr. Lewis Grass, Whitby-con. 7, Columbus, P. O.; both together. George to receive 25 dols. first year;

Katie adopted.

John M'Alpine-Mr. N. L. Beckett, Wallbridge Mills, Holloway, P. O. This is an excellent Christian man; superintendent of Sabbath School. When old enough, will teach John the trade of miller; meanwhile gives him 4 dols. a month and 3 months' school.

Alexander M'Donald-Mr. William Totter, Rawdon-con. 6, lot 23, Welman's Corners, P. O.; to receive 30 dols. first year, and 3 or 4

James Connolly-taken by Mr. James Houston, Iyendinager-con. 2, lot 1, Shannonvile, P. O.; to receive 25 dols. for first year, day-school

Peter Logan-Mr. T. G. Forster, Huntingdon-con. 2, lot 10, Moira,

P. O.: board, clothing, 5 months' school.

James Hamilton-Mr. Philip Clarke, Huntingdon-con. 3, lot 11, Moira, P. O.; to receive 25 dols. first year, and 4 months' school.

Wm. M'Connell-Mr. Isaac Maby, Pictou, P. O .- 4 dols. per month for nine months, 3 months' school.

Joseph M'Kean, Roslin, P. O .- Takes him as his own son, having no

Miles Mason-Mr. James Young, Fitzroy-con. 9, lot 15, Diamond, P. O.; good clothing, 4 months' school first year.

Jane Drennan-Mr. Samuel Young, Diamond, P. O.; as his own child, having no children.

Minnie Simpson-Mr. George Edwards, Clarence-excellent home,

where Eliz. Barbour was placed and John Graham.

Jessie Dixon—Mr. E. Y. Ripley, Cumberland, P.O., near Ottawa, having lost their own little girl, take Jessie to fill her place. "We are greatly pleased to find her name Jessie; we have been wishing for it."

Maggie Donaldson-Mr. Reuben Moreen, Frankfort, as his own child.

KNOWLTON DISTRIBUTING HOME.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

MISS BARBER writes from the above address, October 15th, that the boys are doing well on the whole, with the exception of W. D. (a boy who was sent out in 1872), who has gone off to the States.

GALT DISTRIBUTING HOME.

MISS REAVELL writes in October, that all the children sent on to the Galt Home have been placed out with the exception of one boy, who is still at the Home.

The donations are entered here, with the initials of the donor if known, in the order they were received, and at the dates they were acknowledged in the fortnightly statements in the *North British Daily Mail*. The full name of each donor, if known, is entered in the cash-book.

November 17.—Six months' gathering from mantelpiece collecting box, per A. G., Paisley, 12s 6d; Mrs L., Milton, £1 for Orphan Cottage Homes, and £1 for Arabs; J. W. (a little girl), jelly and parcel of nuts for Hallowe'en and 2s 6d (this should have been acknowledged last fortnight); Mr and Mrs W., per Mrs L. Y., Bridge of Allan, 5s; Miss P., Edinburgh, per do., 5s; M. B., £1; R. B., Dennistoun, 10s; from Newton-Stewart, £1; also £1 for Orphan Cottage Homes; J. F. G., Bothwell, £3; Mrs D., 10s; J. C., 2s; D. M'R., £1; Mrs A., Campbeltown, 5s; Mrs C., 10s; Mrs G. S.. £1; Miss W., £1; from one who sympathises with girls, in stamps, 2s 6d; a Friend, piece of suet, &c.; Mrs L. Y., Bridge of Allan, two parcels of clothing; Sabbath School Children at Shandon, per Mrs M'C., in stamps, 3s 8d; from D. H. E., per Mrs B., Aberdeen, £100 to take ten children to Canada (this is the largest donation we have ever got for this purpose, and coming as it has done, at the commencement of our third year, it greatly encourages us); Mrs F., £1; Mrs L. Y., Bridge of Allan, 5s; Mrs S. M., parcel of clothing; Miss K., 5s; a Friend, parcel of clothing; collected from 80 subscribers by C. A., £10, for outfit and passage money of an orphan to Canada. The following donations have been sent in for mission purposes during the last fortnight:—M. B., £1; "In Memory," Gourock, £1; Captain J. Bungalow, India, £3; Mrs. D., do., 10s; a Well-wisher, do., 10s; a Friend, Trichinopoly, £1; a Friend, do., £1; N. P., do., 6s; Rev. W. W. E., do., 10s; Dr L., do., 10s; a Quartermaster, do., £1; Capt. R., do., £1; Dr J., do., £1; Col. E., do., 10s; P. F., do., 6s; a Friend, do., 4s; A. R., do., 4s.

November 29.—Mrs W., parcel of clothing; a Friend, per G. G., £1; a Working Man, 3s; Mrs W., Dunoon, 2s 6d; two Friends, £1; Finnieston Free Church Sabbath School, per J. A. F., £1 15s; a Friend, Wishaw, 5s in stamps; Misses M.F., Paisley, £1; F. The Mes Friend, Trichinopoly, £1; a Friend, do., £2; Free K. Mary's Sabbath School, Govan,

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Friend, per Miss H., 11s.

December 13.—From two servant girls, J. R. and S. S., 5s; Misses F., 10s; A. S. T., Moffat, £1; Mrs H., £5; a Friend, parcel of clothing; a working man, 3s; from J. H. W., 7 volumes for boys' library; A. A. Langside, £1; Miss M. S., 2s 6d and parcel of clothing, with best wishes; R. L., Aberdeen, 2s 6d in stamps; Mrs. M., Crosshill, per Mrs N.; parcel of clothing; from J., per Miss K., £1; W. M., £1; Duke Street U.P. Church Bible Class, per Mr J., £1; J. G. S., £1; lace collar made by a young woman in spare time from her regular work to be sold (this collar brought 12s 6d); W. L., Falkirk, 10s; E. B., P.O.O., 10s; from A. J. T. O., parcel of clothing; Miss O., parcel of books; Mrs B., Upper Norwood, £10 to take a girl to Canada, and £10 for Orphan Cottage Homes; St. John's, Young Street Sabbath School, £1 15s; Miss M. C., £10 for emigration; Mrs M., 5s; from L., Largs, £1, with best wishes; from a well-wisher, 10s 6d; a trifle from three servants, 3s; Mrs H. A., Helensburgh, per Mrs B., £1; Dr B., per Mrs M., £1 for Orphan Cottage Homes; Mrs T., piece of beef; Miss M. C., Camberwell, £2; Mrs G., Hampstead, £3; from a lady interested in the work, £1; a thank offering, 5s; Mrs O., 5s; Miss H., 2s 6d; collected by Miss M·L., £1 8s 6d; Miss M·L., 2s 6d; collections for November; at Children's Church, South Woodside School, per A. S. B., 7s 74d; R. F., Bridge of Weir, for Orphan Cottage Homes, £5; Mrs N., parcel of clothing,

stockings, and hats; from W. and J. P., two boxes collars, ties, and hosiery &c.; Mrs A., Helensburgh, P.O.O., £2, and eight pairs of stockings; Miss W. Govan, one dozen cravats; Miss M. 5s; Messrs G. and D., ten dozens of cakes; Mrs W. Rugby, £1; a widow's mite, 5s. The following donations have been sent in during last fortnight for mission purposes:—Mrs M·F., 14 half-loaves; from J., per Miss K., £1; A. Q., parcel of bed-clothes; T. C., Paisley, £50; Mr M., Singapore, small chest of tea and parcel of walking sticks, fishing rods, to be sold; a Friend, quantity of tracts; a Friend, £1; J. B., £2; W. L. B., parcel of books.

December 27.-Mrs R., two parcels clothing and tea-bread; Mrs P., Hillhead; parcel of clothing; West Church. Rutherglen, Sabbath School, £1; W. J. M., 5s; Misses B., £2 10s to help to take a little girl to Canada; Mrs R. and friends, Hamilton, parcel of clothing-six new shirts, and five girls' strong petticoats, &c.; Mrs C., £1; Mr M., Dunoon, £2; Mrs J. W., 5s; from Hopeful, 10s; J. H. W. W., Lanark, £10 to take a child to Canada; Mrs M., two topcoats; a Friend, per Mrs F., £5; from A. F., per do., 1s; J. F., Rothesay, £1 for Orphan Cottage Homes; an Unknown Friend, £15 to feed and clothe the orphans; from a Widow, Hamilton, who prays for the Homes, parcel of clothing; a Working Man, 3s; Mrs A., apples and toys for the children; Mr M D. £1 1s; W. J., Demerara, £1 for Orphan Cottage Homes; J. N. T., £3; from a Friend, in stamps, 1s; a Friend, parcel of clothing; a Friend, Helensburgh, £10 for Orphan Cottage Homes; from a Friend, per Mr H., 2s 6d; J. H., four tins preserved meat; Miss B., Kilcreggan, two parcels clothing, boots, stockings, &c.; proceeds of a bazaar promoted by ten school girls in Helensburgh, as a Christmas offering for the Orphan Cottage Homes, per Mrs L., £31 5s (this effort by these young friends on behalf of the Orphan Cottage Homes has greatly encouraged me); Mrs T., £1; R. W., £2 for Orphan Cottage Homes; six children, Pollokshields, 2s 6d each (15s); half of collection on retiring from lecture given by Dr Wallace in East Campbell Street U.P. Church, £3 5s; Mrs A., Christmas Tree and ornaments, fruit, &c., and 4s; Mrs N., cake, toys, and fruit; collected by Mrs M., £10 to take a child to Canada; J. V. W., £2 2s as a Christmas gift; C. A. R., Edinburgh, £2; a Friend, Muirkirk, P.O.O., 5s; from H. K. M., parcel of clothing; Mrs W. Cathcart, quantity of preserves. &c.; Mrs M., piece of cloth and boots; J. K., Largs, per Mrs G., 10s; J. G., £1 per do.; Mrs J., 5s per do.; left at Girls' Home by a Friend, £1. The following donations have been sent in for mission purposes during lest footnight. — Mrs M. F. 19 helf leaves. &c. w. J. M., 5s for widows; Mrs C., 5s; J. A. L., Edinburgh, per W.C.M., £1; Miss S., Wooler, per Mrs M., £1; Miss O., do., 5s; Mrs M., 10s for widows. During last fortnight £45 have been sent in towards the £20,000 needed for the Orphan Cottage Homes.

January 10.—Miss B., cake; A. W., 10s; from a Friend, parcel of clothing, H. B., two parcels books, towels, &c.; Mrs W., 5s; Mrs H., Stirling, £1; a Friend, 10s; Mrs P., 15s; Mrs C., £1, with best wishes; L. T. and M. T., per Mr T., £5; Mr T., 5s for a treat to the children; a trifle to help the work, 10s; two little girls, 2s; Mrs B., box of figs and apples, with kind wishes for the little ones; money saved by children not taking sugar in tea, per Mrs D., Forres, 3s; a Working Man, 3s; Eglinton Street Congregational Church Young Ladies' Bible Class, one night's collection, per M. H., 4s 6d; Miss S., parcel of clothing; a Friend, 10s; Mrs M'G., Partick, 12 pairs knitted stockings and socks; 8t. George's-in-the-Fields Sabbath School, per R. M., for Orphan Cottage Homes, £10; a Friend, 3 pairs knitted stockings and 10s; Mrs R., 4 dozen boys' shirts (this is a very useful present); Victoria Baptist Church, Paisley, Female Bible Class, per A. C., £3 12s 2d; R. H., per A. C., 5s; S. D. & Co., for Orphan Cottage Homes, £5; Mrs G. S. C., 10s; from J. W. C., £1, with best wishes; Miss B., a cake; a thank-offering, from G., Helensburgh, in stamps, for Orphan Cottage Homes, £5; Mrs M., Aberdeen, £1; G. B., ditto, £1; Miss B., ditto, £26; Miss S., ditto, 5s; H. C., ditto, 5s; Mrs A., ditto, 5s; Miss E., ditto, 2s 6d; Miss S., ditto, 2s 6d; Mrs B., ditto, 10s. The above sums from Aberdeen were collected by Mrs B., being second part of £10 to take a girl to Canada. S. and W. M'C., £1; a Friend, parcel of New Year's hymns; M. M'D., Brodick, P.O.O., 8s; Misses W., Hillhead, box of oranges; Mrs T., roast beef, mutton suet, &c., for New Year's dinner; from a Friend, a goose for do.; from a Friend, a turkey for do.; Mrs S., Hillhead, a few yards of cloth; from S. L. M., half a load of meal as a New Year's gift; Miss A. K. R., 10s for Orphan Cottage Homes; W. M., £1 for Orphan Cottage Homes; U.P. Church, Dunoon, Sabbath School children, per Rev. J. C. J., £1 10s; E. M. T., 5s; J. H., 10s; from a Friend, £1 for Orphan Cottage Home

children not taking sugar in tea, for Orphan Cottage Homes, 15s; Mrs J., Portobello, parcel of clothing; J. D. M'A., Beith, two carts turnips; a Friend, 1s 3d in stamps, for a biscuit to the boys; W. M., per Mrs R., £1 for Orphan Cottage Homes; Mrs A., per J. M'K., 10s; Miss W., 5s 6d for ragged boys; Miss G., books, &c.; Mrs K., books, &c.; Mr T., toys, &c.; Mrs G., meat and apples; A. S., £5 for Orphan Cottage Homes; A. N., cake; Bible Class, Free St. Mary's, Govan, per W. C., six dozen Foundry Boys' Hymn Books; T. M'L., contents of mantelpiece collection box, 15s 1½d; from a Friend, Uddingston, 5s and a parcel of clothing; Mrs B. G., £1; two little boys, 1s; Mrs F., 5s; Mrs W., 1s; children, 1s; M. J. T., parcel of clothes; from A., £1; from C., 5s; collected from a few friends, Moffat, by Miss A. S. T., £1 7s 6d; from Girls at Maryhill, £1; from M. S. L., £5 for Orphan Cottage Homes; Mrs R., per J. H., £1; Miss S., per do., 5s; a Friend, per J. M., £1 for Orphan Cottage Homes; Capt. A., per R. M., 2s 6d; Capt. B., 2s 6d per do.; Capt. F., per do., 3s; Capt. N., per do., 2s 6d; Capt. Y., per do., 2s; D. K., do., 5s; R. M., do., 2s 6d; Free St. Andrew's Female Bible Class, per do., 6s 6d; a Friend, Govan, 5s; a Working Girl, pair of socks; Mrs W., parcel of oranges and two currant loaves; C. B. A., parcel of "Band of Hope;" Free St. Clement's Sabbath School, Aberdeen, £1 1s; Free St. Clement's, Aberdeen, Sabbath Forenoon Children's Service, per A. L., 14s; Potato Merchants' Soiree, per J. W., £1 1s; Mrs C., Largs, per Mrs G., £1; J. C., per do., £1; J. B., per do., 5s; M. & Co., Kettering, £5 for Orphan Cottage Homes; from the Trustees of the late Miss G., Strathaven, £19 19s, to take two children to Canada; Mr R., £1; a Friend, 2s 6d; A. W., Crossford, £1 5s. The following sums have been sent in during last fortnight for mission purposes:—A. H., 10s; J. M. K. B., £2 for widows; J. A., part proceeds of admission to Polytechnic Warehouse during holidays, £10.

January 24.—Miss M'A., Helensburgh, six hoods; from Young Men's Christian Association, Kirkintilloch, 10s; collected by Miss M., Greenock, per R. B., £1 2s; collected by J. M., do., per R. B., £1 3s 6d; collected by Mrs F. and Mrs J., do., per R. B., 5s 6d; J. M., £5 for Orphan Cottage Homes; two Misses, M. and J. J., 10s; two little Boys, R. and G. J., 5s; a Friend, Moffat, 5s in stamps; three children £1 and parcel; W. F., Crossford, £1 10s; A. M., four currant loaves; Mrs M'D., £15 for Orphan Cottage Homes; C. F., tea bread; Mrs M., 12 bed quilts, socks, cravats, &c.; a Friend, 10s; H. M., £10 to take a child to Canada; J. T., ½ bags flour, 5 of bran, and 1 of wheat; a Friend, two pairs stockings; Mrs K., per J. R., £3; M. C., Halifax, per M. W., £11s; from L., Largs, parcel of clothing and books, &c.; Mrs M'C., 10s and parcel of stockings; Dr and Mrs W., £1; Dr and Mrs W., £1 for Orphan Cottage Homes; M. M. G., £10, P.O.O., 10s; from Duke Street U.P. Church Bible Class, per R. M., £1 14s; Mrs T., quantity of butcher meat; from two Young Ladies, seven pairs knitted stockings and socks; from Free St. Peter's Sabbath Schools, £1 14s 11d; J. B. A., £40 to take four girls to Canada; Mrs L., two parcels clothing and books; Miss M. E. P., Grantham, £5 for Orphan Cottage Homes. The following donations have been sent in for mission purposes during last fortnight:—Mrs Mrs., 12 half-loaves; J. W., £1; Mrs MrD., £10; from B., 10s. In the above sums there is £26 towards the £20,000 needed for the Orphan Cottage Homes.

February 7.—Anderston Sabbath Morning Bible Class, per J. M., 14s 6d; D. S., £2; Crossmyloof Sabbath Scholars, per Mr N., £1; Mrs B., £1; T. T., 7s 6d; Children of Queen Anne Street Mission School, Dunfermline, per J. D., 17s 10d; from an Engineer, per R. M'K., £1; W. N., per Miss B., £2; Miss C., parcel of clothes; J. A. B., Paisley, £10 for Orphan Cottage Homes; J. A. B., do., £7 for general expenses of Home; collected by a little invalid, Hamilton, £11s; Cambridge U.P. Church Sabbath Evening Class, 10s; Mrs R., parcel of clothes; from children, per Mrs R., 4s; J. P., £1; from a Friend of the Orphans, 10s; G. S., Whitburn, 10s; J. F., Kirkcaldy, £2; from Cambridge Street U.P. Church Sabbath School Society, £4 11s 10d; a Working Man, 4s 6d; from a Friend, parcel of clothing; M. S., 5s; from a Friend, pair of gold earrings, to be sold; from a Friend, parcel of clothing; T. L. L., Linlithgow, £50 for Orphan Cottage Homes; R. L., £5; Mrs and Miss M., parcel of clothing; South Woodside Children's Church School, per A. S. B., 10s 9d for Orphan Cottage Homes; St. Mary's Sabbath School, Govan, 6s 10d. The following sums have been sent in for mission purposes during last fortnight:—Mrs S., £5; J. A. B., Paisley, £3; Miss C., 2s 6d.

February 21.—D. L., Pollokshaws, large crate of crockery (this should have been acknowledged in last); J. N. A., 2s 6d; Mrs D. W., Rugby, parcel of clothing; Half of sum recovered, 10s; In Faith, six small petticoats collected by a little boy eight years old; C. B. N., £1; from Tontine Hall Gospel Meeting, per J. W., £4; Miss T., Jedburgh (in stamps), 5s; H. M., Grangemouth, £1;

from Tomy and Dottie, 1s 6d; from Friends, Crawford, per T. W. L., £2; a Friend, parcel of clothing; North Hanover Street Congregational Church Sabbath School, per J. M'E., £2; Mrs R. H. and friends, £10, to take a girl to Canada; Mrs R. H. and friends, for Orphan Cottage Homes, £6; a Friend, parcel of clothing; Miss F., parcel of writing materials, &c.; Mrs H., parcel of clothing; a Friend, 2s 6d; J. B., Irvine, parcel of clothing and box of hats; a working man, 3s; Bible Class, Broughty Ferry, per J. L., 19s; from Dowanhill U.P. Church Sabbath School, per R. L., £3 16s; a Friend, 5s; A. M'A., per R. N., 6s; Miss L. N., Dublin, 5s; Town Hall Sabbath School, per Mr G., £2 7s; Miss H., Carluke, £1 for Orphan Cottage Homes; a Little Boy, 5s; Mrs R., 5s; J. M. C., 10s; from Children and Teachers of U.P. Church Sabbath School, Hamilton, per A. B., £1 12s; R. P., Perth, for general expenses, £5; R. P., Perth, for Orphan Cottage Homes, £20; G. S. and Son, £5; J. J., Edinburgh, £1; Collected by Miss A. G., Perth, from thirty-two subscribers, £4 7s 1d; from First-fruits, £5 for Orphan Cottage Homes; Miss R., a dress; Miss M., per Mrs S., Gourock, 10s; Miss M., Penrith, per Miss B., 10s. The following donations have been sent in for Mission purposes during last fortnight:—Mrs M'F., 14 half-loaves; S. A., 10s; G. S. and Sons, £5; from Friends, per Mrs S., Gourock, 10s; Mrs B., parcel of althiburg A. A. £10

of clothing; A. A., £10. March 7 .- Mrs F., tea bread; fifth part of increased wages, with the desire that God may bless the work, £1; a Friend, 1s; collected by Queen's Park Church Sabbath School as a New Year's gift for Orphan Cottage Homes, £16 14s; collected by Queen's Park Church Mission Sabbath School as a New Year's gift for Orphan Cottage Homes, £4 13s; Miss S., parcel of clothing, dolls, &c.; from missionary collecting box, Glen Edin, 8s; Mrs A., two parcels of clothing; from A. G., six shirts; Mrs T., quantity of meat; Miss F., parcel of clothing; A. N., 5s; A. F. P., Alloa, £5; for Orphan Cottage Homes, Sabbath School, Alloa, 16s 6d, per A. F. P.; Mrs A., Helensburgh, £10 to take a boy to Canada; Mrs C., Port-Glasgow, £1, being one penny from every shilling earned in six months, as a thank-offering; Mrs C., Uddingston, 5s; Mrs P., do., 5s; Mrs M., do., 5s; J. K. M., do., 1s; J. T., 6d. The above sums from Uddingston were collected by J. H. Cunningham. Free Church Sabbath School, per J. A., 17s 13d; Mrs B., parcel of clothing; Rev. R. P., Aberdeen, £2; Mrs R., do., per Mrs S., 3s; Miss N., do., 2s; Miss O., do., 3s; Miss B., do., 10s; J. D., jun., do., £1; Mrs A. B., do., £1; A. C., do., per Mrs A. B., 2s. The above sums from Aberdeen were collected by Mrs B., being first half of £10 to take a child to Canada. Two chemises, made by two little girls; from three friends, per J. H., 78 6d; from A., parcel of clothing; R. L., Aberdeen, in stamps, 28 6d; A. S. Barrhead, £1; from Bishop Street Sabbath School, in connection with St. Vincent Street U.P. Church, £1 4s; A. M. L., "saved bawbees from an aged woman to help the boys and girls," £1; L. S., per Miss K., 10s; W. S., Dundee, £3 for emigration; a Working Man, 3s; Mrs M'A., £1; Miss P., Troon, parcel of clothing made at Mothers' Meeting; W. M., £1; from a friend, 7 petticoats. The following donations were sent in for Mission purposes during last fortnight :- Mrs M'F., 14 half-loaves; J. D., £1; A. D. C., £2; Mrs M'K., a bath; R. K., £10 to help expenses of supper for fallen women; a Friend, parcel of clothing.

March 21.—For Maggie, £1; Mrs G., six pair socks; a Friend, quantity of bread; Mr M., 10s; Mrs M., Govan, quantity of fish; A. M., £5 for Orphan Cottage Homes; A. M., £5 for emigration; from a Friend, Crossford, six hoods; G. S., cake; a Friend, Bridge of Allan, 3s; a Wellwisher, Dalry, in stamps, 2s 6d; Bible Class, per J. L. S., £1 6s 4d; Cathcart Street Mission Schools, in connection with Pollok Street U.P. Church, per A. M., £1 6s 11d; collection by Miss A., from nine subscribers, £1; from the Belmont Crescent Sewing Meeting, five suits of girls' clothing; M. W., £2; Mrs W., parcel of clothing; Stockwell Free Church Sabbath School, per J. C., £2; Mr M'K., 10s; from one who knows somewhat of the sorrows of an orphan, 5s; Mrs A., Portobello, 10s in stamps; Mrs W., parcel of clothing; D. R., £1; Mrs G., Campbeltown, 5s; Mrs H., do., 3s; a Friend, do., 2s 6d; Mrs L., do., 5s; Mrs M., do., 5s; Mrs M'K., do., £2; Mrs M'K., do., 5s; Miss M'M., do., 5s; Mrs R., do., 5s; Mrs C. C. G., do., 5s; Mrs C. M., do., 5s. The above sums from Campbeltown were collected by Miss M. Mrs T., Helensburgh, parcel of boys' clothing; Mrs R., Gourock, 5 pairs socks; Mrs G., Wishaw, 5s; from S. L., 5s; S. H., Rothesay, £1 (this unknown friend sends also £1 for the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, which has been handed to the treasurer); S. H., Southport, 10s; J. T., 15 bags of bran thirds; a Working Man, 3s. The following donations have been sent in for mission purposes during last fortnight:-J. B., 10s; J. A., £1; a Friend, 10s; for the Lord's Service, £1; J. R. C., £10; Mrs M'F., 14 half-loaves; C. J., £5.

April 4.—From a domestic servant, in stamps, 5s; Mrs H., Rothesay, per R.

E., £1; E., per do., 10s; six bairns, per do., 6s; from the Committee of the Auction Trade Soiree, per J. H. C. 10s 6d; from a sister in Jesus, 12s 6d; Mrs S., Helensburgh, 5s; J. S., do., 5s; Mrs L., 5s; a Lady, Invergary, 10s; a Friend, per Mrs M R., 10s; verbal bequest by Mrs C. M., Helensburgh, per S. M., £10; Mrs L., Govan, parcel of clothing: a Friend, wheel of life, books, &c.; a Friend, Dunfermline, £1; J. M. S., £1; R. R., Hamilton, £2; a Friend, parcel of clothing; Mrs C., Helensburgh, per Mrs A., £1; Mrs A., do., £1; Laurieston Established Church Sabbath School, £2; Bible Class, Free St. Stephen's, per J. M.H., £2; from Eskbank, parcel of new clothing; from Renfield F.C. Sabbath School, per A. J. K., 4s 4d; from Helensburgh Sabbath School Union's Sabbath Morning Meeting for Boys and Girls, per J. S., £2 15s 7d; from Canning Street Mechanics Hall Sabbath School, per Mr W., £1; from the Committee of Police Soiree, per A. M'C., £6 6s; a Working Man, 3s; G. W., Bridge of Weir, £1; Mrs G. W., do., 10s; M. W., do., 5s; J. L. S., do., 10s; C. H. S., do., 10s; A. M. S., do., 2s 6d; M. R. J. S., do., 5s; C. R. S., do., 5s; J. S., do., 5s; M. H. S., do., 5s; J. S., do., 5s; M. H. S., do., 5s; J. S., do., 5s S., do., 5s; W. E. H., do., £1; J. H., do., 10s; A. H., do., 10s; R. W., do., £1; Mrs W. W., do., 5s; Mrs R. W., do., £1; J. D. W., do., 5s. The above sums from Bridge of Weir were collected by Miss J. D. W. A widow's thank-offering, in stamps, 5s; a Friend, per A. R., £1; from Stonelaw Sabbath School, per W. S., £2; Mrs and Miss A., Dalry, £2; Mrs E. M. A. H., £2; Mrs H. R., Aberdeen, parcel of useful clothing; Mrs T., a quantity of meat; J. T., 2 bags wheat and 1 flour. The following donations have been sent in during last fortnight for the mission work: - Mrs M'F., 14 half-loaves; J. M. W., £2; a Youth, 10s; C. C., Stirling, £1; Mrs D., 10s; Mrs M'F., 14 half-loaves; M. H., £1; C. M. A., £2;

April 18.—G. R., 2s in stamps; "A cup of cold water for Jesus' sake," Helensburgh, 1s 1d, in stamps; a Friend, 10s; from J. A., parcel of girls' new clothing and stockings; J. P. T., Kirkwall, 5s in stamps; a Friend, three pairs stockings; Finnieston Free Church Female Class, £1 8s 1d; Sydney Place Young Men's Bible Class, per A. B., £2 10s; Mr. H.'s Bible Class, in connection with Sydney Place U.P. Church, £2 10s; Sydney Place Juvenile Missionary Society, £1 3s 7d; from M. C., 5s, in stamps; B. E., £10 to take a child to Canada; J. M'B., per M. H., 10s; collected by Miss A. M'L., from six contributors, 13s; R. A. M'G., Langside, 17s; D. C., do., 10s 6d; L. M., do., 7s 9½d; M. S., do., 7s; M. M., do., 5s 5d; M. B., do., 5s; J. A. W., do., 4s 8d; E. M'A., do., 3s. The above sums from Langside were collected by a few pupils in Miss B's seminary. J. M., two books; collected by A. L. M. (a little girl seven years of age), from 22 subscribers, £3 6s 10d; Mrs S. M., parcel of clothing; a Friend, parcel of clothing; from Port-Glasgow Working Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, £1 16s 4d; S. S., Johnstone, £1; Mrs G., Crosshill, £5; from Victoria Free Church Missionary Association, per G. D. R., 14s 10d; a little child's money, now in glory, per D D A., £1, "Suffer the little children to come unto me;" D. D. A., parcel of clothing; Mantelpiece Collecting Box, per A. G., Paisley, 10s 6d. The following donations have been sent in for the mission work during last fortnight:—A Friend, 5s; Mrs M'F., 10 half-loaves; a sovereign given to a policeman in an orange as a bribe; Mrs G., Crosshill, £1. The following sums have been sent in during last fortnight towards the £20,000 for Orphan Cottage Homes:—A Wellwisher, £5; a Friend, Bridge of Allan, £5.

May 2.—Mr S., New Zealand, per A. S., Kilcreggan, £20 to take a boy and girl to Canada; four suits of girls' clothing from Belmont Crescent Dorcas Society. (The above donations were omitted last fortnight.) Collected by Mrs Captain L., Rangoon, £4 10s; collected by Miss D., Campsie, from nine contributors, 6s 6d; collected by Miss J. J., Campsie, from 18 contributors, 13s 6d; J. D. M., 10s; Mrs S., quantity of meat; Mrs W. G., six new pinafores; from J. B., six slates, quantity of cotton cloth. &c.; M'C. & Co., Govan, 5s; A. M., 20 pies; from Friends' Sewing Association, Whitehaven, large parcel of new clothing, &c., for boys and girls; a Working Mun, 3s; Mrs L., 10s; Linthouse Sabbath School, in connection with Free St. Mary's, Govan, 17s 5d; Mrs M., parcel of clothing, boots, &c.; J. N. T., £1; J. S. H., per J. G., £1; Miss H., 2s 6d; a Friend. 2s 6d; Mrs R., six pairs stockings; Mrs M., parcel of books; A. A., 2s 6d; J. P. T., Kirkwall, Orkney, 9s 10d; Mrs M'R., Govan, quantity of fish. The following sums have been sent in for mission purposes during last fortnight:—Mrs M., 5s; from one who desires to leave the world better than he found it, to help the extra expenditure of the mission, £10.

May 15.—From Belmont Crescent Doreas Society, five suits of girls' clothing; from M. W., Rothessy, leather bag containing clothing, books, &c.; Y. K., London, £100; a thank-offering, in stamps, 5s; Mrs K., parcel of clothing; Mrs L., quantity of meat; Mrs H., parcel of clothing; Mrs A., Partick, parcel of

clothing; Mrs. T., meat; Mrs P., Hamilton, 5s; Mrs G., Innellan, £1; J. C., Partick, 10s; Partick Free Church Sabbath School, 19s 4d; J. G., Ayr, 10s; H. and D., £1 1s; Mr M.'s Bible Class, 10s; J. D. B., £5; a Friend, 5s. The above sums, amounting to £9 15s 4d, were handed to us by Mr M'Callum, Religious Institution Rooms. A. M., 10s; Mrs. L., 12 new flannel petticoats; Mrs Fr., £1; a Working Man, 3s; a Friend, 12 loaves; Mrs H., Jedburgh, £1 for emigration; Mrs R., Edinburgh, £2 for emigration; N. M. F., in half notes, £2 to assist in taking a boy to Canada; a Friend, parcel of clothing, &c.; Mrs M., two shirts; from Misses S. and Mrs B., Stirling, parcel of clothing and cotton cloth; a Friend, parcel of clothing, books, toys, &c.; Mrs and Mrs M.'N. Stewarton, £5 to assist in taking a boy to Canada; Mrs M'K., Govan, quantity of fish; Mrs T., meat. The following was sent in for the mission during last fortnight:—Mrs R., Edinburgh, £1

May 30.—Mrs. D., 10s; Mrs. M., parcel of clothing; from L., with best wishes, six pairs knitted socks; S. S., 2s 6d; J. R., 2s 6d R. S. Lewis, for emigration, £2 2s; J. H. 6s 6d; W. C., £10 to take a child to Canada; Mrs S., Uddingston, £1; Mr B., parcel of clothing; Mrs A., parcel of magazines, &c.; T. D., tin of butter; a Friend, parcel of clothing and shirting; J. W., £1; Mrs J. G. B., Helensburgh, £1; Mrs M., Hillhead, 15s; a Friend, parcel of clothing; J. J., 5s.; from an unknown Friend, Hamilton, £10 to take a child to Canada; Mrs H., per A. A. B., 10s; J. G., London, £3 for emigration; a Friend, per J., K., 5s; from Wigtown, £1; from Harry and Johnny R.'s missionary box, for emigration, £6 6s; collected by Miss J. P., from 18 subscribers, per R. B., £2; from seven servants and four children, Carluke, £1; from Mrs L., Carluke, parcel of clothes; J. H., £1; Mrs T., meat; from Belmont Crescent Dorcas Society, one suit of girl's clothing; Mrs D. D. Aberdeen, £1; Mrs T. R. W., do., 2s. 6d; Mr B., do., 2s. 6d; from M. J., do., 2s. 6d; Mrs W., per Mrs H. R., do., 2s. 6d; Mrs S.'s Baby, do., 2s. 6d; Mrs S.'s Day School, do., 8s; R. R. H., do., 2s. 6d; Gr., do., 10s; A. L., do., 10s; J. W., do., 5s; sums of 1s and under, 14s. These sums from Aberdeen were collected by W. C. and Mrs B., being second half of £10 to take a boy to Canada. Collected by ladies of the Free High Church (Rev. Dr. Black's), Inverness, £10 to pay outfit and passage money of an orphan to Canada; per C. A., Moffat, £2 for emigration; Mrs C., £1; a Friend, parcel of clothing; three Friends, Moffat, £6 10s; Mrs N., parcel of clothing; from a Friend, Bridge of Allan, small parcel; J. M., £10 to take a girl to Canada; Miss C., £1; collected by J. B., Irvine, and J. B. M. and C. B. N., Glasgow, £10 to take a boy to Canada. The following sums have been sent in for the mission work during last fortnight:—J. G., £1; from Wigtown, £1; a Friend, £5; J. M. K. B., £1; H. M., Grangemouth, £1.

June 13 .- Mrs B., parcel of clothes; Mrs T., quantity of meat and £1 to help to pay a boy's passage to Canada; Mrs A., 1 dozen shirts; J. B., £2 and parcel of clothing; Miss P., Edinburgh, parcel of clothing; Miss H. and L. Y., Bridge of Allan, 16s; J. R., £10 to take a child to Canada; a Friend, per Mrs A., £2 10s; Miss C., parcel of clothing; Mrs C., parcel of clothing; Mrs M., Hillhead, parcel of boys' clothing; Mrs G., Crosshill, seven shirts; collected by J. S., a working man, £10 to take a child to Canada; P. B. J., £1; a Friend, Motherwell, £1 for emigration; a journeyman joiner, Greenock, 10s; Mrs C., Port Glasgow, £1, being 1d off each shilling earned in three months, as a thank offering; from an old servant of the Lord, 2s 6d; from proceeds of a bazaar held by young ladies at 1 Claremont Terrace, £20 to take two children to Canada; Bathing-box, Dunoon, 5s; a widow and three sons, 10s; six mill girls, per Miss G., 3s; Mrs A., parcel of clothing; Mrs T., meat; M. B. D. and J. A. B., £10 to take a child to Canada; J. A., Helensburgh, P.O.O., 10s; collected by Mr G., £30 to take 3 children to Canada; Mrs H., £1; Mrs C., parcel of clothes; J. M. G., 2s 6d; Old Scotch Independent Church Sabbath School, 16s 7d; collected by Miss C. L., Kirkcaldy, for emigration, £4 14s 6d; collected by Miss M'E., from policemen. £2 4s, and from other friends, 16s for emigration; Mrs R., seven pairs stocking, and a quantity of tea bread; Mrs S., 12 wool shirts; R. R., Hamilton, £1; Mr M., Singapore, £2 for emigration; a Working Man. 3s; from Cambridge Street U.P. Church Sabbath School, per J. M. C., £6 14s 3d; Mrs A., parcel of clothes; Mrs Y., butcher-meat; A Friend, parcel of clothes; Mrs C., 13 pairs of socks; Miss W., 2s. The following sums have been sent in for mission purposes during last fortnight:— Mrs G., per J. R., £1; Mrs G. G., £5; W. J. S., £2; Mrs C., 10s. The following has been sent in for the Building Fund of Orphan Cottage Homes: -R. R., Hamilton, £1; from the executors of the late Miss Margaret Graham, per Alexander & Taylor, writers, £102 10s.

June 27.— J. C., 1 tin biscuits; Mrs L., parcel of clothing; J. M. C., in stamps, 2s; a Friend, Whitburn, £10 to take a boy to Canada; from H. C., six pairs stock-

ings; E. R. Dunlop, parcel of clothing, with best wishes; collected by Miss J. S., Gourock, from 17 contributors, per R. B., £2; J. W. N., £5; J. W., £1; Mrs W., Penrith, parcel of clothing; G. T., London, £1; Mr and Mrs A., £2; W. B., £3; Beckford Street Sabbath Morning School, Hamilton, per R. A. P., 16s 9d; Mrs B., parcel of girls' clothing; a Lady, Southport, 2s; a Domestic Servant, Wishaw, 2s 6d; from R. J. O., Bridge of Allan, parcel of clothing; from Rev. James Brown's Bible Class, Paisley, per G. K., £15s; G. S. & Sons, £15 for emigration; Mrs L., parcel of remnants; Mrs A., parcel of clothing; from Victoria Free Church S.S. Missionary Association, per G. B. R., £2 9s 8½d; Mrs T., piece of meat; J. N., 1s; from Greyfriars Religious Purposes Society, per W. D., £2; a Friend, 2s 6d; A. C., 5s; Mrs A., per Mrs B., 10s; Mrs M'A., parcel of pocket handkerchiefs; H. B., Bibles for each child going to Canada; Mrs S., penknife for each boy, and scissors for the girls going; from a Friend, Largs, 2s; Mrs G., do., £1 1s; J. H., £1; a Friend, £2; Mrs R., 10s; Miss G., 16s; Mr R., 10s; from a Little Girl, 2s 6d; Miss D., two tins biscuits; Mrs M'C., 10s; J. N. MK., 10s; Mrs M., £2; J. K., £1, with good wishes; Mrs O., Bothwell, £1; Miss K., £1; R. B., two large parcels of sweets for the voyage; Miss A., Dunoon, parcel of clothing; R. L., Aberdeen, 5s in stamps; G. W. B., £1 1s; Miss M., clothing; W. C., £2. The following sums have been sent in for mission purposes:—G. S. & Sons, £5; Mrs G., Largs, £1 1s; Mrs M., £2; Mrs M'F., quantity of bread. The following sums have been sent in towards the £20,000 for Orphan Cottage Homes:—W. M., £50; a Friend, £5; Mrs M., £2; Mrs M., £20,000 for Orphan Cottage Homes:—W. M., £50; a Friend, £5; Mrs M., £1.

July 11.—Collected by Miss H. J., Edinburgh, £3; from a Friend, £1; G. S., Coatbridge, £1; from a Friend, quantity of sausages; E. H., Bridge of Allan, parcel of clothing; a Working Man, 4s 6d; R. L. S., 3s; J. M., Rothesay, £5 (in memory of two little ones gone to Jesus), in stamps, 2s, and more to follow; R. K., £1; from Grangemouth Working Boys' and Girls' Society, per W. R., £2; from Mrs J. P. T., Kirkwall, 12s—proceeds of eggs sold; Mrs H. R., Aberdeen, 12s 6d; G. B., do, £1; E. A., do, 1s; Miss B., do, £2; Miss O., do, 6s; W. H., do, £1; Mrs B., £1 0s 6d. (The above sums from Aberdeen are the first part of £10 to take a child to Canada.) Captain L., 10s; G. I. D., 10s; collected by Mrs N., £4. (The above three sums were sent by Mrs Captain L., Rangoon, for emigration.) From a Friend, E., Hillhead, £2; Mrs H., parcel of clothing; from Wigtown, £1; M. G. S., Stevenston, P.O.O., £1; Mrs L., Milton, £1; D. M'D., £10 to take a boy to Canada. The following have been sent in for mission purposes during last fortnight:—S. T., Wishaw, 5s; Mrs M., £10; from Wigtown, £1; Mrs M'C., seven quartern loaves. The following sums were sent in last fortnight towards the £20,000 for Orphan Cottage Homes:—From readers of the Christian, per M. D. S.,

£2 6s; a Servant Woman, £2; Mrs M., £15.

July 25.—Mrs H., Saltcoats, a parcel of clothing; J. S., £5; a Friend, Jedburgh, 5 pairs of stockings; a Working Mau, 3s; Storie Street Baptist Church Sabbath School, Paisley, £2; A. B., 5s; from a Friend on the street, 10s; a Friend, £1, also money for a treat of strawberries for the children; J. M., 4s; a Friend, per R. B. H., Port Glasgow, £1; Mrs L., Helensburgh, £2; Mrs R., Bristol, £5; J. G. & Co., £5; a Friend, a quantity of meat; Miss F., Manchester, per Mrs F., £1; a Domestic Servant, 5s 3d in stamps. The following donations have been sent in for mission purposes during the last fortnight:—A Friend, Largs, P.O.O., 10s; Mrs M·F., 44 half-loaves; from S., Helensburgh, 2s 6d in stamps; Mrs R., Bristol,

£5; Mrs M'F., 86 half-loaves.

August 8.—From a Widow, 5s; Mrs C., 10s; a Working Man, 3s; from a Friend, a quantity of books; Mr R., Canada, 10s; T. C., London, rent of cottages, £30 10s 6d; from Children's Missionary Box, per Rev. Mr M'M., Dunoon, 6s 6d; a Friend, parcel of clothing; D. S., £1; a Friend, parcel of clothing; two Friends, Edinburgh, per Mrs M'N., 5s; from Wigtown, £1; R. L., Aberdeen, 5s in stamps; a Friend, East Kilbride, £5; W. M., 10s; Mrs S., three pairs stockings and worsted; a Friend, 5s; from Ebenezer, £1 (also £1 for expense of tent on the Green, which has been handed to the treasurer); J. N. L., £1. The following donations have been sent in for mission purposes during the last fortnight —From Wigtown, £1, A. S. £1. Mrs M.F. 6 loaves

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August 22.—Children's Sabbath Forenoon Meeting, Trinity Free Church, per J. S., 15s 9d; Rev. Mr M.'s Bible Class, Calton, 7s 6d; Captain H., £1; Mrs C., 5s; Mrs M·A., 5s; J. M., 5s; Mr R., 5s; collected by a little boy on board the Clydesdale (ss). 5s; a Friend, 5s; a Working Man, 3s; a Friend, 60 tarts and sweeties; from a Friend of the Cause, Bridge of Allan, 9s; Mrs A., Helensburgh, 22 pairs of stockings; C. N. S., Port-Glasgow, parcel of clothing; a Little Girl's saved pennies, 1s 2d; a Friend, 10 pairs stockings and 2 pairs trousers; Miss A., 2s; J. E., parcel of clothing; Mr M·D., £1 1s; M. A. T., Jedburgh, 5s in stamps. The

following donations have been sent in for the mission:—H. M., Grangemouth, £1; Mrs M.F., bread.

September 4.—A. W. S., Londonderry, P.O.O., 10s; from a few Friends in Dumbarton, 7s; R. S., £1; J. H., three tins meat; Mrs M'A., Barbreck, 10s; W. T., £2, with encouraging words; a Friend, parcel of clothing; Mrs R., quantity of bread; Mrs W., Gourock, £1; Miss M'Q., 2s 6d; Miss L.'s Sunday School Class, Sheffield, 6s; Mrs C., Port Glasgow, £1, being one penny off each shilling earned in three months; from Wigtown, £1; Mrs S. M., parcel of clothing; from W. and J. P., parcel of woollen sleeves; Mrs T. Meek, contents of a little girl's savingsbank, who is now in heaven, 1s 10\frac{3}{2}d; Mr R., quantity of bread. The following donations have been sent in for mission purposes during last fortnight:—From A., in stamps, 6s; a thank-offering for journeying mercies, £1; Mrs M'F., quantity of bread.

September 19.—Mrs R., Aberdeen, per Mrs D., 5s; a Working Man, 3s; Mrs S., parcel of clothing; from Great Hamilton Street Congregational Church Sabbath School, 14s 6d; Mrs G., quantity of clothing; J. B., jun, 2s 6d; A. M., four rabbits; G. S., London, 2s 2d; B. B., Galashiels, £6; Mrs B., do, £2; Mrs G., do, 10s; J. H., do, 5s; Mr A., Jedburgh, £1; Mr H., do, £1; W. H., 10s; Rutherford Church Sabbath Schools, Aberdeen, 10s; E. J., £1; saved pennies of the Little Boys, per E. J., 10s; F. F., 5s 6d, with encouraging words; Mrs H., £5; Mrs R., quantity of bread; from Victoria Free Church Missionary Association, per G. B. R., 10s 6d; a Friend, parcel of stockings, four pairs of stockings knitted by a lady 94 years of age; A. M·F., Portobello, £1; a Bible Class, Edinburgh, per J. P., 5s; from a Friend, Leicester, 10s; Mrs G., £2; Mrs W., parcel of clothing; Mrs H., parcel of clothing. The following was sent for the Mission during last fortnight:—A. P., £1.

October 3.—A Friend, Dunoon, £1; J. K. and B. K. T., £1 and two parcels clothing; Licensed Grocers' Association, per M. M., £3 2s; a Friend, Is; D. S. F., £1; a thank-offering, Is; Miss Q., £1; from Antigua Sabbath School, per A. M., £1s, Mrs A., Burmah, £1; Mrs C. A., Irvine, £10 for a treat to the children; Mrs G., parcel of clothing; a Friend, parcel of clothing; from A., 10s; Mr K., £1; Lizzie, 10s; J. P., £1; J. C. C., £3; Barony Free Church Sabbath School, per S. M.B., £3 2s 6d; a Friend, parcel of tea; a Working Man, 3s; family mantelpiece collecting box, per A. G., Paisley, 10s 6d; a Friend, parcel of books; Queen's Park Established Church Mission School, per R. N., for treat, £3; J. A., with best wishes, £1; from Macleod Parish Church Sabbath School Society, per Mr S., £1 10s; Mrs S., box of sago; from Sighthill Free Church Sabbath School, £18 8d; Mrs N., parcel of clothing; Mrs M.F., Portobello, £1. The following donations have been sent in for mission purposes during last fortnight:—Mrs G., Gourock, £10; J. C. M., Roseneath, £1; Mrs G., per M., £1; for the Lord's service, £1; Mrs M.F. quantity of bread. W H. £10

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October 17.—T. L. L., Linlithgow, £10; J. M. J. K., Lesmahagow, £1; Mrs T., meat; W. W., £11s; Miss O., Crossford, gold and silver bracelets; Mrs M., parcel of clothing; from Rockvilla Sabbath Evening School, £2 6s 4d; Mrs R., 12 pairs stockings; a Working Man, 3s; Mrs T., meat; a Friend, Montrose, 2s; a Friend, 2s 6d; from Wellington Street U.P. Church Sabbath School Society, per J. A.—General Classes, £9 18s 1d; H. D.'s Bible Class, £4 2s 4d; J. B. D.'s Class, £2 5s; Miss M·C.'s do., 10s 6½d—in all, £16 15s 11½d; from Miss L., large parcel of knitted work, jackets, stockings, &c; a thank-offering to the Lord, £1; Mrs M. Crosshill, per Mrs N., parcel of clothing; Mrs B., parcel of clothing; J. G., Paisley, 2s 6d in stamps; Mrs B., £1; Mrs R., quantity of bread. The following donations have been sent in for mission purposes during last fortnight:—T. L. L., Linlithgow, £10; J. W., £1; Mrs M·F., quantity of bread, twice; Miss M., Isle of Wight, £2; Mrs H., do., £3; R. H., clothing. From "Geo.," Helensburgh, 2s 6d towards the £20,000 for Orphan Cottage Homes.

OCTOBER 31.—A. R., Bannockburn, per J. R., £5; a Working Man, 3s; Mrs S. M., parcel of clothing; Mrs S., 10s; Mrs M., Stirling, £10, with best wishes, to take a boy to Canada; Miss C., 5s; Mrs M·L., parcel of boys' clothing; M. W., £3; J. C. J., £10 to take a child to Canada; from Q., Dumbartonshire, £20; Miss G., parcel of clothing; Miss J. C., Uddingston, P.O.O., 10s; collected by Miss J. B., Irvine, £1 and two parcels of clothing and hats; from Wigtown, £1; Mrs G., London, 10s; from a Lady, Irvine, £1, per Miss J. B., as a thankoffering for the safe arrival of a sailor nephew; a Friend, parcel of clothes; M. H. A., Hillhead, £1. The following donations have been sent in during last fortnight for the mission work:—From Q., Dumbartonshire, £10; a Friend, £10; from a Friend who desires to leave the world better than he found it, £5; from a Servant of the Lord Jesus, who seeks through life to glorify his Master, £15; Mrs. J. B., 5s; J. H., £1; a Working Man, 11s; Mrs M. F., quantity of bread; from Q., Dumbartonshire, £20 towards the £20,000 for Orphan Cottage Homes.

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Glascow, 5th November, 1874.—I have audited the Books containing the intromissions of Mr. Quarrier in connection with the Orphan and Destitute Children's Emigration Homes, compared the relative Vouchers, and his various acknowledgments of Donations, &c., and hereby certify that the above is a true abstract thereof, that it is correctly stated and vouched, and closes at 31st October, 1874, with a Balance of Three Hundred and Seventy-seven Pounds that it is correctly stated and vouches, and the sum of Twenty-two Pounds on hand.

JAMES HUTTON, C.A.

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GLASGOW, 5th November, 1874.—I beg to certify that the Balance at the credit of the Building Account of the "Orphan Cottage Homes" amounts, as stated above, to Five Hundred and Eighty-six Pounds Fourteen Shillings and One Penny, at 31st October, 1874.

JAMES HUTTON, C.A.

REFUGE AND MISSION WORK.

At the commencement of this year of service we asked the Lord that we might have a special outpouring of His Spirit in connection with this department of the work. The question put by the Saviour to the two blind men seemed to come before us (Matt. ix. 28), "Believe ye that I am able to do this?" and by His grace we were enabled to say with them, "Yea, Lord;" and so his sweet message came to us, "According to your faith be it unto you." And so we rested on His promises, and day by day laboured on, expecting to have the desires of our heart; and now, at the close of the year, we can look up with hearts brimming full of love and gratitude to Him who has so loved us, and say that "not one of His promises have been broken," but He has done for us "exceeding abundantly above all that we could either ask or think;" so we

now join in singing of His righteousness.

The dirty and overcrowded streets and lanes of the city have, as before, been the scene of our labours, and from them we have gathered many a rough but precious jewel, which will, we have no doubt, shine brightly in the crown of our blessed Saviour. The Night Refuge for Homeless Children has been continually open, and it has proved a real blessing to hundreds of destitute boys and girls who, but for it, would have had to wander the streets all night, seek shelter in some stair or close, or, in order to obtain the needed amount to pay for a night's lodging in one of the abominable lodginghouses, have been tempted to put forth their hands and take what did not belong to them. We deeply sympathise with those unfortunate boys and girls who are continually brought before our magistrates for theft, knowing how sorely they are tempted; and we firmly believe that, had there been some means of providing for these children, many of those who are now suffering a term of confinement in the Reformatories, &c., would have been saved from this disgrace and now be in a respectable position in society. Every case that comes under our notice is carefully inquired into; the suitable ones are taken into the Homes in order to be trained for future usefulness; some are sent to the Shoeblack Society, and situations have been obtained for others of them, and we are thankful to say that those placed in such situations have, as a rule, turned out well. We endeavour, as far as our accommodation goes, to make it as much a home to them as possible. They bring their wages to us each week, and after deducting a small sum for their food, the balance is placed to their credit in the bank book, and used to pay clothing for them as they require it. In this way a spirit of independence is fostered in these boys, and when they have sufficiently recovered as to be able to push for themselves, we obtain lodgings for them with some respectable Christian widow. The present Refuge is quite inadequate for our requirements, and we rejoice that the Lord has put it into the hearts of two Christian Ladies in Glasgow to give us the £3000 to build a suitable place where thousands of destitute ones, with God's blessing, will receive a helping hand. From the balance-sheet it will be observed that upwards of £30 have been contributed by these boys toward the support of the Homes. During the year which has passed we have given a night's shelter to 2702 children, being an average of between 7 and 8 per night; but it must be borne in mind that all these are not fresh cases, many of them having been in for a considerable time. Our chief aim in dealing with these children is not simply to provide for their temporal needs, but to lead them to Jesus; and we rejoice in knowing that the seed sown in many a young heart has taken root, and brought forth fruit to the glory of God.

Gospel work among the poor has absorbed a very large portion of our time and strength. We felt for a long time that something more required to be done than was being done, and with a view to accomplish this, we invited two well-known Evangelists to come and assist in this work. Those who take any interest in Evangelistic Meetings will know the names of Joshua and Mary Poole, who for the past ten years have been labouring with marked success among the lapsed masses both in England and this country. In the beginning of December our friends arrived in this city. A few days before their arrival we were looking to the Lord to give us some token of His approbation, as many friends, when they heard of the proposed visit, questioned very much the propriety of having female preachers, and, therefore, would not countenance the movement; but "He that is for us is more than all that is against us," and therefore we went forward, feeling satisfied, as the matter had been committed to Him, He would care for it. Our funds at this time were very low, and we felt that £50 would be required to carry on the services satisfactorily for a month. Where this money was to come from we knew not, but we told Him whose the silver and the gold are, and, praise to His holy name, He did not suffer us to want, for just the day before Joshua and Mrs. Poole came to town, a gentleman called and left fifty one-pound notes in an envelope, to be used as was thought best. We took this as an earnest that not only the means would be supplied, but that we would see much blessing and many souls saved. In this we were not disappointed, for at the first service, held in the Mission Hall, nine souls professed to find Christ, and, during their stay in Glasgow, not a meeting was held but some poor wanderers were led back to the Father's house.

The following extract from a letter in the Christian of 1st January will give an idea of how the work was going on at that date:—

"A poor woman, sixty years of age, was convinced of sin at one of

[&]quot;Mr. and Mrs. Poole are at present labouring in the Orphan Home Mission Hall. It is a touching sight to see the big tears trickling down the cheeks, and in many cases leaving the clean mark on the unwashed face. Some of the roughs who came to mock have remained to pray. Many interesting cases could be given, but we only subjoin one.

the meetings, but she tried hard to resist the Spirit: three times she left the hall to go to her home, but each time came back again, and to her great joy found that there was mercy for such a poor, wretched drunkard as she. She had been such a slave to the drink that she felt she could not resist the temptation around her, and, rather than grieve her heavenly Father, she gave up her little house, and was taken into the workhouse, where she is now out of the reach of temptation of this kind."

After labouring for three weeks every night in the Mission Hall, the meetings were transferred to a larger and more suitable place, the Wardlaw Independent Chapel. There for three weeks meetings were held every night, with the exception of Saturday and Sunday, and at each meeting souls professed to be born againsome nights upwards of thirty names were taken of those who professed to have received the blessing. We were in a difficulty to know where to get a suitable place to carry on the services on Sundays, and after much prayer and waiting upon God, we applied for the Scotia Music Hall in Stockwell Street—the largest music hall in Glasgow, capable of accommodating from 3000 to 4000 people. This we succeeded in obtaining, and from the first Sunday in January till the end of April services were held there every The hall was densely packed; passages Lord's-day evening. and every corner were occupied, and hundreds had to be turned away who were not able to gain admission. It was a very imposing sight to look round upon such a company, composed almost exclusively of the working classes and the inmates of those low lodging-houses. The men, coming with their ragged clothes and unwashed faces, were not ashamed to enter a music hall to hear the gospel, but, do as you would, you could not get them to enter a church. Many of the women came without bonnets, but put their shawls over their heads. The lowest of the low were among our audiences, and we rejoice with joy unspeakable at the great blessing which attended these services. At the close of these meetings as many as 100 have stayed behind, seeking to know more of Jesus, and the drunkard and harlot have alike accepted Christ, and gone home rejoicing in the new-found peace. Meetings were also held during the week in other parts of the city, and the Lord was present to bless. The preaching of dear Mrs. Poole was specially owned of God. Her tender, simple way of putting the gospel won its way into many a heart, but the Lord was graciously pleased to lay her aside in the very midst of all this blessing, when she seemed to be so much wanted, by a severe illness from which she never fully recovered. As soon as she was sufficiently well to travel, it was thought desirable that she should return to her home and family, and in May she and her husband left our city amid the regrets of thousands of those who delighted to come and hear them. For some time she kept pretty well, but she took worse, and gradually sank until the dear Lord came and called her to enter into her rest; and although we grieve at losing such an honoured servant and labourer in the vineyard, yet we A moor woman, sixty years of age, was convinced of six at one of

would not wish to bring her back, as now she is seeing "His lovely face," and singing that new song. A Midnight Supper to Unfortunate Women was most satisfactorily carried out one evening, in the Saloon of the Trades' Hall. According to previous arrangement, a few friends met for prayer, after which those appointed to the task started to distribute tickets for the supper, in the leading districts of the city. The invitations were sent out shortly after ten o'clock, and before half-past eleven the hall was filled to overflowing by ticket-holders. Very tenderly were they addressed by Joshua and Mrs. Poole, and other friends; and many were led to forsake the paths of sin and shame, and go back to parents and friends. A very interesting Social Meeting of Policemen was also held, in addressing which our friends took The last service that Joshua held in the city was on Glasgow Green, at the monument, on Sunday evening, 2nd May. It is estimated that as many as 10,000 of the working class came to listen to his farewell address, and as we looked on that vast crowd, we could see many a wet cheek. All this work was going on among the poor, while our beloved brethren, Moody and Sankey, were so earnestly engaged among the middle and upper classes. But what of results? will be asked. We took care to take the names and addresses, as far as possible, of those who professed to find Christ, and they mounted up to over 1000. Publicly and privately we have strongly recommended the converts to get connected at once with a place of worship. For those who never had attended any place of worship we formed a Bible Class on Sunday afternoon, in the Mission Hall, for the study of the Word. This soon increased to upwards of 100 members, and as fresh ones have been coming in, others have settled down into the various churches round about, and are now working for the Master.

Although all this has been going on, our special district has not been neglected. The Tract Distributors have been very zealous, and during the past six months about 30,000 tracts have been given away from door to door in the district. Services have been held in many of the low lodging-houses, the sick and dying have been visited, and much help has been extended to the needy ones both in clothing and food, &c. Educational Classes for Mill Girls, and Cottage Meetings, have been successfully carried on, and the Lord has smiled upon all our operations, giving us far more blessing than even the most sanguine anticipated. Our faith has been much strengthened, and we wish still to press forward. The building about to be erected will enable us to carry on the work with greater vigour. The expenses of this part of the work are considerable. Will those then who have the means, and who, perhaps, cannot engage in the active work, come forward and assist us, who feel it laid on our heart to go forward in this work, and by-and-by we shall all rejoice together when we gather round the Lord Jesus Christ, and meet to part no more?

LITTLE MAGGIE'S HOME.

LETTER FROM MR. MOODY.

Under the above heading the following appeared in the North British Daily Mail, and as it is somewhat connected with the work and interesting to Christian friends we give it a place here:—

SIR,-I cannot tell you how much the story of Little Maggie (told by your Special Commissioner some weeks ago) has gone home to my heart. Very touching and sad in itself, it must thrill through the conscience of every father in Glasgow to reflect that this case-bad though it be-is but one of a thousand which are worse. I feel I can give myself no rest until I have laid the matter once more before the Christian friends in Glasgow. What becomes of drunkards' children is no mystery. Their history, from their wretched cradle to their early grave, is written upon your streets in lines of cruelty and sorrow. A man entranced in the chloroform of business cares, may walk your streets from year to year, and be blind to that if he will. But let him give one honest hour to the pauper scenery of Glasgow, and thenceforth let him close his eyes to the dreadful reality if he can, if with a true man's heart he dare. If no responsive chord stirs the sympathies within, it is because they are long ago frozen stiff and cold. It needs no straining of the eyes for every man to see this question for himself. The facts are staring at him from every corner of the street. There is one phase of it-that ragged pest who braves for the thousandth time the threatening scowl, and ventures to extend the evening paper in her tiny hand. But the ragged pest has a soul. And the ragged pest has a struggle for its little life, and you can gaze into its eye and read off its history if you will. You need not ask many questions. In a minute the tale is told. It is just the old, sad story of every city street. Not for itself has that life lived. These rags are the emblems of the drunkard's child. These little fingers are the feeders of a drunkard's home. And as you drop the copper into the tiny palm, you know that that wasted form is but the channel through which the drops are trickling to hollow the drunkard's grave. It is for these worse than orphan children that I venture now to plead. Were they really orphan, they would be taken by the hand, and clothed, and educated, and fed. Meantime, there are hundreds of budding lives anchored down to vice. Some day, it is true, they must be orphans too, for drink soon kills; but the deliverance comes too late. Want and exposure have already sown their fatal seeds, and the grass has not grown over the parent's grave before it has to be opened for another tenant. To rescue these, and to rescue them in time, would it not be a noble piece of Christian work for any Christian lady or gentleman to do? There must be many warm hearts in Glasgow just now, who are looking out for any opportunity of usefulness which Christ may open up. And there must be many of the Master's disciples filled enough with the Master's spirit as to think money and labour of but little moment compared with the accomplishment of such an object. You say there are already a hundred charities which touch the question on every side. Exactly; that is just what I complain of. A hundred touch it, but none meet it. The great and admirable schemes of benevolence by which it is surrounded just fail in this-that they are not elastic enough to cover it. They were never meant to do it, and thus it is missed out. To them all I say God-speed.

They are doing their work. But God-speed also some other effort to take in a still greater number from a still narrower and needier circle. The dark days of your terrible Scotch winter are hurrying in. What is to become of these ragged newsboys and these ill-clad match-girls, and the thousand other little naked ones, who have not money enough to buy such petty merchandise, or spirit enough to sell it, when these chilly nights come in? Surely God will raise up some one to care for these little souls-to snatch them from their fearful surroundings, and teach them the story of the Cross? To begin the reform with the parents is, alas! too late; but if the children were brought within the sweep of loving hearts in time, there might be hundreds of them rescued from a vicious life, as well as a premature death. And now, to be practical, what is wanted in Glasgow is a home for these children of the street. If it is to be done, let it be done at once, before the cold winds of the coming winter have thinned the little ranks. Let "Little Maggie" be the first inmate. Let it be called "Little Maggie's Home." Let it be gone about in faith, and I know there are many open purses, as well as willing hands, in Glasgow, ready to respond. May God put it into some kind Christian's heart to take up this mission in the Master's name! And, with God's own blessing, I pray that this "Little Maggie's Home" may yet be the honoured medium of rescuing these thousand broken and neglected lives, and training them up in the school of Christ.-I am, &c., D. L. Moody.

Dublin, October 22.

Sir,-Your Commissioner's article on little Maggie and her mother has stirred the hearts of thousands in Glasgow and throughout the country, for the article has been copied by other papers. As a result of this, I have had letters from England as well as Scotland making inquiries regarding little Maggie and her mother. I would here say, for the information of others, that Maggie's mother did not wish her child to go into any "home." What she wanted was a little house of her own, where she might have her child with her. Through the instrumentality of your Commissioner and the Evangelistic Committee, she has now got this, and I trust she will be able to bring up Maggie in a proper way. Mr. Moody's stirring and practical letter in this morning's paper will, I hope, move many hearts to deal with the all-important question -What more can be done for our street children? Two plans, if carried out, I think will meet the case, and either of them awanting, comparatively little good will be accomplished. First, the establishment of a Home where any child, drunkard's or "nobody's child," if found on the streets, might be sent at once and cared for; the said Home to be capable of lodging newsboys or others at any work, who had no home; the said Home, also, to provide a night shelter for boys or girls found by the police or others, sleeping out at night. All of the children, while in the Home, to be looked after and trained till some better Home is got for them. We have been carrying on the above work on a limited scale during the last two years, and in that time we have been the means of helping some hundreds of poor boys and girls, besides adults. The old building at the head of Dovehill, where this work has been carried on, has been bought by the School Board, and we will require to leave soon, and therefore will need another place, and I think it would be better to build. My estimate is that it will take £3000 to build a place to carry on the work indicated above, and if any kind friends see their way to send that sum I can promise that, with God's

help, in a year, hundreds of the class named in Mr. Moody's letter would be helped and blessed. In the meantime the old Refuge is open to receive any destitute case that be sent. This week we have taken in eight such cases (the entire clothing of them all would not bring sixpence at the ragstore); four of these were sent from the Drill Hall, one of them is another "Little Maggie," who is to be adopted by a Christian friend in Glasgow. My second plan is, that our authorities should get legal power to control the actions of street children, or what I would consider better, to get legal power to prevent children from selling, singing, or begging on the street. Any hardship to the child or its dependent mother which might arise from the action of the magistrates in this would be relieved, I am sure, by the generous Christian public. Why should not our magistrates have this power? It is a thing essential for the child's sake if not for the sake of the public, who have to pay for the crimes which spring from the neglect of the children. Industrial schools, national schools, day feeding schools (when we get them), Cumberland training ship, destitute children's homes, will never cure the evils arising to children from street life, unless we get this legal power to compel them to do right.-Hoping that something practical may be the result of this agitation on behalf of neglected street children, I am, &c., WM. QUARRIER

15 Dalhousie Street, Oct. 24.

NOBLE AND GENEROUS GIFT OF £3000.

SIR,-My appeal in to-day's Mail for £3000 to build a house to lodge working boys, and as a night refuge for homeless children, and the helping of others, has been nobly responded to by two ladies in Glasgow, who desire to do something in memorial of one who has gone to the better land, and at the same time to help the perishing little ones. This gift will be the means of supplying a want which has been felt for many years in Glasgow, and it will give us accommodation to help hundreds of the class whom Mr. Moody so touchingly spoke of in his letter in your issue of Saturday, and I have faith to believe that God will supply the daily wants of all, as he has done in the past, without any one being called on. The above is an example of generosity which others might follow. We still want upwards of £15,000 of the £20,000 needed for the Orphan Cottage Homes. When these are ready we will be able to help many children whom it would be desirous to keep at home, We believe the sum needed will be sent in good time. "Brethren, pray for us."-I am, &c.,

WM. QUARRIER.

15 DALHOUSIE STREET, Oct. 26.

We have put ourselves in communication with the City Improvement Trustees to buy ground for building the Boys' Lodging House and Night Refuge for Homeless Children, &c., and hope to get a suitable and central site, so that it may be convenient for the public to send destitute children from any part of the city, when each case will be inquired into and treated according to its need; and we have faith to believe that the money to carry on this work of helping the helpless will be sent as we require it.

LETTERS OF ENCOURAGEMENT.

Out of hundreds of letters of encouragement received from friends in different parts of the country during the year, the following are a few which we desire to record, and to say how much we have been encouraged by these expressions of sympathy. Were we to give the impressions made on our minds by them, it would extend this report to an undue length. Our desire by this work is to hasten forward the fulness of the times when He shall "gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth, even in Him."

Will Mr. Quarrier kindly acknowledge the enclosed Cheque for £15 as from H. R.—£10 to be devoted to the proposed cottages, and £5 for current expenses.

DEAR SIR,-I thank you very much for the report just received of your most interesting work among the poor boys and girls in Glasgow. I had great pleasure in reading a letter of yours in "The Christian," a short time ago, giving a plan proposed of having Cottage Homes for poor children. I think it is a most excellent idea, and I do hope money will be sent sufficient for the purchase of ground, erecting cottages, &c., &c. Twenty or thirty children collected into one home, under the care of a suitable man and woman, is better for the children than being crowded together in large numbers. I have great pleasure in sending a contribution of £10 for this good work. I have made your contemplated plan of "Cottage Homes" known to two natives of Glasgow, who are now rich men in London: I trust they will feel glad to contribute largely to the fund. Perhaps you will remember that in April last I sent a sum to you for the purpose of sending a boy to Canada. You informed me that a boy named William Robertson had been fixed upon as the one to be sent by me (that is by the money I sent). You mentioned at the same time that you would send his photo., but that is of no consequence; however, I am anxious to know about the boy, as I have often wondered how he behaved in the Refuge, and how he is doing in Canada. Of course it is quite impossible for you to send information about every child, and therefore I did not trouble you to ask about this one until I was writing to you at any rate. I should like to send a girl to Canada, and now send £10 for that purpose. Will you fix upon a nice bright little girl for me? I have a niece in Glasgow, Miss S., who will call at the Girls' Home, and see the one you have fixed upon, after I hear from you. I enclose a cheque for £20-£10 for Cottage Home Fund, £10 for Girl to Canada.—With every good wish, I remain, Dear Sir, yours truly, A. S. B.—, London. [This dear friend has since entered into her rest and reward.]

Dear Mr. Quarrier,—Enclosed I beg to hand you the sum of £31 5s., being the proceeds of a bazaar promoted by ten school girls in Helensburgh, as a Christmas offering in aid of your projected Cottage Homes, with a sincere desire that the scheme may be thoroughly successful.—I am, yours very truly, A. P. L., Helensburgh.

My Dear Sir,—My wife desires me to hand you the enclosed cheque, and feels it a great privilege to be permitted to aid, in however small a degree, in so blessed a cause. The Lord has indeed done great things for you, whereof we are glad; and He is able and willing to do still

greater things. I trust souls are being saved amongst the children. The Good Shepherd is gathering in many little ones just now, and this may serve as an encouragement to you. We will ask Him for a special blessing on your Homes. Tell the children we do so want them to be saved, and that we are praying that they may be. Oh, how happy they would be if they would only come to Jesus!—With kind regards, faithfully yours in the Lord, J. G., Hampstead.

Dear Sir,—I enclose a small donation (£1) to your Home for Destitute Children. May the Father of the fatherless continue to prosper you, and the blessing of him that is ready to perish come upon you!—Yours in the work, A. A.—, Langside.

Dear Sir,—On behalf of myself and brother, I beg to enclose cheque, value £10, in the hope of being the humble means of rescuing one more of the little castaways of your streets, and of placing him (or her, as the case may be), through your Christian instrumentality, in the paths of usefulness and well-doing in some Canadian home. I have to thank a warm sympathiser in your Heaven-born mission, Mrs. C., Bothwell, for having put into my hands your last year's Report. I have read it carefully, and with special satisfaction and encouragement. We would hope to have it in our power to repeat our contribution from year to year, and I see no reason, at present, why we should not be enabled conveniently to do so. I will only add, that, with the view of proving some embodiment to our interest, we should like to be possessed of the name of any child that may happen to be received under your protection at our instance.—Wishing you all support and encouragement, I am, with much respect, yours faithfully, J. H. W. W———, by Lanark.

Dear Sir,—The enclosed one pound is for your orphans. It is the fifth part of an increase of wages given me yesterday, and may God Almighty bless you in your work, is the sincere prayer of a Sister in Christ.

Dear Mr. Quarrier,—I read your last report with great interest, and am glad to send you again £5, as last year, for the ordinary expenses, and £20 for your Cottage Home Fund, which I hope is progressing well.—I am, yours truly, R. P., Perth.

Mr. Quarrier—Dear Sir,—Accept of the enclosed as a thank-offering to the Lord for the safe arrival of a dear son from sea. It is not much I can give, as my dear husband was removed from me by death some years ago; but my heart is very much with you in your good work.—Yours in Christ, J. M., Glasgow.

Mr. Quarrier—Dear Sir,—I enclose £10 for the benefit of the Orphan Cottage Homes, which you manage, from part of a year's interest.

Mr. Quarrier—Sir,—I beg leave to send you enclosed here 5s. worth of postage stamps, as a small donation towards the support of your Orphan Homes. Please acknowledge receipt, to the above address, Perhaps you would send me last year's Report.—I am, Sir, yours truly. J. P. T., Orkney.

The enclosed £1 to be used as Mr. Quarrier thinks fit. Haggai ii. 8—"The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the Lord of hosts."

£6 6s. for the Boys' and Girls' Emigration Homes from Harry and Johnnie R.'s Missionary Box.

Ten Pounds are enclosed, to be laid out as Mr. Quarrier thinks best.

Hamilton.

Mr QUARRIER,—I have much pleasure in sending you this £1 as a small token of my desire to encourage you in your honourable work. I hope you will never be discouraged nor fail till you put off your armour and get on your crown. J. S.——, Coatbridge.

WILLIAM QUARRIER, Esq.—Dear Sir,—Enclosed is 2s. 6d. of stamps for Orphan Cottage Homes from Geo.

Mr. QUARRIER, DEAR SIR,—Enclosed is a draft for £10, to send a boy to Canada.—With best wishes, yours very sincerely, M. M——, Stirling.

In addition to the foregoing letters of encouragement, we have been much helped by our dear friend, Mr. R. H. Hunter, in all departments of the work since its commencement; but especially in the evangelistic and mission part, of which he has taken the principal share of labour, and we trust that the Lord will continue to use him and bless his labours as He has done in the past; and we here desire to thank those ministers of the various denominations and other friends who have assisted in the evangelistic work at the Mission Hall. My prayer for each and all is, that God may make them greater blessings in the coming year. We have also been greatly helped by Miss Macpherson and her assistants in Canada, and by the practical sympathy of ladies and gentlemen in teaching, collecting, and in other ways by which the interests of the Homes have been furthered; also by the doctors who have given their professional skill and medicine for the good of the Homes; also by the services of the accountant who has audited our books each year since the commencement of our work; and last, but not least, by the practical help given by the Foundry Boys and Girls' Society, the various Sabbath Schools, and other children who have contributed to the good of the Homes. I take this opportunity to say, how much we have been encouraged by friends, known and unknown, who have contributed of their means to carry on this work. To each and all we desire to give our sincere thanks. The evil prevented, and the whole results of the good accomplished will only be known at that great day when we shall stand before Him who will reward every one according to his work, whether it be good or bad. Our prayer is, that each one may hear the Master say, now, as well as then, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

We take this opportunity, also, to thank the conductors of the North British Daily Mail for the practical help they have given to the work since its commencement, and trust that their efforts for this, as well as all their other labours for the social and moral good of the community, will be appreciated by the Christian public.

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ANSWERS TO PRAYER.

THE age in which we live is no exception to the past in producing men like Professor Tyndall and others in our own city, who deny that God answers prayer for material blessings. We believe, however, that God sends material blessings, as well as spiritual, in answer to believing prayer. We realize God as "having all power in heaven and in earth." and whose ear is open unto the cry of those who say, "Give us this day our daily bread," as well as to those who cry, "God be merciful to me a sinner." The work of the Homes is a testimony to the fact that God hears and answers prayer, and as facts are better than theories, I would here relate one or two instances in which God answered prayer for special objects.

In December last we needed £50 for a special work, namely, the bringing of Joshua and Mrs. Poole for a month's evangelistic labour in connection with the Mission: and as we had some doubts about women preaching, but at the same time knew that God had honoured this dear servant as the instrument in bringing many souls to the knowledge of Jesus, we asked God to show His approval by sending £50 in one sum. The speciality of the request was, that it be in one sum. So two days after, a gentleman called, and left, as his first donation, fifty £1 notes. When this was received, we felt our way clear that God meant His servants to come and preach as he bid them, and the results that followed their labours, and which were the last that the Lord permitted Mrs Poole to engage in before He took her home, have been marvellous in our eyes. Another special answer to prayer was at the beginning of May. We required £180 to complete the sum needed to send the children to Canada, and before the 23rd of June, the day the children were to sail, a little over the amount needed was sent in. Eight months ago we began to pray for better accommodation for Night Refuge, Boys' Lodging House, and Mission Hall, &c. We thought that £3000 would be necessary to build a place for the purpose, and all through these eight months we constantly felt that the £3000 would come. That God creates the thought, as well as answers the prayer, is clearly seen from Psalm x. 17, and other passages. On the 24th of October there appeared in the North British Daily Mail a letter from Mr. D. L. Moody, pleading the cause of destitute children in Glasgow. On the following day, in a letter, we gave a sketch of what might be done if £3000 were sent in to build a Home. The same day in which this letter appeared, two Glasgow ladies, in a most generous way, promised the £3000, saying, Go forward at once. Many other instances might be given, but these will suffice to show that God hears prayer for material blessing; and we have had abundant evidence during the year that God answers prayer for spiritual blessings in the numbers who have been brought to the knowledge of Jesus, both amongst the children in the Homes, and men, women, and children in connection with the Mission work.

THE WORK OF THE YEAR.

THE third year commenced on the 1st of November, 1873, with 60 children in the Homes; 81 new cases have been taken in, making in all 141 children. They are accounted for as follows:-64 sent to Canada on 27th June, and reported as, on the whole, doing well; 3 have been returned to their relatives; and 1 has been adopted by Christian friends into their family in Glasgow; there has been I death. This little girl, who came in on January 15th, was only a fortnight in the Home when the symptoms of consumption appeared, and she took to bed, and gradually got weaker till she died on the 5th of March. Never in all my experience have I known a child of her age (twelve years) so averse to hear the Bible read to her, or religious truth set before her; and we felt entirely shut up to God's working on her behalfwe could speak to Him and tell Him. Some weeks before her death she spoke about the future, and asked the Word to be read to her, and wished the children to come into the room and sing hymns to her. Although she did not say much, the change was very marked, and we have good hope that she is now amongst those "who have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb." Two boys have run away. We have now 70 children in the Homes.

During the year we have given a night's shelter to 2,702 children, being an average of between seven and eight per night; but it should be borne in mind that these are not all fresh cases, many of them having been in for a considerable time. Many poor widows and others have been assisted in a practical way; some to bury their dead, and other needy ones, young and old, have had their way paid back to their friends, or to the districts to which they belonged, and some deserving cases have had their rents paid.

During the year, in the Scotia Music Hall and other places, besides our own Mission Hall, the Gospel has been preached to from 50,000 to 100,000 of the very poorest. Altogether we have much to thank God for, and to trust Him for the year on which we are just entering, that He may enable us to do more.

During the year there has been sent in for the general expenses of the Homes and Mission £1632; for Orphan Cottage Homes, in money and promises, £2600, which, with the £2000 promised by our London friend, and a balance from last year of £88, makes £4688. There is also the £3000 for the building of the Boys' Lodging-house and Night Refuge for Homeless Children, &c. We have much to be thankful to God for in all this work, and the liberality of His people throughout the country; but we are expecting greater blessings, and are looking to Him to do for us in the coming year much more. The harvest is plenteous-greater numbers than we have been able to take into the Homes are applying, and we wish to be guided by the Lord's leadings. To

the amount of means placed at our disposal will we extend our efforts to help the helpless, and those "who are out of the way." Brethren, pray for us.

ORPHAN COTTAGE HOMES FOR SCOTLAND. £20,000 NEEDED.

Towards the above, in promises and money in hand, £4688 have been subscribed. We have no doubt the rest will be sent in good time. The plan contemplated for the Cottage Homes is to buy about 20 acres of land near Glasgow, and to build thereon 10 cottages to house 300 children, with school-room and workshop accommodation, each cottage to accommodate from 20 to 30 children, with a man and his wife to act as father and mother at the head of each household, with play-ground and other appliances attached to each cottage, with a school-room in the centre; also, general workshops, and small farm to be worked by the boys, the father of each family to be able to teach a different trade, such as tailor, shoemaker, joiner, baker, farmer, printer, smith, &c.; the mother to do the work of each household with the assistance of the children. Boys from the tailor's household wishing to learn shoemaking could be sent to the shoemaker's workshop, and boys from the farmer's household wishing to learn joiner work could be sent to the joiner's workshop, and so on according to the trade suited to the boy; and girls to be taught the usual household duties. The children would all meet together at school and church, and on special occasions on the common playground, but at other times in their own cottage. It is desirable to keep up the family and home feeling among the children, and we believe this cannot be done so well in institutions, where hundreds are ruled by the uniform law necessary to keep large numbers who are housed together for years. Boys ready to go to trades in the city would be kept in a house there, presided over by a father and mother in the same way as in the Cottage Homes, till they are able to maintain themselves and begin the world on their own account. The first qualification necessary in the father and mother would be their fitness to train up the children in the "nurture and admonition of the Lord;" and second, their ability to understand the character of children, so as to maintain their respective individuality. The sum needed for purchasing land and building the cottages will be about £20,000. This is a large amount, but not too large for our Heavenly Father to send. Many of His stewards, if they knew the good which the object contemplated would accomplish, would send in of their means liberally, willingly, and at once. During last winter our accommodation was too small, and we feel sure, from the number of children under our care at present, and the many who are applying, that we will be more straitened this winter; therefore we are anxious. Whether the remainder will come in one, ten, twenty, or one hundred sums, we know not, but we believe it will come, and we are earnestly looking to God to be guided. The buildings will be put under trustees, and all done in a business-like way. £1000 will build a cottage capable of accommodating 20 to 30 children, and any one giving this sum could have the cottage named as they wish. Any sum, however small, will tend to carry forward this work of helping the orphan and the destitute. What we require for the maintenance of the Homes will come as we need it. During the last three years all that we have wanted for feeding, clothing, and educating the 260 children taken into the Homes has been sent in answer to prayer, and this leads us to trust in Him who has said-"Your Heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of these things." The Cottage Homes are intended to train children for home work, as well as for emigration, and they will be open to receive an orphan child from any part of the country who is recommended by friends. Poorhouses and reformatory institutions are not the places to develop in children the characteristics which fit them to be good men and women and true citizens. "He hath set the solitary in families," and in proportion as we follow His ordinance in the training of children, we may expect His blessing upon our efforts. Some will say that the cost of maintaining the children in the family homes will be too great. In reply, we say that we are not certain that the cost will be more, but supposing it is £1 or £2 per head more, what of that when you will have results 100 per cent. greater than in large institutions? Some object to the sending of children out of the country, as it takes away the labour of which we stand so much in need. In these homes this objection would be done away with, as all children whom it will be found desirable to keep at home, will be trained for home work or adopted into Christian families here. In the vegetable world some plants need to be transplanted into different soil before they grow; so also in the moral world, some need to be removed from their surroundings before their better nature rises above the evil influences of a former life. As this is a work for Christ and a testimony to the fact that God is in the world, and that He is the hearer and answerer of prayer, we look with lively confidence to our Christian friends, that their prayers and practical sympathy will not be wanting.

DAILY WORK of the BOYS and GIRLS at the HOMES.

The routine of the Home is very simple. The boys get up at half-past six o'clock, and, after breakfast and worship, one-half of them go off to work at wood-chopping. We have a little engine and chopping machine, which enable us to turn out a large quantity of firewood. While one-half of the bigger boys are at work, the others are at school. At mid-day dinner comes on, and then the workers change places with the others. Work and school go on till five, when all get free, and enjoy themselves to their hearts' content in the large

grounds which surround the house. Some of them will be playing with the ball; others have their rabbits and pigeons to attend to; and another makes "Sally," the pig, his peculiar care; while the cow and pony receive attention and care from all. Supper-time soon comes on; and it is so sweet to hear these dear boys sing the blessing and thanks, and then to watch how heartly they all partake of the food provided. After supper the very little ones go to bed, the bigger ones having a little longer time to play. Shortly before eight the whole household assembles to worship, one of our sweet hymns is sung, then the boys read verse about of a chapter, and after a few words of explanation we all join in prayer.

In the Girls' Home, they are, in their way, quite as happy as the boys. Seated round the fire in the evening, with their kind mother in their midst, they look a happy family. The younger ones have their dolls and toys, while the elder ones work about the house, and do any little plain sewing that they are able for. They have all many pleasant social gatherings during the year. 1st, on the evening of the day of Annual Meeting. 2nd, New-Year's day. 3rd, leave-taking of the children going to Canada. 4th, a day's trip to the coast, when they get dinner and tea, provided by a friend of the Home. 5th, On the return of the friends from Canada who go in charge. 6th, Hallowe'en.

CONCLUSION.

WE feel grateful to God for the amount of work He has permitted us to do for Him in the past year, as well as to His people who have provided the means for carrying it out. The prevention of crime, pauperism, and drunkenness is one of the first duties which should engage the hearts and hands of all Christians, and how to deal with these is a problem which is pressing itself on the attention of all who work for the good of their fellow-men. Very small results are gained by labour amongst the old of the criminal and pauper class, but were the children laid hold of, and trained in a proper way, we might do without the additional wing to the North Prison of Glasgow, which is to cost the rate-payers £47,000 for the accommodation of 100 prisoners. Were a sixth part of this sum spent on the supervision of our street children, by and by the North Prison might be dispensed with. Were the churches of our land to take up the superintendence of the poor in districts, poorhouses might also be dispensed with. We feel thankful that our work in the past years has tended materially to reduce the number of these classes amongst the children, and hope that in the coming year, with God's help, we may be enabled to do more. £10 is the sum needed for outfit and passage money of each child to Canada, and any one giving this sum, or less, will help to rescue a little one, and give it a chance to rise up to be a good and true citizen.

We hope soon to get a site for the building of the Boys' Lodging House and Night Refuge for Homeless Children, &c., and we expect also to get ground soon for the Orphan Cottage Homes. When these are ready we will be able to help a much larger number. We commend these things to the prayerful consideration of our brethren in Christ throughout the country, and ask them with all confidence to pray for us, that the work contemplated, as well as that on hand, may be carried out for the glory of God.

The class of children received into the Homes are, first, orphans; second, the children of poor widows; and third, the children of drunken parents; the age at which they are taken in is from four to fourteen, but when we get the Orphan Cottage Homes erected they will be taken in as young as one year. In all cases they must be destitute and healthy.

Any friend wishing to see me can do so at 22 Gallowgate, at 2 o'clock, p.m.; at other times by private arrangement.

The Homes are open for the inspection of friends any day (Sabbath excepted,) from 10 a.m., till 7 p.m.

Some friends have been kind enough to mention the Homes in their wills; and, that others may do so, I respectfully submit a

FORM OF BEQUEST TO THE ORPHAN HOMES.

"I give to William Quarrier, Glasgow, or such other person or persons as shall, when this legacy shall become payable, be the director or directors of the Orphan Homes, Glasgow, the sum of £::, to be paid out of such part of my personal estate as shall be legally applicable thereto; and to be applied by the said William Quarrier, or such other director or directors, for the purpose of such Orphan Homes; and his or their receipt shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors."

To prevent mistakes and delay, all letters relating to the Homes should be addressed to my house, 15 Dalhousie Street, Glasgow. Cheques and orders to be made payable to William Quarrier. If more convenient, donations can be paid into the City of Glasgow Bank, West End Branch, 174 Argyle Street. Clothing, provisions, &c., to be sent to either Boys' Home, Cessnock House, Govan Road, or to Girls' Home, 93 Renfield Street, Glasgow.

Donors sending money can have it placed to whatever part of the work they name, either for the Orphans, the Mission Work, or the Cottage Homes; or if left to my discretion, will be applied to whichever object is most in need at the time. Friends sending their names and addresses will have their donations acknowledged privately in due course, and all donations will be acknowledged fortnightly in Monday's North British Daily Mail. Friends not seeing their donations acknowledged in these fortnightly statements, will please communicate with me at once.

WM. QUARRIER.

15 Dalhousie Street, Glasgow, 1st November, 1874.

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GOSPEL MEETINGS are held in the Mission Hall, East Græme Street, every SUNDAY, at 7 p.m., and WEDNESDAY, at 8 p.m.

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