

*"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto me."*

A NARRATIVE OF FACTS  
RELATIVE TO WORK DONE FOR CHRIST  
IN CONNECTION WITH THE  
ORPHAN AND DESTITUTE CHILDREN'S  
EMIGRATION HOMES, GLASGOW,  
*FOR FOURTH YEAR ENDING 31st OCTOBER, 1875.*

BY

WILLIAM QUARRIER.

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CESSNOCK HOUSE,  
GOVAN ROAD.

Girls' HOME,  
NEWTSTEAD  
GOVAN ROAD.

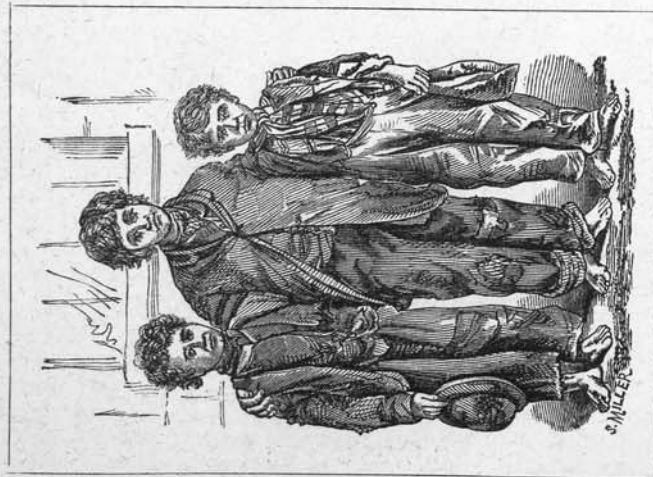


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WORKING BOYS HOME,  
CHILDREN'S NIGHT REFUGE,  
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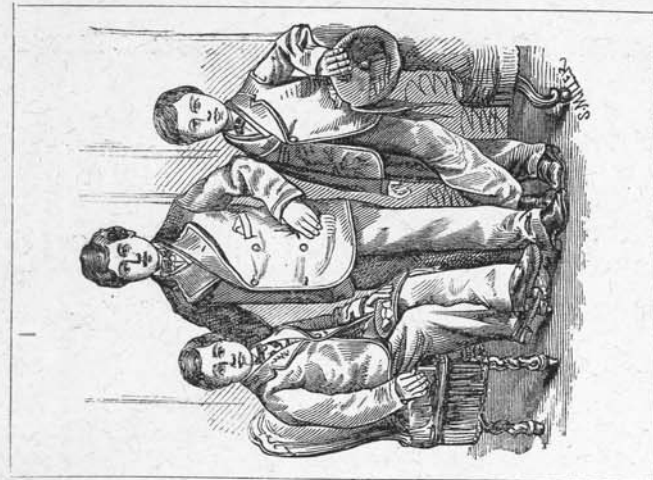
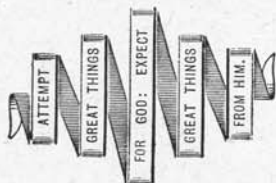
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IN GOOD HOMES, AND DOING WELL.

## Orphan and Destitute Children's Emigration Homes,

GLASGOW.

### NARRATIVE OF FACTS.

1875.

"O BLESS our God, ye people, and make the voice of his praise to be heard; which holdeth our soul in life, and suffereth not our feet to be moved." "Come and hear all ye that fear God, and I will declare what he hath done for my soul. I cried unto him with my mouth, and he was extolled with my tongue. If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me. But verily God hath heard me; he hath attended to the voice of my prayer. Blessed be God, which hath not turned away my prayer, nor his mercy from me." In looking about for something to start with, the language of the Psalmist, quoted above, seems to be most suitable. Like the Psalmist, we have something to praise God for; and like him also, we can truly say, "The Lord hath attended to the voice of our prayer." When we began the year we were like many others, who endeavour to see the end from the beginning; and the more we did so, the more the way seemed difficult and dark; and just then there came to us the sweet promise, "Fear thou not, for I am with thee; be not dismayed, for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee, yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness." "For I thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not, I will help thee." In the strength of these precious promises we have gone forward, realizing day by day that He who promised is faithful.

In December last we arranged with Lord Blantyre for the purchase of ground for the Orphan Cottage Homes, to be paid at May term. Circumstances prevented the missive of sale being drawn up at the time; and when this legal document was presented, there were certain conditions therein named which I could not see my way to accept, without running the risk of bringing my successors into difficulties, so I thought it best to stand on these points. Everything which we could do was done, to endeavour to get Lord Blantyre to give way, but without success. This has been a trial of faith, but we feel satisfied that the Lord wants us to build some other where. Our convictions on this point were strengthened by the facts that Lord Blantyre refused on the 4th

May to give the ground, and then on the day following I met a friend who had invested money for the payment of the ground, and in telling him what had taken place with Lord Blantyre, he said that it was *strange*, and he was glad that the transaction had not been carried out, as the investments he had made had proved a failure, and that he had lost not only that, but much more. When I heard this good man's words, and put matters together, I felt that the Lord's hand was in it, and that we must wait His time of choosing our inheritance for us. We trust that this dear friend's latter end may be like Job's—better than the beginning. In the midst of trial the Lord has been pleased to give us many tokens of His approval of this part of the work, by the number of donations sent in towards the £20,000 needed. The first donation received was on Nov. 11th, from L. Y., Bridge of Allan, £1; a widow's mite, Glasgow, 10s.; 12th, R. A. B., Firstfruits, £10; 23rd, Miss M'C., Rothesay, £1; 27th, Mrs. L., Carlisle, £1. Dec. 1st, J. M. K. B., £1; 2nd, A. D., £10; 7th, M., per Mrs. B., Aberdeen, £10; 9th, J. Y., London, £10; Mr. and Mrs. C., Helensburgh, £10; 11th, J. R., Leghorn, 10s.; D. L., Milton, £3; 12th, from Myrtle Kirn, 10s.; 14th, J. F., Kirkcaldy, £2; Misses H., Dunoon, £2; 15th, C. and M. O., £1; 18th, J. B., Paisley, £10; 22nd, from Cecilia and Edith, £4; Mrs. M'G., £1; 23rd, Mrs. K., £2; J. Y., Wemyss Bay, £200; 25th, S. D., £5; 26th, W. L. & Co., £2; 29th, from Juvenile Missionary Society of John Street U.P. Church, £3; 30th, J. G., £5; St. George's-in-the-Fields Sabbath School, £1; 31st, M'N. & S., £2 2s.; Messrs. M. & K., £10. Jan. 1st, A. P., £1; C. R., Edinburgh, £2 2s.; a thankoffering, J. R., Paisley, £2; 2nd, H. A., £3; Mrs. A., £1; 4th, Mrs. M'N., £1; Mrs. C. S., Melrose, £2; 5th, R. G. J., £100; D. P., Alloa, £20; Mr. T., £1; 6th, Miss F., Anstruther, £4; H. R. M., Irvine, £2; 22 print bedcovers from a few friends, Pollokshields; 7th, C. L., Skipton, £1 11s. 6d.; Mrs. D., Forres, 3s.; from Advanced Female Bible Class, Victoria Place Baptist Church, Paisley, £5 3s. 11d.; G. W., 2s.; 8th, G. T., Colombo, Ceylon, £2; from Rothesay Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, £1 11s.; 9th, from Portland Road Sabbath School, Kilmarnock, £2; a Working Boy's first wages, 6s.; a Friend, £18; Mr. J. A., £10; 14th, W. M., Dunoon, £2; 15th, W. L., Falkirk, 10s.; Miss W., 10s.; D. R., £10; 16th, from a Christian Teacher, £1; 18th, S. H., London, 10s.; A. B. C., Gravesend, £5; 19th, J. M., Edinburgh, in memory of departed little ones, £5; A. T., Govan, £50, "and more to follow;" T. T., £40, with encouraging words; from Garscube Road U.P. Church Sabbath School, £2; J. R., per *N. B. Daily Mail*, £100; 21st, W. B., Paisley, £10; a Country Friend, 2s. 6d.; 26th, a Friend, Stirling, 10s.; B. C. T., Saffron-Walden, 10s.; 30th, Mr. K., £3. Feb. 1st, Mrs. S. M., in memory of a dear child, £1 6s.; 2nd, Mrs. W. K. L., Cannes,

France, £100; Mrs. T., Edinburgh, £1; J. S., Coatbridge, £3; A. A., Langside, £2, with encouraging words; Mrs. G., £1; 3rd, J. G., London, £3; J. P., Tillicoultry, £50; Mrs. A., Portobello, £1; Mrs. A., £1; an Orphan's mite, Helensburgh, 5s.; J. A. B., Paisley, £20; J. M., Carlisle, £10; 4th, Mrs. M'L., Helensburgh, £2; R. L., £5; Mrs. C., Port-Glasgow, £1; Miss L., Bridge of Allan, £1; 5th, a Friend, East Kilbride, £1; 7th, C. A., 10s.; 8th, G. B. L., 2s. 6d.; A. P., £10; 9th, Mrs. G., Auchencairn, £1; from Mary, Tom, and Elizabeth, 10s.; J. B., sen., £1; J. B., jun., 5s.; a Friend, per J. G. & Son, £5; 18th, a Boy in an office, £1; from a Friend in India, per Miss J. B., £5; a Friend, C., £2; Queen's Park Sabbath School, £10; Queen's Park Mission Sabbath School, £6 7s. 8d.; a Friend of the Mission School, £1; L. P., Alloa, £1; M., £200; Mrs. G., sen., Helensburgh, £1; J. R., £2; 11th, part proceeds of Christmas tree, Miss L., £5; a Friend, £50; 12th, J. H., Dundonald, £1; from two Friends, £3; 13th, from a Friend, with best wishes, £1; a Friend, £5; Mrs. G., Bridge of Allan, 10s.; 15th, Mrs. R., £5; Mrs. B., Armadale, £1; from George Street Baptist Church Sabbath School, Paisley, £2 6s. 11d.; 16th, from Rev. J. M.'s Bible Class, Lesmahagow, £2; Miss M. G., Strathaven, £5; from the children of Chapel Street Sabbath School, Hamilton, 14s. 6d.; from Nellie and Peter, 5s. 6d.; J. S., Hamilton, £1; 17th, Miss C. E., Newcastle, by Carlisle, £10; a Friend, Campbeltown, £10; J. M., 5s.; Miss S., £5; Mrs. B., Helensburgh, £1; R. J. B. P., do., 10s.; J. G., Newcastle, 10s.; J. P., 10s.; 19th, W. H., Dundee, £3; 20th, Mrs. H., Stirling, £2; Miss W., £1; 21st, two Female Servants, 10s.; 23rd, J. B., Melrose, £10; M. A., Pollokshields, £1; J. M., £1; R. C., Helensburgh, £1; two Widows, Southport, 4s.; 24th, Miss W., York, £3; M. H., Inchinnan, £10; 25th, M. K., £2 10s.; 26th, Mrs. G., Largs, £2; Mrs. C., do., £1; Miss C., do., £1; J. K., do., 10s.; J. B., do., 5s.; J. G., do., 5s.; M. A., £1; M. M., Helensburgh, 10s.; Mrs. M., do., 5s.; 27th, a Friend, with the words, "May God prosper the work and establish it," £1. In this way donation after donation was sent in throughout the course of the year, and now at its close the sum has reached £2043 2s. 6d. This is a large amount, but we are expecting more.

The work amongst the children has been of a most pleasing and interesting character, and although our trials have been greater this year than in any previous one, yet the Lord has been round about us in our going out and coming in, so much so that for ten months of the year we neither needed to draw from our balance in the bank, nor to lodge to our account for the general fund—money being sent in day by day and week by week just as we needed it, so that we can say we have lacked nothing, and to Him be the praise. The severity of last winter was of the most intense character, so much so that we have not had one like

it for many years: old and young were carried off in these trying days—

“There is a reaper whose name is Death,  
And with his sickle keen,  
He reaps the bearded grain at a breath,  
And the flowers that grow between.”

We have not been exempt from the sickle of the reaper Death, as six of the dear children have been taken from us during the year. On December 21st a dear little fellow of about five years was removed from our midst by dropsy after measles; the doctor said he was a bad subject as he had a delicate constitution. Again on February 15th, Willie M'Neil was called “away home to Jesus.” Many friends who visited the Girls' Home will remember wee Willie; he was nearly three years with us; he was incurable from his birth, at which time his mother died, but he was tenderly nursed by his sister, who was also in the Home; he was a dear little fellow and loved by all. Again, on April 19th, another of the lambs of the fold, a bright little boy aged about four years was taken from us by scarlet fever; the doctor ordered his removal to the Infirmary at once, as we had no place to separate him. The Lord was pleased to stay the disease that none of the others took it. On 20th April, Charles Lucas, aged twelve years, was taken away very suddenly by inflammation of the brain; but we had pleasing evidence that he had given his heart to Jesus, so for him “to die was gain.” Again, on June 5th, another little incurable of five years died of consumption. From the time he came in we did not expect him to get better; he had been in the Infirmary, had no other home to go to, and we took him in as his brother and sister were with us. Our last was dear Willie Scott, who died on September 3rd. He was one of the first boys taken into the Home; all who knew him loved him, and his behaviour was such that his influence for good upon the other boys was incalculable; he passed away to be with Jesus like a sheaf of corn fully ripe. When the carriage came to the door to convey Charles Lucas to his resting place, Willie, who was confined to bed, said to the attendant, “I wish I was going with Charlie,” so much did he wish to get home. But his “mansion” was not ready then; he had to wait a little longer. Willie had a weak back and chest, and would not have been able for manual labour; but a friend who takes an interest in the Home was desirous that he should get a good education, and be sent to college, agreeing to pay all expenses, and to help him in other ways. This generous kindness was highly appreciated by the dear boy. These deaths, although occupying little space in recording, gave much thought and concern; but they have been the means, under God, of making a deep impression on those who are left. They are “yonder,” and we are here to learn the lesson more fully that this is not our rest. Every “pitcher” broken at the well knits our hearts more firmly to

the beloved ones above. The lines of Longfellow are very applicable—

“Let us be patient! These severe afflictions  
Not from the ground arise,  
But oftentimes celestial benedictions  
Assume this dark disguise.

We see but dimly through the mists and vapours,  
Amid these earthly damps;  
What seem to us but sad, funereal tapers,  
May be heaven's distant lamps.

There is no death! What seems so is transition.  
This life of mortal breath  
Is but a suburb of the life Elysian,  
Whose portal we call death.

She is not dead—the child of our affection—  
But gone unto that school  
Where she no longer needs our poor protection,  
And Christ himself doth rule.”

The year commenced with 70 children in the Homes; day after day added to the number, till in the beginning of February we had 94, being the utmost to whom we could give accommodation. From this time we had to refuse case after case, till, by the end of May we had refused more deserving cases than we had in the Homes, thus showing the need of more room, and revealing to our minds that the Lord wants us to make more provision, which we trust He will provide by and by. We are truly grateful to God that we have been enabled to help so many.

A few pages from our history-book will be interesting to our readers. John and James M., ages 8 and 10; father a drunkard, who had deserted them; mother a field-worker in summer, and in winter begging or in the Poor-house, having other two children to keep; all sleeping together, sometimes in barns, on stairs, or night asylum. The rags which these poor boys had on would scarcely hold together, and their physical condition was a fit emblem of the moral. They are now doing well in Canada. James G., an orphan, was sent from Drill Hall, was found sleeping at the kilns. He had no one to care for him, and made a living as best he could; his rags and filth were saddening to look at. He had a lively temperament, and his antics were of no ordinary character; but for some time before he left for Canada the change in his conduct was manifest and decided, and we believe he was a follower of the Lamb. James S., aged 14, an English boy and an orphan. He had travelled the country with his drunken mother singing songs. Afterwards she sold him to a blind fiddler who travelled to Glasgow where James left him and found his way to the Evangelistic Tent in the Green. He had slept in barns, at furnace fires, in casks, and on stairheads. The moral change and thankfulness of this boy were truly gratifying to see; he is now in a good home in Canada and doing well. E. & M. L., orphan girls, with no one to

show them a good example; getting into loose habits. H. W., aged 9, father dead; mother homeless and unable to keep her, has since taken up with bad company, and has never come to see the child, who is now adopted in a good home with Christian friends in Canada. We might go on giving history after history, but the above will show that it is amongst the most destitute class we are working. We have a special liking for this class of little ones, believing that the Lord wishes us to care for them. "Unless the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it," and so we feel in regard to this work, that "It is the Lord who worketh in us to will and to do according to his good pleasure."

Throughout the year there has been a manifest interest in spiritual things amongst the children, both in Girls' and Boys' Homes, and we have reason to believe that many of them have given their hearts to Jesus. Out of a number of letters sent to me in the beginning of the year the following are a few:—

CESSNOCK HOUSE, GOVAN,  
March 23rd, 1875.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I have now been in the Home more than six months, and I am glad to tell you that I am coming on well at my school; and I thank you for taking me into the Home. I am very comfortable in it, and get plenty of good food and I get plenty of good clothes, which I could not get at home. I would like very much to get to Canada this year if the Lord will spare me to the time that the boys are going to Canada. We are to have a soiree on the 1st of April for the boys who repeated the texts for last year; and we had more boys who repeated the texts this year than there was last year. We had a magic lantern on Wednesday, and I liked it very much. The picture I liked best was the Prodigal Son, and I hope that we may see it again before the boys go to Canada for it was very nice. Dear Mr. Quarrier, I am glad to tell you that there are a good many boys who have given their hearts to Jesus along with myself, and we have a meeting every night upstairs. And there are ladies who come up to teach us twice a week. And we are slack with the bunchers, but the splitters are storing up the splits till the boys go to Canada. "Thy word is as a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path" (Psalms cxix. 106).—I am, yours truly,

JOHN W.

CESSNOCK HOUSE, GOVAN ROAD,  
April 19th, 1875.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I write to you these few lines to let you know that I received your letter, and I was very glad to get it. Our lesson in school this forenoon is the widow's son (Luke vii. 11-17). I always go to the Lord when I feel unhappy; I always find that Jesus makes everything right. I received a letter from Miss Watson; she has been unwell for some time, and she was not able to come and teach us, but she hopes to see us all soon again. She is glad that I have given my heart to Jesus. Now I will finish with this text, Psalms xli. 1:—"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble." I was going to finish up, but Mr. Aitcheson said that I should tell you something about our afternoon meeting in his parlour. A great

many of the boys prayed to God for you and for the means for to send the boys out to Canada, and also for the Cottage Homes, and for Charles Lucas that he might get better; but now he is dead and gone to be with Jesus in that bright and better land. I will finish up with this text, "Let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus." I have no more to say.—I remain, yours truly,

JAMES G.

CESSNOCK HOUSE, GOVAN,  
April 30th, 1875.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I take great pleasure in answering your letter that I received on Thursday evening. I am well at present and all the boys in the home. Last Sabbath being the Communion Sabbath we went down to the church in the evening, and it was a very nice sermon. The text was in Rom. vii. 22, "For I delight in the law of God after the inward man." There are a number of boys who have given their hearts to the Saviour. I hope that all the boys will do the same. On Saturday Mr. Aitcheson took 14 of the boys to the Glasgow Cathedral. I was there, and it was very nice—I liked it very much. And after we went through the cathedral we went into the graveyard beside it, and went through most of it. And Mr. Aitcheson says that he will take more boys up this Saturday. Our lesson in school this forenoon is the Widow's Son. "PARTING. Now, let us part in Thy great name, in which we here together came. Help us our few remaining days to live unto our Saviour's praise. Sweet hallelujah let us sing, sweet hallelujah let us sing! Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, amen!"—No more at present, but remains, yours truly,

THOMAS W.

Early in the month of April we began to consider the number of children we would likely be able to send to Canada in June. We thought of 60, although on looking our cash book we found that money had only been received to pay for 26 of this number, leaving 34 still to be provided for, which, at £10 each, required £340 yet to come in for this special object. Our principle is, to send no child who is not specially paid for. As in times past, we took the matter to the Lord, and before the day of sailing, the amount needed was all provided, leading us to praise Him who never fails those who trust and patiently wait on Him. The day fixed for sailing was Tuesday the 15th June. On Monday the 14th, there was a farewell meeting at Cessnock House to commend the children to the care of our Heavenly Father. Miss Macpherson of London, several ministers, and a large number of ladies and gentlemen were present on that occasion. I am sure all present felt it to be a pleasant and refreshing season. On the Sabbath, special prayer was also offered at the Foundry Boys' Meeting in Govan, which the children attend, and also in Mr. Howie's church to which the boys go in the afternoon. This year, as before, friends have been very mindful in giving presents, &c., to the children for the voyage. The friend who provided Bibles for each child in past years did the same this year also, and in addition gave a handsome pocket-knife for each boy, and scissors and thimbles for the girls.

### OUR FOURTH EMIGRANT BAND.

ON Tuesday, the 15th of June, all was bustle and stir. The hour for sailing was eight o'clock P.M. The number of people gathered at the harbour to see the children away was very great, and but for the kindness of Mr. D., who provided an omnibus to take the girls from Renfield Street and the boys from Cessnock to the ship, great difficulty would have been experienced in getting the children into the shed. The arrangements made by the Messrs. Allan were everything that could be desired, and quite equal, if not superior, to former years, a special part of the ship being fitted up for the comfort of the children.

The party consisted of 14 girls and 37 boys, in all 51 from our Homes. We expected to have sent 60, but there were some unwell, and others whose relations were unwilling to let them go. There were also 7 from Mr. Muir's Home, Leith, and 7 from Mrs. Blackie's Home, Edinburgh, making in all 65 children. Mr. Aitchison, Superintendent of the Boys' Home, went in charge of the party; and Miss Macindoe, who gave her services last year, went again in charge of the girls. Also Rev. J. H. Topping went with them to spend his holiday and assist in the work. We felt sorry to part with the little ones, but were reconciled to it by the knowledge that happier homes and better surroundings await them on the other side, and that with God's guidance they will rise up in their new spheres to be blessings to the Church and the world.

The following from *N. B. Daily Mail*, giving an account of the departure of the children, will be interesting.

I ACCEPTED Mr. Quarrier's invitation, and went on Tuesday night to Cessnock House to see the boys and girls start for Canada. The parting religious service had begun. The little girls were ranged in front, some so small and young as to be held on laps; the boys seated behind them—all, so far as dress was concerned, looking more like first cabin passengers than emigrants. Some few women with heads uncovered—old crones and young prematurely-aged faces—skirted the room, and visitors of the better class filled up the background; and the boys, through Mr. Quarrier, then presented a handsome Bible to the matron of Cessnock House and her husband. It was a touching mark of gratitude, for the purchase-money had been made up from the children's little savings of a penny a week—for good conduct, &c. The crowd of wondering, anxious faces which were staring through the open window from the outside, increased as Mr. Quarrier gave the word to start. The boys rose first, and the girls followed them outside, where an omnibus was waiting to convey them to the wharf. The crowd gave three hearty cheers as the boys mounted the roof, to which the lads responded, waving their hats and their handkerchiefs as the 'bus passed the iron gates on to the Govan Road. Last year the air rang with the "farewells"—"God bless you's!" of the onlookers; this time I saw little or any emotion on the faces but that of eager curiosity. Inside the shed they were ranged in squares, each one bearing a bunch of sweet smelling flowers—the last trophy of the old land. Standing about them were the teachers whom they had known, and, I feel assured, had regarded with affection for something like a twelvemonth. There was the kindly face of many a well-known minister; and not a few of our

leading citizens. Ladies came and pressed the hands, and even kissed the cheeks of some whose features bore the marks of the sin of their frail parents. Here and there was the face with streaming eyes of some ill-clad wretched woman who held down the lips of the unconscious little child she carried to kiss the lips of her departing boy or girl. The word to "fall in" is given, and the troop, headed by their teacher and superintendent, march on the deck, the steward carrying a little child bringing up the rear. It was a most simple and touching sight, and yet of all those present the only ones that were really not in the least affected were the children themselves. Why should it be otherwise? Who and what beyond the Homes and those connected with the Homes, which they had known but for a few months, had they to care for? Who cared for them? What long, dark, dismal histories were bound up in their short past? Before I left the vessel we—some of these small outward bounds and I—had some pleasant chats, and I heard some strange and sad stories. One lad was a Londoner; his name was James S.; all he could remember of his young days, he said, was singing songs, bare-footed, with his drunken mother in the streets. They (he and his mother) walked to Sunderland, where his mother, who was always beating him, sold him to be the guide to a blind fiddler, who, in his turn, after walking him to Dundee, and from Dundee to Glasgow, turned him adrift; he had slept in barns, cranes, and casks on the wharf, by furnace fires, on stair heads; not a soul cared whether he lived or died until one of the "Home" workers found him, fourteen months ago, at the "Free Breakfast," and saved him—Heaven alone knows from what crime and sorrow. His mother was dead; he found she had been dead and buried a week before he knew of it. He had travelled (he was but fourteen) on foot, begging, nearly all through the North and the South of the United Kingdom, and the only being who had treated him, not exactly kindly, but like a human creature, was a woman at a Glasgow lodging-house, who lodged him one night for nothing. "You had no friends to see you off?" I asked. "No friend, Sir."

All this time, however, we have left the little ones ranged on the Waldensian, and eager faces are crowding the shore. Now comes the familiar strain again, "Whither pilgrims are you going?" sung by the boys left behind on the shore, and answered by those aboard. The signal to steam out is given; friends hurry across the gangway; a moment and the last plank is withdrawn that divides them from all of their old world and the new. The children sing, "Yes, we may all meet again." Then "Hip, hip, hurrah!" is shouted and returned from thousands of people on the land, who are waving hands, hats, and handkerchiefs. Every ship as we pass returns it, and for a mile at least the shore and nearly every window on the shore is crowded by those who come to look and shout a last farewell. By degrees the groups grow smaller, and at length disappear. When all was quiet I went through the berths of these little ones. They are most comfortably fitted up; the space allotted for work and play is large enough for double the number. As the soft summer twilight merged into the quiet night, passing the girls' berths I looked in for a moment. Every little head was down, but each little voice was joining in singing the hymn—

Through the darkness be Thou near us, keep us safe till morning light.  
Jesus, tender Shepherd, keep us, bless thy little lambs to-night;

They sank to sleep just as the bright lights of Greenock were lighting up the dark fitful night; and with the measured tramp of the watch o'er head—to dream perchance of the dim lights breaking on their dark fitful past and the divine unseen Watcher who tenderly guards us all.

## LITTLE ORPHAN EMIGRANTS' VOYAGE ACROSS THE ATLANTIC.

The following letters, from Miss Macindoe, Mr. Aitcheson, and Rev. J. L. Topping, describing the voyage across the Atlantic, will be interesting.

S.S. Waldensian, River St. Lawrence,  
*July 1, 1875.*

My Dear Mr. Quarrier,—Here we are at last sailing up the wide St. Lawrence, under the blue Canadian sky, and actually in sight of that land of promise. We have had a long and very stormy passage, but the Master, the Pilot, has been with us all the way, and brought us thus far in safety. The waves were mountains high, and the winds right ahead for about six days, and for two we were in the midst of huge icebergs, and saw two fields of ice. The weather being very foggy, and the captain very cautious, we crept slowly along, stopping again and again to take soundings. I do hope you have not been anxious about us. For about four days the children suffered very much from sickness, after which they were as well, happy, and contented as could possibly be expected in the circumstances. The thirteen dear girls and James Murray, from Renfield Street, with the five from Edinburgh, have behaved in a manner most creditable to themselves and gratifying to those in charge. They are the most obedient, obliging, and affectionate children I ever saw. The elder ones are most ready to assist the younger; even the big boys went about leading the little girls, and were always ready to lend me a helping hand. Passengers and crew, one and all, have been exceedingly kind and considerate. Our merry young doctor has been most attentive, and the chief steward doctored, nursed, and waited on the children, and has been quite untiring in his endeavours to make them comfortable and happy. Mr. Topping kept well all the time, and has endeared himself very much to the children by the manner in which he has adapted himself to them. He has played with them, told them funny stories, and talked with them seriously and in a way they will never forget. Many of the passengers and crew seem to appreciate his daily services with the children, and stand listening while they sing their sweet hymns. But I see Mr. Topping has written you a detailed account of our voyage, so I need not weary you with a lengthy epistle.—I am, &c.,  
A. M. MACINDOE.

S.S. Waldensian, *July 1, 1875.*

My dear Mr. Quarrier,—Again, under the guidance of our loving Father, we are coming near our destination, and as in past experience, we can say, "He has been our helper." It is comforting to know while rocking on the billows that God's people are praying for us, and that He who permits the storm steers the vessel. When we commit all things to His hands we need not fear rocks nor storms. Though we are now more than two thousand miles from you, yet you are as vividly before us as when we received the affectionate farewell of yourself and friends who parted with us at Greenock. The night before reaching Belfast Lough, a few of the children were sick; but as the ship remained at anchor for ten hours they soon became all right. A number of ladies and gentlemen came on board from the tender. They expressed great delight at seeing such a happy and healthy band of children, and wished us a pleasant and prosperous voyage. The children enjoyed the scenery

on the Irish coast, and made numerous inquiries about the various places and objects passed. The first nine days from Belfast we had strong head winds, and sometimes a heavy sea, so that at times the ship rolled very much. During the first three or four days the children were all more or less sea-sick. When it passed away their appetites returned with renewed capacity. This we anticipated and were duly prepared. Mr. M'Rae, the chief steward, who has been very kind and attentive, was present at every meal, and saw that the supply was equal to the demand. Between him and Dr. Thomson, who was also very kind, the sick were well cared for; indeed all on board were as kind as could be to our dear little band, who were leaving behind them the land of their birth for a sunnier climate and happier homes. May the Lord answer the many prayers of His people on their behalf! The services of Mr. Topping were of no ordinary kind in speaking to the children and passengers and otherwise. He has such a nice way of putting the gospel—too gentle to give offence, and too earnest not to command attention. The first Sabbath after leaving, the weather and other circumstances prevented a regular service being held. Last Sabbath he preached twice, forenoon in the cabin and afternoon in the steerage. To these services the passengers and crew were invited, and all whose duties permitted were present, and expressed great delight with the services. It has been advantageous to us to have had the company of Miss Macindoe this year also; experience in any circumstance is of great value, but none know so well as those who have had to do with such a number of children on board ship the great advantage of a year's experience. Janet Young has fulfilled her duties in every way with entire satisfaction. It has added much to the comfort of the children to have her with them. They were delighted with seeing so many gigantic icebergs—we trust the delay caused by them and the fog will not be unprofitable. Some of the elder boys said it was worth coming all the way to see such grand old castles of ice. Mr. and Mrs. Halliwell will be pleased to know that the boys don't forget to speak of them. They are often remembered before a throne of grace; and "Mother Dunn" is a name that is often repeated amongst the girls. I am to give you the best wishes of all the band, and to say that as many of them as possible will write you. We have not been disappointed in the uniform good conduct of the whole band. The Edinburgh and Leith children, after the first day or two, felt quite at home with ours. The Messrs. Allan have done everything that could be contrived to add to our comfort. Please excuse brevity, as Mr. Topping is writing you a more lengthened account of the voyage. Hoping you are much better, and praying the Lord to give you more strength day by day to gather in those for whom no man careth.—I am, yours faithfully,  
S. AITCHESON.

S.S. Waldensian, Gulf of St. Lawrence,  
*30th June, 1875.*

My dear Mr. Quarrier,—We are now within four hundred miles of Quebec, and I sit down to write you a few things about the voyage and our precious charge. After you left us at the Tail of the Bank, and when your steamer could no longer be distinguished in the distance, some of the little ones who watched your departure with tearful eyes, feeling our ship in motion, now inquired, "Is the Waldensian going?" When told it was, their faces brightened, one boy giving expression to his feelings with a pitch of his cap far above his head and a loud

"Hurrah! hurrah! we are off to Canada." It seemed more than the mere novelty of a voyage to him. The following morning we lay at anchor in Belfast Lough, where we received an additional number of passengers, accompanied by some ladies and gentlemen, who returned by the steam tender. The latter were much interested on hearing of our party, and expressed a wish to see them. Mr. Aitcheson assembled the children on the main deck, when they sang, "Rescue the perishing," "The ninety and nine," "Safe in the arms of Jesus," "Trust in the life-boat," and on leaving the boys gave them a parting cheer. Once more our ship was on its way with fair wind and fine weather. At 8 p.m. we passed Inistrahull Lighthouse and rock. Now we are out on the Atlantic. The day following (Friday) the weather was thick and hazy, but towards evening it cleared with a high wind, causing the ship to roll rather much for landsmen. Several of the children were sick and unable to be at their meals. On Saturday it continued to blow right ahead, so that the vessel had to contend now not only with a contrary wind but a heavy sea. Sabbath morning the wind blew with unabated strength causing the sea to run very high, yet we had our morning and evening worship with the children, the waves lifting up their voices louder than ours, yet speaking to us in solemn power of Him who said, "Be still, and know that I am God." The children were now free from sea sickness; most had regained their appetites and were able to do justice to the bountiful supply of excellent food provided for them. Many of these dear little boys and girls are most interesting. There is little Jamie M'Vicar, who is seldom seen without his little Testament in hand, occasionally asking some one to read to him; Frank Hope from Leith, who was for days shy and fretful, is now blithe and merry; the Blacks (twins from Edinburgh), who seemed for days inseparable, speaking to none except when spoken to, are now open and frank—they romp and play with the other children without the slightest restraint. And wee Jimmy Murray, on whose face there is a smile for every one, also Robert M'Neil, James Spinks, and the other grown-up boys and girls are ever ready to assist the little ones in any way they can for their comfort and happiness; in short, they are, without exception, the best conducted merriest lot of children it has ever been my privilege to know. Mr. Aitcheson's influence over these boys is marvellous; he never speaks in high tones to them; if anything displeases him he reasons with them tenderly, and yet speaks with such manliness they see that though he is gentle he is not "soft." I am not without good hope that many of them are under the influence of grace. Some have come quietly and asked me to read the Scriptures with them and explain it. On one such occasion I read to them 1 Kings v.—the little captive maid, the blessing God made her in a strange land, among strange people, and what He could and would do with any of them who were willing to witness for Him in the land they were bound for. Sabbath last came to us thick and foggy. The captain, who is one of the most cautious of seamen, spent the night on the bridge. From the temperature of the water on the day previous he knew that we were not far from ice. The mist was so dense it was impossible to see a ship's length ahead, consequently we were going "dead slow." About 5 a.m. an iceberg made its appearance right before our bows. There being now four men at the wheel, it was no sooner seen than "about" went our ship, giving this floating rock a wide berth. Soon after the fog arose like a curtain, and there, under the bright rays of a brilliant sun, lay around and before us a number of gigantic icebergs, some Ailsa

Craig like or Little Cumbraes, with castellated walls, frowning fortresses, monuments in appearance to alabaster or whitest marble adorning the glittering tops and polished sides of these drifting islands of the deep. The air was most bracing; the temperature on deck 39°. To myself it was most beneficial. The grandeur and beauty around so elevating and solemnising, the ocean calm and lovely, seemed to speak of the Sabbath coming when there shall be no more sea. At the captain's request, I held a service in the saloon at 10.30. The chief steward arranged so that all the children and passengers could be present. We were a goodly company, and One I know was present according to His own gracious promise, who made it a hallowed hour to, I trust, all. The thought of the children at home, and the many Christian friends in dear old Scotland who would be bearing us in their hearts at a throne of grace, we thanked God and took courage. In the evening I had another service on the main deck, to which the crew were specially invited, when all, excepting those whose services were required on deck, officers, engineers, firemen, cooks, and stewards were present. The children sung their best, the audience was attentive, and not a few seemed impressed. Many of us felt it was indeed a good and happy day. On Monday morning it was again exceedingly foggy—we were evidently in a thick bank of it. The children were obliged to be kept below and very quiet, as the captain and look-outs had now to depend on their sense of hearing. The captain and chief officer heard the sound of dashing waves. I happened to be looking over the side at the time, and heard distinctly the sound of rolling waves as if breaking upon a beach of sand—it was an iceberg. Immediately the helm was put hard down, and the order given to back away full speed, and once more we were all clear. Monday night the fog returned, and the vessel moved almost none. Yesterday morning the fog horn on Cape Race was heard distinctly, and during the forenoon the weather became bright and beautiful, and there we saw away on our beam Newfoundland. We hope to reach Quebec in about thirty hours or so, and will close this by a single reference to Miss Macindoe, whose attention, care, and interest in the little ones are both kind and constant, they gather round her so affectionately; during the day you would find her reading to little groups; at night seeing them in their berths, and whispering words of love and comfort; in the morning seeing the little ones neat and ready for their repast—her influence on these girls, I am certain, has been most beneficial. Good Janet Young has been a most valuable auxiliary to the staff, what with attending to "the capillary adornment" of the little ones, as some one has called the hair, sewing on buttons, which seemed continually dropping from the boys' clothes where they shouldn't—above all her true Christian example will not be the last forgotten among the many services of this excellent young woman. The doctor has been most kind and attentive, sick and healthy enjoyed his happy and agreeable manner. I would be doing an injustice to Mr. M'Rae the chief steward, did I not mention our indebtedness to him for his unwearied attention to the children; he has been kind in the extreme, and his assistants cheerfully rendered any services required. I can say our passage, though prolonged, has been pleasant and profitable—to our loving God and Father be the praise. Permit me to thank you for the privilege of accompanying this little band so far on their way, and may He who put into your heart and that of those associated with you, "to rescue the perishing and care for the dying," grant you exceedingly above all we ask or think, for His name's sake.—I am, yours faithfully, JOHN H. TOPPING.

The following letter received from Canada regarding the placing out of some of our children will be interesting to friends.

Whitegate Farm, near Lakefield.

My dear Miss Bilbrough,—I suppose you and Mr. Quarrier will like to know the particulars of the home-going of James and Mary Murray. I met them in Peterborough, and found Mr. and Mrs. Hale, at whose house they were staying, greatly delighted with them. I was afraid they would be distressed at parting with Miss M., but they trusted me with a perfect simplicity that was very touching. I telegraphed Rev. Mr. Murray, of Woodville, that we should pass his station, and though he was seven miles away at a Sabbath School pic-nic, he came away at once and met us at the junction, insisting that we should stay all night for the Woodville people to see the little pioneers. And see them they did. It was a real ordeal for the children. People came to see them as if they were little prodigies, and praised Jemmy's dark eyes and noble head, and Mary's intelligence and beautiful singing, but it hardly seemed to affect them. Mary "thought there were more kind folk in Canada than in Glasgow, and that all the folks were kind;" but to every inquiry "Would you not like to stop here?" they replied very simply, "I want to go to the place where my home's to be; I am going to my home." Their broad Scotch was a great joy to the Scotch folk at Woodville. They wanted us sadly to wait another day, but it seemed best to go on. In Beaverton, we went straight to the manse, and when the minister came back from preaching, he kindly drove us over to Angus Grant's. Jemmy had taken a great fancy for Mr. Murray, and asked, "Is that the gentleman that's going to take us?" It was a lovely evening—just sunset, and Lake Simcoe was looking its loveliest as we drove along the shore, Mr. M'Nab making the child supremely happy by trusting the reins to him. Mr. Grant's farm is on the Lake shore—his house, a newly built, pretty stone house. The whole family were in the turnip field; we stopped on the road while the minister brought them to us, and Mr. Grant's quiet delight was worth seeing. He had expected to have to go to Belleville for the children, and was so pleased to have them. We went on to the farm-yard, where the children kept close to me, asking, "Will these pigs touch us?" and then came Mrs. Grant, a sweet, gentle looking woman, who has never had any little ones of her own. She fairly gathered little Mary in her arms and held her close all the while. Mr. Grant never took his eyes off Jim. I told Jim to stand by the gentleman and sing. He sang so sweetly, "In some way or other the Lord will provide," it was nearly too much for the men. Mr. M'Nab's tears were hardly kept back, and Mr. Grant all but sobbed, "He *will* provide. He will my boy." Seeing the little ones so warmly welcomed, it seemed best to leave them in their new home. Mr. M'Nab proposed prayer, and we knelt down together, the little girl still with her new mother's arm round her, while he, in earnest simple words, warm with deep feeling, commended the children to the Father of the fatherless. I had heard little Mary praying that morning, "O Lord, bring us safe to our home, and make the folk kind to us," and I am sure the prayer was heard and answered. Mr. Grant gave me two dollars for the work, which I inclose.—I am, &c.,

S. R. GELDARD.

## MISS MACPHERSON'S DISTRIBUTING HOMES IN CANADA.

LETTERS AND REPORTS.

### RETROSPECT OF THE PAST.

MARCHMONT DISTRIBUTING HOME, BELLEVILLE,

October 21st, 1875.

In reviewing the past in connection with the emigration of Glasgow children we feel that our keynote should be praise and thanksgiving to Him who has so prospered the work of our hands and commanded His blessing to rest upon us; and although we would not overlook the discouragement and partial failure which attend every earthly work, we can thankfully receive them as experiences from which many valuable lessons for the future can be learnt.

There are two evils into which we may very naturally fall—either expecting to find the children infallible and perfect and the homes in which they are placed equally so, or on proving the fallacy of this view to take an opposite one, magnifying the faults of the children and the imperfections of the home, thus arriving at an equally wrong conclusion.

To keep in the centre of these two views—without being elated with constant success nor downcast with occasional failure—is the only way we can wisely and cheerfully persevere in our work. Here I would specially remark from years of experience that *a home, be it ever so homely, is still a home*, and far more fitted to develop the natural character, gifts, and independence of a child than the most elaborate system of training in large institutions. It is on this principle we work—preliminary teaching at home for a year or more; then received into the Canadian Distributing Home, they remain but a few hours or days or weeks until the right home for which earnest prayer has been offered opens up. The child gets quickly identified with the family interests and surroundings, and acquires unconsciously an honest independence of thought and action which it is simply impossible to inculcate in institutions kept up by the State or private charity. Thus much, then, for our principle in recognizing God's order of the family.

On looking over the names of the children, each one personally known to us, various recollections spring up. Many bright hopes are so far fully fulfilled; others again have disappointed us, but some of these are again renewing their early promises—and so it is ever with beings so human and changeable as children.

It would involve much similarity were I to give you shortly the history of each Glasgow child, so I will take fewer instances and give them more in detail.

You will remember well the precocious little boy of five named Alex. Beaton, who said he intended when a man to go and preach the gospel to the Indians. "But would they listen to you?" "Oh, yes; I shall sing my hymn, 'Jesus loves me,' and say my text, 'Come unto Me,' and pray for them, and then they will believe." The Lord opened up for him a kind home near the village of Bethany; they all seemed so attached to the delicate child when I saw him, and lately wrote me the following letter, which is but a sample of many we receive:—

DEAR MISS BILBROUGH,—I write you these few lines to let you know how Alexander Beaton, who is now Alex. Egan, is getting along. He is doing well and growing better than we expected, dear little fellow, and is nearly twice through Part II. of First Book, and you would wonder to hear how he can spell. He had a missionary card last winter, and collected nearly four dols. He is standing by while I write, and says

to tell you he would not take ten hundred dols. and leave his mamma. He is very much attached to us all, and we would be very lonesome without him. It is his delight to get out in the buggy, and he says he will soon be able to drive himself. He often speaks of Mrs. Dunn, Mr. Quarrier, and Mr. and Mrs. Dick, and wishes them to know that he is well. Now, dear Miss Bilbrough, we hope if you are ever near us again you will come and see us.—I remain, yours truly, R. E.

P.S.—Thanks for the books we received some time ago.

Another dear Christian friend writes describing the International Camp Meeting:—"Surely it was an Elim of old, for we did drink from the wells of salvation. It was indeed a rich feast, with our Lord Jesus in our midst. Shut in from the world, it was a delightful and refreshing encampment. Dear little Jennie Carswell's adopted parents had a very large tent on the ground. They are such warm-hearted Christians and so fond of little Jennie. Indeed she was a general pet on the camp ground. I just wish you could have seen her happy little face and heard her sing so sweetly. Her teacher told me she was very clever at learning—if all her scholars were like Jennie it would be a pleasure to teach. I promised to go and visit Jennie soon, and will take Marian with me. Mr. B. said if he had seen them when they first came out he should have taken them both."

A short distance from this lived the two sisters M'Laughlan. But the Lord had need of the youngest, little Bella, and she was transplanted early to the heavenly garden.

Her adopted mother still feels her loss sadly. The little clothes are brought out of the drawer, cried over, folded up again and laid back; flowers are planted on the loved little grave by the side of the mighty St. Lawrence; and loving hearts almost refuse to be comforted.

The following letter gives some details of little Bella's death, and is full of deep sympathy:—

BROCKVILLE, August 1st, 1875.

Dear Miss BILBROUGH,—It is with a sad heart that I sit down to write you these few lines, thinking you would sympathise with us in this hour of affliction. Last Tuesday we buried our little baby girl, seven months old, and this afternoon we buried the little orphan Bella M'Laughlan. She was well last Tuesday, and was here at the baby's funeral. She took sick that night, and died on Saturday morning at one o'clock, of Canadian cholera. Everything was done for her—the best doctor in Brockville attended her. Mrs. Abbott, her mother, spared no pains to save her life. Poor woman, she is heartbroken. I never saw a mother and brothers shed more tears over an own child and sister than they did for Bella. The dear little angel, how happy she left this world! She said she "was going to live with Jesus." I asked her if she would like to get well and strong with Nelly? She said, "No, I want to be with Jesus." It was a sad parting for the little sisters, and it would melt a heart of stone to see her put her arms round Nelly's neck and kiss her for the last time. And her mother also, she was in the greatest hope until the last moment. She had a very large funeral. All the Sabbath School children marched in front of the coffin, carried by six bearers, with white sashes and gloves. She is buried in a beautiful spot, with an iron fence round it. Mrs. Abbott is getting deep mourning for herself and the children. We send love to you. Come and see us when you can, and write soon to us, for we like to hear from the Home very much. Excuse all mistakes, for my nerves are very much disturbed of late.—From your friend, A. D.

Of the party of boys which reached us in July this year I cannot speak too highly. It was touching to hear them sing their first hymn standing near the ruins of the Home which had sheltered so many. "It may not be my way, it may not be thy way, and yet in His own way the Lord will provide." In a short time these boys were quickly placed in good homes, and a few reports of some of them visited by Mr. Thom may be interesting:—

James A—, 12, Glasgow, July, 1875—Placed with William Lake, Portland, Murvale Post Office, in a comfortable house—is happy and contented and giving satisfaction. A real good-natured little fellow, and likely to do well. Is with a farmer, and much thought of.

Robert B—, 9—Has only been a couple of months in his home; seems happy and contented. His "ma" seems fond of him. They live two miles from school, too far for him to walk in winter, but he is to be sent in the spring.

James M—, 10—with Mr. Ballison—a happy little man—on a farm—in a comfortable home, and is contented. Seems so fond of horses and cattle, and takes delight in telling what he knows about them.

Samuel B—, 12—with Mr. Robert Lennox, Melrose Post Office—in a suitable home, not doing very well, but has had only a short trial. Still his master means to persevere with him, and hopes the boy may soon commence to do better.

Mary and James H—With Mr. and Mrs. George Madden, of Newbury—in a comfortable home with kind people, who wish to adopt the girl and bring her up as their own daughter. She seemed perfectly satisfied and so pleased to have her brother in the same house with her. At first they felt a little discouraged, as Jamie was so small of his age and looked dwarfish, but he is such an active, intelligent boy they have quite taken to him, and think he will soon grow bigger.

Joseph M—, 12—with Mr. W. H. Rankin, Glenburnie Post Office—went to his situation in July. Is in a comfortable home with a farmer. Likes the work, and is giving satisfaction. Has Christian privileges. Arrangements—30 dols. for the present year, and four months' schooling.

Thomas W—Placed in a store—has a good home and kind master. He seems to be a steady, active lad, and giving satisfaction; attends church and Sunday school regularly.

James S—Came out in 1874—has a comfortable home with Mr. Rogers, Kingston, and is well cared for. Is sometimes careless about his work. Was afflicted with weak legs and sore feet, but has greatly improved. Went to school last winter; reads in the Third Book. Attends church and Sunday school.

James T—With Mr. Philp, Brewer, Elginsburg—came to Canada July, 1872. Still in his first situation, and continuing to do well. Is growing a fine lad, and becoming very useful. Had no school last winter in Elginsburg, and James was sent to a friend's at some distance to board and go to school. Is a pretty fair scholar; works on a farm.

David L—Mr. Saml. Pridley Pester, Parker P.O., Peel, Ont. A good Christian home. David is much liked, is honest and truthful, but he will never be sufficiently strong for a farmer, as he has a weak leg. He is just now suffering with it and receiving medical advice. David is very desirous of becoming a minister. Attending school.

Thomas C—W. J. Gerrie, Parker, Ontario. A good Christian home, where Thomas is highly thought of. He is very manly, and desires to become a minister.

(These two last cases were picked up begging on the streets.)

And so we could go on multiplying instances of individual children now placed in happy homes and surrounded with loving care.

As far as possible we endeavour to watch over them by visiting in their own homes or by invitations to come and see us, correspondence, occasional presents of books, &c. And in case of change of situation, sickness, or misconduct the Home is ever open to receive them, and fresh efforts are made to help them in well-doing.

Surely this work is one which an angel well might envy. But the Lord in His goodness passes by the angels and entrusts the gathering of gems for His crown to us, His unworthy and often desponding servants.

Praying that we all may more than ever realize the importance of being created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in, believe me yours in the Master's service,

ELLEN AGNES BILBROUGH.

### LETTERS FROM CHILDREN IN CANADA.

HUBBEL FALLS, FITZROY, ONT.,  
May 30th, 1875.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I write you these few lines to let you know that I am in good health, and hoping you are the same, and I hope all the boys in the Home are well. We are hard at work putting in the spring crop. The weather is very warm. I am still in the same place. There is a boy working here that came out with Miss Macpherson in 1871. He is doing well. Him and I are great friends. Andrew Anderson and James McCallum are well. They are still in the same places, and send their love to you and all the boys. James Smith was in three or four places around here. He has gone away, and I don't know where he has gone. He turned out bad, and nobody would keep him. We expect a lot of boys out in June. What will be the name of the ship? I hope Miss White, Miss Bryson, and Mr. Aitcheson are well. Give my love to them. The flies are very bad here. They are all the time biting, and we cannot get peace with them. I hope Willie Scott and Peter Smith are well. I would like to see him out to Canada. I hope Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell are well. Give my love to them, and tell him I will be expecting a letter from him soon. I was sorry to hear that Mossbank was burnt. Kind love to Mr. and Mrs. Hallowil. I would like to know how much boys are in the Home now. I say my prayers every night, and always remember you. I go to church and Sunday school. I will expect a long letter from you soon.—With love to all, I remain, yours obediently,

WILLIAM C—.

PARKER, June 7th, 1875.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I have put off writing to you until I could do it myself. I cannot write much yet, but I want to let you know how I am getting along. I like Canada very well, and have had good health. I have a father and mother, four sisters, and one brother; two sisters at home, and two married and living near. I have been going to school since the 1st of November until about a month ago. My sister teaches the school. I will be going again in the fall. I have been jerking

stumps this spring and attending to the horses and pigs. David Laing has had to go back to the Home with a sore leg, but his master hopes he will be able to come back soon. He and William McVicar went to school with me all this winter. I had a letter from Mr. Aitcheson this winter, and he said perhaps you would come to Canada this summer. I hope you will, so you can see what nice homes us boys have. Please give my love to Mr. Aitcheson, Mr. and Mrs. Halloway, Willie Scott, and all the boys. If you see my father or brother please tell them I got the letter, and will write soon. Dear Mr. Quarrier, I hope you are quite well.—I remain, yours affectionately,

THOMAS C—.

GALT, August 4th, 1875.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I am ashamed of never having written to you before, but the principal reason is because I cannot write well. I did not like Canada when I first came out, but like it very much now, though if I were in another situation I might not like it so well. I am still in my first place over two years, with kind Christian master and mistress, and am very happy. I go to church sometimes twice every Sunday and to Sunday school and prayer meetings. Is Mrs. Dunn still matron at the Glasgow Home? Please give her my love. I often think of her, and hope she is well; she was so kind to me. I have just been getting my picture taken, and so I send one to you. It will help you to remember me, and see what I look like now. I wish, dear Mr. Quarrier, you would spare time to write to me. I should like to hear from you so much after you receive this. I am up at the Home visiting to-day to see the new boys. Good-bye, with grateful love.—I am, yours respectfully,

ELIZA H—.

TECUMSEH, July 27th, 1875.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I write you these few lines to let you know that I am well and that I have got a good home here, and my master is to learn me the house carpentering business, and I am sure that I will like it. I like my mistress very well, because she is very kind to me; anything I want I get it, as if I was one of the family. I was at church and Sunday school the only Sunday that I have been here yet. I now thank you for taking me into the Home and sending me to Canada, as I like to live in Canada much better than in Glasgow. We had a safe passage across the Atlantic, but it was a little stormy for about three days after nine days' sailing. We were 15 days on the water altogether. When within two days' sail of Quebec we saw an iceberg as large as Rothesay Castle. All the rest of the boys and girls were sick, except me, and I was working with the baker on board the ship. After coming to Quebec we were a day and a night in the cars or train coming to Belleville. I stayed there nearly three weeks when I came up here. Annie Campbell is here; she is only seven minutes' walk from me. She is in a good place at a farmer's. Please let Miss Dunn know about Annie C. Kind love to my little brother, and to all the boys and girls in the Home. Kind love to Mr. and Mrs. Halloway, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Quarrier, and to little Frankie. Kind love to Mr. Waddell and my sister Bella. Please write and let me know how my little brother is.—Yours affectionately,

ROBERT M'N—.

## DONATIONS RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR.

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**November 14.**—A. C., 5s; a friend, 9 loaves: from Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, Kilmarnock, per J. G., £6 5s 5d; from Ayrshire, £20; from J. M. T., parcel of clothing; from Children of Queen's Park U.P. Church Govan Colliery Mission School, per R. C., £3 9s; J. N. T., £1; from P. M. M. D., Kirkcaldy, parcel of clothing; R. L., Aberdeen, 2s 6d in stamps; Mrs. W., two parcels of clothing; a Working-Man, 3s; Miss S., parcel of clothing; J. T., 2 bags flour, 2 of bran, and 2 of thirds; Mrs. T., meat; Mrs. M.K., Govan, fish; Mrs. M., Auchterarder, £1; from L. C. M., Helensburgh, parcel of clothing; from J. G. K., 5s; R. H., suit of clothes; Mrs. W., per Mrs. S., 10s for emigration; Mrs. M., per do., 10s for do.; a friend, 1s; 6 pairs of stockings, knitted by an old lady who wished to do something for the children, and who died before they were quite finished; Misses M., Paisley, £1; from Dobbie's Loan Mission School, per W. H., £1; Miss M., £1; Mrs. R., parcel of clothing; from East Campbell Street Young Men's Bible Class, per J. S., jun., 10s; Mrs. H., Bonchurch, £2. The following donations have been sent in for the mission work during last fortnight:—Capt. R. P., Bangalore, £20; W. S., Gourrock, £1 1s; Mrs. M.F., quantity of bread; J. C., 2s 6d. The following sums have been sent in towards the £20,000 for Orphan Cottage Homes:—L. Y., Bridge of Allan, £1; a Widow's mite, 10s; R. A. B., first-fruits, £10.

**November 28.**—A Friend, 2 pairs of knitted stockings; Mrs. M'A., Barbreck, 10s; M. S., 5s; Mrs. J., 3s 6d; a Working Man, 3s; R. J., £1; Collected by J. B., Irvine, 5s and parcel of clothing, &c.; M. N., 5s; Mrs. M., parcel of clothing; J. S., Helensburgh, 10s; Mrs. H., Govan, parcel of clothing; A. F., boiled ham; from an Old Friend, Kilmarnock, £5; Mrs. R., quantity of bread and 13 pairs of stockings; J. C. R., £1; A. L. A., 6 pairs socks; J. J., £1; J. H. N. G., £15, £10 of this for the better education of "Wee Willie;" Two Friends, 10s; Miss W., £2; A. S., £1; Mrs. B., £2, with best wishes; Mrs. M., 10s; from 20 Friends collected by C. A., £3 5s; from 9 Friends, collected by W. S. D., Uddingston, £2 11s 6d; a Friend, 2s 6d; a Friend, P., £1; Mrs. B., £2; from Friends, per A. T., £2; Mrs. F., per W. G., £1; Mrs. G., £5; a Widow, Partick, £1; J. A. B., Paisley, £10, to take a child to Canada; from a Friend, Helensburgh, per Mrs. G. B., £2; Mrs. L., Milton, £1; Mrs. H., 6 petticoats, &c.; W. F., Melbourne, per Mrs. F., £5; a Friend, 6 pairs socks, jackets, &c.; a Friend, Govan, 5s; a Friend, 2s 6d; W. L., 7s 6d; J. H. W. W., £10 to take a child to Canada. For the Mission—Mrs. M.F., bread. The following sums have been sent towards the £20,000 for Orphan Cottage Homes:—Miss M., Rothesay, £1; Mrs. L., Milton, £1.

**December 12.**—Mrs. C., £1; W. N., £3; Two Servants, 5s; E. S. W., parcel of boys' clothing; D. M. S., a jacket; from London Road U.P. Church Sabbath School Association, per G. S., £2; from F., Pollokshields, £1; from two little girls, J. W. and M. S., 3s 9d; J. H. W., barrel of apples; Mrs. J., Largs, £1; J. M. K. B., £2 for emigration; Miss M., 5s; Miss S., Bridge of Allan, per Mrs. M., parcel of underclothing; J. G., Hampstead, £3; Customs, 10s; B. & P., Paisley, 6 boxes pearlina and corn flour; Mrs. O., South-Side, £1; from a Shop-keeper, South-Side, parcel of clothing; a Servant, per Miss C., 2s 6d; from Mrs. M., for the orphans, 10s; Mrs. T., meat; a Working Man, 3s; from Wigtown, £1; Mrs. S., Crosshill, per Miss H., £1; from Grain and Provision Trade Committee, per J. K., £3; for the orphans, in stamps, 2s 6d; Mrs. and Miss S., Bridge of Allan, 5s; Catholic Apostolic Church, per J. G., £5; E. P., Gatehouse, 2s 6d; the Boys and Girls of Springbank Mission School, per J. H., £1 1s 3d; Mrs. A., Edinburgh, £1; Miss J. A., do., £1; J. M., Rothesay, parcel of clothing; Mrs. F., tea bread; Mrs. H., parcel of clothing; J. A., quantity of meat and tea bread; J. J., as a thankoffering, £1; A. N., £1; Mrs. K., parcel of clothing; Mr. and Mrs. C., Helensburgh, £15 for emigration, &c.; Miss C., £1; Mrs. R., tea bread; Mrs. K., do.; Miss C., Dumfries, parcel of

clothing; Mrs. M'J., Galston, parcel of clothing; Miss W.'s Bible Class, East Campbell Street U.P. Church, per J. S. M., 5s; A. M., in stamps, 1s; Mrs. T., meat; H. & D., £1 1s; W. K., cash and diary books. The following donations have been sent in for the Mission:—Miss C., 5s; J. M. K. B., £2; Mrs. G., parcel of clothing; J. B., parcels of tracts and Advisers, &c., and £1; Mrs. M.F., bread; J. H., £5. The following sums have been sent in towards the £20,000 for the Orphan Cottage Homes:—J. M. K. B., £1; A. D., £10; M., per Mrs. B., Aberdeen, £10; J. Y., London, £10; Mr. and Mrs. C., Helensburgh, £10; J. R., Leghorn, per J. W., 10s; D. L., Milton, £3; from Myrtle, Kilm, 10s.

**December 26.**—Johnny's, Jessie's, and Ada's pennies (and sweets for the little orphans), 4s; was omitted last fortnight; Mrs. K., parcel of clothing; four little girls, 2s; J. W., 5s; from C. H., Ayrshire, parcel of clothing, books, &c., R. H., 5s; Mrs. S. M., parcel of clothing; J. S., £1, and parcel of clothing; half of collection on retiring from lecture given by Dr. Wallace in East Campbell Street U.P. Church, per J. S. M., £3 10s; W. M.F. & Co., £2 2s; from L. Largs, parcel of clothing; from Free Church Sabbath School, Crossford, 12s 3d; from John Street U.P. Church Mission School, Burnside, per A. D., £1 14s 7d; a Friend, 5s 5d; A. M., £1; A. S., Barrhead, £1; from the High Church, Kilmarnock, Normal Class (Boys), 10s; a Friend, in stamps, 5s; Mrs. W., parcel of clothing; from a Friend, per R. B. H., £1; from J. R., £10, to take a girl to Canada, being part savings of a deceased daughter, who desired her money to be given for the benefit of poor children; M. U., 2s; J. B., Paisley, £10, for emigration; Mrs. G., £1 10s; Mrs. W. G. C., parcel of clothing; from children of West Parish Church School, Rutherglen, per A. B., £1; R. R., 10s; J. M. T., parcel of clothing; Mrs. T., meat; from Queen Anne Street, Dunfermline, U.P. Church Mission School, per J. D., 15s 6d; from Duke Street U.P. Church Sabbath Morning Bible Class, per R. G., £1; M. H., Annan, £1, for Maggie's new home; W. L., Portobello, 10s; from a Friend, Helensburgh, parcel of clothing; a Working Man, 3s; Mrs. B., 10s and parcel of clothing; R. M'D., £1; Mrs. R., stockings and socks; Mrs. A., quantity of shirts; from an Ayrshire Friend, 5s; J. M., 5s; Christmas offering from six children, Pollokshields, 15s; Mrs. M., Hillhead, 5s and parcel of clothing; Miss K., 5s; Mrs. R., two jackets; Mrs. M'L., Uddingston, parcel of clothing; Mrs. A., Christmas tree toys and decorations; R. K., Manchester, £1 as a Christmas gift; Mr. T., one bag of flour, two of thirds, and one of bran; from M.'s money-box, Brodick, 7s; from M., do., socks, cuffs, &c.; from Cardonald Three-Mile-House Sabbath School, 15s; M. and J. J., per E. J., 10s; a Friend, 2s; little Johnny F.'s saved pennies, 1s 4d; Mrs. T., £1; A. W., 10s; Mrs. F., Manchester, per Mrs. F., £1; Mrs. S., Ibrox, Christmas treat for the boys at Cessnock, and parcel of clothing; from Bluevale Young Women's Bible Class, per B. S., 7s 7d; collected by Mrs. F., Carlisle, 14s 6d. The following donations have been sent in for the Mission:—From a Friend, 10s. Omitted last fortnight—C. C. Stirling, £1; S. H. W., £2. The following sums have been sent in towards the fund for the Orphan Cottage Homes:—J. F., Kirkcaldy, £2; Misses H., Dunoon, per Mrs. I., £2; E. and M. S., £1; J. B., Paisley, £10; from Cecilia and Edith, £4; Mrs. M'G., £1; Mrs. K., £2; J. Y., Wemyss Bay, £200; S. D. & Co., £5.

**January 9.**—W. H., 10s and parcel of clothing, omitted last fortnight; from a Widow Lady, 10s and 7 pairs of stockings; a Friend, 10s and parcel of books; Major R., Aberdeen, £1; R. W., 10s; F. B. J., 10s; from Elgin Place Mission School, Cowcaddens, per Mr. M'C., 11s 5d; Mrs. P., £2; Miss R., Dunoon, £1; a mite from P. C., 5s; a Friend, £5 (who wished it acknowledged in *Mail* of 30th ult.); from Duke Street U.P. Church Sabbath School, £2 4s; Mrs. S., Uddingston, £1; Kilm U.P. Church Sabbath School, as a New Year's offering, £1; Mrs. S., 1 kit butter, 12 currant loaves, and box of clothing; T. L., London, £1; M. Y., 10s 6d; D. J., £1; Miss B., Aberdeen, £2 2s 6d; Miss S., do., 2s 6d; H. C., do., 3s; Miss N., do., 2s 6d; Miss M., do., 2s 6d; Mrs. A., do., 2s 6d; Mrs. B., do., 2s; A. D., do., 6d; A. T., do., 1s; Mrs. D., do., 1s; Mrs. L., Devonshire, £1. The above sums from Aberdeen and Devonshire were collected by Mrs. B., being second part of £10 to take a girl to Canada; Mrs. T., roast beef, &c., for our 90 children for New-year's-day dinner; A. M., 10s; R. and A. B., box of biscuits for girls; J. D. B., £5 for emigration; a Friend, 5 pinafores; Miss B., a cake; Miss H., 2 buns; collected by Miss C. M., per Miss T., Moffat, £2 19s; from R. and A. B., box of biscuits for boys; Mrs. R. S., Govan, parcel of clothing; from Free St. Clement's Sabbath School, Aberdeen, collected during Dec., per A. L., £1; collected by Miss M'L., Edinburgh, 9s; C. J. W., saved pennies, 1s 6d, and cravats,

books, &c.; a Friend, a book; Mrs S., quantity of sweets and oranges; a New-year offering, £1; W. G., 2s 6d; R. R., £2; Mrs C., Renfrew, 5s; from Helensburgh Congregational Church Sabbath School, per J. M., 16s 4d; a Friend, 1s; a mite from A., 2s 6d; from Crosslee Sabbath School, per J. M., 8s 5d; a mite, 1s; a New-year's gift from the five S.'s, with best wishes, £1; a Young Friend, 5s; saved by young people not taking sugar in tea, 15s; Miss C. R. Whithorn, per Miss M., 5s; Mrs R., £1; Mrs P., 15s; children per Mrs P., 7s; R. C., Alloa, £1; Mrs M., £1; from D. M.G.'s Female Bible Class, R.P. Church, Cumberland Street, £1; J. H., four tins of meat; R. L., Aberdeen, 2s 6d; W. W., Renfrew, 10s; M. T. C., Largs, 2s 6d; from C. D., Helensburgh, six pairs stockings; T. F. R., Paisley, 5s; from a few Friends, Pollokshields, per Miss M.C., 29 petticoats, 4 bed covers, cloth for dresses, &c.; collected by Miss W., Dunoon, per R. B., £18s; Wee Willie, and his two sisters, sweetie money, Paisley, per R. B., 6s; Mrs H., £1; a Working Man, 3s; Mrs F., basket of oranges; Mrs A., fruit; Mrs T., meat. The following donations have been sent in for the Missions:—Mrs L., Milton, £1; A. P., £1; Mrs A., for poor widows, £1; R. B., South Wales, 15s; W. J. S., £3 3s; J. B., 10s; Miss K., £1 10s; Mrs K., £5; Mrs M.F., quantity of bread. The following donations have been sent in towards the Building Fund for Orphan Cottage Homes:—W. L. & Co., £2; from Juvenile Missionary Society of John Street U.P. Church, per A. D., £3; J. G., £5; St. George's-in-the-Fields Sabbath School, per R. M., £13; Messrs M.N. & S., £2 2s; Messrs M. & K., £10; A. P., £1; C. R., Edinburgh, £2 2s; a thankoffering, J. R., Paisley, £2; H. R., £3; Mrs A., £1; Mrs M.N., per A. R., £1; Mrs C. S., Melrose, £2; R. G. S., £100; D. P., Alloa, £20; Mr T., Hogganfield, £1; Miss F., by Anstruther, £1; H. R. M., Irvine, £2; a few Friends, Pollokshields, per Miss M.C., 22 bedcovers; C. L., Skipton, £1 11s 6d; Mrs D., Forres, 3s; from Advanced Female Bible Class, Baptist Church, Victoria Place, Paisley, per A. C., £5 3s 11d; G. W., Paisley, 2s; G. T., Colombo, Ceylon, £2; from the Rothesay Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per A. H., £1 11s.

January 22.—J. J. & Co., £3; A. B., Dundonald, Ayrshire, 5 pairs stockings; from Free St. Andrew's Congregational Female Class, per J. S. N. and R. M., 10s; Mrs W., Rugby, £2; the Widow's mite, 5s; Mrs I., £1; Macleod Parish Church Sabbath School Society, per Mr J., £2 15s 6d; contributions from Rev. J. Lyon's Class, Broughty Ferry, 16s; H. B., £10, to take a child to Canada; from the children and young people of the church and Sabbath schools in connection with Anderson U.P. Church, per P. H. A., £5—this donation should have been acknowledged in Dec. 1873; Miss L., parcel of clothing; Mrs G., Paisley, six boys' vests; J. M., a thankoffering, 5s; V. S., Melrose, £1; J. W., Bellingham, 10s, and large parcel of new clothing; a Friend, parcel of girls' hats; Misses F., 10s; W. L., Falkirk, 10s; from a fellow-believer, £1; from Pollokshaws U.P. Church Sabbath School, per J. W. C., £6; Scholars of East Campbell Street Sabbath School (Rev. Dr. Wallace's), £1; Mr P.'s Bible Class, do., per J. S. M., 5s; Mrs G., Manchester, 5s; from Sabbath School meeting at two o'clock in Great Western Hall, Bridgeton, per A. W., 15s; D. M., Manchester, 5s; R. & R.'s money-box, per R. N., 5s; a Friend, per A. Q., 2s 6d; Mrs C. A., Edinburgh, 10s; L. J. C. M., parcel of clothing; M. M., Largs, 5s; Two Boys, Hamilton, 1s 3d; J. G. P., do., 5s; from L. M. C.'s Bible Class, 2s; W. M., 10s; a Working Man, 3s; J. T., 6 bags bran and 2 of thirds; Mrs B., parcel of new clothing; from Free St. Peter's Sabbath Schools, £1; a Friend, parcel of clothing; a Friend, Port-Glasgow, 8s; Mrs M.C., Stranraer, per Miss M., 6s; J. C., per Mr M.G., 7s 6d; from Children's Missionary Box, Crosshill, per Mrs H., 5s; Mrs M., £2; E. J., piece of cloth; saved pennies from the Girls in the Home, 4s 2d; D. L., Pollokshaws, large crate of crockery; J. G., £2; Mrs T., meat. The following donations have been sent in for Mission work:—A. P., £1; a mite from Teray, Bristol, 2s 6d. The following donations have been sent in towards the fund for Orphan Cottage Homes:—Portland Road Sabbath School, Kilmarnock, per G. F. J., £2; a Working Boy's First Wages, 6s (this young friend has obeyed the injunction, "Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase"); a Friend, £18; part proceeds of admission to Royal Polytechnic Warehouse during holidays, per J. A., £10; W. M., Dunoon, £2; W. L., Falkirk, 10s; Mrs W., 10s; D. R., £10; from a Christian Teacher, £1; S. H., London, 10s; A. B. C., Gravesend, £5; J. M., Edinburgh, in memory of departed little ones, £5; A. T., Govan, £50, and "more to follow," T. T., £40, with encouraging words; from Garscube Road U.P. Church Sabbath School, £2; J. R. per *N. B. Daily Mail*, £100; W. B., Paisley, £10; a Country Friend, 2s 6d.

February 6.—A. C., Paisley, large rocking horse; Mrs H., £1; D. M. S., £2 10s for emigration; East Bay Mission School, Gourrock, per J. F., 8s; J. M. T. W., Gourrock, £1; Mr A. H., Rochdale, 5s; from the Young Ladies of Claremont Terrace, per Miss N., £10 1s, to keep a child for a year; Mrs H., parcel of clothing; Mrs H., 3 pairs socks; Mrs B., 3 pairs socks; Mrs B., parcel of clothing; Mrs B., Aberdeen, £1; Miss S., Aberdeen, 2s 6d; Miss S., Aberdeen, 6s; Mrs M., Aberdeen, £1; Mrs B., Aberdeen, £1 1s 9d; C. S., Aberdeen, 1s; H. L., Aberdeen, 1s; J. T., Aberdeen, 2s; Mrs A., Tillyfour, 2s 6d; S. M.C., Tillyfour, 5s; Mr A., Tillyfour, 5s; Mrs M.C., Tillyfour, 2s; H. M.D., Tillyfour, 1s; M. H., Tillyfour, 6d; M. A., Wellhouse, 5s; Mrs M. Tough, 2s 6d; Mrs A.'s Sabbath Class, Tillyfour, 2s 3d. The above sums from Aberdeen and Tillyfour were collected by Mrs A. and Mrs B., being part of £10 to take a child to Canada. Mrs B., parcel of clothing, boots, &c.; a Friend, 10s; a Friend, 2s 6d; a Friend, 12 pairs stockings; Mrs H., 6 petticoats; a Missionary's Widow, 10s; J. J., 10s; Mrs R., 12 pairs stockings; Mr S., 5s; Mrs R. M., per Mrs M.R., 5s; C. M., per Mrs M.R., 2s 6d; from Bluevale Sabbath School, per R. S., £2 1s 10d; Free St. Luke's Sabbath School, per J. P., £1 7s 8d; J. T., 10s; Mrs M., £10 for emigration; from Mrs M.G.'s Bible Class, Govan, £2; Free Church Sabbath Schools, Port-Glasgow, per R. B. H., 10s; J. D., £1; Mrs G., £1; a Friend, parcel of clothing; Mrs G., Bothwell, £1; a free will offering of first fruits, £1; Mrs T., meat; Three Little Brothers, Langside, 10s; for the orphans in streets, 1s. The following donations have been sent in during last fortnight for the Mission work:—Mrs M., £5; a Friend, £1, with the words, "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength;" Mrs M.F., bread. The following sums have been sent in during last fortnight for the Orphan Cottage Homes of Scotland:—A Friend, Stirling, 10s; B. C. T., Saffron Walden, 10s; Mr K., £3; Mrs S. M., £1 6s, "in memory of a dear child;" Mrs W. K. L., Cannes, £100; Mrs F. W. L. T., Edinburgh, £1; J. S., Coatbridge, £3; A. A., Langside, £2, with the words, "Have faith in God, and in His time and way the money will come;" Mrs C., per J. H. N. G., £1; J. G., London, £3; J. P., Tillicoultry, £50; Mrs M., £10; Mrs A., Portobello, £1; Mrs A., £1; an Orphan's Mite, Helensburgh, 5s; J. A. B., Paisley, £20; J. M., Carlisle, £10; Mrs W. M.L., Helensburgh, £2; R. L., £5; Mrs C., Port-Glasgow, £1; Miss L., Bridge of Allan, £1; Mrs M.K., East Kilbride, £1.

February 20.—A Working Man, 4s 6d; W. M., Perthshire, £20; a Mite for the Orphans, B. G., Dunblane, £1; from Free Church Sabbath School, Auchterless, 7s 6d; from Wigtown, £1; Mrs W., Leith, parcel of clothing, per M. B. M.; a Friend, parcel of clothing; Miss V., Crossford, £1; J. T. M., per J. S., 2s 6d; Mrs C., Busby, £2; Mrs W., Reading, per M. W., £2 2s; Mrs M. S., Galashiels, 2s 6d; from Sabbath School Children, E.U. Church, Galashiels, £1; from a Friend, with best wishes, 5s; from Dunfermline Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per A. J., jun., £2 6s; Mrs B., 2 parcels books and clothing; collected by L. B., 2s 4d; from Willie's Missionary Box, Dunoon, 3s; Miss A. G., Strathaven, £2 10s for emigration; a Working Man, 3s; H. S. P., per A. T., £2 14s; from Jessie and James, 6s to help to buy food and clothes; from Ferniegair Sabbath School, per Mr F., £1; from J. B., Irvine, 10s and parcel of clothing; a Birth-day Gift from E. A., £3; Miss M., per Mrs S., Gourrock, 10s; Mrs L., parcel of clothing. The following donations have been sent in towards the Mission work:—C. Y., Morpeth, 5s; a Friend, per G. G. & Son, 10s; Mrs F., Walthamstow, Essex, £1; H. M., Grangemouth, £1; A. S., £5; Mrs M.F., bread; Mrs M., Airdrie, £1; Mrs W., per Mrs S., Gourrock, 10s. The following sums have been sent in during last fortnight for the Orphan Cottage Homes of Scotland:—C. A., 10s; G. B. L., 2s 6d; A. P., £10; J. C., per Mrs G., Auchenairst, £1; from Mary, Tom, and Elizabeth, 10s; J. B., sen., £1; J. B., jun., 5s; a Friend, per G. G. & Son, £5; a Boy in an Office, £1; from a Friend in Irvine, per J. B., £5; a Friend C., £2; Queen's Park Sabbath School, per J. M.G., £10; Queen's Park Mission Sabbath School, per R. N., £6 7s 8d; a Friend of the Mission School, per R. N., £1; F. P., Alloa, £1; M., £200; Mrs G., sen., per R. J. B. P., Helensburgh, £1; J. R., per R. J. B. P., Helensburgh, £2; part proceeds of a Christmas Tree, per Miss L., £5; a Friend, £50; J. H., Dundonald, a Mite for the Cottage Homes, £1; from Two Friends, £3; from a Friend, with best wishes, £1; a Friend, £5; Mrs G., Bridge of Allan, 10s; Mrs R., £5; Mrs B., Armadale, £1; from George Street Baptist Church Sabbath School, Paisley, £2 6s 11d; from Rev. J. M.'s Bible Class, Lesmahagow, £2; Miss M. G., Strathaven, £5; from the Children of Chapel Street U.P. Church Sabbath School, Hamilton, 14s 6d; from Nellie and Peter, 5s 6d; J. S., £1; Miss C. E.

Newcastle, £10; a Friend, Campbeltown, £10; J. M., 5s; Miss S., £5; Mrs B., Helensburgh, per R. J. B. P., £1; R. J. B. P., 10s; J. G., Newcastle, per do., 10s; J. P., 10s; W. H., Dundee, per C. A., £3.

**March 6.**—Miss L. N., London, "In Memoriam," 10s; from S., Govan, 1s; Dura Street Sabbath School, Dundee, per G. M., 5s; J. T., 10s; Sabbath Schools in connection with Free St. Mary's, Govan and Fairfield, £2 2s 3½d; Mrs T., meat; Adelphi Bible Class, 10s; J. B., Melrose, £10, to take a boy to Canada; S. S., Southport, 10s, for emigration; Mrs R., parcel of boots; G. L., Aberdeen, a thankoffering, 5s; Mr G., do., a thankoffering, 5s; A. B., do., £1; Mrs H. R., do., 10s; Mrs G., do., 5s; Miss R., do., 2s 6d; Mrs F., per Miss R., do., 2s 6d; G. B., do., £2; Miss B., do., 6s; H. C., do., 1s 6d; Mrs B., do., 2s 6d. The above sums from Aberdeen were collected by Mrs B., being balance of £10 to take a girl to Canada; Mrs F., bread; "from an Orphan whom her Heavenly Father has never suffered to want raiment convenient for her," parcel of new clothing; a few Christian Friends, per W. K., 14s; Miss P., per M. S., £1; fines imposed at breakfast table, per M. E. H., 12s; from Free St. Enoch's Sabbath School, £1 10s 6d; G. B., Stracathro, 5s; J. N. A., Tighnabruach, 2s 6d; Mrs K., parcel of clothes; J. T., 6 bags bran and 3 of thirds; a Friend, 5s 6d; W. C., Paisley, £2; from S., 1s; from John Street U.P. Church Mission School, Burnside Street, £2; from Free St. James' Sabbath Schools, per J. H., £3 1s 6½d; collected by E. M. F. K., £5 6s, to help to take a poor child to Canada; Mrs L. and C. S., Montrose, 10s; Falkirk Working Boys' Society, for 1874, 16s, and for 1875, 16s, in all £1 12s; collected at Sabbath School, Alloa, per A. F. P., 15s 9d; from Maitland Street U.P. Mission Sabbath School, per J. M'C., 16s 5d; a Working Man, 3s; Miss E., £1; from Annie and Robert, 10s; A. M., a pair of live turkeys; a Friend, Dollar, in stamps 10s. The following donations have been sent in during last fortnight for the Mission:—Miss M. A. H., Rochdale, 5s; S. T., Renton, £5; A. F. P., Naples, £5; Mrs M'F., bread; a Friend, 10s. The following sums have been sent in for the Orphan Cottage Homes.—Mrs H., Stirling, £2; Miss W., £1; Two Servant Girls, 10s; J. B., Melrose, £10; M. A., Pollokshields, £1; J. M., £1; R. C., Helensburgh, £1; Two Widows, Southport, per J. S., 4s; Miss W., York, £3; M. H., Inchinnan, £10; M. K., £2 10s; Mrs G., Largs, £2; Mrs C., do., £1; Miss C., do., £1; J. K., 10s; J. B., 5s; J. G., 5s; M. A., £1; M. M., Helensburgh, per R. P., 10s; Mrs M., do., 5s; a Friend, £1, with the words, "May God prosper the work and establish it;" collected by Miss H. B., Cork, £1; from B., 10s; T. G., 10s; Mrs J. S., Helensburgh, £1; from Wigtown, £1; from Port-Glasgow Foundry Boys' Religious Society, per R. M. L., £3; S. T., Renton, £20; A. F. P., Naples, £5; from Stonelaw Sabbath School, Rutherglen, per W. S., £2.

**March 20.**—Mrs W. S., Rothesay, per R. B. H., Port-Glasgow, £1 10s; from Downhill U. P. Church Sabbath School, per G. A., £4 7s 6d; E. M'A., Singapore, £5, for emigration; W. M., Mintlaw, Aberdeenshire, per Miss R., with best wishes, £1; from Stockwell Free Church Sabbath School, per W. J., £2; from Free Church Sabbath School, Dundonald, £1 14s 6d; G. W., per A. C., Paisley, 3s; A. P., per do., 1s 6d; a Friend, Dartmouth, 5s; Mrs M., 10s; from a Friend, 2s 6d; W. M., 10s, for bread and butter; from Treasurer of Pollok Street U.P. Church Missionary Association, £1; a Friend, eight pair socks; Free St. Mary's forenoon meeting, Govan, for February, per J. S., £1 10s 8d; M. & Co., Kettering, £5, for emigration; Mrs D., Aberdeen, 2s; Messrs A., quantity of bread; Miss B., Hamilton, three pairs stockings; from Miss M.'s Working Class for Girls, 16s; Mrs D. W., Rugby, parcel of clothing, &c.; I. T. I., parcel of clothing; General M., per Dr D., £1; D. R., Leith, Canada, £10, to take a destitute child to Canada; from Laurieston Sabbath School, per W. R., £3; Mrs M., parcel of clothing; a Friend, parcel of clothing; Mrs T., meat; S. C., Sheffield, £5 for emigration; W. A., per A. C., Paisley, £1; Mrs R., parcel of stockings, &c. The following donations have been sent in towards the Mission during the last fortnight:—A Friend, per J. W., £1; J. J., £1; Mrs M'F., quantity of bread; W. G., £1; Mrs M'F., quantity of bread. The following sums have been sent in for the Orphan Cottage Homes:—Mrs J. C., Ibrox, £1; Misses C. S., Dunse, £1; A. S., Carlisle, 5s; S. L. G., per J. G., £1; from a Friend, £1; a Friend, Cathcart, £1; J. M., £2; W. C. M. W., £1; R. W. H., £5; Miss W., Brechin, 5s; from one who desires to leave the world better than he found it, £50 (being part discount from business accounts during last 12 months). There has been sent in during last fortnight, £63, towards the £6000 needed at May term for the payment of the ground for the Orphan Cottage Homes.

**April 3.**—From Basuto Children, Africa, for Scotch Children, per L. H., 10s; R. P., Perth, £5; from a Regular Donor, 2s 6d; a Working Man, 3s; J. M., £5; from Juvenile Missionary Society, per H. T., Helensburgh, £2 5s; R., £5 for emigration; from a Little Boy, for food for poor children, 6d; Mrs C. B. A., parcel of clothing; a Friend, 5s; from a Regular Donor, 2s 6d; Free St. David's Sabbath School, £1 4s 3d; Mr M'M., £1; from E. M'D., Kirm, stockings; M. W., £3 for emigration; Miss A., Hamilton, per Mr F., £1; A. J. Shawlands, a five dollar Canadian note, for emigration; proceeds of Bazaar held at Ibrox Terrace by five Little Girls, for emigration, £7 4s 2d; a Friend, parcel of clothing; Mr S., Shetland, 10s; a Friend, parcel of clothing; proceeds of a Bazaar held by Miss Hunt's pupils, at Middleton Terrace, Paisley Road, £27 10s 6d, for emigration; Miss L., parcel of clothes, &c.; A Friend, 3 shirts and 3 pairs stockings, a mite towards the 200 of each wanted for outfits; J. T., 6 bags bran, 8 of thirds, and 1 of wheat; W. H., 6 loaves; a Thankoffering, £1, per Mrs B., Langside; A small tribute of gratitude for their own happy homes, from Children at School, per Mrs B., 15s; from a Little Boy, 5s 3½d for pencil sketches, per do.; M. W. L., £1 for emigration; R. M., £3 for emigration, Mrs S., parcel of clothes; Mrs S., Helensburgh, 10s; Mrs S., Mission Box, 7s; Mrs T., meat; from Hutchesontown Free Church Sabbath School, per A. T. D., £1; Miss N., parcel of underclothing, &c. The following sums have been sent in for the Orphan Cottage Homes during the last fortnight:—Collected by Master J. B. W., Bannockburn, £1; Miss S., per J. M., £1; B. H., Troon, £2; Gen. M., per Dr D., 10s; Proceeds of sale of a lace handkerchief, worked by Mrs B., Aberdeen, £2 10s; Mr S., Shetland, 10s; G. S., Govan, £1; Mr B., Edinburgh, £1; Queen's Park Free Church School, per J. K. M., £1 11s 6d; from G., Helensburgh, 10s, being value for empties sold during quarter.

**April 17.**—A Regular Donor, 2s 6d; a Friend, Hamilton, 10s, as a Thank-offering for restoration to health, per J. G. P.; J. B., North Sunderland, £1 5s; seven pairs stockings, knitted by a Lady for the Orphan Children, and found in a drawer after her death; Mrs T., 18 pairs stockings; Mrs G., £1; W. N. M. F., £2, in half notes; D. S., £2 10s for emigration; Rev. Mr C.'s Bible Class, Helensburgh, £1; from Three Boys, Helensburgh, 5s; D. M., £1 for emigration; Mrs B., Aberdeen, 15 pairs stockings; Bible Class in connection with U.P. Church, Renfield Street (Rev. J. G. Scott's), £6 10s; Mrs S., parcel of girls' clothing; J. A., quantity of tea, bread, and meat; Mrs T., meat; Mr B.'s Bible Class, in connection with Sidney Place U.P. Church, £2 2s; Mrs W., £1; a Friend, 2s 6d; a Regular Donor, 2s 6d; Gibson Street Evening Sabbath School in connection with Sidney Place, 10s; Mid-Day Adult Class in connection with do., 15s; Brickfield Open Forenoon Meeting in connection with do., 10s; Brickfield Open Evening School, 12s—in all £2 7s, per D. R., for emigration; Crieff Boys and Girls' Religious Society, per R. M., 17s 1d; W. C., £10 to take a child to Canada; K. M'L., parcel of "Messengers," from the Teachers and Scholars of the East U.P. Church Christian Work Society, Strathaven, per M. S., 18s 6d; J. P. T., Orkney, £1; Ibrox U.P. Church Congregational Sabbath School, per W. B., £2 13s 4d; W. H., £10 to take a boy to Canada; H. W. R., 5s; H. R., sen., Edinburgh, £10 to take a child to Canada; W. T., £2 for emigration; W. D., per do., £1 for emigration; M. C. T., per do., £1 for emigration; a Friend, parcel of clothing, books, &c.; from Hope Street Baptist Church Soiree, quantity of tea bread; two pairs stockings knitted by two little girls; Mrs T., Jedburgh, 7s; Miss C., 10 pairs socks for outfits. In last fortnight's donations "a Mite towards the 200 shirts and stockings wanted for outfits," should have been three shirts, six pairs stockings, one petticoat, and one woollen cravat. The following donations have been sent in for the Orphan Cottage Homes during last fortnight:—Mrs C. K., Ayr, £50; M. C. R.'s counter-box, Helensburgh, per R. B., £1; Two Ladies, £2; H. J. M., first fruits, £1; W. C., £5; an Orphan's Mite, Helensburgh, 5s; Mrs D., 5s; L., 2s 6d. The following have been sent in for the Mission during the last fortnight:—Mrs M'F., quantity of bread; W. C., £5; Miss J. M., Carlisle, per W. J. S., £5; from the Master's Treasury, H. M., Grangemouth, £2.

**May 1.**—From Augustine Free Church Singing Class, per J. W., £1 19s 6d; from Candlish Memorial Free Church Sabbath School, £1 3s 8½d, per J. W.; a mite from Rothesay, 10s; Mrs C. B. A., six shirts; a Friend, 5s; J. N. T., £1, for emigration; from a few Young Friends, 10s; from a Regular Donor, 2s 6d; a Working Man, 4s 6d; from T. T., £5 18s, for emigration, being money paid to him by an honest man who failed in business some years ago, and now pays his creditors in full; from D. C., Govan, 5s; from Workers in Neilson,

Shaw, & Macgregor's, per Miss F., 15s; J. N. T., £1, for emigration; C. H. Dundonald, parcel of clothing; collected by C. B. N.; a Little Boy, £1 15s; Mrs C., Helensburgh, quantity of clothing, boots, &c.; from Park Free Church Territorial Sabbath School, Helensburgh, 12s 2½d; from a Friend, nine dozen half loaves; Mrs T., meat; from Kelvinside Free Church Sabbath School, per D. S. R., £2 8s; Miss U., 2s; W. M., 10s, for bread and butter; from Y. Z. London, £30 15s 6d, for emigration; Mrs J., Lanark, 5s; collected by Miss M., Campbeltown, £8 18s 6d, for emigration; Mrs K., two crochet petticoats; a Friend, 18 loaves; J. R. J., books; J. M., six chemises; Miss G., parcel of clothes; Mrs M., shirting; Mrs S., parcel of boys' clothing; Mr B., parcel of nuts; a Friend, quantity of bread; Mrs H., parcel of clothing; Mrs D., parcel of clothing; Mrs T., meat; Capt. and Mrs L., Serampore, £5, for emigration. The following donations have been sent in for the Mission:—Mrs M'F., quantity of bread; Mrs J. B., Largs, 5s; Mrs J. C., do., 5s; Mrs A. J., do., 5s; M. B., do., 5s; R. L., Aberdeen, 2s 6d; from a Friend, in receipt stamps, for night refuge, 2s; a Friend, Hamilton, 10s. The following sums have been sent in towards the Orphan Cottage Homes:—From Wigtown, £1; a Friend, £1; W. N. R., Helensburgh, £2; Mrs C., £1; a Friend, East Kilbride, £10; J. B., jun., 5s; E. J., £20; Two Ladies, per Miss T., £1; from Two Friends, M. and C., £3; a Friend, £1.

May 15.—From Camlachie Mission Sabbath School, per W. L., 10s; a Regular Donor, 2s 6d; a Friend, per M. W., 10s; Savings of a Little, Girl, &c., per Miss A. T., Cheltenham, 10s; from Mrs and Miss W., St. Bees, per C. A., 15s; Sabbath Class, Innellan, per A. C. C., 5s; Mrs S., Bridge of Allan, £1 for emigration; R. M'D., £1 1s for emigration; Mrs A., 14 shirts; Mrs T., parcel of clothing; Mrs M., per T. M., £1 for emigration; collected by Evelyn and Mary, 15s; Mr H., Govan, quantity of bread; Mrs W., Burntisland, £3 for emigration; J. S., Aberdeen, £2 for emigration; from Govan Colliery Mission School, in connection with Queen's Park U. P. Church, per R. C., for emigration, £2 5s; Miss C. M. M., £1 1s for emigration; a Friend, 2s 6d; a Working Man, 3s; Mrs W. G., 12 pinafores; Mrs A., parcel of girls' clothing; a Friend, 4s; M. M., Woolir, box of clothing; Mrs A., 14 night-gowns and 11 shirts; Col. A. T. M., Inverness, £10 for emigration; Boys' Society, Grove Street Hall, £1; A. T., Govan, £2 for emigration; Miss F.'s Bible Class, Govan, 10s; from St. Vincent Street U. P. Church Mission School, Bishop Street district, £1 5s; Mrs C., £1 for emigration; collected by Wee Lizzie, Helensburgh, per R. B., £1 5s 6d for emigration; a Friend, £1; with Isaiah liii., two pairs stockings knitted by a servant; from Mrs F. W. J., Lanark, £5 for emigration, with best wishes; Miss J. C., Uddingston, £1; Miss M., 5s; Mr S., parcel of leaflets; Mrs A., aprons; Collected by Miss R. of Dunlop, £7 10s for emigration; Miss L., one dozen pairs girls' stockings; J. W., a little girl, 2s 6d; a Friend, 2s; Mrs C., large box of clothing, &c.; Crossmyloof Sabbath School, £1; Cardonald Sabbath School, per J. F., £1 3s; from J. F., £2 for emigration; J. B., Paisley, £20 to take two boys to Canada; Miss M., Stirling, six shirts; from Female Bible Class in connection with R. P. Church, Cumberland Street per Mr M'D., £1; E. A. B., St. Leonards-on-Sea, 1s; from A. F. S., Helensburgh, £2 11s for emigration; from Helensburgh U. P. Church Sabbath School, per D. H. A., £2 9s for emigration; Mrs F., Lenzie, 10s; Mrs L.'s collecting-box, Bridge of Allan, 5s 2d; a Friend, do., £1; Miss H., do., 5s; Mrs T., meat; A. N., 10s; Miss C., 5s. The following donations have been sent in for the Mission during last fortnight:—Mrs M'F., bread; A. P., £2; collected by M. M. Woolir, £1; J. M'D., Liverpool, £1; J. S., Crosshill, £1. The following sums have been sent in for the Orphan Cottage Homes:—a Friend, 5s; Proceeds of a Bazaar held by a few young ladies in the schoolroom of Larchfield Academy, Helensburgh, on April 24th, £112 14s 6d; Mrs M., Hillhead, per Mr S., £1; Miss C., £1; Mrs D., Gourrock, 10s; J. W. G., 10s; Misses M., Paisley, £10; Mrs A., Irvine, £5; collected by the Renfrew Female Bible Class, per Mr M'K., £31 5s; R. M., £10; second subscription from Mary, Thomas, and Elizabeth, 10s; J. R., Paisley, £1; J. T., £50, Glasgow.

May 29.—Y. Z. London, £53 0s 11d, should have been acknowledged in last; envelope with G., £1 10s; Miss H., 10s; a Friend, Falkirk, parcel of clothes; a Friend, parcel of clothes; Mrs H., parcel of clothes; Mrs R., £5 for emigration; a Friend, parcel of books; Miss K., 5s; a Working Man, 3s; Mrs J., £1; Cambuslang Free Church Sabbath School, £4 2s 3d for emigration; J. H. N. G., £5 for emigration; Mrs M'F., Portobello, £1 for emigration; W. L., Joppa, £1 for emigration; a Friend, £3 for emigration; a Friend on board the Marquis of Bute, 10s; a Widow's Mite, as a thankoffering, 5s; bank money of a little child "Safe in the arms of Jesus," 3s; J. A. B., Paisley, £10 to take a boy to Canada;

from Pollokshaws U. P. Church Mission School, per D. D., jun., £2 3s 6d; J. B., £2 for emigration; J. B., £5 and three dozen pinafores and four chemises; a Friend, 7s and 4 pairs stockings; Mrs C., parcel of clothing; from Old Scotch Independent Church Sabbath School, 10s 3d; from Mrs P., parcel of socks; a Regular Donor, 5s; Mr H., Govan, quantity of bread; J. B. A., £30 to take three children to Canada; W. B., £10 to take a boy to Canada; J. T., 1 bag flour, 2 of thirds, and 4 of bran; Master M'T., Campbeltown, pocket money, 5s, per Miss M.; Mr W., Campbeltown, per Miss M., 2s 6d; Mrs H., £5, for emigration; from L. D., Helensburgh, £10, to take a girl to Canada; "from a Labourer in the Vineyard," £10 to take a child to Canada; Mrs M., 5s; Mrs W., £1; collected at Mothers' Meeting, per Mrs W., 11s 5½d; Miss B., 5s; J. W., London, £1; a Friend, 18 pairs stockings; collected by Miss J. F. M., Greenock, per R. B., £2 6s; collected by Miss H. M., do., do., £1 2s 6d; M. B., Inverclyde, £1; Mrs M., Govan, fish; Mrs M., 3s; collected by Miss M., £10 to take a boy to Canada; G. S., Whitburn, £10 to take a girl to Canada; from Belmont Crescent Dorcas Society, parcel of girls' clothing; Mrs M'C., 5s; Mrs M., Stirling, £10 to take a boy to Canada; collected by the ladies teaching at the Boys' Home, £10 to take a boy to Canada; Mrs M. S., 2s 6d; Mrs T., meat; Mrs S., parcel clothes, &c. The following donations have been sent in for Mission work:—Mrs F., £1; Dr E. W., £2; from L. W. A., 10s; Mrs C., Bothwell, £1; Mrs M'F., quantity of bread. The following sums have been sent in for Orphan Cottage Homes:—Mrs L., £10; from Cambuslang Free Church Sabbath School, £4 2s 3d; T. D., £1; W. L., 10s; additional from Bazaar held at Helensburgh on 5th instant, 10s; proceeds of a Bazaar held at Rose Villa, Ibroxholm, on 22nd instant, per Mrs S., £24 17s 6d; Mrs M., Stirling, £5; M. E., Newcastle, 5s; proceeds of a Children's Bazaar held by Miss K. M'D., £1 1s.

June 12.—A Friend, East Kilbride, £10 to take an orphan to Canada; J. B., Crosshill, £1; Miss L., per E. R., a large cloak; J. F. M., two pairs stockings; J. R., £10, to take a boy to Canada; from Wigtown, £1; with the words, "Still trust in God;" St. Rollox, Perth, £1; Mrs C., Port-Glasgow, £1, being 1d off every shilling earned for three months; R. L., Aberdeen, 3s; a Friend, Crossford, £2; W. P. B., 5s; from a Family at Kirm, 10s, wishing all success; a Regular Donor, 2s 6d; a Working Man, 3s; Mrs R., parcel of shirts; Miss C., £1; Miss W., per Mrs A., four shirts; J. G. C., Paisley, 10s; Miss J. G. T., Dublin, per R. B., £1 13s 11d; Miss H. G., Ulverstone, per M. W., £1; a Friend, quantity of bread; a Regular Donor, 5s; W. C.'s Bible Class, Belmont Church, Aberdeen, 7s 2d; R., Aberdeen, 2s 6d; A. W., do., 1s; Mrs J. C., do., 1s; Little Annie, on her Eighth Birthday, do., 1s 6d; Small Sums, 1s 6d; Miss G's Day School, per W. C., do., 8s 6d; A. B., do., 2s 6d; Miss B., do., £1 5s; G. B., do., £1; Fingask Sabbath School Missionary Box, per Mr G., do., 12s 3d; Miss R., do., 7s 6d; Miss S., do., 5s; Mr S., 10s; Mrs B., do., £1 7d; collected by Miss M'K., 14s. The above sums from Aberdeen were collected by Mrs B., being first part of £10 to take a girl to Canada. Mr F., fish; Mrs M'K., Govan, fish; M. B. D., £5 for emigration; G. B., Aberdeen, £5 for emigration; Mrs T., Jedburgh, 13s; M. F., Melrose, per J. B., 5s; from an Anonymous Friend, Hamilton, £10 to send a boy to Canada; Mrs E., Newcastle, £1 10s, 5s 6d of this being from Sabbath Scholars; from Auchinleck Young Men's Christian Association, per W. T., 10s 6d; Children's Forenoon Meeting at Mechanics' Hall, Canning Street, Calton, per W. T., £1 10s; H. B., a Bible for each boy and girl going to Canada, and a penknife for the boys, and scissors for the girls going; Miss D., Govan, 2s 6d; an Unknown Friend, quantity of books. The following donations have been sent in for the Mission during last fortnight:—J. C. Lesmahagow, £5; Mrs M'F., quantity of bread; J. A. B., £5; R. L., £5; Mrs S., Uddingston, £1; F. A., Irvine—a thankoffering for mercies received—per J. Y. & Son, 10s; Mr B., parcel of clothing and 10s. The following sums have been sent in for the Orphan Cottage Homes:—From John Street Baptist Church Sabbath Schools, per G. M., £3 2s; R. L., £20; M. B. D., £5; J. A., £5, with best wishes; Collections for March and April from Kilmarnock Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per R. M., £6 6s 10d; the Widow's Mite, Dunoon, 15s; Mrs S., Uddingston, £1; from Helensburgh Sabbath School Union, per A. H., £5 8s 6d.

June 26.—A Friend, 2s 6d; Miss M. H. Annan, £1; Half of Collection at Children's Afternoon Meeting, Kirm Church, per T. H. W., 11s 3d; from a Friend, £10, with words, "May God speed the cause!" Master R., 10s; Miss W.'s Bible Class, 10s; Mrs R., Govan, 40 Boys' Handkerchiefs; E. D., parcel of clothes; Mrs W., Pollokshields, parcel of clothes, &c.; from the Master, £5; from Cambridge Street U. P. Church Sabbath Schools, per J. M., £5 11s 7d; F.

H. M., Gairloch, Ross-shire, £100 for emigration; from H. M., Paisley, £1; from part of a year's interest, £10; from Girls' Sabbath Class, Nelson Street Hall, per J. M. S., 4s; from Greyfriar's Religious Purposes Society, per W. D., £2; from H. M. F. C., this season's first fruit, 2s 6d; R. K. W., a thankoffering, 10s; from 12 servants and three grand children, per Mrs L. £1; from M. R., in stamps, 3s; collected by Miss S. from friends at Perth and Bridge of Allan, £2 5s; thank-offering in stamps, 2s 6d; collected by Miss M. A., Port-Glasgow, per R. B., £1 5s; a Regular Donor, 5s; Mrs F., Muirkirk, £1; three pairs Socks knitted by an old lady of 84 years, Kirn; Mrs S., Govan, parcel of boys' clothes; Mr M'K. quantity of fish; a Friend, hats, &c; a Friend, parcel of clothing and tea; Miss W., Belfast, 5s in stamps; a Friend, Irvine, three pairs of stockings; Mrs G., do., 10s. The following donations have been received for the Mission work—W., £2; C. Y., Morpeth, 10s; Mrs M'F. quantity of bread. The following sums have been sent in for the Orphan Cottage Homes during last fortnight:—C. R. C., Helensburgh, £1; J. N. T., Helensburgh, 5s; collection by Miss H. E. J., Edinburgh, £4 15s; W. S. B., £5; J. M. B., Helensburgh, 4s 2d; proceeds of piece of work sold, Helensburgh, 5s.

July 10.—A Friend, £1, was omitted in last letter; A. J. K., £1; Mrs T., meat; from Hope Street Baptist Church, per Mr H., a quantity of bread; from a Friend, a small steam engine and magic lantern; J. N. G., Helensburgh, 2s 6d in stamps; from Wilson Street Children's Church, Paisley, £2 15s 6d; from Lyon Street Church Sabbath School Society, £2 3s 4d; J. T., two bags thirds, four of bran, and one of wheat; Miss D., per Mrs B., £1, and six pairs boys' knitted stockings; Mrs R., parcel of boys' clothing; J. R., per J. D., Aberdeen, 10s; J. C., ditto, 10s; a Friend, ditto, 10s; J. S., ditto, £5; Free High Church Sabbath School, Inverness, £2; J. D., Crosshill, 10s, and sweets from Johnie, Jessie, and Ada; a Regular Donor, 5s; a Working Man, 3s; collections on 20th and 27th June at Children's Church, Kirn, 10s; from Wigtown, £1; a Friend, Dunblane, 10s; Miss R., Bristol, £5; M. F., £1; J. R., 5s. The following donations have been sent for the Mission:—Mrs M'F., quantity of bread; Miss R., Bristol, £5. The following sums have been sent in for the Orphan Cottage Homes during last fortnight:—From "One who would give more if he could," J. W. A., 4s 6d; from Wigtown, £1; H. L., £50.

July 24.—From Erskine Church Bible Class, Stirling, £1 15s 9d; A. P. G., odd pieces of coloured shirting; from Renfield Street Free Church Mission School, per R. M., 10s; R. L., Aberdeen, 3s; G. S. & Sons, £15; A. F. M., £1; Crossford Free Church Sabbath School, £1 1s; from a Friend, per J. R., 10s; a Friend, Hamilton, £1; a Friend, parcel of clothes; a Regular Donor, 5s; a Friend, 11 girls' dresses; a Friend, quantity of fish; Miss B., Dunoon, £1; Six Months' Gathering from Mantelpiece Collecting-Box, per A. G., Paisley, £1; R. R., Hamilton, £2, with best wishes; for the orphans, in stamps, 5s; J. Y., London, £10, with best wishes. The following donations have been sent in for the Mission work:—G. S. & Sons, £5; Mrs M'F., quantity of bread; R. A., quantity of bread.

August 7.—J. S. H., £1; Mr S., 10s; Mr H., Govan, quantity of bread; from Kirn Parish Church Children's Meeting, per S. H. W., £1 7s 7d; from Portobello Parish Church Sabbath School, per S. W., 8s 6d; from Trinity Free Church Sabbath Schools, £2 18s 8d, per R. W.; Miss K., Rochdale, per S. C., £1; W. J. M., £1; Miss M'C., parcel of clothing; a Shop Girl, 5s; from A. T., per J. H. N. G., £10; R. H., parcel of clothing; from K., £1, with best wishes. The following donations have been sent for the Mission:—Mr B., 10s; Two Ladies, £1. The following has been sent in for the Orphan Cottage Homes:—Mr C. R., counter-box, Helensburgh, per R. B., £1.

August 21.—From Stirling Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per J. G., £2 14s 7d; Mrs M'K., Govan, a quantity of fish; a Thankoffering, £1; Mrs M'L., fish; from Whitefield Road Bible Class, per Mrs M'G., £1 11s; from a Friend, £3; R. C., £1; Mrs N., 5s; Mrs A., £3 for a treat; from Trinity Free Church Sabbath Morning Meeting, 15s 8d; J. W., £1; from East Campbell Street U.P. Church Children's Forenoon Meeting in Dovehill, £3 10s 7d; Mrs M'G., £1; a Regular Donor, 2s 6d; Mrs M., £15; from Wigtown, £1; Mrs A., parcel of clothing. The following has been sent in for the Mission:—Mrs M., £10. The following sums have been sent during last fortnight for the Orphan Cottage Homes:—From Readers of the *Christian*, per Morgan Scott, £5 17s 6d; from "Fides," £1 1s; from Wigtown, £1; a Servant's Mantelpiece Box, 18s 9d; a Friend, East Kilbride, £5. A Friend, J. M., has sent us £100 for the Working

Boys' Home and Children's Refuge now in course of erection at St. Andrew's Square.

September 4.—B. C. T., Saffron Walden, 10s; a Working Man, 3s; M. and J. C., 10s; Mrs M'K., Govan, quantity of fish; J. T., two bags thirds, four of bran, and one of wheat; A. M., Acres, 10s; M. S. M., £1; Crosshill Young Men's Christian Association, per A. B., £1 6s 6d; Mrs M., parcel of clothing; Mrs S., Rothesay, per R. B. H., 10s; Mrs W., £2; Mr S., Coomara, India, £16 6s; Miss F., do., 10s; Captain W. L., do., 14s—the above sums from India were collected by Mrs. Capt. L.; Mrs R., 32 pairs of socks; R. L., Aberdeen, 2s 6d. The following was sent in for the Cottage Homes:—"A Mite for love to the Saviour," £1.

September 18.—A Friend, 6 girls' dresses; a Working Man, 3s; J. and B. T., 10s and two parcels of clothing; a Workman's Wife, 2s 6d; a Regular Donor, 5s; a Friend, parcel of clothing; Mr M., quantity of bread; Cunningham Free Church Sabbath School, per J. A., £1 9s; Miss H., 3 pairs stockings and underclothing; Mrs C. K., Ayr, £2; Mrs C., 10s; Miss S., £1; Mr N., £1; Free St Mary's Sabbath School, Govan, £1 17s 9d; Mr R. Tarbert, P.O.O., 7s; M. M., £1; Y. Z., London, £24 17s 5d; J. A., Langside, £2. The following has been sent in for Mission work.—W. J. S., £2; for Orphan Cottage Homes, a Workman's Wife, 2s 6d.

October 2.—Mrs B., £1; a Regular Donor, 2s 6d; Mrs W. Irvine, parcel of underclothing; Commission on insurance; C. A., 10s; J. W. and M. and S. S., 1s 5d; J. H., Galashiels, £2; Mrs B., per W. G., 10s; M. G., Paisley, £1; £100 to send ten children to Canada, 27th September, 1875; a Friend, three parcels of clothing; Mrs J., Skelmorlie, £1; Barony Free Church Sabbath School, per S. M'B., £3 1s; Miss M., parcel of clothing; Miss C., 5 pairs stockings; a Friend, 2s 6d; from Antigua Place Sabbath School, per A. M., £1 1s; a Thankoffering, Bathgate, P.O.O., 5s. The following has been sent in for the Mission:—H. M., Grangemouth, £2. There has been sent in for Orphan Cottage Homes a school-room contribution, Skelmorlie, P.O.O., 10s; from Teachers and Scholars of Paton Sabbath School, Alloa, per F. P., £3.

October 16.—Mrs A., £1; a Friend, 2s 6d; a Widow's Mite, 3s; Miss F., parcel of School Books; a Friend, per Mrs M., £1; a Regular Donor, 2s 6d; six pairs of stockings, knitted by an old lady of 95 years; A. M. J., 4s; J. T., 4 bags thirds, 4 of bran, and 1 of wheat; a Working Man, 3s; Sabbath Morning Class, Sailors' Institute, Aberdeen, per A. R. G., 18s 4d; H. M. D., 10s; a Friend, parcel of hats; from D., 5s; from Wigtown, £1, with the words, "Still trust in God"; Mrs W., Rugby, parcel of clothing; Miss P., £5; balance of Collection at Children's Meeting, Kirn Parish Church, per T. H. W., £1 7s 2d; Mrs T., meat; D. M. S., £2; from two Well-wishers, per Rev. A. B., £2; a Friend, £1; Mrs K., £1; J. W., £2; Mr M., Edinburgh, per Miss M'L., 10s; Dr F., per ditto, 3s; a Friend, parcel of clothing; Mrs K., clothing and vegetables; M. W., £3; a Friend, ornament in shade; from Employees of Clyde Harbour Trust, balance of soiree, £2; J. N., G., Helensburgh, five pairs of stockings and 2s 6d; from Sabbath Schools connected with Provost Wynd Baptist Chapel, Cupar-Fife, per N. G., 15s. The following sums have been sent in for Mission Fund:—Boys' Home Missionary Box, 10s; T. H. W., £2; A. P., £1.

October 30.—Mrs H., per R. E., £1; A., per do., 10s; "From E.'s Bairns," 10s; Mrs C. K., Rothesay, per Mrs C., £2; a Friend, £5; from Alloa Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per W. R., 12s; Disputed Discount, per T., Gourcock, 5s; from Two Little Boys in the Country, for poor boys and girls in town, per J. H., £1; a Working Man, 3s; A. M., £2 2s; Mr R., framed pictures; W. C., bread, &c.; a Regular Donor, 5s; Miss W.'s Bible Class, Plantation, £1; Mrs W., Glenluce, parcel of clothing made at Girls' Sewing Meeting; from teachers and scholars at Crown Point Baptist Church Sabbath School, Aberdeen, per A. G., £1 5s 6d; J. and A. G., Aberdeen, 115 yards wincey and 140 yards print; from Queen's Park Church Mission Sabbath School, per R. N., £2; Mrs G., Largs, £1; R. M., £1 1s; from a Friend, in memory of Mrs B., Aberdeen, who did much for the work, to take a girl to Canada, £10; from Plantation Sabbath School, per Mr W., £1; Miss M., Gourcock, per Mrs S., 10s; Mrs W., do., 10s; Miss M., do., 5s; M. M'A., 2s; E. S., 2s 6d; Miss A., Dunoon, 2s 6d. The following donations have been sent in for Mission work:—Mrs M., Portobello, £1; a Friend, Crossford, £2; Mrs G., Largs, £1; T. D., £1 1s; Mrs S., Gourcock, £1 1s; commission on insurance, per C. A., 15s. The following sums have been sent in for the Orphan Cottage Homes:—H. R. M., Irvine, £2 10s; M. M'K., country, £50.

# GLASGOW ORPHAN AND DESTITUTE CHILDREN'S EMIGRATION HOMES.

Dr. ABSTRACT of CASH TRANSACTIONS for the Year ending 30th October, 1875. Cr.

## C H A R G E.

Oct. 31, 1874.	
To Balance at date, being Cash in Bank and on hand, ..	£399 11 2
Oct. 31, 1875.	
To Donations received during year, ..	1,521 9 9½
" Proceeds realized from Gifts, Photographs, and sundry articles, ..	37 11 3½
" Wages earned by Boys making Firewood, ..	131 0 4½
" Interest from Bank, ..	5 19 3
" Sums received for Emigration Expenses of 14 Children from Edinburgh and Leith, ..	73 7 6

## D I S C H A R G E.

Oct. 31, 1875.	
By General Expenses of the Homes at Renfield Street and Cessnock (Food, Clothing, &c.), ..	£597 19 2
" Wages to Superintendents, Matrons, Tailors, and Kitchen Servants, ..	163 3 6
" Alterations, Repairs, &c., on Buildings and Furniture for the Homes, ..	130 18 10½
" Rent of both Houses, Coal and Gas, ..	122 2 2
" Emigration Expenses of Children sent to Canada, with Attendants, ..	475 5 3
" Miss Macpherson, to assist in paying expenses of placing out Children in Canada, ..	145 0 0
" 30 Beds and Blankets for New Home at Belleville, ..	35 0 0
" Premium of One Penny per Shilling to Boys for Work done, and Reward Pennies for good conduct, ..	17 19 2½
" Printing, Photographs, Stationery, Advertising, and Postages, ..	99 8 8
" Cash in City Bank, ..	382 2 6½
" Cash on hand, ..	23 12 1½

*Note*.—This Balance is subject to the Rent due on 11th November, as among the Donations on other side is included £100 received from the Friend who promised £2,000 for a Building when required, and meanwhile allows this £100 as yearly interest to meet the Rent.

£2,168 19 4½

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GLASGOW, 13th November, 1875.—I have audited the Books containing the intrusions of Mr. Quarrier in connection with the Orphan and Destitute Children's Emigration Homes, compared the relative Vouchers, and his various acknowledgements 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, 1875, with a balance of Three Hundred and Fifty-eight Pounds Ten Shillings and Fivepence in the City of Glasgow Bank, and the sum of Twenty-three Pounds Twelve Shillings and One Penny Halfpenny on hand.

JAMES HUTTON, C.A.

## THE ORPHAN HOME MISSION AND REFUGE.

ABSTRACT of CASH TRANSACTIONS for the Year ending 31st October, 1875.

### C H A R G E.

Oct. 31, 1874.	
To Balance at date, being Cash on hand, ..	£7 10 7
" Donations received during year, ..	163 10 6
" Collections at Bible Classes, ..	3 17 11
" Cash repaid by Boys lodged in Refuge, ..	12 7 4½
	£186 6 4½

### D I S C H A R G E.

Oct. 31, 1875.	
By General Expenses of Refuge, Food, &c., ..	£73 11 2½
" Rent, Gas, Coal, &c., ..	19 19 8
" Salaries, ..	51 0 0
" Relief given to necessitous cases, including the Funeral Expenses of poor ..	15 2 14
" Expenses of Tea Meetings, ..	£13 19 3
" Less Tickets sold therefor, ..	8 8 6
" Sundry Expenses, including Tracts, Advertising, &c., ..	10 15 0
" Cash on hand, ..	2 7 0½
	£186 6 4½

GLASGOW, 13th November, 1875.—I have audited the Books containing the intrusions in connection with the Orphan Home Mission and Refuge, compared the vouchers thereof, and find all correct, the balance on hand at 31st October, 1875, being Two Pounds Seven Shillings and One Half-penny.

JAMES HUTTON, C.A.

## ORPHAN COTTAGE HOMES—BUILDING ACCOUNT.

Oct. 31, 1874.	
To Balance at date, being Cash in Bank and on hand, ..	£286 14 1
Oct. 31, 1875.	
To Donations received during year, ..	207 6 0
" Interest from Bank, ..	35 15 6
	£529 15 7

Oct. 31, 1875.	
By Cash in Bank—	
1. On Deposit Receipt, ..	£2029 0 0
2. On Current Account, ..	615 19 7
" Cash on hand, ..	25 6 0
	£2904 19 7
	£529 15 7

GLASGOW, 13th November, 1875.—I beg to certify that the balance at the credit of the Building Account of the "Orphan Cottage Homes" amounts, as stated above, to Two Thousand Six Hundred and Twenty-nine Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Sevenpence, at 31st October, 1875.

JAMES HUTTON, C.A.

## C I T Y H O M E.

To Cash received from two Ladies to build Working Boys' Home and Night Refuge for Destitute Children, ..	£2000 0 0
" Cash received from a Friend towards the purchase of Ground for this Home, ..	£109 0 0
" Interest on Deposit Receipt for this sum, ..	100 8 9
	£2109 8 9

Oct. 31, 1875.	
By payments to sundry Tradesmen for work done up to date, ..	£2705 0 0
" Cash in Bank, ..	385 8 9
	£3090 8 9

*Note*.—This Balance is very much reduced by large payments made since this date.

£2109 8 9

GLASGOW, 13th November, 1875.—I have audited the Books containing the intrusions in connection with the "City Home," compared the vouchers thereof, and find all correct; the balance in Bank at 31st October, 1875, being Three Thousand Three Hundred and Thirty-five Pounds Eight Shillings and Ninepence.

JAMES HUTTON, C.A.

### REFUGE AND MISSION WORK.

In looking back upon the year's work, which has just closed, among the poor and needy ones in the district of the Dovehill where the Refuge and Hall were, we have very much to praise the Lord for; and we ask you, dear reader, to join with us in thanksgiving for the many who have been aided to a better life, and the numbers who have been born into the kingdom of God. From various causes the work has not been so extensive as last year, but yet there has been much done, and we have had the Master's smile and approval which have made the work easy, and the many difficulties comparatively few and plain.

The Night Refuge for Homeless Children was kept open until the beginning of August last, when it had to be closed on account of the School Board who had bought the property, requiring more accommodation for educational purposes. We very much regret that we are thus compelled to give up this branch of the work till the New Home and Refuge in St. Andrew's Square is ready; we will then, having greater facilities, resume work in a more complete manner and to a greater extent. Although thus hindered a little, we have given a night's lodging, during the nine months, to 2267 children, being an average of over eight per night. This is somewhat larger than last year, but, had we room, many more deserving cases would gladly avail themselves of this timely aid. The children rescued have all been most destitute: some have been received into the Homes, others have been sent to work and lodged in the Refuge, whilst others have been sent to the Shoeblack Society. Our great aim is, not simply to rescue them from misery and want and to put them in a fair way of doing for themselves, but to lead them to Jesus; and we feel sure that the seed which has been daily sown in their hearts will bring forth fruit to the glory of God.

The work among adults has also been blessed of God; the weekly Gospel Meetings have been fairly attended, and we have been much cheered by seeing many poor wanderers coming back to the Father's House, and also by seeing the young converts growing in grace, and striving by their lives to commend the Gospel of Christ and win others to the Saviour. We are deeply grateful for the help of so many Christian brethren of all denominations who have come to aid in the evangelistic services, and they would be well repaid, were they only to hear of the cases of conversion which come under our notice. The Bible Class for the young converts was carried on until recently, when it was found that most of them had got comfortably settled down to work in connection with their different congregations. As this is simply a mission work connected with no denomination, but assisted by all, we do not wish to draw away Christians from their proper sphere of work in the Church.

We have given much attention to the Lodging-houses around our district, and have met with considerable encouragement. Our

band of workers meet at five o'clock on Sundays for prayer, and then go out two and two to the various lodging-houses; the men to the Houses for men, and females to the Women's Lodging-houses; the gospel is well received, and many have been led to the meetings and helped to a better life. Tracts have also been largely circulated. In the systematical weekly visitation we have, during the year, given away about 70,000 tracts. This is a large number, but we feel sure that much good has and will yet result from these silent messengers.

Perhaps it would be interesting to give one out of the many cases which have come under our notice, of the destitution which prevails and our efforts to help the destitute.

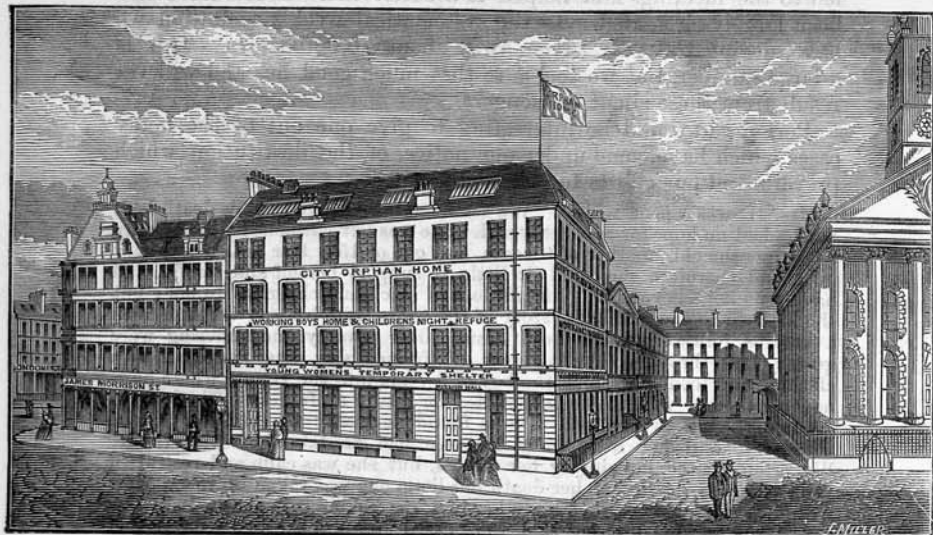
Mrs. H. was a poor widow. We attended her husband on his death-bed, but he had no hope for another world. She was left with one little boy only a few months old, another of 9 years, and one of 15. Her health was very poor, and therefore she could do little to support herself and family, and having no hope beyond this life, all looked black and cheerless to her; but she listened to the wonderful story of the Cross, and became through faith a humble follower of the Lord Jesus. Her poverty and suffering were great; but through the kindness of friends she was supplied with clothing and food. We took the boy of 9 years into the Home, where he is now strong and well, and being trained for future usefulness. The mother gradually grew worse, and it was found necessary to send her to the Infirmary, and her little baby boy we had to take into the Home. We often visited her during her illness, but she was calm and restful in Jesus; and on the day of her death her little one was taken up to see her. Although she felt it hard to leave her children behind, yet she said she was very happy in knowing that they were cared for, and she was looking forward to meeting them in the glory. We felt so grateful to be thus able to soothe this dying woman, and to give the much needed care to the children, who, but for the Homes, would have required to be sent to the Poor-house. The eldest boy we also took to the Refuge and put him to work, but the seeds of vice and idleness had taken such deep root in him that he did no good and ran away; the last we heard of him was that he was brought up at the police court for theft.

We say, "prevention is better than cure," and if the destitute children of our streets are to be hopefully rescued, the younger they are picked up the better. During the Winter, Education Classes for Mill Girls, and many other meetings, were carried on with blessing. Our entire mission work has been much hindered from want of the suitable accommodation, but soon this will be put right. We ask special prayer for this much needed department of the work.

We are sorry to say that Mr. Dick, the valuable Superintendent of the Refuge, has been laid aside for some time with severe illness, from which he does not expect to recover. This has been a great trial, as, from his qualifications and experience, we looked forward to his work being much blessed in the new Refuge. He is full of trust and confidence in his Heavenly Father's goodness, notwithstanding this trial, and our prayer for him and his dear wife is that they may be strengthened for all that the Lord sees fit to lay upon him.

## CITY ORPHAN HOME,

WORKING BOYS' HOME, CHILDREN'S NIGHT REFUGE, AND YOUNG WOMEN'S SHELTER.



The above sketch of New City Home is 72 feet long by 60 feet broad, and contains 14 dormitories, some of these very large, three superintendents' rooms, two dining rooms—one for boys and one for girls—two reading rooms, large schoolroom, 8 lavatories, 5 baths, with cold and hot water, a large swimming bath, 23 feet by 14, large kitchen, washing-house, drying-room, laundry work-room, play-room, casual's room, 10 W.C.'s., and large hall for evangelistic work, 39 by 57 feet, retiring room and library, store rooms and heating rooms.

Friends will remember that we stated in our last Narrative that two ladies had given £3000 to build the above (they have since given other £3000). We put ourselves at once into communication with the City Improvement Trust, as we expected to get practical help and sympathy from them. (It was natural that we should look to them for help in this matter, seeing that our work during the last twelve years amongst street Arabs and others had tended materially in lessening crime amongst this class, and therefore to reduce taxation to the ratepayers.) After looking at several sites we fixed on one in James Morrison Street (a new street off London Street) and St. Andrew's Square. I said to Bailie Morrison that I thought I might be able to give £4 per square yard. He said to make that offer, and he felt sure that I would get it, as the Improvement Trust would be willing to assist the work. I sent in my offer to the Chairman, and was then asked to wait on the Committee and explain the object of the work. At their first meeting I attended and explained what was wanted.

From my interview at this time I saw clearly that the Committee as a whole had little sympathy with the work contemplated. After a lengthened interview they asked if another site would not do as well. I said that if they could give me one as good, and at the same price, and at once, I would be willing to take it. Mr. Carrick, city architect, was appointed to show me one, which we found could not be got for two years, and was no cheaper than the other; so at next fortnightly meeting progress was reported, and the matter considered again. Another lengthened interview ensued, when one of their number said, "Don't you think, Mr. Quarrier, that this is too great a matter for you to undertake; the ground will cost so much, and the house so much?" My reply was, "You are right, it is too great a work for me to undertake, but if the Lord has sent the £3000 to build the house, He will send all that is needed for the rest of the work." (There was no more said by this friend.) After some further conversation I was asked to retire. In half an hour I was called in, and was told that they had agreed to put up the front block facing London Street (for which no one was asking at the time), along with the one I wanted, at £5,200, being the full market value. This contrivance to raise the price was successful, as the day of sale revealed. I endeavoured to get them to agree to put up first the site I had fixed on, but in this I failed. Thanking them for their consideration, I said that I did not think there was a gentleman in Glasgow who would bid against me, considering the object for which the ground was wanted, and if there were it would do him little good. I did not expect any competitors, but the day of sale showed there were two. One of these was Mr. Dow, builder, who bought the front block at the upset price. The other was Rev. F. L. Robertson who, with Mr. Dow and myself, bid shilling by shilling till it reached £4 10s., and then stopped. Mr. Dow and I continued bidding shilling by shilling till it was knocked down to me at £6 per square yard. It came to our knowledge after, that Mr. Dow was at the time reckless and insolvent, and when wanted to pay for the adjoining front block which he had purchased, was not to be found. When this became known to me, I made a request to the Committee and afterwards to the Council for a reduction of the price, because of Mr. Dow's dishonourable action at the time he bid against me. I received a letter in reply saying, that while they sympathised with the work, they could not see their way to make a reduction in the price of the ground. Their sympathy is very much like that the apostle James speaks of when he says, "Be ye warmed and filled, nevertheless ye give them not the things which are needful." The Improvement Trust pocket £700 by this man's unprincipled action, and the work is additionally burdened to that extent. Mr. Dow's action was highly blameworthy, but not so much as that of the Committee of the Improvement Trust, whose obstructive policy was the cause

of his coming into the field against me. I feel deeply grieved that the Improvement Trust did not back up the example of those generous citizens who have given so largely of their means—and others of their time—to help a work which tends materially to lighten taxation, and to elevate the character of those who, if left alone, give so much trouble to our authorities. The lesson learned by all this conflict has been, although we knew it somewhat before, not to put our “confidence in princes.” There are exceptions in the Council, and to these friends I am deeply indebted for their efforts to help the “orphan and the destitute.” One of them, I have no doubt feeling the hardships we have had to endure in the matter, has generously sent £100 for the Working Boys’ Home. I have placed this sum as the first instalment for the price of the ground which will cost £3300, or an annual burden of £150 till it is paid off. I believe the Lord will some day soon send the whole amount to pay this also. As soon as the ground was fixed on, plans and specifications were prepared for a building suitable for the locality and the work contemplated. The estimates were sent to a number of the best tradesmen in the city, and when they were returned, we found that, on account of the size of the building needed to cover the ground and the rise in wages, instead of £3000 the cost would be £6000. Here the Lord marvellously opened up our way, for the same ladies most generously said that they would give other £3000 to complete the building. For this, as well as all other gifts witnessing the liberality of the Lord’s people, towards His work in our hands we can only praise Him evermore. Mark here the statement we made to the Committee of the Improvement Trust: “That if the Lord sent the £3000 He would send all that was needed to carry on the work.” That has been fulfilled, although at the time I did not know where it would come from, nor that we would need so much. Mark also the other statement, “That if any one bid against me, it would do him little good.” I have no doubt that God gave the words to speak at the time, as well as fulfilled them after. The house is nearly finished, and we hope to get into it in the beginning of January. It will give accommodation for 100 working boys who have no one to take an interest in them; also, temporary shelter for 40 destitute virtuous young women, from 14 to 25 years of age, who from stress of circumstances are in danger of falling into crime; to these we will give work till we find suitable situations for them. It will also afford shelter for 60 homeless children, whose cases will be dealt with as circumstances direct. In addition to the above, evangelistic work will be carried on in the Hall and School-room amongst the very poorest class. We trust it will be a house of blessing to many souls.

## WORK OF THE YEAR.

The fourth year commenced in November, 1874, with 70 children in the homes. Since then 68 new cases have been taken in, making in all 138. They are accounted for as follows, 51 sent to Canada on 15th June, 1875, and reported as on the whole doing well. One girl has been placed in a good home with Christian friends in Glasgow, 5 have been returned to friends, and one boy who was ready to go to Canada, was enticed to run away by a drunken father who turned up at the last. There have been 6 deaths, leaving 74 in the Homes at present. Out of the 220 children in Canada, there has only been one death, so that taking the aggregate, the mortality is small. In the Refuge, during nine months, we have given a night’s shelter to 2267 children, being an average of over eight per night, but it should be borne in mind that these are not all fresh cases, many of them being in for a considerable time. When we get our new Refuge open, we will be able to help all deserving cases who come to us. Till the end of August, at which time the School Board took possession of the place, evangelistic services were held in the hall in East Græme Street amongst the poorest class, and we have reason to thank God for the good accomplished in the saving of souls through the instrumentality of these meetings. A band of fellow-workers kept up a systematic visitation of the low lodging-houses and other unfrequented places. 70,000 tracts were distributed, and many encouraging words spoken, as the visitors passed from house to house. May we not look for a blessing from the scattering of seed in this way? In addition to this, many poor ones have been assisted with practical help—some to pay their rent, others to bury their dead; some have been helped to situations, others have had their way paid back to places where they had relatives; and in many ways the poor were assisted as we thought practicable at the time. In addition to this, hundreds of fathers and mothers have come to us for advice regarding refractory children and friends, and it requires no small amount of patience and wisdom to give really good advice considering the character and variety of the cases. During the year there have been sent in for the general expenses of the Homes and Mission Work, £1875.

For the Orphan Cottage Homes of Scotland, £2043 2s. 4d.

For the Working Boys’ Home, Young Women’s Shelter, and Children’s Night Refuge, £3100 (with the £3000 acknowledged last year, thus making £6100 sent in for this). The total amount received this year for all purposes is, £7018.

Some will say—Surely you will be satisfied with such an amount of money. We are satisfied and grateful for every token of the Lord’s kindness towards the work in our hands, yet we are looking and expecting Him to send us greater, because we have asked Him for this. As the work is His, and He has called us to it, we believe we shall lack no good thing.

## LETTERS OF ENCOURAGEMENT.

Out of hundreds of letters of encouragement received from friends in different parts of the country during the year, we give the following, and desire to say how much we have been upheld by their expressions of sympathy. Were we to give the impressions made on our mind 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."

AYRSHIRE, November 2nd, 1874.

MR. QUARRIER, DEAR SIR,—Enclosed I send twenty pounds to aid you in the good work in which you are engaged of feeding, clothing, and instructing the Orphans under your care, and that the Lord may still more and more own and bless your labours is the earnest prayer of, yours very truly,

H. M.

LANGSIDE, November 2nd.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—My little brother and I have sent you 6s., with papa, to help you to buy some food and clothes for the poor boys and girls that papa has told us about. We would like to send you a great deal more, but this is all we have just now. We will gather some more and send it. We will ask Jesus to send you all you need. Papa will take us some day to see your boys and girls.—We are your little friends,

J. & J. P.

LONDON, November 30th, 1874.

DEAR CHRISTIAN BROTHER,—Thanks for a copy of your last Report just received, every page of which tells of the Lord's great goodness to you in the blessed work in which it is your privilege to be engaged. With our whole hearts let us praise Him for the past and trust Him for the future. I have much pleasure in handing you the enclosed cheque, and will trouble you for another copy of the Report to lend to friends. I cannot tell you how thankful I am to see that some of your orphans are being adopted by Christians in this country. This will save you the expense of emigration, &c., and thus far be a help to you in your work; and steady young people are greatly needed in *this country*. But I am well aware that in many cases it is far better that the orphans should be entirely removed from their former connections.—Wishing you increased success in your truly glorious work, I remain, faithfully yours in Christ,

J. G.

GLASGOW, December 10th, 1874.

DEAR SIR,—I have the pleasure to send herewith a donation of £200 towards purchase of the ground for Orphan Cottage Homes, wishing you all success in your labour of love. As I do not wish my name to appear in any list of donors in a printed report, should you at any time be publishing such, you can place the sum against the letter M.—I am, Dear Sir, yours very truly,

SKIPTON, YORKSHIRE, January 6th, 1875.

DEAR SIR,—Will you please accept the enclosed P.O.O. for 31s. 6d., as a New-Year's gift for the "Orphan Mission" under your direction.

My wife and I resolved to give the receipts in our shop on New-year's day to some object connected with God's work, and seeing the letter in last week's *Christian* we decided upon your mission as its recipient.

May God accept the gift to His glory, and may He prosper you in the work of your hand.—Yours sincerely,

C. L.

January 9th, 1875.

DEAR SIR,—I enclose for you £18, either for the building or the purchase of ground for the Orphan Cottage Homes. I am sorry it is not more, but I pray for God's blessing on your good and great work, and I am, yours truly,

M. H.

LANGSIDE.

MY DEAR MR. QUARRIER.—Enclosed I beg to hand you twenty pounds in aid of your Cottage Homes. I am sorry that money seems to be coming in so slowly for this good object. I hope and pray, however, that your way may be opened up, and that your heart may be greatly strengthened and encouraged to prosecute your noble, self-denying labours on behalf of the fatherless and destitute; only believe and you shall yet see greater things than even what has gone before. May you be sustained and your faith strengthened is the earnest prayer of your sincere friend and well-wisher,

E. J.

January 20th, 1875.

MR. QUARRIER—DEAR SIR,—Please accept the small offering of 2s. 6d. in stamps for your Orphan Cottage Homes.—From yours truly,

A COUNTRY FRIEND.

LANGSIDE, February 3rd, 1875.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—My two little brothers and myself send you 10s. for your poor little boys and girls. You are very kind to them, and I hope God will bless you and prosper your good work. We will try and gather all we can for you.—Your young friends,

R. J.

G. J.

E. J.

February 4th, 1875.

"They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength."  
For any part of His work you think proper—£1.

LONDON, S. W., February 19th, 1875.

DEAR SIR,—Enclosed you have 10s. for the blessed work in which you are engaged for our "helpless little ones," accompanied with earnest prayer that God's richest blessings may accompany all your labours for Christ. Since I last wrote to you, I have given my beloved sister "Safe into the arms of Jesus," after 20 years of patient suffering, and to the last week of her life, her prayers and sympathies were with you, and all who cared for the tender children going to destruction in our large cities; and, whilst God spares me, my feeble efforts shall go forth in their behalf. Surely *their* cries of distress are often going up to the Hearer and Answerer of prayer. I have left Ireland, so you will kindly forward me last year's report to my present address.—Believe me, dear Sir, yours truly in Christ,

A. L. N.

"In Memoriam"—10s.

ABERDEEN, February 23rd, 1875.

MY DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Thanks for the Reports, which I got this morning. I would have paid them, but Mr. A. would not allow me; he said you had some for distribution. I cannot express how glad and thankful we were to hear of the additional gift of the Glasgow ladies. They have tasted the sweets of giving, and we trust they will be blessed abundantly. How many could do likewise if they only considered themselves stewards for what the Lord has so abundantly bestowed on them. We are greatly concerned lest you overwork yourself with such a pressure of business in connection with the Homes at present. Do be careful; and forgive me for saying so. You know the labour before you is enormous, and do not be tempted to overexhaust your strength mentally or physically, else there must be a breakdown. God grant you all the grace and health needed for your undertakings. I send you the balance of £10 towards sending a child to Canada, the first ragged girl that comes in, or any one you have a photograph of, as I find persons like to see the contrasted photos best.—With best love to Mrs. Quarrier, as well as yourself, thankful that I am pretty well just now, I am, ever yours sincerely,

M. B.

[In our last Narrative we mentioned the help and encouragement we had from this dear friend. She was taken home to her rest and reward on September 30th. Her works do follow her, and we hope the mantle of her usefulness will fall on others.]

BONHILL, March 2nd, 1875.

DEAR SIR,—I have perused, with much pleasure, the reports sent me the other day of the great and benevolent work you have been carrying on in connection with the Orphan and Destitute Children's Emigration Homes, also the contemplated Cottage Homes of Scotland. I beg herewith to enclose cheque for twenty-five pounds for the Cottage Homes, or part, say five pounds for any of the schemes you may deem best.—With good wishes for the noble work, yours very truly,

S. T.

May 3rd, 1875.

DEAR FRIEND,—The enclosed is from a woman who has been attending the meeting in 29 High Street, Abstainers' Union. She had it laid on her mind to give these 20s. on the behalf of the orphans. She is a common baker's wife, and has earned this herself, and wishes it to be given to God as a thankoffering. She also asks your prayers on her behalf, as she has a husband that takes to drink sometimes. I am glad to see from time to time that your noble work is increasing and prospering. May the good Lord still bless you abundantly in your undertakings, is the prayer of your humble servant,

T. M'P.

May 14th, 1875.

Mrs. F. begs to hand Mr. Quarrier £10 for Ground or Building Fund for the Orphan Cottage Homes. She will be obliged if Mr. Q. in his acknowledgment in the *Mail* would say, "Mrs. F., Waterloo Street, £10."

CROSSHILL, May 14th, 1875.

DEAR SIR,—Sympathising with you in your work for our common Master, the recovery of the lapsed masses, and especially the young; my wife and self request your acceptance of enclosed £1 note to be

applied as you think proper. Thanking God for the work you have been instrumental in accomplishing, and praying for the continued blessing of the Most High upon you and your efforts, I am, yours sincerely,

J. S.

ROSS-SHIRE, June 14th, 1875.

MR. WM. QUARRIER, MY DEAR SIR,—I have read your report with much interest and gratitude to God, and beg you will use the enclosed £100 for the emigration of boys or girls.—I remain yours, with much gratitude and esteem for our Lord Jesus' sake, by unsearchable mercy,

F. H. M'K.

LANGSIDE, September 16th, 1875.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I have much pleasure in enclosing you £2 for your Orphan Boys. I hope you are finding the Bank of Faith as strong as ever.—Yours faithfully,

A. A.

September 27th, 1875.

£100, to send ten children to Canada.

GRANGEMOUTH, September 29th, 1875.

MY DEAR FRIEND,—Receive herewith £2 from the Master's Treasury to help on His own work.—With kind regards, yours in Him,

H. M.

In addition to the above, our dear friend and fellow-worker, Mr. R. H. Hunter, has greatly assisted in all departments of the work, and we trust that the Lord will continue to bless him more and more. We have also been greatly helped by Miss Macpherson and her assistants in Canada in finding suitable homes for the children, and in watching over them. Miss Macpherson has had much to suffer by the attack on her character and work made by Mr. Doyle, Local Government Inspector; but as the Canadian Government took him in task, and voted his report partial and one-sided, it is not likely that what he said will hurt the work either here or on the other side. Miss Macpherson has had our prayers and sympathy all the more because of this trial; and we believe she has also had the prayers and sympathy of all who wish well to the orphan and the destitute. We are also much indebted to Miss Macindoe, who took charge of the girls again this year to Canada. Also to Mr. Topping. We also thank those ladies who attended daily during the winter at the Girls' Home for teaching; and now that the Girls' Home has been removed to Newstead, Govan Road, it is too far for them to come, we are looking for others to take up the daily teaching (the convent veil is not necessary for doing Christ's work; pure religion is to visit and teach the fatherless), and we hope some friends will come forward to do this work for Him. We also thank Dr. Aitken of Govan and Dr. Pirie of Glasgow, who have given their professional skill to the Home free of charge; also the Accountant who has audited our books from the first; also the Foundry Boys' and Girls' Societies, Sabbath

Schools and teachers, and all friends, old or young, known or unknown. My prayer for one and all is, that as they have given freely to the Lord, so may He repay them "good measure, shaken together and running over." "There is no man that hath left house, or parents, or brethren, or wife, or children, for the kingdom of God's sake, who shall not receive manifold more in this present time, and in the world to come life everlasting."

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, in publishing fortnightly acknowledgments of donations and otherwise helping the work, 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.

### ORPHAN COTTAGE HOMES OF SCOTLAND.

TO HOUSE 300 ORPHAN AND DESTITUTE CHILDREN, TO COST £20,000.



CHILDREN'S COTTAGE.

The above is a sketch of one of the proposed Cottages prepared by a friend. The house is about 39 feet square. The ground floor consists of parlour, 15 by 12 feet, for father, mother, and visitors; children's nursery or play-room, 18 by 14 feet; dining-room, 18 by 14 feet; kitchen, 14 by 12 feet; scullery, pantry, bath-room, &c. Top flat consists of bed-room for father and mother, 15 by 12 feet; No. 1 dormitory, 18 by 14 feet; No. 2 dormitory, 18 by 14 feet; No. 3 dormitory, 14 by 12 feet; spare bed-room, 7½ by 6 feet; wall wardrobes for children's clothing, &c. Each cottage is to accommodate not more than thirty children, and the expected cost is about £1000.

At the commencement of the year we hoped to be able to say before its close that we had secured ground for the above. "Man devises, but God disposes." As stated in another place, the arrangements with Lord Blantyre for ground had to be broken off, because of certain conditions to which we could not agree, and although we believe the ground was in many respects suitable, we must just

wait the Lord's leadings. Other places have been looked at, which we thought might suit. Two of these we were disappointed in not getting, owing to the price asked being higher than we were willing to give. These disappointments are teaching us patience, and leading us to see that the Lord's time is not yet come. We feel that it is more difficult to wait than to go forward, and we have no doubt many of our Christian friends feel this also; yet "it is good to wait on the Lord." We hope to get fixed soon, so that we may be able to help a much greater number of children. During last year we were under the painful necessity of refusing more deserving cases than we took into the Homes, showing us the need of making more provision to help the orphan and the destitute.

Towards the above, in promises and money in hand, £4629 have been subscribed. (This amount would have been £2000 more but for the losses sustained by one Glasgow friend, who promised that sum nearly two years ago.) We have no doubt the rest will be sent in good time. The plan contemplated for the Cottage Homes is to buy or feu from 10 to 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 playground and other appliances attached to each cottage, and 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 playground. 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 in order 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 might give the whole sum, and be all the richer for it. 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. What we require for the maintenance of the Homes will come as we need it. During the last four years all that we have wanted for feeding, clothing, and educating the 320 children taken into the Homes has been sent in *answer to prayer*, and this leads us to trust in Him who has said—"For your Heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all 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 best 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 soils 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, and that the Holy Spirit may touch many hearts to respond to the necessities of the orphan and destitute. We have this sure promise, "The Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly."

## ANSWERS TO PRAYER.

WE are glad to see a growing interest throughout the country on the subject of prayer. That there should be any lack of interest among the children of God on this question is the wonder, considering the number and variety of instances of answers to prayer which we have recorded in the Word of God for our learning. What is prayer? Not the repeating of a formula of words, however well put together. Prayer is not efficacious by any attitude, place, or time. Prayer is the expression of the heart's felt need, in childlike trust in our heavenly Father's power and willingness to give individual, relative, and national blessings. The publican felt his individual need when he cried, "God be merciful to me a sinner," and the Lord sent him down to his house justified. Paul felt his need when the Lord said of him, "Behold, he prayeth," and sent Ananias to answer his prayer. The Syro-phœnician woman felt her need for relative blessing, when she came to Jesus and asked Him to have mercy on her daughter. He graciously said to her, "O woman, great is thy faith, be it unto thee even as thou wilt, and her daughter was made whole." The nobleman felt his need on behalf of his son when he besought Jesus to come down and heal him, and had the answer given, "Go thy way, thy son liveth." Moses felt the need of national blessings when he prayed to God on behalf of Israel, and God spared the nation in answer to his prayer; and so, from these and many other instances, we have encouragement given "to keep praying at the door." We believe that God answers prayer for material as well as spiritual blessings. We give a few instances in connection with our work:—

M. S. we found destitute and took into the Home. Some months after we were sent for by the matron on a Sabbath afternoon, who told us that M. had run away, taking with her all that she could carry. After hearing the matron's statement we joined in prayer, asking the Lord to guide us to where M. was, and that we might be used to lead her to a right state of mind. We went in search of her, and found her in one of her old haunts—the darkness and smoke of the place nearly blinding us. We reasoned with her and got her to come back with us. Her conduct since that time (now nine months) has been good, and we have reason to believe that she has given her heart to the Saviour.

Another answer to prayer is the additional £3000 needed for the building of the City Home. When we got the estimates and found the amount needed to be £6000 instead of £3000, we took the matter to the Lord, asking Him to guide us as to what we should do. After doing so, we submitted the estimates and plans to the ladies who had given the £3000, saying we might reduce the plans or wait till the rest of the money came in, when they most generously said they would give the other £3000 to have the building finished according to the plans submitted.

The next case is that of one of the little incurables who died this year. I was sent for on a Sabbath evening to come and see him, as he was much excited, and, to all appearance, near his end. So much was he annoyed with evil things which he imagined he saw around him and on his bed, that it was very distressing to see him. We felt ourselves utterly helpless, and joined together in prayer that the Lord would quiet his mind, and give him rest during the night, and that the attendants might have rest also. Our prayer was heard; that night he had quiet rest. He was spared for two months longer, and had no return of the distress, and we had many quiet talks with him in a childlike way, when he told us that he did not want to stay here, but to go to be with Jesus. Another instance:—It has been our custom from the first to send no child to Canada who is not specially paid for,—viz., £10 for each. At the beginning of May, we needed £250 for this special object, and before the 15th of June, the day of sailing, all the money needed was sent in. Many other instances might be given, but the above will suffice to show that God hears and answers prayer, and we hope the recording of them may encourage others to pray without ceasing.

#### 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 heartily they all partake of the food provided. After supper the very little ones go to bed: the bigger ones have 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, which has been removed to Newstead, on the Govan Road (the rent of which a friend has kindly promised to pay), 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 for which they are able. 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.

In looking back to the year just closed, we have many reasons to thank God and take courage; and, in looking forward, we feel that there is much to do in superintending and watching over the Homes already in working order. And then there is the New City Home, which we hope will be ready for opening by the beginning of January. It will be of large capacity, providing shelter for 200 needy ones, besides evangelistic work amongst the poor. This additional number of children and young people to help shows clearly that more means will be needed—probably from £1000 to £2000 annually. Some are already asking, Where is the money to come from for this large family? Our reply to such is, that the Lord will provide. As the hymn says—

"It may not be my way,  
It may not be thy way,  
And yet in His own way  
The Lord will provide."

From the beginning of the year to the end we have lacked no good thing. It should be borne in mind, that from the commencement of the work we have called on no one for subscriptions, neither has any one pledged to give, but as the Lord inclines the heart to do. Yet our wants are all supplied as regularly as if we had an unlimited order to draw on any bank in the city. Besides this, we would like to see the Orphan Cottage Homes of Scotland in operation. It is many years since we began to pray for these, and yet the answer has not come. Of the £20,000 needed for them, nearly a fourth has been promised or sent in. God has been teaching us patience by the delay in this matter, and although very unwilling to learn, yet we hope we are learning to say we will wait His time.

In bringing this to a close we would commend these matters to our Christian friends throughout the country, asking them to join with us in prayer that the Lord may use us in the coming year more and more for the furtherance of His work, in "rescuing the perishing," "clothing the naked," "feeding the hungry," and in pointing sinners to the "Lamb of God who taketh away the sin of the world," and to Him shall be all the glory!

The classes of children received into the Homes are, first, orphans; second, the children of poor widows; and third, the children of

drunken parents : the ages 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. Orphans are taken from any part of the country, if recommended by friends. In all cases they must be destitute and healthy.

Any one wishing to see me regarding the work, or applying to have a child taken in, can do so at City Orphan Home, James Morrison Street, off London Street, from Three to Four o'Clock p.m., every day (Sabbath excepted); at other times by 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, we 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, 19 West Princes 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, Newstead, Govan Road.

Donors sending money can have it placed to whatever part of the work they name, either for the Orphans, the Mission Work (which embraces Homes for 100 working boys, temporary shelter for 40 young women, and Night Refuge for 60 homeless children), 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.

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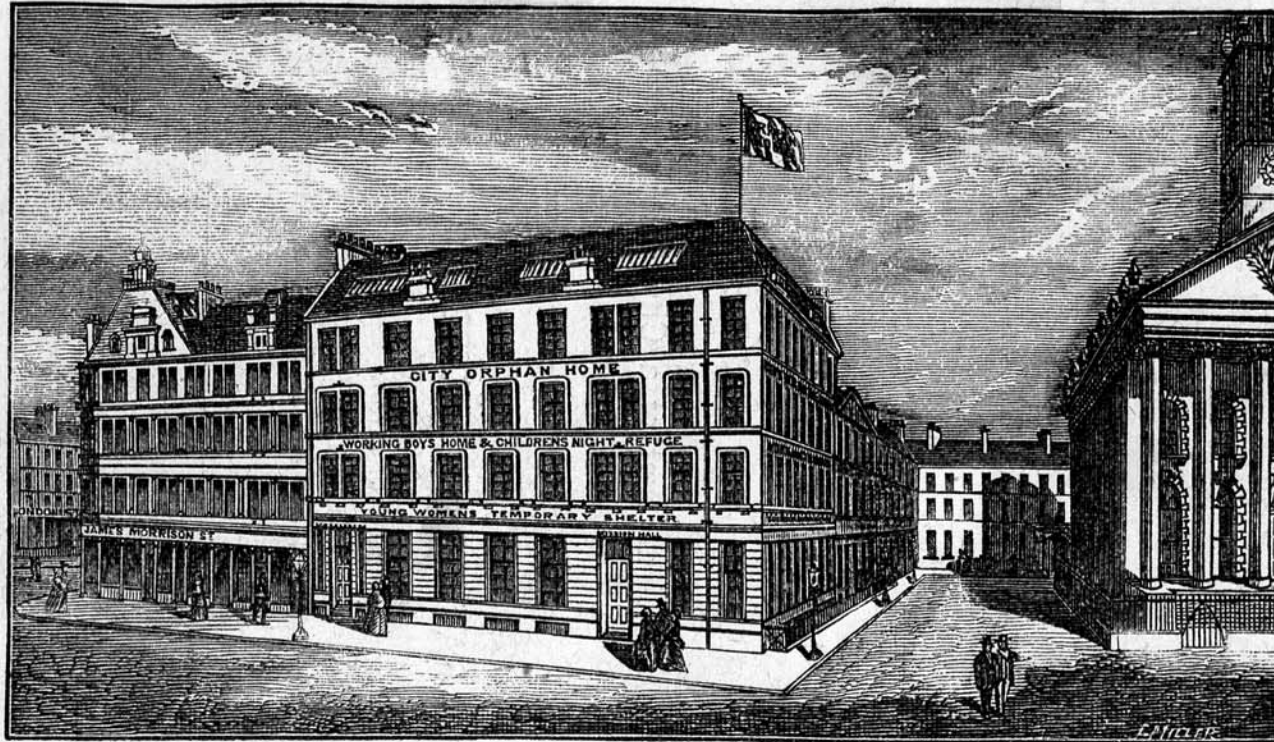
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*"What is that in thine hand?"—Exodus iv. 2.*

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*"Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?"—Acts ix. 6.*