

"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 HOMES OF SCOTLAND,
DESTITUTE CHILDREN'S EMIGRATION HOMES,
AND
CITY HOME AND MISSION, GLASGOW.
FOR THIRTEENTH YEAR ENDING 31st OCTOBER, 1884,
BY
WILLIAM QUARRIER.

ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND,
BRIDGE-OF-WEIR,
RENFREWSHIRE.

CITY ORPHAN HOME,
WORKING BOYS' HOME,
CHILDREN'S NIGHT REFUGE,
YOUNG WOMEN'S SHELTER,
AND
MISSION HALL,
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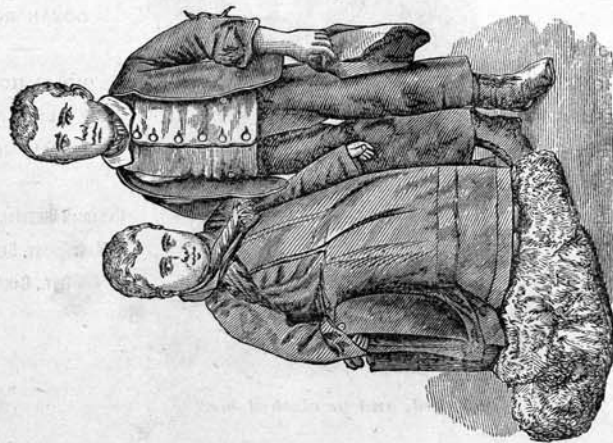
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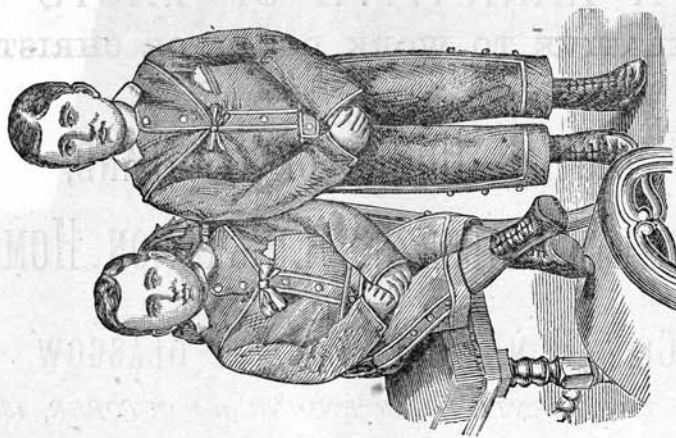
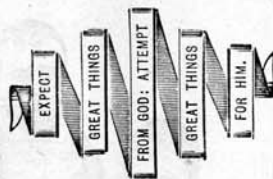
"Naked, and ye clothed me."

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J. and A. M'K. as taken in. Were in a miserable condition, and very much neglected. Sent to us by the Charity Organization Society.



J. and A. M'K. as sent to Canada. Now adopted in good Homes, and doing well.

ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND, DESTITUTE CHILDREN'S
EMIGRATION HOMES, AND MISSION,
GLASGOW.

NARRATIVE OF FACTS.
1884.

DEAR FELLOW-HELPERS,—At the close of the thirteenth year of our trust in the Lord for all the needs of the Homes, and of the twentieth of our work among poor children, we are called once more to set in order a brief outline of what has been accomplished. As we rest on the threshold of the new year and view the past so full of the goodness and mercy of the Lord, and of work done for Him, we cannot but praise His name. The words that come uppermost in our hearts and force themselves out are, "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits"—benefits to hundreds of widows and destitute children, benefits to hundreds of perishing souls, benefits to the community in the lessening of pauperism and crime, and benefits to myself and family—each one of which calls for a special note of praise; we ask you to join us in giving the blessed Lord all the glory, for to Him and by Him and through Him are all things. In no previous year of our twenty years' experience have we been privileged to do so much as in the one just closed; and as the widening usefulness of the work has brought increasing responsibilities, we seek more than ever to roll these over on Him whose servants we are.

At the beginning of the year our Heavenly Father led us to contemplate greater work in His name, and we went forth not knowing how it was to be done, or where the money to do it was to come from. Day by day He has given grace and means in answer to prayer as we have followed His leading, feeling our own weakness, but trusting Him whate'er befell. The Lord's children who have helped with their prayers and gifts will not fail to see that the Lord is the Worker, and hath done great things for us, and that the instruments are *only* instruments and can be dispensed with whenever He sees fit to remove them. The desire to help others was implanted in us by His Spirit, and He also has taught us, "by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, to make our requests known unto God," who is the Father of the fatherless, and will provide for every little one He sends us.

For the sake of those who do not know the nature of our work, and have not seen our former "Narratives," it may be desirable to state once more the principles under which the Homes are carried on. We never call on anyone for money, nor do we send out collectors or resort to bazaars or entertainments for the purpose of raising it. *Everything* is committed to God in prayer, and we desire to see His leading in all that He sends. No really *destitute* child is ever refused admission. We take the children as they come, believing that the Lord will send the means to keep them, and hitherto this has always been the case. The year commenced on the 1st of November, 1883, with a little more money on hand than we needed for a week's keep of our large family of 450; and day by day the supplies have come with a regularity that would lead the most sceptical to think we had some rich banker at our back who knew the need and sent

accordingly. It is really so in a higher sense, for our Heavenly Father, whose are the silver and the gold, knoweth what things we have need of before we ask Him, and He has always done exceeding abundantly above all we could ask or think. To Him be the praise.

During the year 597 children have been admitted, which, added to the 450 we began the year with, make a total of 1047 who have passed through the Homes. Every need has been supplied, every claim met, and our balance on hand is a little more than what we began the year with, or sufficient for a fortnight's keep, and all this notwithstanding the depression in trade which is being keenly felt all over the country. The extra balance on hand we take as an evidence that the Lord wishes us to enlarge our borders and help still more in the year to come. Not only has the general fund for the current expenses of the Homes been sufficient, but also the special branch of emigration, although we needed £500 more for it than last year. In the City Home, and also in the building fund, there has been no lack but an increase, so that we have been able to do extra work. There have been difficulties by the way, and trials in the removal of loved friends and donors and children; but all these God has sanctified to us and for the furtherance of the work. The spiritual blessing among the children, and through the evangelistic work, has been most encouraging. We have numerous letters from our children in Canada telling of their decision for Christ, and in the Homes not a few of the little ones shew by their lives that they have been born again. We praise our Father for these tokens of His Spirit's presence among us, and we look for still greater things.

During the year there have been sent to us in answer to prayer £15,207 9s. 0½d., besides large quantities of clothing and provisions from all parts of the country. In view of this large amount, and of the number of children who have been rescued and helped, and the spiritual results that have been accomplished, we may well exclaim as we have done before, "What hath God wrought!" In regard to my own personal and family needs, it will be gratifying to friends to know that these have been met with an exactness that has astonished me, and led me to see that the step I took two years ago in giving up business and trusting the Lord for my temporal needs as I had done for my deep spiritual needs was a right one. No one has pledged himself to give, but we have noticed again and again that as some have been removed or been unable to give, the liberality of others has made up the deficiency, and we have clearly seen the Lord working to will and to do of His good pleasure. His dealings with me and mine have led me to offer myself anew to Him for His work more unreservedly than in the past, and I feel sure all who are interested in the work will seek to do what they can to uphold our hands by their prayers and gifts. The work clearly shows not only that God hears and answers prayer, but also that His children delight to give as He has commanded them, not letting their left hand know what their right hand does. It is a fact worth noting that the money has come in many cases anonymously, and in others with the request that no name should be published. The liberality of the Church has increased within late years; but there is still room for larger giving, not only to work such as ours, but to all others which the Master has stamped with His approval. We do pray

that Christians may in the future more than ever consecrate their talents of money, as well as those for speaking and singing and working, to Him who has bought them with His blood.

That friends may know somewhat of our daily work, and of the joy and sorrow, trial and blessing, which come to us, we give the following details, praying that the Lord may bless them to His children who read the narrative, and lead them to more self-sacrificing efforts in the future, that His kingdom, which is righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Ghost, may come.

Nov. 1, 1883.—This first day of the 13th year, we received £1 from Paisley, £2 and £1 from Glasgow, and 10s. from Lechgoilhead, with 5s. for our personal needs. Thus the Lord sent the earnest of the year's supply for the children and for ourselves. A girl, whose parents were dead and the stepfather a drunken worthless man, was added to our large family of 450. Nov. 6.—Several gifts from old donors cheered us very much to-day, and among them one of 10s., with four pairs of stockings and the following letter: "Thank you very much for your sympathy with us in our mingled joy and sorrow. Sometimes it is the one and sometimes the other that predominates. We have very sweet and pleasant reminiscences of our dear mother in her last illness of five weeks. She 'longed to be home—her eternal home.' I herewith send you her last work for your little ones—four pairs of stockings. Twice she asked for her knitting, but could only look at it, and other hands have finished it." Our dear old friend was 95 years of age, but her warm, practical interest in the Homes was as strong as it had been years before when she first gave to them. Our loss is her gain, and we cannot but rejoice that she is now at home. Nov. 9.—By the morning's post only £2 reached us—a thankoffering—for which we did praise the Lord, but late at night, on returning home, we found a letter containing a cheque for £100—£50 for general purposes and £50 for the buildings—both most acceptable gifts in the beginning of a new year, and making this the first day in which we have received sufficient for one day's keep.

Nov. 12.—A legacy of £1000 for the City Home, left by the late Mrs. Robert Smith, was sent to us. It will enable us to proceed with necessary alterations, and put the City Home in proper repair for years to come. The generosity of our departed friend was well known, and her works follow her. Dear little Lizzie Wade, in our "Bethesda," went home to-day to be with Jesus. We cannot sorrow, for it is well with her after all her trouble, borne with such patience as we have never seen exceeded. Always "a little better," she now knows what it is to be perfectly well. Many who visit the Home will miss her, now that her bed is empty. We do pray that her departure may be a means of blessing to the other children, and lead many of them to think of the number of their days, that they may know how frail they are. We took in an orphan boy of 13 whose parents died when he was quite young. He was then adopted by a couple who afterward went to the Colonies, where they died, leaving the boy alone. Neighbours paid his passage home to an address they found among the adopted parents' papers, but there was no relative here to look after the boy. Nov. 15.—Among other donations to-day was £2 from the mother of a boy helped by the Home, and sent to Canada, with the following letter: "Kindly accept

the enclosed £2 to help with your bairns, in grateful acknowledgment for your kindness to my boy. I get such cheerful contented letters from him regularly that it makes me feel the distance between us much less than if it were otherwise. With grateful thanks, wishing you every success in your merciful mission of rescuing the children." It is very cheering to get such thanks from a mother whom we have helped with her wayward boy. It has been our privilege to help hundreds such, and although it is only one in ten or less who return to give thanks we are no worse off than our Master, for He had to say, "Were there not ten cleansed, but where are the nine?" We do not labour for thanks, for the Lord has taught us to live without it, but it is none the less acceptable when we do get it as in this case.

Nov. 16.—One of our little boys, Alexander Pennycook, seven years of age, was taken home this morning after ten days' illness. He was never strong, and consumption did its work rapidly. We had removed him to "Bethesda," hoping the special care there would help him to rally. When asked the day before if he knew he was dying, he said "Yes;" and in answer to another question, "Where are you going?" he said, "To heaven." "How can you get there?" we asked, and without a moment's hesitation he answered, "Through the blood of the Lamb." His childlike trust in the Saviour greatly encouraged us, and led us to thank God that we had been privileged to have him under our care to hear of the Saviour's love before he was called away. Nov. 20.—Our twelfth annual meeting was held, and for the sake of friends at a distance from Glasgow, we give the following extracts from *N.B. Daily Mail*:—

ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND.

The twelfth annual meeting in connection with the Orphan Homes of Scotland and Destitute Children's Homes and Mission was held in the hall, James Morrison Street, yesterday. Dr. Cameron, M.P., presided, and among the other gentlemen on the platform were—Sir William Collins, Mr. Peter Denny, Dumbarton; Bailie Lamberton, Rev. Dr. Logan Aikman, Rev. A. T. Donald, Rev. G. G. Green, Rev. Dr. Fergus Ferguson, Rev. Dr. A. N. Somerville, Rev. John Train, Dr. Henderson; Messrs. A. Thomson, W. Quarrier, Wm. Maitland, R. H. Hunter, Hatfield, and W. C. Maughan.

Dr. CAMERON, who was received with applause, said—I have always much pleasure in taking part at meetings connected with these institutions, because I know of no man in Scotland who has done so much to rescue the most helpless and destitute class of our population as our friend Mr. Quarrier—(applause)—and I know of no man who has carried on the good work in which he is engaged with so much economy and success. He has now been for upwards of 12 years engaged in this work, and year after year has seen him more deeply engrossed in it, until at last, casting aside all private interests, we find him devoting himself to it solely and singly, heart and soul. (Applause.) At the close of the last financial year there remained in hand for the maintenance of these institutions a sum equivalent to little more than would defray for one week the outlays connected with them. A year has elapsed and still we find the balance in hand practically the same. Now, it requires great faith and great enthusiasm to carry on a work like this upon such principles, and it appears to me that faith and enthusiasm are unfortunately two qualifications too seldom met with in the administration of public charities. Now, I don't believe in workhouse administration of charity. I don't believe in this hoarding up of manna. "Sufficient for the day is the evil thereof," and, as was the case with the manna hoarded up by certain Jews in the wilderness, so in every case that I have ever observed where charitable funds have been hoarded up and diverted from their legitimate and immediate purpose, the result has simply been disappointment and waste—waste not merely of the money, but the waste of the opportunities of a generation of lives. The histories of all our older charities show

this; the operations of our Charity Commissioners and of our Educational Endowments Commissioners prove this one lesson; and yet it is a lesson which men of these days are slow to learn—slower far than were the Israelites of old, who learned it after a single experience, possibly because the hoarded manna which rotted in their hands was intended for their own individual use, and in this manner the lesson affected them more vitally and personally than it would have done had it been experienced at second hand. Now, our friend Mr. Quarrier appears to me to have profited not only by the lesson of the hoarded manna, but by the lesson of the handful of meal and the cruse of oil of the widow, which, seemingly insufficient for a single scanty meal, generously shared with the stranger proved ample for many meals, yet wasted not nor failed. (Applause.)

The other day, in company with Mr. Quarrier, I paid a visit to the Bridge-of-Weir Homes. I found that quite a village of cottages had grown up. They were tasteful, clean, and airy, situated in a beautiful country, having on one side a rippling burn, which flowed into a river that skirted another side of the site; and they must have seemed little short of Paradise to those outcasts accustomed to feed on garbage and sleep on stairs, whose rescue constitutes such a large portion of Mr. Quarrier's work. The boys and girls, in numbers of 25 or 30, lived in each of these cottages. They were under the charge of a matron and superintendent, only these functionaries were not called matrons or superintendents any more than the cottages were called wards. For everything savouring of the poorhouse was excluded from this institution. The husbands and wives who took charge of the different Homes were called "fathers" and "mothers." The fathers were tradesmen and taught trades to those of the boys who were not intended for emigration, while the women drilled the girls in household and laundry work. There was no uniform to be seen in the place. The boys and girls received their education at the hands of an excellent schoolmaster and his wife. If sick they were carefully attended to in a beautiful cottage hospital which formed part of the settlement. And at the end of each week, to encourage them in good conduct and application, I found they were given a penny in the shape of pocket-money. To many people this would appear a piece of extravagant waste; to my mind it seemed a most judicious expenditure, for it appeared to be admirably calculated to stimulate in them the feeling which everything in connection with the Homes was directed to foster, that they were not merely a class of charity children apart, but were as other children—with people who were warmly interested in their welfare, and who felt happiness in their happiness and in their enjoyment. Now, this is a vast improvement, in the way of training, on the wretched surroundings from which they have been rescued. But the training in any institution must be far inferior, as a training for the battle of life, to the real home life which Mr. Quarrier finds for them in Canada. (Applause.) Accordingly every year some hundreds of them are sent off to Canada. They are there received into a Home which Mr. Quarrier has succeeded in instituting for them, where they are kept until they are drafted off to the homesteads of those comfortable peasant proprietors with whom that country abounds, and who are only too glad to receive them for their labour and their company. The younger ones among them are eagerly sought in adoption by families who have been rendered childless either through the affliction of God or in consequence of their families having grown up and left them, and under their tender care they often lose even the recollection of their earlier miserable days. The elder boys and girls are apprenticed as helps on those farms. But the life there is primitive. Food is so abundant that no paltry meannesses in connection with it are known; education is free and compulsory; so that, apart altogether from the superintendence to which they are subjected, everything tends to make their mode of life practically similar to that of the children of the family. The farmer's life in Canada is a life of hard work, and the children of the family have to participate in hard work, but the importance and the scarcity of labour there has this effect, that it renders these emigrated children, at a very early age, able to command good wages, and to do for themselves in the world.

It is now twelve years since Mr. Quarrier sent out the first batch of these children emigrants to Canada, and already many of his children are settled, married, and doing well there. (Applause.) Those children who are from physical causes or otherwise unfitted for emigration are trained to some trade or useful calling at the Bridge-of-Weir Homes. Employment in Glasgow having been procured for them, they are not thrown upon their own resources, but they find in

this building a home where they are carefully looked after, and where they are expected to contribute their earnings to their maintenance. Now many of those who are here present must be perfectly familiar with the details of all Mr. Quarrier's work, but a large number of people are apt to ignore altogether what is being done in their midst. Therefore, I have ventured thus inadequately to state it. The work appears to me to be a most noble and philanthropic work. It seems to me doubly noble from the manner in which Mr. Quarrier has gone about it—not as a recreation, not as a mere branch of his occupation, but as the sole object of his life. It appears to me to be a work which confers hardly greater benefit upon those who are immediately the objects of its philanthropy than upon the community at large, whom it rescues from the growth in their midst of a class who would hardly fail to take a criminal revenge upon society for the criminal neglect to which they have been subjected at the hands of society in their earlier years. (Applause.)

Mr. R. H. HUNTER submitted the annual financial statement.

Mr. PETER DENNY, Dumbarton, in moving the adoption of the annual report and financial statement, said they could all see how carefully the funds were administered by Mr. Quarrier. As had been stated, Mr. Quarrier had abandoned his own business in order that he might be able to devote himself entirely to the work of philanthropy, but he was sure that Mr. Quarrier's personal comforts would not be neglected by those who esteemed it a privilege to contribute to this undertaking. Of all the forms of moral and social regeneration that he knew of, there was none so hopeful for this country as rescuing the young. (Applause.)

Sir WM. COLLINS seconded the adoption of the report. He said it had always been a pleasure to him to be present at these annual meetings in connection with the Orphan Homes. He knew not whether most to admire the heroic faith with which Mr. Quarrier had laboured through the last twelve years, or the noble work which he had been privileged to accomplish. He could not conceive of any work more noble in its character than that in which Mr. Quarrier engaged, for he was not only rescuing these poor little ones, who in too many cases were worse than fatherless or worse than motherless, and bringing them up to be good subjects of the Queen, but he also aimed at training them to be good subjects of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The report and financial statement were then adopted.

Mr. WILLIAM QUARRIER said these annual gatherings were to him what water was to the thirsty. They refreshed him and enabled him to renew his strength for a new fight with sin and Satan. It was a great pleasure to him to see so many present notwithstanding the inclement weather. It might be interesting to some of his helpers to know what money the Lord had sent him during the last twelve years. In 1872 he received £1649; in 1873, £2320; in 1874, £2650; in 1875, £10,098; in 1876, £7031; in 1877, £7385; in 1878, £9617; in 1879, £8933; in 1880, £10,342; in 1881, £14,794; in 1882, £12,623; and in the year just closed, £12,552—in all, £99,992. (Applause.)

Rev. Dr. FERGUS FERGUSON remarked that at a recent meeting he had called Miss Clugston the Florence Nightingale of Glasgow, and now, standing in James Morrison Street Hall, he felt disposed to call Mr. Quarrier the Müller of Scotland and Glasgow. When the difference between England and Scotland was taken into account, Mr. Quarrier's Orphan Homes were as great a monument to his faith as the splendid Bristol Homes were a monument to the faith of the renowned Mr. Müller. If he might be allowed to pun on Mr. Quarrier's name, he would say that that gentleman was indeed a quarrier, for he was excavating from the rude block of deteriorated humanity models of cleanliness, of morality, and of religion, far more precious than the most finely chiselled work of the most eminent sculptor. (Applause.)

The benediction was then pronounced, and the proceedings terminated.

Nov. 21.—A friend writes: "I have not been in communication with you as regards 'giving and receiving' for some time, but beg now to enclose £15. 'My God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.'" We took in a boy of 12, whose mother is dead, and father was in jail when last heard of. Also another of 7; father dead, and mother has been in and out of prison, and is now undergoing 15 months' sentence. The friend who sent the boy says—

"She is *very* bad, and his is a real case of rescue from death—death of every kind." Nov. 28.—Several encouraging letters reached us to-day, and led us to thank God for the many friends who uphold us by their gifts and prayers. Among them were the following: "God has put it into my heart to send you the enclosed 10s. as a thankoffering for His goodness to me in bringing me to my 18th year with every blessing one could desire in this life, and, above all, the blessing of His dear Son and of godly parents. 'Jehovah-Jireh.'" We pray that many who are placed in as favourable circumstances as this young friend may hear the Master say, "Go, and do thou likewise." Another old friend in London says: "The Lord be praised for what He has enabled you to do in the past, and who can doubt that in answer to believing prayer He will let you see *far* greater things in the future? Wishing you showers of blessing," &c. Another on the West Coast writes: "I thank you for the report kindly sent, and thank the Lord for the work entrusted to your care. May the grace that has kept you in the past still keep you from ever saying, 'Is not this great Babylon which I have built?'" We most heartily join in our friend's prayer, and trust that in the future, more than in the past, God may have all the glory of the work He gives us to do.

November 29.—A lady residing in Edinburgh sends £25, and says: "Will you kindly accept £5 for your own personal use? £20 I mean for your work among the destitute according to present need. I believe the Lord will sustain the faith He has given you for His own glory, and for the encouragement of those who are your helpers, as well as for the sake of those who need to learn what our gracious Father does to those who pray to Him and trust in Him." This gift, with £9 from other sources, supplied our needs for the day. Two little orphan children, one of 2 years only learning to walk, and his sister of 5, were brought to us by a neighbour who knew the parents. They both died in the infirmary a fortnight ago, and the grand-parents are very old and frail, and not able to keep the little ones. Also took in two working lads of 17, one of whom we had helped before, and would not again do so, but that his sister pleads he may have another chance. Another boy of 13, who has been travelling with gipsies, was brought to us by some ladies. After such associations there seems little likelihood of him doing well, but we gladly give him a helping hand, and praise the Lord for the privilege. Nov. 30.—£2 from an old friend, with the following letter, cheered us to-day: "On perusing the account of the work in which you are engaged, I was much impressed and gratified with the result arrived at. As faith in God is the great secret of your success, I sincerely hope that that confidence in our Heavenly Father, which has for so many years been a ruling principle within you, may go on increasing, and that you may be daily in receipt of the gracious answer, 'According to your faith be it unto you.'" During November no fewer than 61 children were admitted to the Homes, and among these was one family of four—three girls and one boy—whose mother died three years ago, and the father a fortnight before their admission. He was a nominal church member, and had been 14 years in one situation, but left no provision for his family. These, and many others as much in need of help, have been gathered in,

and we do pray that their coming to us may be the means of saving them spiritually as well as temporarily.

Dec. 1.—£100 from Paisley reached us with the following note: "Your Report of 1883 is most interesting. I notice one wee fault in it—too much doubt and too much expression of trust in God. The two don't harmonize. May God bless you and yours." In reading our Narrative others may have had the same feeling; and if so, we desire to say that in writing it we endeavour always to state what is in our heart at the time. We are only human and not without doubts; but we praise the Lord for the grace which enables us so speedily to rise above them, but for which we would long ere this have made shipwreck. We find that even Moses doubted God's power to supply flesh for the children of Israel (Num. xi.), and that after the most wonderful deliverances that had ever been vouchsafed to anyone; but the doubt was of short duration, for the Lord showed him He was able to perform that which He had promised. What a comfort it is that the Lord does not leave or fail us when we halt by the way! May He enable us to lean harder on His almighty power, so that the things that are around us may not affect our trust in Him. By the same post came 5s. 6d., a widow's mite from London, with the following: "You have my best wishes and prayers that our Lord may bless you more and more in gathering in His precious ones who have sunk into the mire of sin and crime. What has made any of us to differ? Only the grace and love of our Father in heaven, who loved us and gave His Son to die for us. That you may be strengthened for your arduous duties, and at the great day have to say, 'Here am I and the children whom Thou hast given me,' is my prayer." On the 3rd £22 6s. 1d. found its way to us from Strathaven, Montrose, Crieff, Dollar, Greenock, Pollokshaws, Lenzie, Edinburgh, Dumbarton, London, Paisley, and Glasgow, showing that the Lord has His servants in every place and moves their hearts as He will. We also received some clothing from a friend, who says: "I know that the Lord will maintain the cause of the afflicted and the right of the poor. May He ever give you grace to walk closely with Him."

Dec. 6.—Another of our delicate little ones passed away yesterday after a short stay in the Homes. These removals are trying to us, but the Lord has used them as a warning to the others, and He knoweth best what is for our good and the children's. £15 from Glasgow, 10s. from Stirling, £2 from Lasswade, £1 from Bolton, £1 from Motherwell, £2 2s. from Grangemouth, and £2 from Whiting Bay supplied our need for the day. We took in a young woman whom we had helped before, and who had been enticed to leave her place by those who ought to have helped her. She was almost naked, and altogether looked the picture of starvation. Also a little girl of 8 from Edinburgh, who had been sent out to beg and was taught nothing but evil by an old woman with whom she lived; and two boys from Galloway and London.

Dec. 7.—A very old friend, who has for many years contributed to the work, in sending £2 says: "I must not delay sending it to you. I am comparatively blind. I am 92 years of age; can read a little in the Bible. This is the first time I could not read the Report. I am thinking every day what need I have to know Christ and have the spirit of faith." The Lord never forsakes His own, and we pray that He may give

our dear friend to realize in her eventide the light which shines more and more unto the perfect day. Dec. 10.—To-day we received £25 from London, £15 to keep a girl in the Homes for one year and £10 to send one to Canada. Also £1 from a girl sent to Canada, and the following from a friend in Italy: "I have read with deep interest your Report, and also learned from it that you have given up your business and depend upon the Lord to supply yours and your family's needs. I would desire to be one of the little and weak hands through which our Father in Heaven thus ministers to you, and send the enclosed cheque for £25, with this hope: I pray that the blessed Lord by His Holy Spirit may keep you very close in personal communion with Himself, very humble, very self-judged, and self-emptied that so your joy may be great and the needed power be never wanting in a work which must have its peculiar trials and temptations." This is the largest sum that has been sent for our own needs during the year, and we praise God for the fellowship of His servant, and desire that his prayer may be fulfilled—that we may be kept humble, looking to the Lord who alone has the power and strength to bestow. We are conscious of our own failings, but are looking to Him to carry us through until He shall say, "It is enough. Come up higher."

We were grieved to-day to hear of the sudden death of our valued friend and helper Mr. A. Forrester Paton of Alloa. When we were in Alloa in June, he sent for us to say he had resolved to build a house in memory of his wife, who when alive also took a warm interest in our work. On the 1st of September last he sent us the £1500 to build it, and all along took great interest in its progress. We suggested it should be called "Alloa Home," thus identifying the house with his place of residence, but he persisted in naming it "Mizpah," which signifies "The Lord watch between thee and me when we are absent one from another," preferring that no one should know who was the giver. Little did we think that in such a short time he would be gone from us, and we should see his face no more in the flesh. His work was done, and the Lord hath called him to his rest and reward. Our deepest sympathy goes out to the sorrowing family and relatives, and we do pray that they may realize the consolation and comfort which the Lord alone can give in this their hour of trial.

Dec. 18.—Our needs are increasing, but to-day we have only received £11 4s. from various sources. It is a great comfort to feel that the great Father knows our needs, and as a friend said the other day: "When we get little from those we expect most from, it shews clearly that the work is the Lord's, and He will provide." We wish those who give to the work could have seen a little girl of 8 we took in to-day—such an object of misery, dirty, ragged, and utterly neglected! Her mother, such as she is, is in prison for the tenth time, and the poor child is left to beg or starve until she comes out again. How many there are in a like condition and what a privilege to be able to rescue from the "snare of the fowler" these little ones who are not responsible for the surroundings they have been brought up in! Another girl of 15 from Edinburgh was also admitted. She had been deserted by her own drunken worthless parents and was living with her aunt who keeps a

"bad house" and turned the poor girl out to make room for two others, leaving her to sleep on a stair. She turned up at the Free Breakfast, and was sent through to us by Christian workers who met her there.

Dec. 27.—A new friend in England sends 2s. and says, "I wish I could help you more, but I am only a working man, a Scot, and love Scotland, and look with interest on what you are doing for our young." £4 from Edinburgh, £1 from Banchory, £1 from Blairgowrie, £1 from Kelso, £2 from Crieff, £5 from Greenock, £1 from Cellardyke, £1 5s. from Dublin, £1 from Rothesay, £1 1s. from Kilbarchan, £2 from Newcastle, £2 from Lenzie, £5 2s. 6d. from Ilfracombe, 2s. 6d. from Stirling, £1 from Govan, and £6 2s. from Glasgow reached us and supplied the day's needs which are more numerous at this time of the year. We bless the Lord for the kindness of friends who remember us in this busy season. Dec. 31.—The last day of 1883 was one of the busiest to us. Among others admitted were four children whose father deserted them six years ago and has never been heard of, and the mother died in the Infirmary last week, leaving them unprovided for. Also two little ones of 4 and 6, the children of a young widow of 22 in Edinburgh, who is in bad health through poor living and the way her husband "smashed her up," as she expressed it, when he came home drunk from the brewery in which he worked. The lady who wrote us about them says: "Could you see them with their miserable-looking old grandmother and still more wretched young mother in an attic without one bit of furniture, not even a bed, simply one blanket to cover the four and a piece of sacking on which they lie, your heart would go out to these neglected, half-starved little ones." The father died 14 months ago and the mother told us she had never had a happy day since he began work in the brewery. She hopes to get stronger and to return to domestic service in which she was before her marriage.

Jan. 1, 1884—Another milestone on the journey homeward reached, and looking back over the road we have come our hearts are full of praise to our Heavenly Father for the goodness and mercy that He has followed us with, and in confidence we go forward knowing that He will not fail nor forsake us. The New Year's treat was given to-day to all the children in the Glasgow Homes. Through the kindness of friends we were able to provide the usual dinner of roast beef, pies, potatoes, plum pudding, &c., &c. It was no small treat to us to watch the faces of many who had never seen such abundance before, and it led us anew to thank our Father for permitting us to make so many of His little ones happy. The Christmas trees loaded with the kind of fruit that children delight in at this time of the year were a great source of enjoyment, and the delight of the little ones was unbounded when they were made the happy possessors of some of its produce. Ours is no ordinary family; but the crop was abundant, and all shared in it. A very pleasant evening was spent in the hall listening to the singing and recitations by the children, and at the close of a very happy New Year's day we all joined in praising Him who giveth us richly all things to enjoy.

The gifts that reached us to-day were mostly from children, showing that there are many who in the midst of their own festivities

do not forget their destitute brothers and sisters. Among these were 15s. from a family; 7s., a tenth, from some children; 5s. from a young friend, and the same from two little boys; two Sabbath schools in Paisley sent £2 and 7s. 6d.; and the contents of a family missionary box, amounting to £4 11s., also found its way to us, besides a widow's mite £1, a friend 8d., another £50, &c. Thus our needs were met from many quarters. The Lord is over all and has the hearts of all men in His hands, and in beginning this new year we would seek to rest more on his promise, "The Lord will give grace and glory, and no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly." We look to Him for guidance in the days that are before us, whether they are few or many, only desiring that His name may be glorified in everything connected with the work.

Jan. 2.—To-day our large family of 280 in the Bridge-of-Weir Homes had their New Year treat in the same way that the other part of our family had theirs yesterday. There was plenty provided for all and to spare, although our numbers were larger than they had ever been. The children gathered from all the cottages into the hall, where dinner was served and then in the schoolroom, where the Christmas trees had suddenly sprung up. These were soon dismantled and the children were made happy for days to come in the possession of some long-wished-for doll, or toy, or book. The little sick ones in Bethesda were not forgotten. The friends whose gifts provided the feast would have been more than amply repaid had they seen the children's happy faces and heard their expressions of delight. Jan. 3.—Among the gifts to-day were £2 from two sisters, domestic servants, and 5s., the "first increase of salary" from a young friend who seeks to obey the injunction, "Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase." May the promise which follows be fulfilled to him and to all who in the same way serve the Master and further His cause. Five neglected little ones were admitted to-day—the oldest 11 years and the youngest 10 months. The mother died 8 days after the baby's birth, and the father was drowned since. The grand-parents who were trying to keep them are old and frail, and the poor children were sadly in need of care. Yesterday a friend sent us the following letter with £10: "Very unexpectedly last night I got a present of money, and I hasten to send you a portion of it. May the blessing of our Lord rest on all your labours." In thus giving out what the Lord gives, we pray that our friend may realize that "There is that scattereth and yet increaseth."

Jan. 10.—"An Aged Friend" writes: "I send you £2 for the use of the destitute ones in the name of our Lord Jesus, whose it is. Of His fulness may you every hour receive grace upon grace." Another in sending £3 3s. says: "Since I first contributed to your Mission, now years ago, I have not, I am glad to say, become less able to do so, if I have not become more prosperous; on the present occasion I am specially thankful to God for benefits bestowed, and enclosed you will find a cheque as a small token of my gratitude to Him." Anything done to the Lord never makes us poorer. It is the laying up of treasure in heaven, which we will find at last when all the treasures of earth have rusted away. 15s. from a Sabbath School in Fife, was

accompanied by the following letter: "I do praise the Lord for all He is permitting and enabling you to do for Him, for health and the wonderful supply of your needs. Yes, He is faithful that hath promised. Continue in prayer and may abundant blessings in the coming year be yours." Other gifts amounting to £27 9s. 6d. reached us from Wigtown, Motherwell, Thornhill, Ilfracombe, Dowanhill, Bournemouth, Skene, London, Ryde, and Glasgow. One of our little boys, only 7 years of age, was taken home to-day. When first he became ill we tried to find out his mother, but have up till the present been unsuccessful. It has been our privilege to be the means of fulfilling the Lord's promise, "When thy father and thy mother forsake thee then the Lord will take thee up," in the case of this little one, as well as many others.

January 10.—To-night we gave our annual treat of tea and supper to the street boys and girls. This has become quite an institution in the city, and months before it takes place we are often accosted on the street by a nod and a "Please, Mr. Quarrier, when's oor meeting to be held? Will it be lang noo?" This year about 700 responded to our invitation. No persuasion was needed to induce them to come. Indeed, many had to be refused admission for want of room. Some who were not so fortunate as to secure tickets managed to get in with counterfeits. A communicant's card, a ticket for the Eye Infirmary, and an old soiree ticket, were among the number, and being of the same size as those we issued, were not noticed in the crush at the door. With the aid of about 70 voluntary helpers good order was maintained, and a most enjoyable evening was spent. Eight of our rescued boys from Cessnock entertained the company with recitations and singing, which, with the magic lantern entertainment, kept up the interest all the time. A large bag of bread was given to each child, and tea as much as they could drink. At the close they received a large pie, an orange, and a small book. It was no small pleasure to us to be able, through the generosity of a friend in London, thus to minister to those neglected ones for whom no other provision had been made. At the meeting it was proposed and unanimously carried that the Lord Provost and Magistrates should be asked to control the street children, and make laws and regulations for their supervision so as to save them from the evil influences of street life as it at present is. This proposal we agreed to present again to the Magistrates in the hope that steps will at once be taken to better the condition of these poor waifs of our city. From statistics taken we found that about 70 per cent. were Roman Catholics, about 60 per cent. had fathers alive, and only a very few had neither father nor mother, showing that the children are not really homeless, although many of them are worse. Our usual invitation was given to any who were destitute to enter the Home, but none accepted it. When will the magistrates arise and get the power to control the children on the streets and prevent them going wrong and becoming an injury to society? For 20 years we have been asking for this and yet nothing has been done, and all the time children are being lost and the streets are a disgrace to our present civilization. Jan. 17.—"A Labouring Man" in Aberdeen sent us 2s. 6d., a friend in Linlithgow £2, and an old helper called with £10 to express his good wishes, which greatly cheered us.

The Lord reward all who hold up and strengthen our hands in the work.

Two little orphan boys of 8 and 6 from Paisley were taken in. Their mother died two years ago and the father last month, and their sister is in service and of course not able to keep them. Jan. 18.—The only gifts to-day were 10s. and 16s. 9d., both New-Year's offerings, one from a Sabbath School and the other from a family. Among all the gifts there are none we value more than those from children. It is but little they have and yet they give willingly to the Lord and often put to shame those to whom God has entrusted wealth. Five children were taken in to-day—two orphan boys of 11 and 9. Their father was killed four years ago, and with the shock the mother went out of her mind and had to be sent to an asylum where she died a few weeks ago; a girl of 13 who has been found wandering and homeless by a lady who has tried since to keep her but finds she is more than she can manage. Her parents are dead and her friends have left her to fight her own way in the world; and two other boys of 11 and 9. Jan. 23.—There has not been much coming in for the last few days, but still sufficient to let us see that the Lord has not forgotten us. Although our balance is small we have not yet lacked anything and "God is able to make all grace abound toward us, that we always having all sufficiency in all things may abound to every good work." Yesterday a very useful box of clothing came from the scholars in a public school and the teacher writes: "It was a source of very great pleasure to us to see the little ones working so heartily and so diligently for the orphans, and we are sure the pleasure they had in their little labour of love amply rewarded them. We enclose also in the box £2 0s. 6d., 19s. 6d. of which has been handed in to us without solicitation on our part, the rest from ourselves." The Lord bless the children and grant that as they have early begun to work for Him, the rest of their lives here may be spent in His service. He sees the very least thing that is done for Him and will reward, for has He not said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto me"?

To-day four little orphan girls from Alloa were brought to us—the oldest 7 years, and the youngest only 16 months. The friend who is interested in them wrote us some days ago, saying the poor mother was dying of consumption, and her husband had died a year ago—would we take a load from her mind by promising to take the children when she should be removed? We at once agreed, and were thus able to soothe the dying bed of one of the Lord's lowly ones. She died a few days afterwards trusting in the Lord, and very thankful that He had thus provided for her little ones, and saved them from going to the poorhouse, which she so much dreaded. Jan. 31.—£20 9s. from Canada, £7 10s. from Edinburgh, £2 from Innellan, £2 from Glasgow, and 3s. from a servant, cheered our hearts to-day. A young woman, and a girl of 13 whose mother died nine years ago and her father on Sabbath last, were added to our family, making a total of 60 during the month—33 boys and 27 girls. The sad histories of many of these would fill a volume, but our space forbids, and we have only given a brief outline of a few. God has left the poor as a legacy to His children, and they should seek to do what they can for them, remembering that the time

is short, and many are perishing. Amid the trials that come to us we are often cheered by letters from our rescued ones in Canada, and, among others, the two following reached us this month :—

DEAR FRIEND,—I take the pleasure of writing to you. I am well, hoping to find you the same. I received the book and card you sent me. I am very thankful to you for them. It is nice to learn a verse every morning. It is like the children of Israel gathering the manna; it will do to think on all day. How much we need to meditate on the Word, "which is able to make us wise unto salvation," and to lean on Christ our strength, who is ever willing and able to help us. We will never be able to praise Him enough for all His boundless love to us. I am still in the same home, and I am getting along well. Maggie has got a place in town, and we often see each other. James is still in his home; he was well the last time I saw him. The girls here were all well the last time I saw them; there are five besides me. I would like to hear about the Homes the next time you write to me.—I remain,
L. M.

DEAR FRIEND,—I have had a merry Christmas, and I hope to have a happy new year also. I received your kind letter, and was very glad to hear from you. I go to church and Sunday-school every Sunday. I go to day-school, too. You asked me if grandma is still alive yet. She is alive yet, and is 83 past. I am a small boy for my age. Mamma told me to tell you, that if you ever come to Canada, that she would make you welcome to come and see us. I will write to my sister, and when she gets strong I suppose you will send her out to Canada. Send my love to her and Mrs. Quarrier; so I must close my letter.—Yours truly,
E. D.

Feb. 1.—The following letter with £20 came to-day: "I have real pleasure in being able to afford the enclosed as a small help to you in your noble work of rescuing some of our poor city waifs. I trust you will be abundantly blessed, and be the instrument in God's hand of saving many for time and eternity." This is our earnest desire; and while we do not lose sight of the fact that every little one removed from scenes of vice and misery to a healthier moral atmosphere is a gain to the community, our chief aim is the eternal salvation of the children who come under our care, and our hearts are continually going up to God on their behalf, that as He has gathered them into an earthly fold so He will at last gather them unto Himself. The fathers and mothers and workers in the Homes all unite with us in this matter, and they seek no greater reward for their labour than to see the children deciding for Christ. We praise our Father for the many who have done so, but are longing for "showers of blessing." It is a great joy to us to hear time and again from our children in Canada and from the friends who have taken them that they are serving the Lord. It is a common thing to hear, "Our boy is one of the best in the neighbourhood," or, as one wrote, "Robert is not one of the best boys in the Sunday school, but *the* very best."

February 8.—A friend in Aberdeen sent to-day a box of very useful articles of clothing made by her Bible class of young women, and writes: "My girls were very much interested in your last year's report. I gave each of them a read of it to let them see the noble work you are doing for Christ's little ones. I trust you will accept of our small gift with our best wishes." In this way we are often helped by friends throughout the country who, it may be, can give their time to put in stitches for the Lord when they could not give money. Such help is always most acceptable, and we trust that as the friends gather together or sit in their own homes to do the work, their prayers will go up for the wearers of the garments and for those who care for them,

and in so doing they will help forward that kingdom which we pray for when we say "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is done in heaven." Feb. 9.—A friend called to-day with two children of nine and six from the West Coast. Their father was lost at sea, and the mother when dying last night requested that the children might be brought to us. The poor boy has heart disease, and is always blue from want of circulation, and even with care it is not likely he will live long. Feb. 16.—Among other gifts to-day were £1 "from our baby's bank—our wee darling has gone home"—and also a basket of clothing, "the wearer of which needs them no more." The Lord's ways are not as ours, but He knoweth best; and although the removal of loved ones is a great trial, it is sweet to think of them "at home," where sorrow never comes. We are sure the Lord will bind up the broken hearts more firmly when they look away from their own trials, and seek to help those who are left without a friend to care for them.

Feb. 19.—10s. from Forfar with the words, "All things are possible to him that believeth," strengthened our hearts this morning. The Lord bless the sender. We are looking for great things from the Lord—means to double our present accommodation at Bridge-of-Weir, means to send over 200 children to Canada this year, and means for the daily maintenance of our large family of 540. "He is able." A lady, writing to ask us to take two sons of a widow left with six children and send them to Canada, says, "I consider it the one chance for these children to break away from idle, lazy, drinking relatives and friends." She also says, "We have always taken a great interest in a lad who many years ago entered your Homes. We had a terrible struggle to get hold of him. I remember his sister returning from Glasgow weeping in perfect despair, saying, 'He ran away from me screaming just like a perfect beast.' What a contrast to the photograph sent to me lately of him as he now is. I do not think you could imagine a more lovable, gentle, fine face. His sister wrote and asked him if he would like to see them all, and her husband would pay his passage home. His reply was so very sensible. 'He would like to see them all, but would not care to return, and as for passage money he could pay that himself quite well.' I think it must be very helpful to you to hear that the Lord is crowning your work with such marked success, permitting you to reap as well as to sow—'bringing in the sheaves.'"

God does indeed give us many tokens of His approval of our work, and although it is often "after many days" that we find the bread we cast upon the waters, we thank Him that He has given us grace to toil on, leaving results in His hands who alone can give the increase. A servant writes, "With pleasure I send this £1; I do wish it was in my power to send a thousand for your dear little ones. I am only a servant." The Lord accepts our gifts "according to that a man hath;" and in many cases the servant's mite is more in proportion than the merchant's thousand. The Lord grant to all His servants an increased spirit of liberality that His cause may not lack. Yesterday we took two little ones of 7 and 3, the children of a member of one of our churches, whose husband died lately after a long illness; also a young woman who wishes to leave her old companions and do well; and a little girl of 3, whose mother lives in one of the

lowest dens of the city, and hitherto has never seemed really anxious to have her little one removed from the terrible surroundings of vice although she was often pleaded with. May the child be a jewel in the Saviour's crown "when he cometh." Feb. 26.—£9 3s. from Largs, £2 19s. 1d. from Glasgow, 5s. from Ayr, £10 from Edinburgh, and £1 from Dundee cheered us to-day. We took in a boy from Ayrshire, whose mother is a worthless character and utterly unfit to care for her boy; a little girl from Johnstone, "full of sores," her mother left her in a lodging-house and never cared for her; also a little boy of 6, whose mother when dying requested that he might be brought to us. During the month 26 boys and 21 girls were admitted in addition to all the other work done in advising and helping the many needy ones who came to us daily at the City Home. Thus has the Lord enabled us to shelter those whom no man cares for, and has permitted us to be workers together with Him.

March 1.—This is always a busy month with us, and will be more so this year, as we have resolved to send 50 or 60 more children to Canada than we did last, involving an additional outlay of £500, or £2500 in all. Every bed in the Homes is filled up, and it is absolutely necessary that we make room to receive the numbers who are applying. It has always been our custom not to send any child unless the £10 for passage and outfit was provided beforehand, thus leaving the Lord to decide the numbers by the amount of money He sent. Towards the money for this year's party we have about £900 in hand, so that we still need £1600 before the children leave. We believe the Lord will supply. We have been asking Him for means to build as many more houses as we have at present at Bridge-of-Weir, and to-night our faith was strengthened by receiving most unexpectedly from a friend the promise of one house, which we take from the Lord as an earnest of the whole. March 4.—We received £10 to take a child to Canada, and a number of small sums. A very sad case of a widow with 5 children was brought before us, and we took 4 of them, aged 13, 9, 8, and 5, into the Home. The father died a year ago in Ayr, and the mother returned to Glasgow, hoping to be able to struggle through with her children. She got 4s. a week from the Board, and has been sleeping on the floor of a neighbour's house since November last. They were all starving and in a miserable condition, as may well be imagined. The poor neighbour tried to help them all she could, and even pawned her own blanket to get them food, but her husband is out of work and would not allow her to help them longer. We have seldom seen a more distressing case than this one, and we gladly took the four eldest children, and thus gave the mother a chance to support herself and the little one of 3, whom she retains. We trust, amid happier surroundings, these little ones will grow up and forget the bitter hardships they have had to suffer since their father's death.

March 6.—£50 from London, £10 from Uddingston, £10 from Glasgow, all for emigration, reached us to-day, and also £10 from Tottenham, with the following letter: "I have been much interested in reading of your work from time to time, and have had it down on my list to contribute to as the Lord enables me. I think the emigration work most important and satisfactory to clear off the over-population of this teeming country; so please use this cheque

for this, and, wishing you continued and increased blessing and success in this work of faith and labour of love for His name's sake, believe me yours in its fellowship," &c. Thus our special needs for emigration are being supplied and our daily wants not forgotten. Truly the Lord's resources are infinite, and He never fails. Three brothers send £2 2s. 6d., and in the letter accompanying the gift one says: "I must ask of you to take 5s. 3d. out of same for your own personal expenses, as I thoroughly believe in the Scripture which says the labourer is worthy of his hire. Wishing God's blessing on the work, and hoping to hear of its further extension and the bringing of many of the young into a knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ, I am," &c.

March 10.—We are called upon to mourn the loss of a friend in the removal of Mr. James White of Overtoun on Saturday the 8th. He was one of the merchant princes of Glasgow, whose practical Christian life was known far and wide. There was no object that commended itself to him that he was not ready to bestow his gifts upon. He was a true friend of the poor and helped them in a way few in his position ever think of doing—by personal visit and sympathy. A working man we met accidentally and had conversation with said: "There are few left like Mr. White, for when I was hurt and laid up he came to my house and prayed with me, besides giving money to buy what I needed. If ever there was a true Christian he was one." We did not need this testimony to convince us of it, but it shewed us that his religion was not only manifested in his munificent gifts, but in visiting the afflicted, which is the pure religion and undefiled before God. It is only a few years since he first took a practical interest in our work, as he objected to the emigration part of it. At our farewell meeting last year he presided, and said he had been led to change his mind, and now thought it the most judicious thing that could take place for the boys and girls. The next day he sent us the following letter: "I was greatly pleased at the success of your yesterday's meeting and gratified by the appearance of the boys and their kit, so well and so judiciously furnished. I have pleasure in enclosing cheque for £200 to be applied as you may see fit in aid of the very important and benevolent work in which you are engaged." No one needs to be told that he realized in some measure his responsibility as the Lord's steward, and ever sought to serve Him with his means, and that he looked for the city which hath foundations. May the Lord comfort his widow and family and the sorrowing relatives, and give them grace to look forward to the re-union which will take place when their part of life's battle is fought and the victory won.

Mar. 12—"A Friend of the Poor" handed us £600 to day to be used as we please. It is a most opportune gift and will fill up the lack of others who are not able to help this year. We have placed £200 of it for emigration, which will complete the provision for our boys' party, which we hope will number 120. We still need about £900 for the girls, but He who has supplied in the past will do so still. Mar. 15.—£10 10s. from Edinburgh, with the following letter, which cheered us: "I have the pleasure of enclosing you a cheque for ten guineas to aid in your noble work. I trust you are still blessed with health and vigour, sufficient for your arduous duties. Your work is heavy and

seems to be constantly increasing, but the Master has never sent any a warfare at their own charges, and for you also it will be provided, that 'as your day so shall your strength be.' This has been blessedly true in our experience, and but for the grace and strength given we could never have gone on amid the difficulties and trials of work among the poor.

Mar. 19.—We received for emigration £20 from Ipswich, £20 from Govan, £50 from Glasgow, and £10 from Brighton; and on the 22nd £10 from Edinburgh for the same purpose, and also 118 Bibles—one for each boy going to Canada. On the 24th £10 from Croydon, £10 from Largs, and £10 from Glasgow. On the 25th we took in two children of 13 and 10—their father dead, and the mother a very bad character; also a real street waif of 9, a perfect spectacle of rags and filth. His father is in prison and the mother lives in a model lodging house. The boy has for weeks been away from her, living in a lodging house on his own account. We hope to be able to tame him, and trust he may be a brand plucked from the fire. In preparing to send off our boys to Canada it is most gratifying to receive such letters as the following from those who have already found homes there: "Dear Friend,—It is with the greatest of pleasure I start to write to you. I had hardly thought you had got my letter when I received your answer. The night I went to post it the snow was about three feet deep part of the way. I may tell you there is a Methodist minister here carrying on revival meetings, and we go to hear him pretty often. While I am at it, I might say I would like to be in Glasgow to see some of my old friends and the Homes, but that is all; for if I was at home now in Glasgow I would make up my mind to go to Canada much faster than I did the first time. I know now how it is out here, but I did not then. You were asking me about my soul's salvation. I am thankful that I can say now what I could not say when I wrote to you before. I have been trying to make up my mind ever since last fall. With His help who is mighty to save, I am going to trust Him more and more."

DEAR MR. QUARRIER.—Your letter was received and we were glad to hear little Johnnie's age, and so was he. He is anxious to have me write to you and tell you all how he likes his home and what he got for his Christmas gifts; he thinks a great deal of the cards you sent him and he often amuses us by telling us all about "Scotland home." He is standing by me writing, and now he wants me to tell you everything he got; so to amuse him, I will enumerate some for him: he got a pair skates and has learned to skate a little this winter, and an express wagon, and two new pairs of boots, and books and clothes, and had his photograph taken, and he is quite a happy boy in his new American home. We think Johnnie is going to be a good boy and a comfort to us when he gets to be a man. "We hope he will grow up a good one." He got a new sleigh, too, and a wonderful lot of things; he says he loves his pa and ma. He has grown five inches taller, and is stout in proportion. We had a Sabbath School concert and he spoke a piece about "When Johnnie first he went to school," and sang a piece, and everybody thinks little Johnnie quite a singer. Mrs. J. M.

DEPARTURE OF OUR THIRTEENTH ANNUAL BAND OF CHILDREN TO CANADA.

Mar. 29.—Our party of 118 boys sailed for Canada to-day in the s.s. *Hibernian*, in charge of Mr. and Mrs. Kelly, and a young friend who was returning to Canada. We had hoped to get them off on the 27th, but the steamer was delayed. The farewell meeting was held on the 25th, and a most encouraging one it was, the hall being crowded with friends, whose

good wishes and prayers and sympathy greatly cheered us. When we got on board ship the wharfs were lined with friends and well-wishers, all anxious to see the last of the little emigrants. A finer band of boys it would have been hard to find anywhere—intelligent, bright-looking lads, all rejoicing in the prospect of a happier, better life than they had any chance of here. Our hearts were sad at parting with them, but we had to hide our feelings, knowing how many others are seeking our help, and how much better it is for the boys to be away from their old surroundings. We accompanied the party to Greenock, and saw them into their quarters and comfortably settled. The Messrs. Allan, as usual, had made all necessary arrangements for the comfort of the children on the way, and assigned us very commodious quarters on board. The boys were amused and delighted with their new surroundings, and the sail down the river was a great treat to them. We left them at Greenock, and returned to our work of rescue in the city, praising our Father for His great goodness in providing such an outlet as the broad fields of Canada for these little ones, for whom there is no room in this overcrowded island of ours.

Yesterday a friend sent us the following with £5: "I have to express my pleasure in being at the meeting to-day. I was very much impressed with this, in studying their faces, to see how much success attends the operations of love and care even on the most degraded material. This lesson has been carried away, and wont be lost. Our common Master will sustain you in this truly grand work." At the City Home we took in a little boy of 8 years—parents both dead, and the step-father being idle and having two children of his own cannot keep him. Also a girl of 16 who has got beyond the control of her mother—a Christian woman. We had an application from a widow with three children, one of whom takes fits and is therefore not suitable for the Homes. Also for a family of 5, whose father was killed in a public work and the mother is an asylum. We helped a poor woman with four children, whose husband is out of work, and they are all starving and naked.

April 1.—£10 from Kirkcudbright, £1 from our regular but unknown donor Wigtown, £1 from Glasgow, and 10s. from Dollar are all that have come to-day. The Lord lay upon the hearts of His servants the needs of "the young children who faint for hunger in the top of every street." We were well-nigh overwhelmed with the number of applicants before us to-day. Eleven children were taken in and a number of others were advised and helped otherwise. The histories of the 11 are as follow: A little boy of 5. Mother had to undergo a painful operation and is losing her sight. The father deserted them four years ago, and has not since been heard of. Two boys of 11 and 9. Their father was a waiter and died 3 years ago, and the mother, a member in one of our churches, has been unfortunate, and cannot now keep her boys. A little boy and girl of 8 and 6. Father went abroad 3 years ago, and for some time sent what he could for his family, but nothing has come for some time, and the poor mother with four children is utterly unable to struggle through. Two little girls of 6 and 4. The father died of consumption and the mother has been trying since to keep her three little ones by going out to wash and clean. A boy of 13 who has got

quite beyond the control of his mother. The step-father drinks and abuses him, and the boy is going all wrong. Another boy of 13 also getting beyond his parent's control. A girl of 13 who came to us with a well-concocted story that her father had fallen down a pit and fractured his skull, and when he was brought home her mother died from the shock. This we found to be quite untrue, but the girl had been living with a woman who kept lodgers and took in tramps, beggars and such like for the night. With such surroundings and training what would the girl turn out? Three girls of 12, 11, and 7. These poor things were starving when brought to us and quite emaciated. Their father was a professional, and died about a year ago from cold and exposure, leaving the mother with seven children. One has died since through falling out of bed and breaking her spine when the mother was out working. The poor woman is not strong and can only earn a few shillings a week which with the small wages of her boy of 14 has not been nearly sufficient for their wants. The children were clean although poorly clad, but they were really starving. A Christian worker had found them out and told the mother of our Homes, and but for the timely aid they would have died from want—the youngest girl being so far through that she could not retain food in her stomach. What a privilege to be able to receive such as the foregoing and thus save them from want which so often drives into degradation and sin!

April 2.—£5 all that has come to-day, and three little ones have been added to our number. One little boy five years of age whose mother has "no home, is occasionally in lodging but often sleeps on stairs or in the police office where both she and her boy are well known." The father died four years ago. Another of 10, father dead, and the boy has so far got beyond his mother's control that he goes out of the house for nights, and latterly has taken to selling papers on the streets, although he never gives the mother any of the proceeds—and this at 10 years of age! Also an orphan girl of 10, sister to a girl and boy we have in the Home. April 14.—There has been very little money coming in for some days and to-day there was only 4s. from a poor woman. The Lord knoweth and to Him we look for the supplies.

The following letter with its accompanying parcel of very useful garments gladdened our hearts and will go some way towards clothing some of our numerous and increasing family: "I have very much pleasure in forwarding to you a parcel of work done by the congregation of Abbotshall Free Church. I know many prayers have gone up to the throne of grace on behalf of your noble work, and in entreaties that you may be upborne in the great work you have been called to. I was requested to enumerate the articles, which I did. I did not see the use of this at all, but it was suggested there was not much work in town from congregations and it might have a beneficial effect in stirring up others to work in this way for the Master. I do most earnestly pray that the Lord of the vineyard will richly water with the dews of His Spirit the seed sown in His name, and abundantly bless the work done to His praise and honour and glory. If there were more simply living upon Him and abiding in Him, how much brighter and

more joyous our lives would be, and such as would be seen of all men that *our* religion was one that precluded all clouds, and cares, and anxieties, and more than satisfied all the deep wants of the soul. Oh that more of us were like you, 'careful for nothing,' leaving everything in His blessed hands!"

Gifts of clothing are always most acceptable, and we are very much indebted to the friends who help us in this way. The cutting out of material and the making of garments for our large family is no easy task, and but for the aid of friends Mrs. Quarrier would find it too much for her. Besides what is needed for home wear just now, the outfits for the girls going to Canada are in preparation, and as each girl is provided with five dresses no small amount of planning is necessary. To-day we took in two orphan boys, 8 and 10, from Greenock. It was pleasing to us to see the gratitude of the old grandfather of 76 who brought them to us. Their parents are dead, and the old people cannot manage the boys. Also a fatherless boy from Edinburgh whose mother is paralysed, and another orphan boy. April 16.—"A Winter's Work Party" sends us 23 dresses, 23 petticoats, 31 pairs socks, &c., all most useful and very acceptable now as we make up our Canadian outfits. We feel sure the friends who thus give their time to the Lord in making garments for His little ones will rejoice to know that their gifts have helped to clothe some little wanderers who have been left without a mother's care. April 18.—We only received £3 14s. 11d. yesterday, and three children were added to our number—a brother and sister, father was drowned and mother died of consumption, and a girl whose mother is also dead and father unknown. To-day £20 from an old friend in Edinburgh, wishing us continued joy and prosperity in our work, cheered us. It will send two children to Canada, and we praise the Lord for it. There was also £4 from Lanark—"The one half of which to be used as you think best in your great and good work; the other for your personal use, with the prayer that the dear Lord may shower down His choicest blessings on you and yours;" and £2 as a "thankoffering to God from one who has received many mercies from Him most unworthily;" and also a parcel of useful clothing from a "School Girls' Saturday Club" in Dundee. In these many ways our supplies come day by day, leading us to see that our Father reigns in many hearts, and that His children esteem it a privilege to give to His cause.

April 24.—During last week we only received a few pounds and sometimes less each day, and our current expenses are about £30. To-day £40 from Glasgow, 10s. from Lochgoilhead, £1 from a Sabbath School, and 17s. 9d. from our regular donor, "Give and it shall be given unto you," supplied our need. "The Lord is good; a stronghold in the day of trouble; and He knoweth them that trust in Him." April 28.—An old friend writes: "I send enclosed for your emigration scheme £10, which I hope will send some poor little waif to a healthier and happier home, both morally and physically. Thanking you for your labours in the Lord's cause, and praying that He may bless you and your work." To-day four were taken in—a young woman of 17 in an awful state of filth and vermin, an orphan girl of 14, a working lad of 15, homeless, and a little girl of three. The children keep coming, and we praise God for

His mindfulness of our wants, in that He has never suffered us to turn away any really destitute child for lack of means. April 29.—An unexpected legacy of £499 0s. 1d. left by a lady who lived in Wigtown was most acceptable to-day. We are not aware of ever having met the friend, but she has been used by the Lord to minister to the wants of His little ones under our care at a time when it is much needed.

The following letter from one of our girls in Canada led us to praise God for making us the means of saving her and many others from the dark future that humanly speaking awaited them here. She says: "Dear Friend,—I received your kind letter and card, and was glad to hear from you all. I intended writing sooner, but have been very busy preparing for housekeeping, as I expect to be married in July to ——. If you come out this spring I would like to have you at my marriage; I would like it so much. I hope you can. May the Lord bless you all and prosper your work." This girl has been five years in her first place, and has earned an excellent character. We do pray that this most important step in her life may have the Lord's blessing. April 30.—An old friend called with £20 to take two girls to Canada. We have been wondering why so little is coming in for that purpose, and this gift cheered us. During the month 32 boys and 24 girls—56 in all—were admitted to the Homes, so that the vacant places of those we sent to Canada last month are being speedily filled up.

May 1.—Friends in Glasgow sent us £5, another in Hong Kong £5, and an anonymous donor £10, all for emigration. Thus two more girls are paid for to Canada, but, as we hope to send over 100 and only 50 have as yet been provided for, we still need £500 for that purpose before the day of sailing. A little fatherless boy and girl of eight and six, another boy of eight, and an orphan boy of eleven were taken in.

May 3.—No money to-day, and only £1 14s. yesterday. Our needs are great, but the store-house is unlimited, and our Father knoweth what things we have need of. An orphan girl of eight, from Johnstone, and another of ten, from Greenock, and a boy of eight were admitted. May 5.—This morning one of our little boys passed away. He was never strong, and the spring proved very trying to his delicate constitution. We have every confidence that "it is well with the child," and, although we mourn his loss, we cannot but praise the Lord that he has been taken from the ills and cares of this world to that one where pain and sickness are unknown. A little boy and girl of 5 and 3 were taken in. Their mother died in the infirmary last July, and the father (an old man) is now there, and not likely to be fit for his work again. At the mother's death a neighbour took the children, thinking to receive help from the Parochial Board to keep them, but this they refuse, and the father is most anxious to save them from going to the poorhouse, and willingly gives them to us. May 6.—£1 from a servant, and the following letters and gifts from old friends of the work encouraged us to-day.

One says: "I have again the pleasure—'to-day, while it is called to-day'—to enclose my now small annual donation of £5 for your Orphan Homes, which I am always happy to hear continue to prosper under the blessing of God and your good management." May the Lord abundantly reward him, and give him in his declining days to realise

the abiding peace of God which passeth all understanding. Another writes: "I have great pleasure in handing you the cheque herewith from my beloved wife, who wishes to invest all her spare money in *heaven's bank*. We are most thankful to hear, from time to time, of the Lord's gracious dealings with you in your blessed work. Yours is emphatically a work of *faith*; and as faith honours God, so God honours faith." The Lord grant that many more may follow our friend's example, and thus lay up for themselves "treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust can corrupt, and where thieves do not break through and steal." We praise God for the faith He has given us, and for His unchanging faithfulness to His promises. One of our rescued ones in Canada writes:—

DEAR SIR,—I take the opportunity of writing you these few lines to let you know that I am well, hoping this will find you in the same way. I send my best kind love to Mrs. and Miss Quarrier, and to all the family. I would like to hear of some of the boys in Old Cessnock. I hope that they are all well. I see that the words that were spoken by Miss Bilbrough have turned out just the same. I have 12 head of cattle, 2 calves, 19 sheep, 2 lambs, 1 pig, 36 hens, and I can harrow and milk. "When thou passest through the waters I will be with thee." "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." I am glad that I have found the Saviour precious, and am cleansed through the blood of the Lamb. T. D.

May 8.—Our hearts were filled with gratitude and joy to-day by the gift of £1000 from "A Friend of the Poor" in the East of Scotland, whose practical sympathy has many a time in the past been a source of strength to us. He desires to spend for the Lord what he receives, and in this way to become his own executor. Would that many others would follow his example. We placed £200 of it for emigration, and the balance to build lodge gate, &c. May 13.—The gifts to-day were £1 15s. 8d. from an old donor who gives regularly from the profits of his business, £1 9s. 6d. from a Bible class, 5s. from a friend, and 5s. from Blairgowrie—not nearly sufficient for our needs; but the legacy of £500 left by the late Mr. James White, which we received yesterday, more than makes up the deficiency. There were a great number of applicants at the City Home. A Bible-woman came to see if we would take the two orphan children of a poor man who has just died in the infirmary. We took in two children, 10 and 2 years, of a widow whose husband was drowned six months ago. She has got behind with her rent and is to be put out of her house. She will try to get work and keep one, and trusts these two to the Lord and me. Also two others, of 3 and 10, brought by a woman who is the sister of one and the mother of the other. Her eyesight has failed, one eye being completely blind and the other to be operated on. The neighbours who kept the children while the woman was in the infirmary recommend hers as a most necessitous case. May 15.—Five others were admitted to-day—three children of 5, 8, and 12, whose mother was killed a year ago in a drunken brawl, and the father since then has been in and out the poorhouse with ill health and is not able to work; the poor children were sadly neglected; a girl of 15 from a low lodging-house in Edinburgh, and a boy of 11 beyond the control of his grand-parents. May 16.—No money yesterday; but £25 to-day from Glasgow, £1 from Helensburgh, 5s. from Gosport, and 12s. from a mothers' meeting.

May 17.—No money. May 19.—£10 for emigration from Glasgow, and £8 15s. from other sources all to-day. May 20.—£10 from Largs, and £10 from Stirling for children to Canada, and some smaller sums reached us to-day. Our needs are not diminishing and there are many seeking help. We were greatly encouraged by the receipt of a number of letters and reports from Canada to-day. One little girl writes:—

DEAR FRIEND,—I now take the pleasure of writing a few lines to you. I suppose that you think I have forgotten you, but I have not, and I can only pray that God will give you a rich reward for all the trouble and care that you are taking for your poor children. My sister Agnes and I are living not far from each other. We go to the same school, and we see each other often. I like my place very well. I see a great number of the children from the Home who come to our place. There are quite a number of children from the Home near here, and they are doing well. I would like well to see either you or Miss Quarrier out here. I hope that you are well, and that God will bless you in your work.—Yours gratefully,
M. T.

May 26.—We have been asking the Lord to send all the money needed for the passages and outfits of the children in good time before they leave, and to-day from far-off Servia the following reached us:—

I am glad at intervals to read in *The Christian* of the progress of your work among friendless children, and of the blessing which accompanies it from above. Many practical considerations cause me specially to approve of the emigration scheme, and the £100 which I have the pleasure to enclose by cheque, I beg you to use in the furtherance of this part of your work. That God may abundantly bless you, and those for whom you labour, is the prayer of yours very sincerely by grace, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake.

How true it is that while we are yet speaking God hears and answers prayer! May 31.—To-day £100 came from Edinburgh for emigration, thus completing the amount we need for the 120 girls we intend to send in a few days. To-day the following reached us from a far-off State in America. The sender gives no name or address, and therefore we have not been able to thank him for his acceptable gift. The Lord knows and will reward. He says: "I have heard of your faith in God and admire it. How many I have heard preach of faith, but you are the first I have known to live by faith. May God spare you to go on with your practical religion, caring for them that cannot care for themselves. Enclosed I send you £5 for your own private use. O Lord, how manifold are thy works, and thy ways past finding out; in wisdom hast thou made them all!" Seventy-one children have been taken in during the month, making since the boys left for Canada in March a total of 127, or 9 more than we were able to send away. We are looking for more houses to receive the needy ones, and trust some of the Lord's stewards will be stirred up to give the money to build them soon.

June 5.—A working man called to-day with 10s. He had wanted to give before, but did not know we took small sums. There may be many who restrain themselves from giving because of their inability to give much. The Lord accepted the widow's mite and commended it above the other larger offerings because of the motive which prompted it. He expects His children to give as He prospers them, and it is "according to that a man hath." The children going to Canada from one of our cottages to-day handed me 17s. 10d., their saved pennies. Grateful for what has been done for them, they do not forget others who are still "outside," as they call it, and they desire to do what they can to gather them in.

OUR SECOND BAND OF CHILDREN TO CANADA THIS YEAR.

June 7.—After weeks of preparation the day of sailing came at last, and we sent forth our second band for this year, consisting of 104 girls and 23 boys, inclusive of 20 from Mrs. Blaikie's Home in Edinburgh, and 6 from Bearsden, making a total of 245 sent this year. They were all sizes and ages, the youngest only 3. Our hearts were filled with thankfulness to God for the money and clothing He had provided for the outfit and passage of such a large number. Again and again have we thanked Him for the outlet Canada affords for the little ones at so small a cost. Were it not for that, many of those we send would require to be kept in the Homes here for six, eight, or ten years, or longer, and the cost would be enormous compared with what it is at present, and the result not anything so good. With £12 for a year's training in the Homes and £10 for outfit and passage, a child is provided for permanently, and not likely to cost the Homes any more. Then the gain to the children themselves is invaluable in a physical as well as moral and spiritual sense. The hundreds of letters we receive from them from time to time speak for themselves, and are a weighty testimony to the advantages of this branch of our work.

The generosity of friends in supplying the funds for 60 more children this year than last has quickened in us the desire to go forward and help a much larger number next year should the Lord tarry. The party sailed by the s.s. *Buenos Ayrean* in charge of the Rev. John Munro and his wife and our daughter. Many friends gathered to see them off, and we accompanied them to Greenock, from which they sailed out the same evening, followed by many prayers for a safe journey not only to the land of their adoption, but also to that better land where partings are unknown. June 19.—£1 10s. from Greenock, £1 from Paisley, and 5s., with the words, "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life," are the only gifts to-day. We took in three children from Greenock. Their father, a sea-captain, has not been heard of for ten months, and he is supposed to have been drowned. The mother died three years ago, and the children are now homeless. June 19.—£1 from Barrhead and 10s. from a Bible-class is all to-day. We need much more than this, but the Lord is faithful. A sister of the three taken in yesterday was brought to us, and also another family of four—three girls of 11, 9, and 7, and a little boy of four. Their mother died in April, and their father, a coachdriver in the Trossachs, received injuries from the upsetting of the coach, which caused his death. Among many letters from Canada were the following:—

DEAR SIR,—We have not got a letter from you for two years, and would be very glad to hear how you and all your family are getting along. I am well and getting along well. I have been at school every winter since I came here, and will go this winter if I am spared. I am living with a farmer. Please let me know where my sister Elizabeth G. is; she used to live in Crown Street. I have not heard from her for over one year; tell me about the Homes. Please send me a Moody & Sankey hymn book that we used to sing in 1878, we have none of them here. We have one hundred acres of land, one span of horses, cows, sheep, pigs, hens; it is a nice place here and I like my place well. If you come out I would like very much to see you. I go to church regular and Sunday school. I am learning geography, grammar, and third reader. I have been in the same place four years. I would like to get your photograph. I close, with love to you and all the Home Children,
ROBERT G.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I got your letter and was very glad to hear from you. I went to school last winter and learned a good deal. I am not going in summer, we are so very busy on the farm; I will start again next fall. I go to Sunday school. There are a good many boys from the Homes near here; the only one that I knew when they came out was Peter G., who came from the same cottage with me. I met him going to Sunday school last Sunday; we had a long talk. I like to live on the farm well. I have learned to drive horses. I did most of the harrowing this spring. We are kept very busy attending to the stock and working the farm. Sometimes we go for a day's fishing in a lake near here. I will write again in a while. Thanking you for writing to me and for the books and the Card at Christmas.—Yours affectionately,
WILLIAM S.

DEAR SIR,—I have much pleasure in saying that Willie is a good, obedient boy, and is doing well both at school and at work. He has a great respect for yourself, and was very glad when he got his letter.
P. M.K.

DEAR FRIEND,—I write you a few lines to let you know I like my place very well. I have started school and went one day, and I like to go very well. We have lots of cows and horses, and calves, and chickens, and I can milk. I was one day in the fields where the boys were ploughing, and I was on the horse's back getting a ride; and I was trying to hold the plough and it drew me away, but it did not hurt me. I was to church Sunday. It was very late when I got home. What is the text you gave me the first night I came? We have lots of apples.

"As the birds that are caught in a snare, so are the sons of men snared in an evil time when it falls suddenly upon them."

I cannot think of any more to say, so I will close my letter with my love to you, and leaving me well.—From
A. H.

DEAR FRIEND,—I received your post card some time ago and was very much delighted to hear from you. You told me my mother's address, so I wrote to her. This is twice I have written to her since Christmas, and I sent her my picture, and I have not received any answer yet. I am completely discouraged now, for it is such a long time, for I wanted to hear how she got along all this time since I left Scotland. I like the place I am in now. I have been here nearly four years now, and I have been out to Canada near six years. I am sixteen now, and I thank the Lord this last year I have lived only for Him. It is only a few months since I became truly converted; no person can imagine what happiness I have spent since then. The boys and girls of this neighbourhood got up a prayer meeting every Tuesday night just lately in one of the houses. They are all about my age. I help to take lead in it. You would be surprised to see how well we conduct it; but we all try to serve Jesus, so that is how we get along so well. I am getting along splendid, but I have my troubles and trials sometimes, but I take them all to the Lord in prayer.
ISABELLA M.

DEAR FRIEND,—I received your kind letter of April 24, and I am very glad for your kind advice, and also that your work is increasing for the Lord. May it ever grow to the glory and honour of Him who loved us, and gave Himself for us. It must be a great incentive to work to hear from those who have been under your care, giving their hearts to the Lord and serving Him. May your joy be full, yea, running over in this direction. Knowing that verse in Daniel, "They that turn many to righteousness shall shine as the stars for ever and ever," yours is the sowing in the minds of the young which, if not at the time, bears fruit in after years, counts for the Lord, and "the sower and the reaper shall rejoice together." I am still in this place yet. *God has been my Guide*, and oh, how thankful I am! Had not the Lord been guiding me, I never would have been here. It is a new life to give our hearts to Christ, everything, as it were, becomes new; and how I desire that the boys and girls under your care may give their hearts to Christ when they are young, for if we wait till we grow older sin has become rooted and branded in our memories that it leaves a deep scar though the wound may be healed.
A. R.

July 3.—Received £200 to furnish "Mizpah" Home, also £1 from Barrhead, "a mite towards the £40,000 needed for buildings," and £1 1s., and 2s. 6d., a birthday gift. Not much has come for maintenance these past days, but we know the Lord is mindful of our needs and will supply. His promise is, "They that trust in the Lord shall

never be confounded," and He has never failed us yet. July 4.—3s. came to us to-day as "money taken many years ago and now restored fourfold with the sanction of the party," and also 11s. "Good out of evil." "We know that *all* things work together for *good* to them that love God." A working lad and two fatherless boys of 11 and 10 were taken in. July 16.—Only £3 6s. to-day, and there has not been much for a week past. "Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth." The work is His not ours, and He will provide.

We had a visit to-day from one of our old girls who has come home to see the old country once more, having saved \$400 and therefore able to pay her passage here and back. We well remember when she came to us first, begging us to do something for her brother and sister who were going to ruin on the streets. They were brought to us and after training sent to Canada, and now we hear that the girl is most comfortably married and the boy is earning a good wage at his trade. The gratitude of the girl was most refreshing and led us to take courage and go on gathering in others and sowing beside all waters. We know not which shall prosper, but the promise is, "He that soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully." July 17.—Another of our rescued band home on a visit called to-day. He came to us 12 years ago as wild and self-willed a lad as ever we have had to deal with, and now he turns up dressed like a gentleman and evidently prospering. Like many others he had never written to us, but now expresses his gratitude for what had been done for him, and says if it had not been for the help given him when it was he would now have been a lost criminal. Praise God for this fruit after many days.

July 22.—£2 as a "thankoffering for mercies received," £1 8s. 8d. from a Sabbath School, with 10s. from old friends are the only gifts to-day. "It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord," and we are sure those who thus practically express their thanks will receive blessing through their gifts as well as confer one upon the objects they give to. Although this is the summer time there are still many starving needy ones seeking help, and during the month 41 were taken in, filling up some of the vacant places of those we sent to Canada. The two following letters from boys who went in March, filled our hearts with thanksgiving as we thought of the dark, dark "might have been" in this country. The first is from one of two brothers rescued from awful surroundings in Edinburgh where the whole family of 7 children with their miserable father and a woman lived in one room. The eldest sister is on the streets, and friends begged of us to save the boys. The letter speaks for itself, and we are sure will lead many to pray for him that he may be kept faithful until death:—

DEAR FRIEND,—You will perhaps think I am long in answering your kind note, but I have not had any time at all hardly, so I hope you will excuse me. I am very thankful to you for the kind interest you take in us all. I am getting on splendid here, and am liking my home better every day. I am sure I cannot be thankful enough for getting such a good Christian home as I have got, but still I have many temptations. The boys that go to Sunday school and prayer meeting that I attend are not the companions that I like; some of them I have even heard swearing just after we leave school, and they have tried hard to get me to join them in the walks they take after they come out of school, but with God's help I have resisted the temptations till now, but it has often been a hard struggle; and I am sure if it had

not been for God's help I should have submitted to them, for the jeers and sneers of the boys, both younger and older than I am, has often made me feel if it was any use standing such sneers, and whether it would not be better to join them in what they do; but on thinking so two texts came into my mind which made me instantly resolve to serve Him as long as He gives me grace. The texts were—"He is despised and rejected of men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief," and "As the birds that are caught in the snare, so are the sons of men snared in an evil time, when it falleth suddenly upon them." It is wonderful how that just when we are at the point of despair, He comes with His Holy Spirit and helps us. I wish you would pray for me, I would be so glad. I feel that I could be more encouraged if I knew that you were praying for me—please do. JOHN O.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I write you these few lines to let you know how we got on coming across. We got across all safe, and we were glad to see land. I enjoyed the voyage very much. We have to thank you for your kindness, and I hope you are keeping quite well and your wife and family. Now, I write a few lines to let you know how I am getting on in the farm. I work a tame horse in the fields. I can do all the farming work except ploughing. I have not seen the harvest work yet. I am milking the cows. The master says that I am a very good worker. I have to get up about half-past five and go for the cows to the field. My master is a Christian. We go to church every Sunday. When the master goes to the town I have to keep the house. Dear Sir, I thought I was going to fill the whole sheet, but I have no more to say, but I will ask the master to say a word. I hope you will write soon.—Good night, G. L.

DEAR SIR,—George has asked me to tell you how he is getting along, and I must say he has far exceeded my expectations. He has taken up the work very fast. I have found him always truthful and obedient, and possessing the germ of everlasting life. I have taken quite an interest in him; and I can assure you if he behaves himself I shall do my best to teach him all I can.—Yours, A. S.

August 4.—A friend in London sent us £50 to-day, and another who gives regularly sent £3 0s. 1d., which with £1 8s. 9d from Stirling more than met our needs for the day. Among the cases at the City Home were the following: A poor widow left with four children, and although once in comfortable circumstances, her husband's long illness and death has brought her to want, and now she has to go into the hospital through ill health. It was most touching to hear the poor mother ask if we would let one of her boys help her up to the hospital. She seemed a decent woman, and we were glad to help her by taking the two boys. An old woman with her grand daughter who has taken to pilfering and needs to be controlled. Another with her boy of 10, a Roman Catholic, we sent to the priests, and promised if they would not help to consider the case. Several seeking work, and one wanting to be sent to Canada to earn money to keep her family here. These all needed advice and help suited to their case, and we felt as we often do what great need we have of wisdom and strength to know just how to deal with those who come before us. Oh, for more of the Spirit of the Master, who "had compassion on the multitude because they were as sheep not having a shepherd." Aug. 6.—Only £3 to-day, but one of it was accompanied by the words, "May God strengthen you for the arduous work," reminding us that many of the Lord's people are praying for us.

Aug. 12.—2s. 6d. from Dundee, and the following anonymous gift, evidently from one of the Lord's poor ones rich in faith, are the only sums to-day: "Please to accept these £4 from an old but an hearty well-wisher of yours for your work's sake. Long I have waited and wished to send this to you. It is little, I know; but with the needed blessing it will help to get a few loaves. Even that how glad it makes me. From East of Glasgow." A friend who had

been visiting the Bridge-of-Weir Homes, writing for a report, says: "What we saw last Saturday delighted us beyond measure, and the conversation I had with the boys and girls showed me at once that the whole of their training was permeated with the Gospel. One of two little fellows I spoke to told me he knew Jesus, and the other one said he did not yet know Him so as to be saved by Him. Your work has the approval of Him who said, 'Even so it is not the will of your Father which is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.'"

Altogether aside from the lasting good which many of the little ones have received in the Homes, who can tell what will be the outcome to the country of so many taken from scenes of vice and brought up under Christian influence. As we look sometimes at them and think of the surroundings they were taken from, our gratitude to God overflows, and from our hearts we say—Praise His name for making us instruments to do anything in His service. Aug. 22.—No money to-day and none yesterday, and only about £5 the day before. We need much, and look for it from Him who has said, "Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name I will do it." A young woman of 18, whose parents and sisters are all given to drink, was taken in. We hope she may be saved from following in their footsteps. Aug. 23.—£20 from Paisley and £1 from Fraserburgh. Our God is faithful, and those that trust in Him are never put to confusion. Among other letters from Canada this month were the following:—

DEAR SIR,—I write you these few lines to let you know how I am getting along and where I am. I have no doubt that you will think me very ungrateful, after all the benefits I have received at your hand. I have to acknowledge that I have been a long time in writing to you, but the reason is not forgetfulness nor ungratefulness, for I am sure that I will never forget you nor the work that has been the means of saving me from a downward way. I have saved all the money I possibly could this winter, and I am to do so this summer. If it would not be asking too much, if you would try to find out my cousins and send me their addresses. J. F.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I am very glad that you sent me to Canada, for I have got such a good home. We have six cows, and I have a grey one. We have hens, chickens, pigs, and horses. I go to the Sunday school, and I get little books. Andrew and John have got a good home too. My mistress and master are very kind to me. They are all very nice people. I get good food. John is one mile from me; Andrew is two miles from me. Remember me to all the girls. My best love to you all. M. B.

The next is from a little girl of 10, the adopted sister of a little boy of 3, and brother of the girl who wrote the previous letter. The parents had lost their only boy, and were delighted to get our little Jamie to fill his place.

DEAR FRIEND,—Mamma thought you would like to know how Jamie is after his journey. He arrived safely. When the cab drove up to the door, he put his head out of the cab window and called out, "There's papa." He was very tired. Mamma put him to bed about eight o'clock, but he would not stay without her. She laid down by him; he said to her, "Keep close to me, mamma." We thought him very wise. Papa and I like him very much. We think he is a sweet little fellow. I think I shall like him for my brother. Mamma would have written herself, but she is so busy getting him some clothes. He is very happy. Trusting you will not be anxious, E. H.

Aug. 28.—A new donor writes from Edinburgh—"I enclose cheque for £50, which please accept for your great and good work amongst the poor boys of Glasgow. May God bless and prosper you in it. I never

heard of your work till last winter through a lady who sent two little ones to your Homes. Please withhold my name in every way." We highly appreciate this friend's desire to let his alms be in secret and rejoice that there are many of the Lord's children who in the same spirit seek to glorify the Master. There is a temptation to give to be seen of men, but the Lord says such have their reward here—the praise of men. Those who give because the love of Christ constraineth them have the promise that their Father who seeth in secret will reward them openly. Aug. 30.—From New Zealand a young lady, who is wasting away of a dangerous disease, sends £2, having recently read an account of our work. We trust she is realising in her affliction that the everlasting arms are underneath her. We are sure that this expression of her sympathy for others in the midst of her own suffering will not be forgotten by Him who has promised to reward even a cup of cold water given in His name. Yesterday two girls of 11 and 9 were taken in. Their mother died a fortnight ago, and the father had to go to the infirmary, and is not expected to recover. Also a boy of 9. Father died in February, and then requested his minister to send his boy to us, but the mother tried to keep him, and now finds he is beyond her control. Also two others of 10 and 6. Father dead, and the mother has been so ill-treated by her present husband she has had to put him in prison.

Sept. 1.—From New Zealand £3 came to day with the prayer, "May the Lord bless you more and more, you and your children." It is a great strength to us to know that even in the uttermost parts of the earth prayer is being made on our behalf. May all who thus remember us find that in seeking blessing upon others their own souls are watered and refreshed. Sept. 4.—£20 from the West of Scotland, with £5 for our own needs, reached us to-day, besides £1 from Rothesay and £1 from Glasgow, with encouraging letters in view of our "Thanksgiving."

THANKSGIVING-DAY AT BRIDGE-OF-WEIR HOMES.

On the 9th of September, our Thanksgiving day was held at the Bridge-of-Weir Homes, and we were much encouraged by the numbers of friends who gathered with us then, and joined in publicly acknowledging what great things the Lord hath done for us. The Lord's stewards, whom He has privileged to give the houses which now comprise the national group of Homes, have conferred a great blessing on the country at large in removing from it the stigma that there was no place of a national character but the poor-house for the receiving of orphan children. It is now an established fact that any orphan child from one to twelve years of age, from any part of the country, who has been deprived of both parents can at once be admitted to these Homes without a subscriber's line or voting paper, *Destitution* is the title to admission, and no matter where a child comes from, if it is really homeless and friendless, we at once admit it. There are at present in the Homes children from Orkney, Aberdeen, Dundee, Perth, Stirling, Edinburgh, Paisley, Greenock, and many other places, but by far the greater number are from Glasgow. The seventeen houses already on the ground have cost £40,000, and the money to build them has come, like the children, from all parts of the kingdom, east, west, north, and south. They form one of the brightest expressions of the Christian philanthropy of the present century, and must rejoice the heart of every father and mother who have little ones of their own around them. It is a marvel to many how they have sprung up, and to none more than ourselves. Great as has been the work accomplished, there is still more to be done. We are very much in need of additional school-

rooms, as those we now use were only planned to accommodate 300, and our numbers are already beyond that, and there is every prospect of a large increase. The hall at present used for church purposes could be made into school-rooms, and this we propose doing as soon as some one sends us the money to build a church. We would require one to hold 900, with an infant class-room attached for 200, and this would cost £5000. It will, we trust, be "a house of God," where fruits of righteousness will abound to the glory of His name. Then, with an increased staff of teachers, we will need more accommodation for them, and we shall have to vacate the wing of the Central Building, in which we have resided for seven months this year. It has occurred to us that some of the Lord's children might wish to build a superintendent's house for our use on the grounds, and we mention it here. We feel, as the work grows, that our presence at the Homes is more than ever necessary. We are sure the Lord's servants will rejoice with us in helping forward this work, through which so many destitute little ones have been rescued. The houses are being speedily filled, and we are looking for money to build others that we may be able to meet the demands that are made upon us. He who sent the £40,000 already expended is still the same God, and we believe He will, in His own good time, send as much more, that the fatherless and the orphan may be provided for. It is a great privilege to be permitted to gather them into such Homes, where the whole influence brought to bear on them impresses them with the fact that God is their Father. They are taught that He answers prayer and supplies the daily bread. They know we have no means of our own, and yet their barrel of meal has never been empty, nor have they ever lacked a meal. We will not stay here to give our own impressions of "Thanksgiving-day," but extract from the very full account that was in the *N.B. Daily Mail* some details of the day's proceedings:—

Yesterday, at the Orphan Homes of Scotland, a thanksgiving day was held. Large numbers of ladies and gentlemen from Glasgow and Paisley proceeded by train to Bridge-of-Weir, and thence per 'buses to the Homes. Mr. A. Cameron Corbett of Moxhull Hall, Warwickshire, presided, and amongst those present were—Rev. Drs. Fergus Ferguson, Hutton (Paisley), and Elder Cumming; Revs. R. Blair, C. A. Salmond, A. Andrew, Somerville, Paton; J. Murray, J. E. Fyfe, Kilmalcolm; Thos. Carruthers, Bridge-of-Weir; Provost Clark, Paisley; ex-Provost Campbell, Greenock; Bailie Dickson, ex-Bailie Lamberton; Messrs. John Robertson, Jas. Campbell of Tillichewan, J. Campbell White, A. Lyle, Greenock; Jas. Thomson, L. T. Crosbie, R. H. Hunter, R. A. Bryden, W. Maitland, Dr. Syme, John Morrison, W. Mitchell, Miss Macpherson, London.

Rev. Dr. HUTTON opened the proceedings with prayer.

Mr. A. CAMERON CORBETT said—Ladies and gentlemen,—It is now two years since we last met together for our last thank-giving service, and since that time four new houses have been added to the group existing here, making the whole number seventeen. I feel that there is a special appropriateness in our meetings in connection with this work being called thanksgiving meetings, because the work has always been carried on by Mr. Quarrier in such absolute dependence upon a special Divine care. During the whole course of the work he has relied not upon the ordinary means of securing subscriptions, but upon the means of prayer alone; and I think in this direction it is that this work is very instructive to us all. It really affords one of the strongest possible evidences in favour of the truth of Christianity, because it would be hardly possible even for the most credulous to imagine that the needs of these Homes have been supplied by any mere material agencies, because from week to week, and even from day to day, the wants have been met with no provision in advance but the wants being met and only met as they arise. Then there is one element in connection with this work which is, I think, of especial value, and that is its personal character. It is not an organisation of a mechanical character, with hard-and-fast rules and red-tape regulations. It is a work carried on by one man, and carried on upon the instincts of Christian feeling, and it is this, I think, which inspires the whole work with such a friendliness and makes it have such a home feeling for the little children who are gathered under its shelter. (Applause.) Sometimes people in their more despondent moods are apt to get into a kind of feeling of moral scepticism, and I remember a very interesting article written upon the question, "Is man utterly selfish?" Well, I think that a work like this does a great deal of good in resisting any tendency of that kind, because if men are apt to fall into that kind of feeling nothing can more completely give the denial to such a view than a work like this, maintained entirely by voluntary subscriptions anonymously given, where the

friends have nothing to gain by their gifts but the feeling of happiness which is brought to them by the benefit which the children derive. (Applause.) We are happy indeed if we are called to be messengers of God's mercy to these little ones, and we will be happier still when we hear the glad assurance, "If ye have done it to the least of these ye have done it to the Master Himself." (Applause.)

Mr. JAMES CAMPBELL said that for many years it had been one of the studies of his life to do what he could for this object, and for a long time he was chairman of the Industrial Schools in the Rottenrow, where was done a vast amount of good. Thousands of children had passed under their care who might have been waifs till the grave. He had always deep sympathy with the movement, because he considered the education and rearing of these neglected children was a duty that had lain on the nation for many years, nay even centuries. He was glad to see the opening up of the system, which, if this great country was to be saved from absolute ruin, was absolutely necessary. If people had privileges they must have knowledge. Now, the discipline of the Homes not only made the children educated, but fitted them to be creditable members of the body politic, and to be citizens of a heavenly country. He trusted Mr. Quarrier would never want a penny in the future for his work, as he had never wanted in the past. (Applause.)

Ex-Provost CAMPBELL was glad to hear Mr. Corbett was to preside, and the excellent remarks he had expressed. He was also glad that Mr. Corbett had an ambition to be in Parliament, because it was such men who should be there. (Applause.) There had been such a change in the Homes since he saw them last that to day they seemed like the garden of Eden. But not only was there beautiful material, but there were also beautiful moral surroundings. He wished Mr. Quarrier God-speed in his undertaking. As he sent out many to Canada, it would be an advantage to have a dairy where the girls who were to go thither might learn the tending of cattle. It was hoped that some friend would provide a dairy.

Rev. Dr. ELDER CUMMING then asked a blessing upon the Cessnock and Mizpah Homes opened that day.

Mr. J. C. WHITE said they all knew Mr. Quarrier did not wish to be thanked. They were come to thank God. From Him all blessings flowed. They could not have walked through the beautiful Homes and seen the bright faces without feeling that the Master had blessed the work. They rejoiced in being made messengers of the Master, and rejoiced with Mr. Quarrier in the work which God had enabled him to do. But much as Mr. Quarrier had been enabled to do, he felt how little he had done in face of the tremendous work that seemed to lie before him. (Applause.) A lady was asked by him to give something to Mr. Quarrier's Homes; she replied she had never heard about them. There were many Christian works which needed help, and some Christian people said they did not know about them. We should remember the saying, "If thou forbear to deliver them that are drawn unto death, and those that are ready to be slain; if thou sayest, Behold, we knew it not, doth not he that pondereth the heart consider it?" (Applause.)

Rev. Mr. SALMOND, Free St. Matthew's, Glasgow, led in prayer for the Leven Home and the Gatehouse.

Mr. QUARRIER afterwards said—Mr. Chairman, I am glad to-day to have you here as the son of the man who was the first donor to the Orphan Homes of Scotland. It was Mr. Corbett's dear father who was led by God's Spirit to give the first £2000 in answer to prayer. Ever since I have felt a warm-heartedness towards these friends that I cannot express. (Applause.) I am glad also that the son is following the father in the good work that we should all seek to imitate. (Applause.) Six years ago there were no children here. Since then there have been 600. There are 300 now in the Homes, every house being full, with the exception of the three that have been dedicated to-day, and if I had the Govan Road children in them—and we intend to bring them here—there is no room left. So that whilst some say, "You are very successful," some, "It is a great and marvellous work;" and others say, "Why, it is wonderful," I see nothing as yet very worthy of the city—I see nothing yet worthy of my country—I see nothing worthy of Scotland yet in this Christian effort on behalf of the children. It is great when you compare it with the little that you have been doing in the past, but it is nothing in comparison with what you ought to do as a country, and as a Christian community. (Applause.) We have only touched the borders of the orphans of the land. They are there by the thousand. I intend, God willing, to double the number of cottages—that is to say, instead of 17 houses to have 34. In other words, in place of spending as we have been doing £40,000 in these buildings, we intend to spend £80,000. (Applause.) Yesterday's gift lessens the additional £40,000 so much; and probably there are two or three here to-day who will give another house. (Applause.) I don't know, but I can tell you that if you give it now for this purpose it will not rust. Glasgow demands double the work that is already done, and if double the work is to be done, then God's children in the city must do their part of the work. To the ladies and gentlemen who have helped in the work, from the little children to the widows, I return my sincere thanks. There is no gift that I appreciate more than the little children's

gift and the widow's mite. As each gift comes with the donor's name, there is also the prayer that God will return the gift to their own hearts in a hundredfold more than they have done in this work. There are 500 mouths in all the houses between this and the city, and I hope to get 200 more before the year closes. That will be 700 mouths to fill, needing tons of meal and tons of bread monthly. Well, the barrel has never been empty, and the cupboard with the bread has never been empty. Where it is to come from I don't know, but I believe it will come, as it has come in the past; and you know, dear Christian friends, in your hearts that it will come.

Miss ANNIE MACPHERSON—We have been hearing a good deal about buildings, but there is a building being reared in connection with this work that no eye seeth. There are those being gathered home that are already watching and waiting for our brethren at the golden gate. There are those throughout Canada that would gladly be here this afternoon to render their thanks unto our brother, who has been more than a father to them. It has been my privilege to meet many of them in June and July, not only in the Province of Ontario, but also in the Province of New Brunswick. As we read in the Book of Genesis, which extends over a long period of time, of the history of one Joseph who brought deliverance, so we have in the history of this institution another Joseph, and Mr. Quarrier will bear with me while I tell it to you. It is this: There arrived one afternoon at our Home a tall, manly fellow, whose name was James G. He had just come from College. He had been one of those little orphans that we are so apt to meet upon the Glasgow streets. I said to him, "How is it with you? Would you go back to the days when you were first brought in?" He answered, "I never can forget those times and my mother's last words. She said, 'Jamie, mind you and your brothers are no tae gang to your father's friends and beg.'" I don't know whether the dying mother was altogether right, but to these boys her words were a legacy which they kept faithfully. The uncles were in their wealth and comfort, but these boys kept to the streets till they were brought in, I don't know how, by Mr. Quarrier. They were, when brought in, committed to the bath room, and afterwards introduced to the schoolmaster, Mr. Aitchison, now a missionary in Caffraria. It was his privilege to take the little orphan lads and kneel with them, as Jamie told me. This Jamie further said that while Mr. Aitchison was engaged in prayer he keekit up and observed that from the schoolmaster's eyes big tears rolled down his cheeks—tears for him (Jamie) and his brother. "Ah! Miss Macpherson," added Jamie, "these were tears which led to my conversion to the Lord Jesus." Well, the boys remained with the farmers till they grew broad-shouldered men—until it was proper to place them to a trade. Jamie stayed seven years, and then he bethought himself to get some education, for Scotchmen are determined to be something, and to be useful. Accordingly he went to work amongst the French lumberers, and saved five or six hundred dollars. These he placed in the bank, and then went to school, and now he has been three years at college. Just as I passed through Quebec, he dropped me a note stating how he was getting on. He also enclosed a letter from Mr. Aitchison in Caffraria, who had asked him whether he would become a medical student and go to Caffraria. He had adopted the suggestion, and wanted to complete his education for that purpose. The time is coming when we shall have passed away, and our brother will no longer be present at a thanksgiving day. His deputy and my deputy will take our places. It is for us, therefore, to live out our principles, and remember the saying of the Psalmist, "Not unto us; not unto us; but unto thee be all the glory!"

The company then went outside and listened to the children singing round the fountain; after which they inspected the Homes, which, as stated in the speeches, have been greatly increased in number. They are all in excellent order, and everything betokens forethought and skill. The children are tidy and look happy. Few persons would think that they had been picked up on the streets of Glasgow. A visit to the Homes explains the wonderful and voluntary liberality with which Mr. Quarrier is supported in his benevolent work.

Sept. 10.—To day two working lads of 15 were taken in. One had been sleeping out since July. Had been brought up in the poorhouse, and is now homeless. Also a little boy of 6, whose father deserted his mother five years ago. She is now houseless, and a poor neighbour allows her to sleep on her floor. And another of 4. Father dead and mother married again to a man who left her shortly afterwards. He returned a few weeks ago just after her baby was born, and, after giving her a beating, left her again. She is recommended to us by a decent Christian woman, who knew her in better circumstances. Sept. 17.—Only two donations to-day—£1 5s. 7d. for emigration, and £1 from Aberdeen. Also 10s. for our own needs, "trusting that in the

midst of the varied trials and anxieties you will be ever able to encourage yourself in the Lord your God." He never fails us, and it is very blessed to feel that He knows our temptations and difficulties, and has promised to make all grace abound toward us. Sept. 23.—A friend in England, in sending £5 in the Master's name, says—"If any acknowledgment is made, let it be from Ps. cxv. 1, 'a thankoffering.'" Sept. 29.—Only £2 to day. Two children of 10 and 5 were sent to us by a friend, who says—"It is a clear case of rescue from a drunken mother and very wretched surroundings. What terrible places of wickedness some of the little ones come from very few people have any idea, and yet they are at our doors and the children are perishing and drifting into crime! In a few years they will be no longer children, and it will be almost impossible to reach them. During the month thirty-eight new cases were admitted. We are longing to do more, and pray that many may be stirred up to join with us in rescuing the perishing."

October 4.—To day an old friend and regular donor sent us the following: "My wife and I enjoyed our visit to Bridge-of-Weir Orphan Homes very much on the occasion of Thanksgiving Services there. We took a friend with us, and hope that will yield some return to your funds, or, I should say our Lord's funds for the dear children. Since our visit—indeed just a few days since—I have succeeded in letting an empty house; so as a thanksgiving offering I enclose one pound for Orphan Homes; also half-a-sovereign from Mrs. B. She is upwards of 84 years of age and very frail. Oct. 6.—To-day an unknown friend in the south of England forwards £25, almost a day's supply. How true it is that the Lord's hand is not shortened. We are apt to imagine when friends who have been in the habit of giving are removed that there will be lack; but it will never be so, if our trust is in the Lord, who made heaven and earth. To-day also we received £6 from our family in the Bridge-of-Weir Homes, being part of their Sabbath collections during the year given to help their more needy brothers and sisters on the streets of Glasgow. Out of their collections, which amounted to £13, they gave £5 to the China Inland Mission, having been greatly interested in hearing from Mr. Hudson Taylor about little "loving hearts" who in that dark land have been brought to the Saviour. They also sent £2 to our old superintendent Mr. Aitcheson, who is now working successfully among the Kaffirs in Africa. We seek to train the children to give of their own free will out of the little they possess, so that when they grow up and have more means at their disposal they may not depart from it. They each receive one penny a week for good conduct, and we have been pleased to notice what a large percentage of that goes into the missionary box. Oct 7.—We were greatly cheered to-day by the gift of £100 from an unknown friend in Dunoon, and particularly so as there has not been much sent in for some days. There were so many needy ones seeking our help at the City Homes to-day, we are almost afraid to think of what the winter may be, with so many starving and out of work now. It is in times of depression such as these that our Christianity should be manifested to the world. God has called us not only to grow in grace but also to abound in fruit-bearing to the praise and glory of our risen Lord, who said, "Herein is my Father glorified that ye bear

much fruit." Oct. 10.—£2 18s. 2d. from Dunfermline—all to-day. Took in six children—two boys of 12 and 4, father dead, and the mother in ill-health; a boy of 10; a young woman of 15, without friends; and two orphan girls, 12 and 5. We took in the two brothers of these two last month. Their father died a year ago, and their mother in August, both believers in the Lord Jesus Christ; and it was the mother's special request that the boys should be placed with us. The girls were adopted by a woman who, through failing health, now finds she cannot manage them, and they are pleased to join their brothers. It is a great privilege to us thus to be the instruments of fulfilling the Lord's promise, "Leave thy fatherless children, and I will preserve them alive." Oct. 15.—Among other gifts to-day was 5s. from "a sister of one of the lads—an orphan—who is in your home in Glasgow, with grateful thanks for the benefits he has received."

October 21.—The following anonymous letter reached us to-day:—"Mr. Quarrier will please add the enclosed £5 to the funds of the Orphan Homes of Scotland. The writer sends it as a thankoffering on this anniversary of his birthday, for the comfortable home he has been blessed with. He trusts the Lord will abundantly bless both you and the work you have chosen and so nobly carried on." How few think in this way of the blessings God has bestowed upon them! Would that many would follow our friend's example, and, in so doing, find out the truth of the words, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Oct. 30.—To-day we called at a friend's office on business, and, as we were leaving, he said, "I don't think I've sent you anything this year?" and handed us £100. We had some unforeseen extra expense in connection with alterations, and were in doubts as to whether we would be able to meet it, and this gift set our minds at rest. We are surprised often at the regularity with which some friends send their gifts—almost on the same day, each year—although they are never called on nor reminded by us, but we fear there are many who have no system in their giving, and, therefore, often forget to send what, it may be, they have intended to do.

October 31.—Our year closed to-day, with many tokens of the Lord's faithfulness in supplying our own as well as the children's needs. Our balance is on the right side notwithstanding all the extra work that has been accomplished during the year. We trust these records of need supplied and of grace and strength given in work done for the Master will be used by Him to strengthen His children's faith and to bring great glory to His name. We have never in any previous year received more letters from our scattered family in Canada telling of decision for Christ than this year; and it is a great joy to us to know that so many are seeking by their lives to glorify the Saviour who died for them. Throughout the Homes also there have been and are many indications of the Spirit's working, and the bright decided character of the faith of some of the members of our flock manifestly shews that they have the root of the matter in them. The testimonies of some of those who have gone to be with Jesus during the year have been very touching and gratifying, and have led us to thank God for putting us in trust with His little ones.

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MARCHMONT HOME,
BELLEVILLE, ONTARIO.

MY DEAR FRIENDS,—The presence of another October reminds me that a few words about the welfare of our children on this side the Atlantic will be welcomed by you, and it is with deep feelings of gratitude to our Heavenly Father that I can say with Ezra—"This work goeth fast on, and prospereth in our hands."

We have another full year's work to record—work not transient and evanescent, but lasting and fruitful, which will not end with this generation—the results of which will only be known in eternity.

Our Christmas season was a very happy one—a number of the older boys and girls coming to visit us, and remain a day or two as our guests. Several of our older fellow-workers were also with us, now engaged in other spheres of labour, and we had the pleasure of remembering that all our children throughout the Dominion would receive a Christmas card, paper, and book on that day. The preparing and addressing so many hundred packets involves no little labour; but when we know the pleasure and joy it gives each child to be annually so kindly remembered, it amply repays for all the time and labour expended.

The winter of 1883-84 was a specially severe one. The snow fell early in November, and from that till April our eyes were never rejoiced with a sight of brown "mother earth"—lovely, white, pure snow all around, deeply drifted in many parts, which makes driving very difficult. On the 28th of January I received a telegram informing me of the dangerous illness of one of our girls. For one week the cars running to M. were blocked, and all trains cancelled. The first day a way was cut through with a snowplough we started, and, on arriving at M., hired a cutter and drove to R.; but it is much more easily written than done. Before going far we met three loaded sleighs. According to the rules we must turn out for them, and there being only a narrow-beaten track, it meant our going off it into the deep ditch filled with snow at the side, into which our horse floundered. With considerable manoeuvring we managed to keep our equilibrium; but in our next difficulty we were not so fortunate—over went the cutter and all its

contents into the deep snow. A mile or two further on another upset, but by this time we were getting used to it, and did not so much mind it. We were thankful to find our girl much better; the state of the roads had prevented their telegraphing to us of her recovery.

I shall not soon forget another drive we took to P. E. County. Urgent business necessitated my going, or I should certainly not have set off when the thermometer registered 22° below zero. However, there was no help for it. Very kind friends (Miss Ramsay and Miss Allan) saw me carefully wrapped up for the expedition. Crossing the Bay of Quinte is always severe, being exposed to the keen wind which blows across the frozen lake. On arriving at our supposed destination we found we had made an error of 14 miles, and had a further long drive ere we reached our stopping-place. But though the cold is intense outside, the houses are splendidly warm and cosy inside, and the hospitality of the inmates very hearty.

I mention these difficulties in travelling, because some home friends think seeing and reporting the children is as easy work as it would be at home. But it is not so; there is much more labour and difficulty attending it whether in the excessive heat of summer or severe cold of winter. This month we forward over 300 reports of children visited since the receiving and placing out of 245 children this season.

The 13th of April (Easter-day) was a busy time for us, when 118 young Scotch emigrants arrived at Belleville Station, and were warmly welcomed to Canada—a fine, sturdy, healthy set of boys, under the excellent superintendence of their teachers, Mr. and Mrs. Kelly. The home and its playgrounds, which had been comparatively empty all winter, now swarmed with life, and cricket, football, and other games made the place resound with merry boyish laughter. All, however, were eager to get to the new homes awaiting them, and before the arrival of the large party on the 18th of June, most of the boys were comfortably located and busily assisting their masters in the usual spring work. Some delay was occasioned by illness, but God was very merciful, and the children quickly recovered.

The demand for older girls never decreases. Still ever-increasing experience teaches us it is better to bring them out *young*—more for adoptions than servants. They quickly grow useful, and then take the place of an older daughter. A number of the children called at the Home this summer, and were delighted to see Miss Quarrier, who, assisted by Rev. J. Munro and his wife, had brought out the girls' party.

The visit of the British Association to Montreal this fall will, I am sure, be attended with the happiest results. Some 800 scientists (few of whom had ever visited this continent previously), after the week's meetings, were scattered over the length and breadth of the land. Over 200 of them travelled on the new Canada-Pacific line as far as "the Rockies." Here they saw millions of acres yet unpossessed, but ready for the over-crowded thousands of the Old Land. Sir Richard Temple arranged for an afternoon's meeting on "Children's Emigration," at which Miss Rye, Mrs. Birt, Mrs. Joyce, and myself were invited to speak, when many details and results of work during the past fifteen years were given to a very interested and appreciative audience. We heartily welcome every such gathering. Many prejudices against Canada, and much ignorance of its resources still exist at home, but little by little this is melting away, and mutual knowledge and intercourse between the mother-country and her colonies (so much vaster in extent than she is) will tend to disperse it altogether.

I have just returned from a pleasant trip of ten days among the children around Arnprior, Pakenham, Carp, and Huntly—a district which has absorbed many of our youngest adoptions during the last three years. I wish some of my readers could have accompanied me. It was quite evening when, after a long day's drive, I went to call on E. J. H. He had adopted Fred. R., the youngest of three little brothers, who came out this year.

F. was reading a book in the parlour as we entered, and for a little while we listened to his mother's praises; then his father came in, and F. quickly found himself on his knee, where he was evidently very much at home. "We have no children, but we love this boy just as much as if he were our own. He shall go constantly to school and get a good education. He is so smart to learn, and so fond of his books. A few weeks ago he was taken ill. We sent for the doctor at once, and watched over him night and day, we were so afraid we should lose him." Mr. Bennett, the Presbyterian minister, who had most kindly taken me to see a number of the children, assured me their anxiety for the little fellow was very great. He bore a striking likeness to his adopted father, and would have passed anywhere as his own child.

Another brother, A., we found in a country home, where he had two little sisters to share it, but his mother was equally pleased with him, and sure we had picked the very best boy of the lot for her. She begged us to remain for tea, and put up our horses. This Mr. Bennett was glad to do. Presently the "hired" woman came in from milking. Noticing her broad Scotch accent, I asked her how long she had been out? "Just four weeks to-day. I came from Dalry, in Ayrshire. My husband was a miner, but has been working here since June, and sent for me to join him; but, eh, it's a strange country, and I dinna like it so well as Scotland."

Then Mr. B. began to talk to her, and found neither she nor her husband had yet attended his church, although they constantly went to Dr. Sutherland's at home, so he gave them both a warm invitation, and some good pastoral counsel on not neglecting the God of their fathers. We often find it a good plan to visit the country schools as we pass along, thereby making friends with the teachers, and seeing for ourselves the progress the children are making. Miss H. of M. school gave us a hearty welcome, and asked Mr. Bennett and myself to address her scholars. Among them were four of our Glasgow children, in whom she seemed to take special interest. Speaking of the pains that had been taken with their reading and writing, and regretting they were not equally advanced in arithmetic, which in Canadian schools is the special test. Mr. M., of H. school was very proud to exhibit Bobby M.'s writing. He is a pretty little boy of eight, and had been two years at school. "He has ability to be a store-keeper, or teacher, or anything he pleases."

"In due season ye shall reap if ye faint not," and often God gives us the joy of verifying this in our own experience. Last month we had the pleasure of a visit from one of our older boys—out nine years from Glasgow. After passing successfully through Belleville Business College he obtained a situation in the States, where he is doing well. He is an earnest bright Christian, and anxious to dedicate his life to God's service in the mission field. Like J. G. his heart inclines to Africa, where his old friend and teacher Mr. Aitchison is now labouring. May many more of our lads be filled with a burning zeal for God, and intense love for the souls of the heathen. No half-hearted service avails in the mission field.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Ferguson of Glasgow stayed with us for a few days lately, and saw some of the homes of the children. Mr. F. told me his impressions as to the benefit of emigration under personal supervision were stronger than ever, but thought the younger the children the greater probability of ultimate success.

We daily bring you and yours with all your needs to a throne of grace, pleading that strength and wisdom, means and influence, be granted you to carry on this great work committed to your charge.

I remain,

Yours in Christ's service,

ELLEN AGNES BILBROUGH.

Mr. ROBERT WALLACE'S REPORT.

While visiting the children this year in their own homes, I have been more than ever struck with the wonderful contrast between their past and present surroundings, and the really splendid opportunity they have to make a name and position for themselves in this new country. In nearly every home, especially in those I have visited in the eastern part of this province during the past month, they are surrounded by every comfort, and enjoy all the advantages to be found in the homes of well-to-do Canadian farmers. Treated in every case exactly the same as the other members of the family, and in homes where there are no other children, as is often the case, taking the place and position of sons and daughters, they have privileges and advantages, educationally, socially, and spiritually, that could never possibly have been theirs had they been left amid their former surroundings in the old land. Indeed, I could not help thinking that many people at home whose sons are anxious to emigrate to this country to learn farming and take up land for themselves, would gladly pay a handsome premium to get their sons into some of these splendid homes, and under the influence and training of these good farmers and their wives. T. B. who came out this year is in one of these first-class homes, and as he seems a likely lad, fond of reading and study, they are going to send him to school regularly, and give him a good chance to get an education. He seems to be truly converted, sober and serious for his years, and his master bears testimony to his consistent life. He is scarcely the build for a farmer, and although liking the work and learning to make himself quite useful among the horses and cattle, he has no inclination for the life, but expresses a strong desire to study with a view to entering the ministry. After speaking to him about the necessary qualifications for such an office, I asked him why he wished to be a minister? He replied, he wanted to tell others of Christ the sinner's Saviour. He is a very intelligent little fellow, and apparently realises the importance of his desire, and all that will be necessary before it can be consummated. His master is quite in sympathy with him, and told me that if he finds him steadfast in his resolve, and developing real ability, of which he gives promise now, he will gladly help him as far as it is in his power. One little fellow, J. S., I saw in the field with his foster father, whom he was helping to load a waggon with Indian corn, has quite forgotten about the "Home," and thinks he is their own child. He has an idea that all children come from the "Marchmont Home," and after I had gone, he asked why it was that I did not visit all the neighbour's children as well.

As an instance of the goodwill and kindly feeling these people have for the Home, and the work it is doing, I may mention that this man offered without asking, to drive me 26 or 27 miles to see two boys. It was a pouring wet day, and the roads were very bad, but he never made the slightest complaint; his only fear was lest I should get wet and catch cold. We got dinner and dried ourselves at the second house we visited, where R. R. has been five years, and then, after I had thanked him heartily, he drove home, leaving me to go 22 miles further by stage. This, by the way, was rather a primitive concern, consisting of an open buckboard, on the narrow seat of which the driver, a lady, and myself, were squeezed; and, as the rain kept on steadily most of the way, our ride was not an enjoyable one by any means. I was thankful when it came to an end, and I reached, just at dusk, the house where A. and A. N. live, and received a hearty welcome from the hospitable farmer and his wife. The brother and sister are very happy together; they are bright and clever, going to school regularly and helping with the light chores—as little odd jobs in and about a house are called—morning and evening.

There was a little baby in the house when these two first came, but it has since been removed by death, and now our little Agnes is felt to be a double blessing, not only being a help to her mother but in some measure filling the blank left by the removal of their own little one. The mother said to me, "I don't know how I could do without her now, Mr. Wallace; she is such a

comfort." In one county I visited, most of the families are Highland-Scotch, and it was most amusing to hear their adopted children talking in Gaelic as glibly as if it were their native tongue. I spent a Sunday in one of these Scotch homes, where there is both a boy and girl. The latter has been taking lessons on the organ, and played a number of pieces for me very creditably. On the Sunday evening two or three of the neighbours' boys came in, and after some hymn-singing, which they seemed to enjoy very much, I had an opportunity at family worship of speaking to them of Jesus and His love, and urging them to give their hearts to the Saviour. When I was leaving on the Monday morning my kind-hearted hostess, noticing that I had no mitts, although it was a very frosty morning, brought me a double knitted pair, and insisted on me putting them on. She also spent the whole day driving me round, and seemed delighted to see so many little ones, and hear such good accounts of them. The homes in this section are among the best I have visited; the land is very good, and the farmers as a rule are well off. Not only so, but the majority of them are truly godly people, who regularly have morning and evening worship with their families. It was a real pleasure to meet these people, and I trust our fellowship was mutually profitable. The tracts, books, and sermons left with them were highly appreciated, and in many cases would be passed round to friends and neighbours. I am sure the scattering of these silent messengers will not be in vain—they are given in faith and followed by prayer—and the result is sure as the promise, even if it be after many days. There has only been occasion to remove three children from their homes this year—two boys and one girl. There was no difficulty in removing them, and good homes were at once found, where they have remained ever since. The girl A. C. was driven up to the Home to-day by her mistress to visit us. She has been rather difficult to manage hitherto, but now seems to have got into the right place; her mistress was loud in her praise, giving her an excellent character. It often happens that a child who will not suit in one home will do splendidly in another, where they have more aptitude for managing children, or the surroundings are more in harmony with their characters. It is a matter of deep thankfulness to our Heavenly Father that He has watched over and cared for all these scattered little ones, so that no harm has befallen them. We have not had to mourn the loss of any, which was not the case last year. One lad I visited, R. L., had a very narrow escape from being gored to death by a bull a few weeks before I saw him. Happily his master saw his danger and came to his rescue in time, so that although he was considerably hurt, and was still faint and weak from loss of blood, he expected soon to be able for his work again. It has been most gratifying when visiting from house to house to hear, almost without exception, good accounts of the children. If those who have the anxiety and care of training them on the other side could only see and hear for themselves, noticing also the wonderful development and improvement that have taken place since coming to Canada, they would feel abundantly repaid for all their labour. The good seed that has been sown in their young hearts by those who have had the care of them, is ever and anon bringing forth fruit in the conversion of one and another to God. Who can tell the blessing these children may bring to the homes in which they are placed? They may be channels through which many shall receive the Water of Life, for "out of the mouths of babes and sucklings hast thou perfected praise."

Praying that the Master's richest blessing may continually rest upon the work and workers on both sides of the Atlantic, and that we may see yet more and more spiritual fruit to our labour,

I am, yours in His service,

ROBERT WALLACE

DONATIONS RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR.

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

November 3.—Mr K., £2; J. R., Paisley, £1; Mrs L., parcel of cuttings; a Friend, 5s; G. M. K., Lochgoilhead, 10s; Mrs J., Lamash, 10s; R. M., £10; Mrs R., Hamilton, £2; Mrs R., 5s; S., £1; Mrs K., Woolton, 1s 6d in stamps; M. S. L., Appin, £2. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission: Found in boxes during October, £4 8s 2½; Mrs S., "a token of thankfulness for past mercies," £1; Mrs K., Paisley, 13 pairs stockings; J. M'F., 13 quarter loaves.

November 17.—A Friend met on the street, £2; "Kinnie," £2; Miss C., 2 pairs socks and 10s; "The last work of an old lady 95 years of age," 4 pairs stockings; Mrs M'F., Portobello, £1; a Friend, per do., 5s; Miss M. C. R.'s counter box, Helensburgh, per R. B., £1; "For the Master's use," from Granton, £7; Dunfermline Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per R. M., £3 11s 6d; T. M., £1; Miss H., Bridge-of-Allan, 1s off every pound earned, £2 3s; a thankoffering, do., per H. H., £1; contents of box on lobby table, per do., 13s 3d; Miss L., £1; Mrs L., 4 knitted petticoats and parcel of tweed cuttings; Mr and Mrs J. M., a thankoffering, £2; Miss M. S., Wemyss Bay, £50; "a mite for the orphans," 5s; registered letter, Keswick post mark, £1; Miss J. E. W. St. Bees, £4; Miss H., 8 pinafores; Mrs A., for rent of Girls' Home, £60; Govan Free Church Sabbath School, per C. F., 10s; Renwick Free Church Sabbath School, per J. S. P., £1 4s 3d; Mrs J., Skelmorlie, £1; J. A. B., Paisley, £10; R. R., Hamilton, £5; Anonymous, Glasgow post mark, for Bridge-of-Weir Homes, £1; Mrs S., Melrose, £1; Greenhead U.P. Church Sabbath School, per J. M'C., £2 for 1882-83; Hangingshaw Mission Hall, per do., £1 7s 6d; do., Sabbath Forenoon Meeting, per do., £1; Garscadden Children's Church, per do., £1 4s; S. M., Greenock, for blankets, 10s; Mrs M., 5s; Miss M., Johnstone, £2; J. O., Kilmarnock, "in grateful acknowledgment for kindness shown to her boy," £2; Mrs L., Edinburgh, parcel of clothing; Mrs B., Ayr, £5, for books and wall texts; Miss A., Bridge-of-Allan, £2; W. S., £1; Miss K., Partick, 21 knitted hoods; an Old Lady, per do., 4 bodices; M. D. G., £5; R. L., Lenzie, £1; Miss C. S. B., Hillhead, 15s; Mrs L., Edinburgh, £3; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 5s 10d; Mr J., 5s; G. & F., Wishaw, lot of drapery and fancy goods; A. D., Hillhead, £10; Springbank U.P. Church Bible Class, per W. S., £1; R. S., £10; W. L., 10s; J. C., Millport, £1; Quarter's Contributions from Coatbridge Free Middle Church S.S., per D. C., £2 1s 6d. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Mrs F., Lenzie, parcel of clothing; Mr S., old clothing; a Friend, 6 petticoats and 14 pairs of stockings and socks; a Friend, 5 pairs of stockings and 2 pinafores; J. K., Kilmarnock, 6s; a Friend, Airdrie, 1 pair of stockings, &c.; J. D., 12 pairs socks and stockings and boy's suit; Mr M'F., 8 loaves; Mrs W. S., 2 knitted petticoats; Mrs T. F., Strathaven, 10s in stamps; Mrs P., parcel of clothing; J. W. W. D., parcel of clothing; the trustees of the late Mrs Eliza Smith, per Moncrieff, Barr, Paterson, & Co., for City Home, £1000; Mrs M'C., Crosshill, parcel of old clothing. The following has been sent in for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Miss M. S., Wemyss Bay, £50.

December 1.—Miss M., £2; P. B. J., £1; A. S., Whiting Bay, 10s; Wigtown, £1; Mrs M., Airds, per J. P., £1; C. T., £10; J. E. C., £1; Renfield Street U.P. Church Sabbath Forenoon Meeting, per W. H. W., £2 2s 6d; G. R., 5s; Mrs T., 10s; Thanksgiving, £1; Two Old Workers, £1; a Christian Friend, Ceres, Cupar-Fife, 10s; a Christian Servant, per do., 2s 6d; a Thankoffering, £1; J. & W. C. & Co., £10; W. A. C., £5; Mr H., 10s; Miss B., 10s; Camphill U.P. Church Missionary Society, £10; J. P., Stranraer, £2; D. M'D., £1; Anonymous, Alloa post mark, 5s in stamps; P. D., Dumbarton, £50; W. C., Paisley, £2; A. C., do., £2; Downvale F.C. Sabbath School, per D. S. R., 10s 6d; W. S., £1; Mrs T., 6s and 6 pairs stockings; S. Free Church Sabbath School, Blairgowrie, per J. A. B., £1 4s 6d; Miss H. D. C., Haddington, £2; J. F., 10s; Bushy F.C. Sabbath School, per W. M., 7s; Mrs J. C., Cathcart, £2 2s; Mrs C., Annan, £1; L. K. S., Manchester, to take two boys to Canada, £20; Employees of R. & W. C., per J. A., £14 3s; Little Lizzie Wad's money, 3s 5d; G. L., one bag meal, one bag barley, one big rice, half-big pease; Miss W., Bridge-of-Weir, parcel of clothing; Misses A., Tighnabruich, £1; J. G., Edinburgh, £1; Mrs G., Falkland, £2; W. A. I., per B. P. B., Oroydon, for keep o' a boy, £5; E. U. Church S.S., Leith, per J. C., £2 17s 4d; J. J. M. I., Prestonkirk, 10s; J. B., Melrose, £5; Mrs J., London, 2s 6d; B. E., to keep one boy and one girl in the Homes at Bridge-of-Weir for a year, £25; B. E., to send one boy and one girl to Canada, £20; O. A., 10s; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 12s; E. T. M'F., Downhill, £1; Miss J. G. R., £2, and 12 pairs stockings; Miss L., parcel of useful knitted goods, stockings, &c.; Mrs S.'s Bible Class, Arbroath, 14s 8d; C. C., Rothesay, £1; J. G., London, £3; Mrs J., Shandon, £1; "Un Ami," London, 10s; Mrs M., 5s; Helensburgh Working

Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per A. M., £19s; Mrs A., Huntingdon, 10s; "Wishaw," £1; Miss E., Edinburgh, per J. Y. S. Large, £1; Mrs R., Callander, £2; St. Vincent Parish Church S.S., per R. C., £1 1s; "An Anonymous Gift," Edinburgh, £20; North Woodside Free Church S.S., per W. F. S., £2 18s 3d; J. M. H., £1; Miss U., Helensburgh, £1; "Pollokshaws," £1; P. R., Kelso, 10s; J. M., Carlisle, £2; Mrs M., Govan, 3s; Miss M., Bucklyvie, £1; Mrs M. L., Helensburgh, £1; Dumbarton Working Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per A. T., £1 8s; C. and C., Paisley, £100; Miss M., Greenock, £2; "A Friend to the Cause," per do., £1; R. T. and family, Paisley, £1 1s; Victoria Hall S.S., Wishaw, per Mrs W., £1; A. S., Dundee, 2s 6d; G. R. M'N., do., 2s 6d. The following donations have been sent for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Mrs H., old clothes; G. T., parcel of clothing; "Andrew's Savings," 1s 3d; "Give and Luke's Parish S.S., per J. O., £1 0s 6d; J. L., Wishaw, £1; M. M'N., Port Monteith, £1; Mrs B., 10s; E. J., seven boys' suits; found in boxes during November, £2 14s 5d. The following has been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—J. B., Paisley, to furnish "Paisley" Home, £200.

December 15.—A Widow's Mite, London, 5s 6d; Mrs R., Houston, per J. E. F., Kilmalcolm, 4s; Miss A. G., Strathaven, £1; R. H. A., Montrose, £4; W. L., Greenock, 10s; Crieff postmark, 1s; Miss S., Dollar, 10s; Mrs J. W. T., 2s 6d; Mrs F., Lenzie, £1 10s; Mrs H., Edinburgh, £1; Mrs D., Dumbarton, £3; Elgin Place Congregational Sabbath School, per J. N. M., £1; Mrs P., London, £5; a Friend, 2s 6d; Miss M'C., Gourock, £1; A. P., £5; G. F. B., Edinburgh, £100; Mrs G., Hillhead, £1; Mrs H., Perth, £2; Mrs F., Baillieston, £5; Mrs M., Rothesay, £1; Mrs D., 10s; E. M., Greenock, £1; W. A., Ayre, £1; Mrs M., Bradford, 6 scarfs; a Friend, a parcel of clothing; E. C. M., Partick, £1; A. M. F., Rothesay, 5s 6d; W. I., Edinburgh, £1; a Friend in Hamilton, 5s; S. C.'s Sabbath Morning Bible Class, Paisley, per W. B., £1 15s; from the Master's Treasury, Grangemouth, £2 2s; Employees in Dalzell Iron and Steel Works, Motherwell, £1; Mrs M., Polton, £1; Miss E. M., Lasswade, £2; Mrs S., Whiting Bay, £2; Mrs C., Stirling, 10s; Mrs W., Kilsyth, £1; C. J. C., Aberfeldy, £8; Mrs S. G., Auchencroft, £1; a Friend, per do., £1; M. M'A., Callander, 2s; Mrs W., Dennistoun, £1 1s; R. & Sons, £2; contents of a Children's Missionary Box, £1; Mrs W., Dunblane, £5; A Widow's Mite, Edinburgh, £1; A Well-wisher, £1; Mrs C., 10s; W., Greenock, 2s; In remembrance of dear John, per Mrs H., Macduff, £1 1s; E. H. C. H., Gavenwood, per do., £1 1s; Mrs H., do., £1 1s; H. H., Aberdeen, £1; Mrs D., Perth, £1 10s; Mr B., do., per do., £1 10s; J. L., jun., 5s; W. M., Markinch, 10s; Sydney Place U.P. Church Sabbath Schools, per J. M'C., £3 14s 9d; Mrs M., Edinburgh, for keep of a boy, £6; H. S., Dalry, 10s; M. B., Keith, 2s 6d and four pairs stockings and three shirts; "S. S. E." London, to send a girl to Canada, £10; do., for keep of a girl, £15; J. H., Broughty Ferry, 10s; Shawlands Parish Church, S.S., £2 6s 10d; Mrs D. M., Dundee, £4; A Girl sent to Canada, £1; Friends in Falkirk, parcel of knitted articles done in "odd minutes," M. R. H., an unexpected remittance of an old debt, 2s; H. B., Galashiels, £5; Three Friends, Kirkby, per J. B., £1 10s; "Four Little J's," Grimsby, £2; a Sympathiser, 10s; Misses C., Edinburgh, to send two boys to Canada, £20; do., for keep of boys, £5; G. L., Cults, per A. C. B., Aberdeen, £1; Dr M., Kirriemuir, £1; W. E., per R. H. H., £10; a Working Man's Wife, Coatbridge, 3s; H. A., Irvine, £2; Mrs W. G., Hawick, £1; G. L., Edinburgh, £10; Misses M., Dalkeith, 10s; additional contribution from Helensburgh Working Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, 4s 6d; Mrs P. T., Innellan, £1; Miss T., Helensburgh, 5s; J. H. G., £2; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 8s 1d; Townhill S.S. and Bible Class, Dunfermline, per J. S., £2 10s; A. K. R., £1; E. Campbell Street U.P. Church Congregational S.S., £1; Mrs R., Girvan, £1; Mrs M., Strathaven, £5; Miss M., do., £1; "In grateful acknowledgment of the Lord's goodness," £1; A Friend, Kelso, £1; M. A. T., Portobello, £1; Mrs I., parcel of clothing. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission Work:—W. M., Paisley, £1; a Friend, 5s; proceeds of Children's Bazaar, per M. R. Y. and J. Y. R., £3 5s 1d; a Friend, three balls and two knitted petticoats; Mrs B., Lochgoilhead, parcel of clothing; Miss R., Edinburgh, £1; from Downhill, parcel of clothing; Miss L., Brighton, £5; M. S., parcel of new clothing; J. M'F., 7 quarter loaves; A. J. K., £15; Mrs M., parcel of clothing; A. M. W., 12 petticoats; J. W. & Co., piece of shirting; a Friend, 7 hats; "Conquering Hero" Reformed Templars' Lodge, per T. G., £1 8s 6d; West Parish S.S., Rutherglen, per D. D., 10s; Mrs M'N., 2s 6d; J. C. Annan, parcel of clothing; Miss M'L., parcel of clothing; J. O., £5 5s; Miss R., Edinburgh, £2; Anonymous, parcel of old clothing; R. H., 12 loaves; St. Luke's Parish Church, per Mr A., £12 10s; Mrs S., Blantyre, 10s; Mrs J., Dundee, 6 pairs stockings; J. C., lot of magazines; R. K. Paisley, model of yacht, to be sold on behalf of Homes; Mrs C., parcel of clothing and shirting.

December 23.—Mrs M., for Christmas dinner, £2; Milton Parish Church Sabbath School, 19s 7d, per W. M.; Whiting Bay Sabbath School, 12s, per J. R. T.; D. M., Bridge-of-Allan, £2; Charlie C.'s money, 1s 11d; J. M., Edinburgh, £5; Mrs L., Huntly, parcel of new clothing; Scotch Ind. Sabbath School, 14s; W. H., Dunoon, 10s; Miss R.,

£1; H. M. F., Kelvinside, £1; a Friend, 8 pairs stockings; J. F., Langside, £6; Misses M., do., £1; a Working Woman, 10s; Nemo, Dunoon, 10s; W. J., Belfast, for Christmas dinner, 10s; Miss M., Stornoway, £1; Calton Mechanics' Hall Sabbath School, per A. L., 10s; Mrs C., Kinross, 5s and 3 hoods; J. G., per do., 1s; R. S., Campbeltown, 10s; K. E., £40; M. D., £2; P. S., Kilmartin, parcel of odds and ends of clothing; Mrs S., do., stockings; J. H., Darvel, £1; Free St. Andrew's Sabbath School, Kilmarnock, per A. R., 17s 6d; W. C., £3; H. H., Johnstone, £5; a Friend, Motherwell, £5; R. H., Kirkcaldy, £3; Crown Terrace Sabbath School, Aberdeen, per A. G., £2 2s 8d; J. K., £3; do., for Christmas treat, £1; J. M. D., 5s; "One of the Flock under the care of the Good Shepherd," £1; Miss W., Windygates, £1; Miss L., do., £1; Jeanie and Mary, 4s; Mrs B., Bridge-of-Weir, for New-year's dinner, £1; A. G., Johnstone, £10; J. R., £5 5s; A. R., Helensburgh, for Christmas treat, 4s; J. D., India, per J. W., £2; Margaret, per Mrs L., 10s; Friends, per do., for treat, £1; Mary and Henrietta, Irvine, 5s; the Widow's Mite, £1; J. L., 15 lbs tea; Mrs A., £1; Christmas gift from "Cardonald and Ibrox," quantity of new clothing; Mrs H., toys, &c.; E. P., Rothesay, 6 pairs stockings; M. N. M., Tarnbert, Harris, 5s; Mrs R., £1; W. C., £2; Mrs R. C., Alloa, £1 and 24 yards shirting, 6 mufflers, &c.; Johnstone Parish Church Sabbath School Association, per R. A., £1 5s 6d; "Two Wee Bairs," per X. Y. Z., Gatehouse, £1; J. M'K., 2s; Friends in Irvine, per J. W., £1 7s, 12 mufflers, and parcel of clothing; Mrs E., per do., 5s; from Longforgan, box of toys and fancy goods; J. and A. G., Aberdeen, 50 pairs boots; Found in Boxes, £2 4s 10d; Miss P. and a few friends, Edinburgh, £5; Rossie Y. W. C. A., per Mrs A., books and toys for Christmas trees; Two Friends, 10s; A. A., Keswick, £2; "The Four Little Girls at Genoa," per A. T. W., £1 3s; J. and Mrs C., Creetown, £1; Miss S., Bridge-of-Weir, £1; a Friend in Southport, per do., 10s; Ashfield S.S., Dunblane, per W. M'G., £1 10s; "A Friend to the Poor Outcasts," Aberdeen, 2s 6d; a Christmas box from "Theta," Aberdeen, 5s; Mrs J., Elie, £1, "as a small thankoffering for my Father's kindness," M. K., for Christmas trees, 5s; Miss B., Dunoon, dolls, &c.; Mrs J. S., Kirkcaldy, stockings and underclothing; "Dechmont Dorcas Society," Cambuslang, parcel of useful clothing; J. G. M'N., Campbeltown, £10; "Pembroke Street," £1; Mrs M., Kirriemuir, 7 pairs stockings; Mrs S., Crosshill, toys; "Collected by a little girl and boy for your little girls and boys," 8s 8d; a Servant Girl, 12s, as "a thankoffering for health and strength through the year," J. H., Cove, 2s 6d; Mrs T., Bridge-of-Weir, for New-year's treat, £2; Miss M., £2; S. C., Sheffield, £3; a small Christmas gift, 2s 6d; half of children's penny box, per A. H. I., Innellan, 5s; East U.P. Church S.S., Strathaven, per A. W. D., £1; Mrs S., Kirkcaldy, £1; H. L. P., Shotts, £1 5s; Ellie and Robert M., Lochans, for cripple children, 5s; "Philip," Aberdeen, 2s 6d; T. B., Greenock, per R. C., 10s; Dr D., per do., 10s; E. M'Y., per do., 1s; A. M'Y., per do., 1s; Little Lizzie, per do., 1s; R. C., do., £1 and 12 pairs stockings; Employees of the U. Co-operative Baking Society, per D. S., £2 2s 8d; W. A., Forfar, £2; Mrs R. M., 5s; Friends in Govan, roast beef for Christmas dinner to the boys at Cessnock; Miss H., 9 hats; "A Friend to the Poor" in the East of Scotland, £100; Miss K., Mugdock, £1; Miss R., Cockburnspath, 2s 6d; Mrs T., Helensburgh, £1; Miss K., cuffs, &c.; Mrs M., Edinburgh, £3; A. C., £2; G. G., Aberdeen, £1; Rutherford Free Church S.S., per A. C. B., do., £2 1s; Dr J., per do., £1 1s; Mrs L., articles for Christmas trees; Norah, Maria, and Blanche, toys for Christmas trees; Downhill U.P. Church Mission Morning Meeting, per Mr S., £2 5s; O. M'G., Girvan, 5s; "A Friend, Cardross," 10s; Mr and Mrs N., Edinburgh, 10s; Mrs N., Partickhill, 6 pairs stockings; W. S., Dundee, £3; Mary S., with Prov. xix. 17, 10s; a few young ladies in Dunoon and Kirm, box of clothing, hats, &c., per J. P.; J. B., Helensburgh, £5; "Elsie," Kirriemuir, for the little girls, 10s; K. M., Kilmalcolm, articles for Christmas trees; a Friend in a Warehouse, 5s; D. B., junr., 10s; a Lady Friend, per J. C., Laurencekirk, 10s; Kirriemuirhill U.P. Church S.S., per W. W., 10s; "Readers of the Christian," per Morgan and Scott, £10 10s; a Servant in Dollar, 1s; Mrs F., Kent Road, £7; J. G. T.'s Bible Class, Buckhaven, £1; C. F. M., Elgin, 5s; Mr and Mrs P., Ryde, £10; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 12s 6d; Misses M., Edinburgh, £2; "Rita," £1; M. A. R., Montreal, 10s; two Friends in Gourock, 10s; Mrs B., Govan, 5s; A. B., £1; J. S., 5 pictures and money to pay for New-year decorations; R. M., Edinburgh, £2; Miss E., Banchoy, £1; First Free Church S.S., Blairgowrie, per J. M., £1; Union S.S., Ednam, Kelso, per A. M., £1; Miss M. M. F., Crieff, £1; P. M., Greenock, £5; M. F., Cellardyke, £1; Bluevale Young Men and Young Women's Bible Class, per Mr M., 10s 6d. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Mrs S., for young women's shelter, 10s; J. C. & Sons, parcel of useful articles; Mrs J. C., Cathcart, for Christmas treat, £1; Miss K., Partick, Christmas cards and scrap books; A. R., £10; Mrs M., useful articles; a Friend, books for the children; J. W. O., per Mr T., Shotts, £2; Mrs M., 10s; Mrs A., quantity of toys, &c., for Christmas tree; three sisters in Partick, per J. B., 12 pairs stockings; Miss G., Johnstone, evergreens; M. F., Rothesay, 4 pairs stockings; Private Bible Class, per Mrs M'G., 8s; Mrs R., Neilston, 5s; Adelaide Place Baptist Church, 41 bags bread; Mrs G. M. K., Lochgoilhead, clothing and plum pudding; two workers, £1; a friend at meeting, per Mr C., 2s 6d; Miss C., Ibrox, £1; Bath Street U.P. Mission S.S., per Mr S., 10s; Mr B., Helensburgh, £5; Miss B., do., 10s; C. R., for New-year's treat, £1; Mrs P., 10s; M.

P. M., Dunfermline, a knitted petticoat; W. Bros., twine, rope, &c., value 23s; a Friend, £3; A. P., £2; Miss T., £1 and parcel of clothing; E. F., quantity of tea bread; Miss M.N., London, £5; R. A. B., for New-year's treat, £2; W. M. M., Alva, £1; Mrs W., Edinburgh, £1; Dr N., £1 2s; a Friend of the Poor in the East of Scotland, £100; "Give and it shall be given unto you," £18s 7d; a Friend, 4s 6d; Boys' Sabbath Class in Carndon, per E. C. K., 7s 9d; Boys' Sabbath Class Mission School, Bo'ness, per do., 2s 2d; a Friend, 2 petticoats and 2 pairs stockings; J. S., Cupar-Fife, parcel of clothing; from Crosshill, Christmas cards; J. T., Torrington, £1, and 2s 6d for New-year's dinner; Mrs S., for do., £2; B. Bros., 10 dozen currant leaves; a Friend, evergreens; J. M.F., 10 quatern leaves and 50 scones; G. G. & Son, 18 wall almanacs; J. G., £2; J. G., jun., £1; Mrs M.N., 1s and old clothes; Mrs L., Kilmarnock, 6 pairs stockings and 2 petticoats; Miss M. M. F., Crieft, £1; W. F. L., Stirling, 2s 6d for New-year's treat.

January 12.—Collected by a servant in Rothesay, £1; Regent Place U.P. Church Minister's Bible Class, £1 2s; Mrs. T., 10s; North Strand Mission S.S., Dublin, per H. B. D., £1 5s; U.P. Church S.S., Bridge-of-Allan, per J. M., a box of useful underclothing; Kilbarchan Co-operative Society, per M. N., £1; J. B., jr., £1; a Working Man, Gosport, 2s; G. L., £3; Westmoreland Road Church S.S., Newcastle, per A. M., £2; Lenzie Union Church S.S., per J. A., £2; J. J., Edinburgh, £2; J. T., Greenock, £1; Miss M., dolls, toys, &c., for tree; C. and Mrs. L., Ilfracombe, £5 for emigration; "From the children," do., 2s 6d; Mrs. A., Edinburgh, per C. A., 10s; Mrs. D., Dumbarton, £3; Katie and Charlie, Edinburgh, 2s 6d; Miss M., do., £5; Misses S., £1 10s; Mrs. H., scarfs; Misses L., Lenzie, 5s and twelve petticoats and six pairs stockings; Queen's Park U.P. Church, Crosshill, £5; W. D., Helensburgh, £1; A. A., Shettleston, £1; "A New-Year's Gift," dolls; Four Children, Rothesay, 10s 6d; R. W., £2; S., £1; Mrs. W., Bournemouth, 10s; "One of His Little Ones," £2; J. and M. A., 10s, scrap-books; stockings, &c.; Claremont Church Mission, Warroch St. Boys' School, per R. A. B., £1 1s 2d; Saturday Pennies from Willie and Andrew, 1s 4d; Mr. and Mrs. M. and children, £2 2s; J. D. B., £10; F. H. M., Hillhead, 5s; U.P. Church, New Kilpatrick, per W. R., £1; a Friend, a tin of fine tea; "The Widow's Mite," Aberdeen, £1; E. B., 2s 6d; Greyfriars' U.P. Church Religious Purposes Society, per J. F. E., £2; Ferguslie Children's Church, Paisley, per D. D., 7s 6d; Miss S. G., Blairgowrie, 5s; O. Family, 15s; a Young Friend, 5s; "Our Tenth," 7s; M. K., 8d, for Christ's little ones; R. W. R., 10s; Mrs. T., for New-Year's treat, 5s; Mrs. M., 5s; Miss D., for New-Year's treat, 10s; J. W. S., for do., 5s; Two Little Boys at Kelvin-grove Terrace, 5s; Miss M. O. R.'s Counter Box, Helensburgh, £1; Thread Street U.P. Church S.S., Paisley, per R. R., £2; contents of Family Missionary Box for 1883, per W. D. S., £4 11s; E. A., Kilmarnock, £1; D. R. M., 5s; Mrs. G., £1; Neil and Jimmy, Greenock, £1; Mrs. D., Dumbarton, £10; Blahingone Parish Church S.S., Dollar per J. W., £1; Mrs. W., do., 10s; Cowglen S.S., per S. R. R., 8s; Miss L.'s Christmas Tree, £6; a Friend visiting the Bridge-of-Weir Homes, £25; Miss G. B., Brooklyn, N.Y., three scrap-books, per Mrs. S.; Mrs. M., Cardross, per do., a parcel of clothing; Mrs. S., Port-Glasgow, 30 books for Broadfield Home; Mrs. W. S., Bridge-of-Weir, two parcels clothing; a Little Boy and Girl, Edinburgh, a box of toys, bought with saved halfpence; from Forfar, 5s in stamps; A. S. P., Brechin, 3s; Two Little Girls (G. C. and A. R. O. H.), a New-Year's Offering, 10s; St. George's S.S. Association, Paisley, and A. R. O. H.), a New-Year's Offering, £1, for keep of a boy; Maybole Free Church S.S., per N. B., 10s; Miss R., Edinburgh, £1, for keep of a boy; Maybole Free Church S.S., per W. M. M., £3 6s 6d; a Friend, per A. M. C. C., Fife, 12s 6d; Alex. and John C., Ayr, 5s; from Gatehouse, a small parcel of clothing; Miss C., Roseneath, £1; J. B., £1; J. C. W., £10; J. D., Aberdeen, per A. C. B., £1; Two Sisters (domestic servants), £2; Elderslie Wallace S.S., per W. A., £1; Five Little Children's New-Year gift, Hawick, £1; Scholars and Teachers of East Kilbride Parish Church S.S., per J. T. T., 10s; T. and J. D., £2 2s; Eglington U.P. Church S.S., 10s 2d; J. W., Kilmarnock, £1 10s; Miss C., Barrhead, 10s; Larkhall U.P. Church S.S., per W. M., £1 10s; Mrs. R., 3s; Winsleigh and Cecil, £1 5s 9d; Misses B.'s Sewing Class, Horsforth, six petticoats, five shirts, &c., and 5s; J. R., Collyer, 5s; O. P., £1; Warroch Street Children's Sabbath Forenoon Meeting, per T. B., £1; H. K. W., London, £10; Mrs. D., Dumbarton, £5; a Few S. rants, Johnstone, 10s; F. M. R., for mercies received during the past year, £1; J. J., Bridge-of-Allan, a pair of blankets; J. B. H., Hillhead, £5; J. P. M.L., Larbert, £3; Mrs. S., Greenock, scrap-book; "Wee Willie," 6d, and Christmas cards for the orphans; G. M. K., Lochgoilhead, 10s; M. O. M., Hillhead, 3s 3d; Mrs. W., Edinburgh, £2; Mrs. W., Largs, £1; Miss W., Brechin, £1; collected by Mrs. H., from a few friends, £17 15s; R. B., P. Ilkshields, £2; W. and D. M., £2; W. N., Hamilton, £1; Mr. L.'s Bible Class, Campbelltown, per J. J., 10s; Mrs. M.C., Stranraer, £1; Miss C., Whitthorn, 10s; Baptist S.S., Anstruther, £1 4s 6d, to provide an orange for each child in the Homes; Mrs. C., Edinburgh, £110 for emigration; M. A. O., Thornhill, 5s; Miss C., two knitted semmets; Paisley West End Children's Church, per P. E., £1 10s; part proceeds of young ladies' work party, per Miss F. S., Edinburgh, £3 3s; Helensburgh Congregational S.S., per Miss L., £3 5s; A. C., Crosshill, £2; M. M. B., 7s 6d; New Deer Public Hall S.S., per A. J., £1 2s 6d; J. R., Port-Glasgow, £5; Mrs. H., Allea, 10;

Missionary Funds of North Parish S.S., Paisley, per G. G. K., £3; Mrs. T., six pairs stockings; Infant Class of Grange Free Church S.S., Kilmarnock, per Mrs. W. T., £1 10s; New-Year's Offering, from West Barns S.S., Dunbar, per R. R., £1; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 13s 7d; Free Church S.S., Tobermory, per A. H., 16s 9d; thank-offering (with Isa. xlii. 10), £1; T. F. R., Paisley, 17s; a Friend, six small petticoats; J. T., Eday, Orkney, 2s 6d; E. R., Milngavie, £1; in memory of two loved ones gone before, per Mrs. S., Crosshill, £2; "Jean," two pairs stockings; Wigton, £1; Motherwell Working Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, £1 13s; Morton S.S., Thornhill, per J. R. W., £2 10s; "The Lord's Tenth," £1; Miss M., Dalkeith, six pairs socks, six pairs cuffs, &c.; C. T. P. L., Ilfracombe, balance of £10 to send a child to Canada, £5; Mrs. P., 2s 6d; Mrs. I., a thank-offering for mercies received during the past year, 10s; Downhill U.P. Church Mission S.S., £1; Mrs. R.'s Mothers' Meeting, 11s; Baptist Church S.S., Cupar Fife, per C. R., 15s; D. M., £3 3s; S. C. J., Bournemouth, £2 2s; J. P., Skene, £1; "an Aged Friend," £2; A. M.N., London, £1; a thank-offering for firstborn, 5s; G. R., Paisley, a piece of shirting; Mr. M., Govan, a large roast of beef; Two Sisters, Newcastle-on-Tyne, 10s; Mrs. M., £3; Mrs. M. P. M.K., £1; Mrs. Q., Birkenhead, 10s; W. P., £2; E. U. S. S., Galashiels, per G. C., £1; Miss M.L., three pairs stockings; a Friend, per do., remnants of wine; Belhaven U.P. Church S.S., per G. W. S., £1 10s. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Mrs. R., 10s, and parcel of tea for treat; Mrs. F., toys, &c.; Miss A., Edinburgh, stockings; a Govan Joiner, being interest of deposit in Savings Bank, £1; Miss F., Cellarsdyke, 8 petticoats, scarfs, dolls, &c.; at Friend, 6 pairs of stockings; Little Jim and Archie L., 10s 0½d for poor little boys; J. N., 5s; J. T. W., £5; Hangingshaw Forenoon Meeting, 15s; Employees of Clyde Paper Co., £1; R. M., 7s 6d; Kent Road U.P. Church Mission Committee, £2 4s; Mrs. A., Edinburgh, £1; London Road U.P. Church Sunday School, per G. S., £2; Bolie and Ebenezer M., 2s; balance of Funeral Benefit to help with boys' keep, £5; Mr. S., Johnstone, for New-Year's treat, £2; Downhill U.P. Church Sunday School, £1 1s; Mrs. C. F., £1; Mrs. E. A., a roast of beef; R. B., 2 parcels sweets; Mrs. M.A., Dumbarton, 6 pairs of stockings and 6 petticoats; Miss B., Linnithgow, cuffs, socks, and clothing; Two Old Workers, 10s; a Worker, 10s; Mrs. A., £50; F. and L., 2 rolls brawn; A. C., £1; Mrs. E. D. G., London, for street children's treat, £21 13s 9d; C. B. M., Dollar, £5; Mrs. M.P., for street children's treat, £1; a Friend, a roll of bacon; J. M.F., a cake for boys; A. F. R., 16 dozen rolls; J. M.F., 7 loaves; J. C. W., £10; a Friend, £1 14s; Old Monkland Parish Church S.S., Carlisle, 5s 1½d; "First increase of salary," 5s; Miss W., Stirling, £5; A. M., Shotts, 2s 6d; from the Queen's Rooms, 75 bags bread; R. M. G., Aberdeen, £5; the Gipsies, 6s; found in Boxes and Collections at Halls during December, £41 0s 1½d; "The Lord's Tenth," 8s; Mrs. F., St. Bisswells, £1; W. B., 15s; a Friend, parcel of clothing and Christmas cards, and 2s for street children's treat; W. C., per B. M.K., Seone, £5; Two Friends, a cake; J. M., dried fish; Two Workers, 6s; D. M., interest on money in Savings Bank, 5s 7d; T. S., £1; Mrs. H., Lenzie, £2; M. S. M.G., 10s; part proceeds of admission to Royal Polytechnic Warehouse during Holidays, per J. A., £10; T. B., Alloa, £1; Sir Michael Street U.P. Church Mission S.S., Greenock, per R. L., £2; Mr M.'s Bible Class, per do., 10s; a School Boy, for street children's treat, 10s; W. D. D., straw hats, flannels, &c.; a Friend, J. N., 10s; a Friend, Oban, for street children's treat, 5s; W. M., Kincardine, £20; Miss C., Ryde, £10; a Friend, Kilmarnock, 7 shirts, &c.; Miss M.C., £1 and some old cotton; a Friend, £5; Mrs. and Miss C., Blairmore, £1.

January 26.—Mrs F., Queensferry, two pairs socks; Ladies' Working Society of Crown Terrace Baptist Church, Aberdeen, 179 articles of new clothing, per J. & A. G.; Cardonald Sabbath School, per J. F., £1 6s 6d; Free Church Sabbath School, Chapelhall, per J. C., 10s; Mrs J. H., £1; Kirkmuirhill U.P. Church Bible Class, per W. W., £2; Miss R., Edinburgh, to send a boy to Canada, £10; I. D., Aberdeen, 4s; Inch Freo Church Sabbath School, per T. T. Dunragit, 17s; Bellfield Sabbath School, Leamhagow, 12s; R. B., £5; A New-Year's Gift from A. O. F. and his Wee Sisters, 3s; Bi-hop Street S.S., in connection with St. Vincent Street U.P. Church, 7s 6d; Mrs M.L., Strathblane, £1; Johnstone Free Mission S.S., per G. R., £1 6s; O. F., Kingussie, 10s; Miss H. T. M., Motherwell, 2s 6d and clothing; H. A. C., Annan, per A. F. C., 5s; Mrs S. G., Auchencairn, £1; Watten S.S., Caithness, per Miss J. B. G., £1 5s 8d; surplus from a treat to the children in Langside Free Church, per D. B., £1 13s 1d; The Widow's Mite, Edinburgh, 10s; Mrs A., Edinburgh, £5; Free St. Clement's S.S. and Children's Forenoon Service, Aberdeen, per A. R., £4 5s 3d; Free Church S.S., Fo t-William, per J. M., 15s; "A Labouring Man," Aberdeen, per D. G., 2s 6d; J. S., Crosshill, £10; Miss J. B., Linnithgow, £2; New-Year's Gift from Minister's Bible Class, U.P. Church, Lochgelly, per J. B., 10s; Young People's New-Year Offering, 16s 9d; Friends in Uddington, 4 pairs stockings; Mrs F., Duntocher, 2 scarfs, 2 hoods, 2 pairs socks, &c.; Kilwinning Parish Church S.S., per T. F., £1 10s; Anonymous, Kirkcudbright postmark, £2; Wee Jamie and Mary, Crosshill, 5s; S. R. G., Vercheny, £1; J. K. B., 10s; Mrs W., 5s; Miss M., 5s; A. M. C., Paisley, £1 and underclothing; found in boxes, 5s 6½d; Mrs F.,

Hillhead, per A. D., parcel of *Pictorial Worlds, Graphics, &c.*; Bristo Place Baptist Church S.S., Edinburgh, £4 1s 4d; E. A. W., Uddingston, collected from his little brothers and sisters, 2s 1d; D. B., Kirkintilloch, per W. P., £2; Dalmaur S.S., per J. G. W., £1; D. M. S., for emigration, 13s 10d; Innellan U.P. Church S.S. and Bible Class, per R. H., 13s; Mrs M., Edinburgh, £5; a few Working Girls in Airdrie, 9s; from Ardishaig, 1s 8d; Mrs W., Biggar, 2s 6d; Mrs L., do., 1s; Mrs C., do., 1s; I. R., do., 6d; Mrs A., do., 5s; Mrs M., do., 2s 6d; Mr. R., Edinburgh, 5s; Miss R., Musselburgh, 2s; Misses R., Biggar, £1 1s; a Girl, do., 6d; Two Schoolboys, do., two pairs boots; Children attending Biggar East Public School, a box of useful clothing; a Sympathiser, £1; Large Free Church S.S. Missionary Box, per J. R. C., £3 18s; J. O. O., for keep of Bethesda Home, £200; J. G. D., Paisley, £1; a Friend, Barrhead, 10s; Mrs M., Monkton, £1; Miss L.'s Young Women's Class, St. Giles' Street, Edinburgh, 10s; Misses L., Edinburgh, 5s; "Amount apportioned from the proceeds of the Children's Bazaar, Mount Florida," per Misses D., S., and M., £30; Calton Parish Church S.S., £2; Dunbar Coast Mission S.S., per J. S., 3s; Portland Road S.S., Kilmarnock, per G. B., £1 10s; Hope Park U.P. Church S.S., Edinburgh, per A. M., £2; Mrs M., 2s 9d; W. H., Falkirk, 2s; Miss E., Hillhead, £5, and 8 pairs socks, clothing, &c.; Mrs J. S., six pairs stockings; West U.P. Church S.S., Strathaven, per A. G., 10s; Queen's Park Established Church Congregational S.S., per J. M., £2 1s 4d; do. Mission S.S., per do., £2 2s; a Friend, a thankoffering, £5; Jessie and Clummie, 2s; Mrs F., Queenstown, £1; Carden Place U.P. Congregation S.S., Aberdeen, per J. S., Edinburgh, 10s; Langside Road U.P. Church S.S., per do., £1; Pollokshields U.P. Church S.S. Society, per R. C., £1 16s 4d. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—A. T. A., Alloa, £4; "Give and it shall be given unto you," 17s 9d; M. C. & Co., £2 2s; J. S., Crosshill, a ham; J. E., parcel of clothing; Great Hamilton Street Free Church S.S., per Mr G., £2 9s; Mr R., E. Kilbride, £10; Mr and Mrs D., old suit of clothes; from C. J., 5s in stamps; Polly B., Dalmarnock, £1 10s; Tolleross Free Church S.S., 10s; H. S., Tolleross, 2s; St. George's-in-the-Fields S.S., per Mr. V., £5; J. R. M., Kinnaid, parcel of periodicals.

February 9.—"Whip Money," 10s; Teachers of Pollokshaws U.P. Church Sabbath School, per J. H., jun., £2; M. S., Kilm., £5; Rattray Free Church Sabbath School, Blairgowrie, per J. T., £1; collected from School Children by Miss B., Laurencekirk, 6s 6d; Mrs F. N., do., 5s; Mrs M., Edinburgh, 12 shirts, 3 scarfs, &c., Mrs M., £3; Mrs and Miss M., Johnstone, £5; J. S., Kilmarnock, £2; Legacy from the late Mr J. S. Drummond's trust, per J. N. & J. Gardner, Paisley, £10; Four Children in Greenock, per E. J. M. S., 10s 5d; R. T., 2s 6d; A. N., 5s; J. L., £10; J. L., Toronto, Canada, £10 4s 6d; Miss L., per do., £10 4s 6d; a Servant, 3s; Mrs L., Edinburgh, £7 10s; Innellan Established Church Sabbath School, per Miss D., £2; Miss A., 6 knitted petticoats; Miss M., £2; J. R. S., £10 to take a girl to Canada; P. W. H., £20; Mrs M., £5; Paisley Road Free Church Sabbath Forenoon Meeting, 12s 6d; C. S., £1 1s; Hamilton Free Church Sabbath School, per R. B. H., Port-Glasgow, £1 5s; Mrs B., Govan, £1; Miss B., do., quantity of books; Anderston Morning Bible Class, per J. F., 10s; Mrs R., Hamilton, £1; Mr G., do., 10s; Mrs C., do., 2s; St. James' Congregational Sabbath School, do., 14s; Free Church Sabbath School, Strathblane, per D. M. N., 12s 6d; Mrs M., 10s and 6 pairs stockings; a Friend, parcel of magazines; Aikenhead Sabbath School, £1; M. L., Edinburgh, £20; Mrs F., Inverness, two bed quilts; J. A., Huntly, 10s; Mrs F., £1; a Thankoffering, T. M. G., £2; Dundee Boys' and Girls' Religious Association, per J. C., £19; T. D., Edinburgh, to take a boy to Canada, £10; "Wigtown," £1; Cambuslang Free Church S.S., £2 12s; a Working Woman, 10 pairs stockings; Free St. George's Session House S.S., Paisley, per J. W. P., £1; J. P. M., £5; Mrs J. C., Renfrew, £1; Mrs F., Shawlands, 7s; D. M. S., for emigration, £12s 8d; Miss W., for do., £1; Original Secession Church S.S., Kirkintilloch, £1 1s 6d; Mrs H., per Miss M., £3; Parkhill S.S., per F. C., 6s 6d; R. L., Aberdeen, 3s; Bluevale Sabbath Forenoon Meeting, per W. M. L., £1 0s 9d; Anonymous, 10s; Bridge of Weir Free Church S.S., per J. O., 10s; Mrs T., Dalkeith, for keep of a boy £12; Cathedral Square U.P. Church Mission Bible Class, per R. D., £1; Miss G.'s Young Women's Bible Class in South Parish Church, Aberdeen, a box of new clothing; Mr J. A., Highbridge, per J. R. W., Bellingham, 5s. The following donations have been sent for City Home Refuge and Mission:—R. H., a cake, bread, and quantity of rolls; Mr and Mrs H., 10s; G. R., 5s; Mrs D., 5s; H. B. J., 5s; Junior Missionary Society, John Street U.P. Church, per W. J. L., £2; Mrs M. L., 12 yards wincey and 10s; Gallowgate Branch Y.M.C.A., per T. G., 10s; found in boxes and collections at halls during January, £19 12s 11d; J. R. S., £10; Anderston U.P. Church S.S., per D. M. C., £1; "The Lord's Tenth," 8s; Mr S., Hunter's Quay, 7s 6d; Friends in Sandbank, 17 petticoats, 6 jackets, and 2 dresses; Mrs D., £1; "An Uncle to help a Boy," 4s; Mrs L., 7 pairs stockings, underclothing, and £1; R. H., 12 loaves; a Bible Class in Kinning Park, per T. M. M., £1; C. M., a Thankoffering for restored health, 5s; an Orphan's Mite, Leith, 2s 6d; a Thankoffering for recovery from severe illness, £1; Miss L., 1s 6d and parcel of old clothing; "A Thankoffering," London, £1; Mrs B., Renfrew, £1; Anonymous, 10s;

B oomhouse S.S., per D. G., 18s 8d. The following has been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—M. S., Kilm., £20.

February 2.—"Well-wisher," £1; Helensburgh Working Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per A. M., £1 9s; R. M. K., 2s 6d; A. T., Leith, £1; Misses M., 5s; Teachers and Scholars of the Kirkland School, Glencairn, per Mrs M., £1; Portland Road U.P. Church Bible Class, Kilmarnock, per G. B., 10s; Garlieston S.S., per A. R., 9s 6d; Miss J. M. L., per do., 4s; A. G., Aberdeen, £1; Miss B.'s Collecting Box, Montrose, per Miss M., £1; W. J. M., 11s; Miss M. L., £1; Two Friends in Helensburgh, £2; A. C. C., Warwickshire, £200 for emigration; Mrs A., Partick, £5; Strathbungo Parish S.S., per R. G., £1 1s; M. A., Crieff, £2; "Immediate," anonymous, £1; "Our Baby's Bank," £1; Miss M., Musselburgh, £2; M. M. A., Callander, 1s; W. P. M., £2; J. W., Airdrie, for emigration, £15; W. & J. M., £1; J. R. P.'s Sabbath Class of Little Girls, Paisley, 4s; "A Friend, O.," £3; A Friend, per Mrs F., £1; A. J., Kirkcubright, £1; Sandyford U.P. Church S.S., £1; Troon Children's Church, per J. H., £1; Miss H., Pitlochry, 10 dresses, 7 petticoats, underclothing, &c.; J. & J. M. L., Guthrie, 10s; Bonhill Free Church, S.S., per A. S., 10s; W. K. D., Ayr, £1; Mrs T. F., Strathaven, £1; P. K., Hamilton, £2; a Friend, per Miss J. J. K., £2 10s for emigration; Sarah, a servant, £1; Locher Baptist Church S.S., per J. H., £1 10s; Muslin Street E. U. S.S., per W. S., £1; J. C., Lochgilphead, 5s; P. G., London, 10s; Kilmalcolm U.P. Church S.S., £1 9s 2d, per J. E. F.; Miss D., and class, Kirkintilloch, 5s; Princes Street U.P. S.S. Kilmarnock, per J. D., £1; Miss B., £12 to keep a child in the Homes for one year; Miss E. J. L., Edinburgh, £10, to send a child to Canada; Mrs K., New Kilpatrick, £1; Mrs W. B. C., £5; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 15s 9d; "The Widow's Mite," Cambuslang, £1; Morning-side U.P. Church Juvenile Missionary Society, Edinburgh, per W. S. F., £3 3s; a Well-wisher, New Deer, 5s; Govan Free Church S.S., 10s; "Friend of Dalhousie Street," £1; E. P., Ipswich, £5; M. C., £20 to take two children to Canada. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Mrs S., three knitted petticoats; from Hawick, four small flannel do.; Mrs J. M., old boots; J. R. W., Bellingham, small suits, stuffs, &c.; Mrs R. C., £1; J. G. A., £5; T. J., £5; Baillieston U.P. Church S.S. £1 11s 9d; E. Y. G., Melbourne, per Miss G., £1; Miss L. and children of C. J. P.'s Home, Edinburgh, £1; per Mrs C., Greenock, £1 towards a girl's keep; St. George's Road Free Church, S.S., 10s; Mrs R., Mearns, three pairs stockings; Mrs S., a hamper of clothing; a Well-wisher, £5; Mrs W., Stirling, £2; Mrs W., Dowanhill, parcel of clothing; a Friend, 4 pairs stockings and 2 flannel petticoats, per post; R. C., Bishoppriests, £5; Lizzie, 2s; Catherine, 1s 6d; Maggie, 1s; Mother, 1s; W. and K. S., Kilmalcolm, dolls and pipers; "Give and it shall be given unto you," 14s 2d; Mrs A., Large, parcel of clothing; J. W., Stirlingshire, per W. C. M., £5; W. C. M., 10s. The following has been sent for the Orphan Homes Building Fund:—A Friend, per Miss J. J. K., £2 10s.

March 8.—Mrs D., to take a child to Canada, £10; T. G., Bathgate, £1; Infant Sabbath Class in Piccadilly Street Mission, 11s 3d; a Friend, 10s; Kilm U.P. Church S.S., per E. G., £1 2s 3d; W. M. R., Salen, 2s 6d; Crosshill Y.M.C.A., 18s 8d; Miss G. T., Edinburgh, to take a boy to Canada, £10; Mrs M., £1; Miss D., Murrayfield, 10s; New-Year's offering from Bell Street U.P. Church S.S., Dundee, per J. M., jun., £1; Mrs B., £1; Mrs M., Large, £5; Mrs A., do., £1; Mrs C., do., £1; Mrs J. O., do., £1; Miss M. C., do., 3s; Miss B., do., 5s; J. B., do., 3s; Mr C., do., 2s; Miss W., do., 10s. The above sums from Large were collected by Miss B.; D. M. K., Ayr, 5s; A. B. K., £50 to take five children to Canada; M. S., Wick, £2; a Friend, Crossford, £2; D. D., £1; "Ardus," for emigration, 10s; Mrs W., Belfast, £3; a Friend, Ayr, 4s; a Friend, 2s; Govanhill U.P. Church Sunday School, £1 16s; Mrs T., clothing; "A trifle from a well-wisher," 2s 6d; Wigtown, £1; W. C., £10, to take a child to Canada; Mrs M., Invergary, £1; "Montpelier Box," per E. J., £1; R. C., 10s; a Friend, a parcel of clothing; Miss M., £2; Chryston Parish Church Sunday School Association, £1 0s 6d; Hutchesontown U.P. Church Sunday School, £1; Mrs B.'s Mothers' Meeting, 11s; Free West Church Sunday School, 14s 9d; from a country manse, 15s and six pairs stockings; Misses O., Edinburgh, £50 for emigration; A. C., Govanhill, £1; Fraser Street Sunday School, Inverness, 8s; a Young Friend, 5s; Girls in Stevenson Street Sunday School, Paisley Free South Church, per J. R. P., £2 8s 6d; T. E., Stirling, £1; W. L., Portobello, £1; collected from friends by Miss S., Leith, £1 13s; A. J. K., Grimsby, £2; Mrs J., Irvine, 10s; Mrs L., do., 10s; Mrs S., Tottenham, £10 to take a child to Canada; W. M. N., Uddingston, £10 for do.; J. F., Kirkcaldy, £2; Three Brothers, £1 17s 3d; Outlands U.P. Church S.S., per T. H., 10s; P. M., London, to take five children to Canada, £50; J. H., £10 to take a child to Canada; a Friend, four heads of worsted, remnants of drugget, towelling, &c.; M. A. L., Ceres, 7s 6d; J. W., Stirling, £5; S. J., Kirkcubright, £1; Mr D., £1 1s; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 7s 10d; H. B. & Co., £20 to take two children to Canada; R. S., Campbelltown, 10s; W. S., Dumbarton, £1; M. B., Rothsay, four cravats; W. P., £2; D. H., Helensburgh, £1; a Friend, Alloa, twelve scarfs; Miss R. M., London, £1 for emigration; Mrs B., Kirkby, 10s; W. T., Nairn, £1; Cairnryan F.C. missionary box, per J. M. L., 6s; Kelso Parochial Board, £30

to take three children to Canada, per G. A. T.; Mrs R., 6 shirts, &c. The following donations have been sent for City Home Refuge and Mission:—J. M.F., 16 quarter loaves; Cathedral Square Juvenile Missionary Association, £1; R. M., £3; a little Sabbath Class at Dullatur, 5s; Trinity Free Church Sabbath School, per Mr. H., £1 14s 1d; E. F., 10s; Mrs Dr E., Edinburgh, per Dr H., 10s; J. H., per J. M.F., Hulenburgh, £1; M., per do., 5; collections and found in boxes during February, £5 10s 1½d; M. O., lot of magazines; J. M.F., 7 loaves; St Mark's Sabbath School, per J. L., 10s; "A Teacher," 10s; "The Lord's Tenth," 8s; J. M.F., £4; Mrs D., 10s; Elphinstone Total Abstinence Society, 5s 9½d; P. M., London, £50; R. P., Alloa, £2; Mrs R., 4s; D. L., Pollokshaws, a quantity of dishes; J. & A. M., Wishaw, 30 pairs moleskin trousers, 21 overcoats, 5 ulsters, 2 pieces tweed, &c.; A. C., Nairn, 10s. The following has been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—A Friend, £300, the earnest of money to build a cottage.

March 22.—Misses J. and M. D., Cardross, 5s; Dalmally S.S. Children, 5s; Friends at Dalmally, per K. W., £1; Mrs T. Ryde, £2; a Friend in Park, £1; Mrs S. G., Auchencairn, £1; G. K., Aberdeen, 5s; Miss W., Largs, 6 pairs stockings; M. D. G., to take a child to Canada, £10; Miss M., Edinburgh, for emigration, £5; R. W., Pollokshields, £1 1s; saved pennies of two little children at Galashiels, 5s; Mrs L., lot of little suits, 12 petticoats, tweed remnants, &c.; Mrs M., 5s; Mrs R., 24 shirts; a Friend, per do., 5s; a Friend, to take two boys to Canada, £20; J. R., to take a child to Canada, £10; Mrs M.F., Portobello, £1; Mrs W., Edinburgh, 6 pairs stockings; J. L. T., Greenock, 5s; Mrs W., £1; a Friend, per C. C., Fife, £1; Mrs N., Carlisle, 10s; J. A. S., 5s; R. G., Montrose, 10s; W. M., do., £1; Anonymous, to take a child to Canada, £10; Miss L., parcel of clothing; "A Friend of the Poor," £600, divided as follows:—£200 for emigration, £200 for City Home, and £200 for Building Fund; J. P., Stratford, Essex, £5; Miss C. N., Gourcock, £1; Linthouse S.S., £2; J. G., Leicester, 10s; Miss K., Shandon, £3; "A Friend in the North," £19 for emigration; do., £1; Miss S., Aberdeen, per A. C. B., 2s 6d; from Hawick, for emigration, £1; Misses S. and D., Laurencekirk, parcel of stockings, penholders, &c.; Miss E., Hillhead, socks, underclothing, &c., and £5; T. G. P., to take a child to Canada, £10; A. S., £5; Mrs O., Edinburgh, 7 dozen pairs socks and stockings; Mrs T., Edinburgh, 1 dozen pairs socks; a Friend, per do., 4 pairs socks; Mrs D. M., Inveraray, £1; a Friend, per do., 10s; D. S., Edinburgh, £10 10s; Free St. Matthew's S.S. Society, 18s 2½d; Mrs C., Port-Glasgow, 6s; Miss F., Cheltenham, a box of clothing, cloth, books, &c.; Miss W. Dunlop, 14 pairs stockings and 12 woollen petticoats; Park Lane Mission S.S., Alloa, per J. Y., 9s 8d; F. H. R., £5; J. P. and Mrs T., Eday, Orkney, 10s; Mrs S., Braemar, 10s; Mrs M.N., do., £1; M. B., 2s 6d; G. B., 2s 6d; J. A., 2s 6d; J. S., 2s; E. M.D., 2s; Miss M.K., 5s; R. M.D., 2s; G. S., 1s; A. M., 1s; D. F., 1s; J. R., 1s; J. W., 1s; C. S., 1s; R. L., 1s; J. M., 2s; Mrs M., 1s 6d; J. R., 1s 6d; M. W., 1s; J. H., 1s; J. M., 1s; R. M., 1s; C. M.D., 1s; J. A., 1s; A. M.H., 1s; J. G., 1s; a Friend, 1s; G. H., 2s; A. A., 1s; T. L., 3s; a Friend, 5s. (The above sums from Braemar were collected by T. H.) Miss C., £5; J. W., Haddington, £1; J. T.'s Bible Class, Dalkeith, £2; an Old Lady, per Miss T., Milngavie, £2; Mrs A., 60 wincey dresses and 48 nightgowns; Miss H., Edinburgh, 18 scarfs, 12 pairs socks, 7 petticoats, &c.; Miss M.C., Gourcock, 13 pairs stockings and underclothing; an Invalid, 12 pairs stockings; E. P., Ipswich, £20, to take two boys to Canada; Misses S., Bellahouston, £20, for emigration; Mrs M. and Friends, Wooler, a box of clothing, hats, &c.; Whiteinch Free Church S.S., £2; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 8s 9d; Mrs M., Bradford, collars and ties; J. S. N., £50 for emigration; Miss D., Cheltenham, £5; M. F., Brighton, £10, to take a child to Canada; a Friend, Montrose, £1; J. A. S., Montrose, 2s; a Well-wisher, Perth, £5; from Burntisland, £1; Stockwell Free Church S.S., 10s 6d; South Parish S.S., Aberdeen, 19s 9d; Miss F., Maybole, 15 shirts; L.O.G.T., "Shining Light" Lodge, £3 12s; Mrs W., Kendal, £1 5s; T. F. M., Edinburgh, £10 for emigration; J. B. M., Crieff, £1. The following donations have been sent for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Miss C., Ibrox, £1; J. A., Edinburgh, £1; Mrs M., Invergarry, 12 pairs stockings; Misses L., stockings, woollen goods, &c.; T. M., Port-Glasgow, 10s; Paisley Road Free Church S.S., per J. W., £2 16 10½; "Fines," 13s 6d; Minnie, box of children's clothing and toys; from Greenock, underclothing and stockings; East Park Free Church S.S., per Mr C., £1 3s 9d; Mrs E., Kilmarnock, parcel of clothing; Miss T., Hamilton, 7 pairs stockings and 1 petticoat; "A Friend of the Poor," £200; Mrs J., parcel of clothing; T. G. P., £10; L. M. R., parcel of clothing; East Park Free Church Bible Class, per J. W. and J. M.G., 15s 7d; Mrs C., Greenock, £1; Mrs M., parcel of children's clothing; Govanhill U.P. Church Mission Morning Meeting, £1 2s; J. A., Melbourne, per J. W., London, £1 1s; W. M.B., Aros, 2s 6d; Milton Sabbath School, per J. S., Overnewton, Dumbarton, £1; G. W. B., parcel of clothing; Mrs W. P., £1; W. A. C., £5; Mrs B., £1 and parcel of clothing. The following has been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—"A Friend of the Poor," £200.

April 5.—F. M. R., £1; Mrs T., 6 pairs stockings; J. J., Edinburgh, £5; N. B. Railway Locomotive, Carriage, and Waggon Department Employees' Festival, £5; H. B. a Bible for each child going to Canada; A. M., Largs, £10 to take a child to Canada, Miss

S., Comrie, a parcel of clothing; a Friend, per Miss S., Biggar, 5s; a Friend, 8 comforters and underclothing; Mrs T., 4 pairs stockings; J. T., jun., £1; Mrs T. C., Largs, 10s; Mrs M., do., 10s; Mrs O., do., 10s; Mrs M., do., 5s; Mrs R., do., 2s 6d; Miss C., do., 4s; Mrs C., do., 2s; Miss R., do., 2s; Mrs M., do., 2s; Mrs S., do., 2s; Mrs K., do., 2s; Mrs F., do., 2s 6d; M. H. B., do., 3s; Dr C., do., 2s 6d; Miss K., do., 3s; Mrs A., do., 2s; Mrs M., do., 5s; Mrs P., do., 2s 6d; Mrs J., do., 1s 6d. The above sums from Largs were collected by Miss B. B. P. B., Croydon, to take a boy to Canada, £10; Mrs H., £5 for emigration and 86 cravats; collected by Miss G. S., to take a boy to Canada, £10; legacy of the late Miss Hedderwick (£10, less 10s 2d of expenses and interest), £9 9s 10d, per A. & M., writers; Oupar-Angus Free Church S.S., per T. B. F., 10s 6d; Mrs R., Hillhead, £1; J. R., Holytown, £2; Mrs E., Largs, to take a girl to Canada, £10; Wallacetown Parish S.S., Ayr, per G. S., £1; Crown Terrace Ladies' Working Society, Aberdeen, a box containing 141 articles of new clothing; a Sabbath School class in above, 13 articles of clothing; a Blind Lady, 3 pairs stockings; W. C., £10 for emigration; Mrs and Miss M., Johnstone, £8; Miss L., Helensburgh, 24 pairs stockings and 4 cravats; a Well-wisher, Upper Ashton, Gourcock, 5s; a few Young Ladies in Dunoon and Kilmarnock, a parcel of clothing; from Gatehouse, £1; Miss B., Dunoon, 48 shirts; R. B., quantity of sweets for boys going to Canada; Miss H. D. C., Loch Awe, £2 10s; P. F., Leith, £1 14s 6d; Miss D., Alloa, 5s; E. J. L., Edinburgh, £1; a Thankoffering from a mother for the perfect recovery of her little daughter from fever, £1 to help a girl's outfit; Thankoffering from Little Fanny, 1s; Mrs I., New Deer, £1; Miss B., Stornoway, 10s; Mrs M.N., Perth, 5s; P. R. J., £2; Miss K., 5 pairs stockings, two pots jelly, &c.; two little boys at 31 Berkeley Terrace, £1; D. H. J., £5; Scotch Girls' Friendly Society, Biggar, per Miss S., a box of clothing; a Friend, £2; a Working Woman, 12 pairs stockings; a Friend, 5 pairs stockings; Girl Sewing Class, Alloa, per Mrs H., 12 shirts and 10 pairs stockings; Mrs T., Alloa, clothing; H. L., for emigration, £20; from Kilmelfort, £1; a Friend, 5 pairs stockings; Mrs N., £1; A. W., Dunfermline, £20; Ivy Place U.P. Church S.S., Stranraer, per M. J., £3; Mrs D., Perth, £2; E. B., 3s 8d; E. Y., £5; J. C., £25 for emigration; G. E. P., £2, half for emigration; W. C., £2 10s; A. B., Blairmore, £1; F. R. D., £1; Miss S., Dollar, 10s; "Wigtown," £1; S. J., Kirkcubright, £10 to take a girl to Canada; Mrs T., £5; Mrs D. L., 2s 6d; Miss M. M.F., Crieff, £1; A. H., Rothesay, £1; Mrs F., parcel of periodicals; Langside Road U.P. Church Bible Class, per J. T., jun., £1 5s; St. Columba Free Church Bible Class, Govan, per J. G., £1 1s; Mrs J. W., Stirling, 24 knitted petticoats; Britannia Lodge of Good Templars, per R. H., 6s 2d; Trinity U.P. Congregational Sunday School, Greenock, per R. F., 15s; Children of East U.P. Church Christian Work Society, Strathaven, per Miss M. S., 14s; J., Dumbarton Road, £5; Miss C., 10s; Aberdeen W.C.A., per Mrs G., 30 pairs stockings. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—J. M.F., 17 loaves; W. C., £10; Mrs A., Wishaw, a parcel of clothing; J. M.P., £1; Miss E., Edinburgh, per Mrs J. B., Largs, two pieces cloth; Saved pennies of the boys at Cessnock to help their poorer brothers, £5; J. T., Cockenzie, a box of biscuits, cake, &c.; Bethany Sunday School, per Mr S., 10s; Mrs P., Thankerton, £1; "Give and it shall be given unto you," 12s; Cumberland Street U.P. Church Bible Class, per Mr F., £1; "The Lord's Tenth," 16s; Found in boxes during March, £3 3s 9½d; J. M.F., 31 half loaves. The following has been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Miss J. E. W., St. Bees, £20.

April 19.—A. B., £1; Cranstonhill Forenoon Meeting, per J. B., £2 2s; Cambuslang Baptist Church S.S., per J. T., 17s 9d; Children's Missionary Box, Berkeley Street, 7s; Miss M., £2; Mrs H., £2 for emigration; J. S. G. G., £5; H. J. G., £5; G. G. G., £5; J. C. D., Hillhead, six neck comforters; C. R. H., Blantyre, £1; Kilmarnock Literary Association, per G. R., £2 2s; D. S., Edinburgh, 5s; J. B. C., 2s 6d; Boys and Girls of York Place U.P. Church S.S., Perth, per D. N. M., £1; J. S., Kilmarnock, £1; W. B., £5; Mrs A., Thurso, £1; Two little boys, do., 5s; Miss H., hats; R. A., Rothesay, £1 10s; Do., for emigration, 10s; The Lord's Tenth, from proceeds of the sale of work, £1; Denistoun U.P. Church Bible Class, per S. M.K., £1 10s 1d; Girls' Friendly Society, per Miss M. W., Row, 9 flannel petticoats; Miss L. and Mrs W., Stirling, 6 knitted shawls; Miss A., do., a large parcel of dresses, underclothing, stockings, &c.; J. B., Melrose, for emigration, £10; Mission S.S., Pulteneytown, Wick, per Mrs J. G., £1; Friends in Staxigoe and Wick, per do., £1 10s 6d; Mrs M., Wooler, £10 to take a child to Canada; Misses K., Morningside, 6 trimmed hats; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 13s 2d; Free St Stephen's Church S.S., £2 6s; Mrs F., Edinburgh, £1 and 9 pairs stockings, 4 shirts, &c.; a Friend visiting the Homes, 5s; Free Church Bible Class, Bridge-of-Weir, per T. C., 10s; Abbotshall Free Church, Kirkcaldy, 3 dozen petticoats, 20 pairs stockings, 6 dresses, 9 aprons, 5 bedcovers, &c., per Miss M.; Found in boxes at Cottage Homes, £2 1s 2½d; Insurance Money, £2; Towards Orphan Homes' Fund, Glasgow postmark, £1; Miss W., a doll's house, table, clothing, &c.; Winter's Work Party, Row, per Mrs W., 23 dresses, 23 petticoats, 31 pairs socks, 5 shirts, &c.; Mrs L., Edinburgh, £1 for emigration; Chalmers' Free Church Sabbath Morning Meeting, 5s; a Friend and Well-wisher, J. B., 5s; S. Brothers, Edinburgh, 3 pairs blankets; Free Church Sabbath School, Laurencekirk, 10s 2d; Friends in do., 10s, per J. C.; M. S. F.,

Rosepeath, box of sundries; Miss G., Johnstone, 16 petticoats, 12 bodices and underclothing; A. B. C., and a Friend, Callander, £2; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 14s 11d; Mrs C., Edinburgh, £20 for emigration; Mrs A., Lanark, £2; Friends, per J. M., Carstairs, £5. The following donations have been sent for City Home Refuge and Mission Fund:—Mauchline Free Church Sabbath School, 9s; I. M'L., parcel of clothing; J. T., 9s; Renwick Free Church Bible Class, per A. M. C., 10s; St James's Parish Sabbath School, per Mr B., £1; Orphan Home Hall Sabbath Forenoon Meeting, £5; Miss S., Govanhill, £2; Mrs W., a parcel of clothing; Two Workers, £1; a Worker, £1; Mrs R., 4s; R. H., 12 loaves; Mr P., Pollokshields, 7s; Mr A., magazines; W. M., Ballachulish, £2.

May 3.—School Girls' Saturday Club, Dundee, in connection with Mr I.'s School, 15 petticoats, &c.; a Friend, Paisley, £2; Miss M'G., Edinburgh, £1; From Taynait, £3; Whiteinch U.P. Church S.S., West, £1; Free Church S.S., Johnstone, per W. L. C., £1; Mrs A., 6 doz. print dresses, 3 doz. druggie petticoats; Miss A., clothing; Collected in farthings at Mother's Meeting in Brown Street, 4s 6d; "D. F." £40; G. M. K., Leithgillhead, 10s; Springbank Free Church S.S., £1; Bonus, £1; Isa, Partick, £22s; contents of Children's Missionary Box, Crosshill, £1; Mrs A., do., a parcel of clothing; Mrs C., Greenock, £1 10s; Langside Free Church S.S., £4 0s 10d; Mrs B., Kilmacolm, £2; found in Boxes at Cottage Homes, £1 1s 5d; a Little Boy's Box, Houston, 5s 6d; J. R. B., Greenock, 5s; H. R., Edinburgh, to take a child to Canada, £10; Miss R., do., £1; P. H., Campbelltown, 5s; George Street Baptist Church S.S., Paisley, per A. M., £2 10s; Miss G., Tranent, 5s; A. P., to take a child to Canada, £10; Cranstonhill U.P. Church Bible Class, per G. G. G., £1; R. C., Paisley, Gal. vi. 9, £1; Miss F., Maybole, a large parcel of clothing for outfits; Mrs W., Edinburgh, 5 pinafors, &c.; Sabbath School, Aberdeen, per W. R., 8s 10d; from Helensburgh, 7 pairs stockings; Mrs M., Carstairs, a jar of butter; Mrs T., 5s; C., 5s; Legacy of the late Miss J. M'William, Wigtown, with interest, less legacy duty, per J. M'W., solicitor, Edinburgh, £499 0s 1d (£299 0s 1d to this, and £200 to City Home Fund); D. M. S., for emigration, £1 12s 5d; M. W., Greenock, money received for work done for the Homes, 6s; Mrs O. E., Cardross, £5; Mrs S., Kirkcaldy, parcel of clothing; a Friend, £1; Miss M., to take two girls to Canada, £20; Miss M., £2; G. Brothers, for emigration, £5; W. N. B., Hong Kong, per G. O., for do., £5; an Anonymous Friend, £10 to take a child to Canada; J. D., London, £6; a Friend, per C. C., Fife, £1; Ruth, £1 for emigration; a small contribution for Canadian outfits, a parcel of clothing; Mrs A., Partick, a basket of clothing, books, and tracts; Y.W.C.A., Montrose, per Miss M., 7s 6d; Miss C., do., 2s 6d; Miss L., do., a bed quilt; Miss M., Aberdeen, per Mrs S., 4s; Crown Terrace Ladies' Working Society, Aberdeen, a box of clothing, hoods, &c. The following donations have been sent for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Possil Park Free Church S.S., per J. W., £1 5s; a Friend of Orphans, Freuchie, per Mr G., 10s; Crossroads Juvenile Missionary Society and Band of Hope, per Mr L., 10s; Mrs E., Largs, clothing; Mrs C., Partick, clothing; "Give and it shall be given unto you," 17s 9d; J. M'F., £2; Mrs G.'s Children, Kitchside, two jars milk; Found in boxes during April, £1 0s 1d; Portion of the legacy of the late Miss Janet M'William, Wigtown, per J. M'W., solicitor, Edinburgh, £200; T. M'P., 2s 6d.

May 17.—G. F., Greenock, £1; R. L., Aberdeen, 3s 6d; W. M'B., Aros, 2s 6d; Young Ladies of Viewfield Seminary, Kilmacolm, a box of dresses, underclothing, &c.; Miss S., do., 4 pairs stockings; Free St Mary's S.S., Govan, per J. M'L., £4 7s; W. M., Chest-r, 5s; a Domestic Servant, £1; a Friend, £1; Mrs J. G., London, £7 for emigration; Misses L., Lenzie, 12 petticoats, and 3 pairs stockings; S. T., Renton, £5 for emigration; from Wigtown, £1; Mrs R., Hamilton, £3; W. T. J., £1; Anonymous, from Westoe, £1 2s 6d; a Grandmother, 10s; Isle of Man Industrial Home, £30, to take three children to Canada; a Friend of the Poor in the East of Scotland, £200 for emigration; G. B., Dundee, 5s; Free St Paul's Bible Class, Montrose, per J. M'K., 12s 8d; D. D., Colmonell, £2; M. S. P., to take a girl to Canada, £10; "Cardonald and Ibrox," a quantity of new clothing; North U.P. Y.M.C. Fellowship Association, Lougholm, per J. G., 10s; J. T., Kilmacolm, £5; Mrs T., do., £3; Wee Alick, £2; W. S. and a few children, Longforgan, Dundee, 13s 4d; an Old Lady of 85, 24 pairs stockings; Dumbarton Parish Church S.S., per A. R., £1 10s; Mr B., £1; H. J., Auchinleck, 10s; Maybole Children's Meeting, per T. R., 13s 6d; Mrs M., 10s; Free Church S.S., Monquhitter, near Turriff, per J. S., 5s; from Blairgowrie, 5s; Antherarder Free Church Bible Class, per D. C., £1 9s 6d; a Poor Preacher's Fee, Irvine, £1; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 15s 8d; Mrs R., 5s; Miss E. C., 32 pairs stockings; a Few Young Ladies in Burnside, 18 skirts and 3 pairs stockings; a Thankoffering for many mercies, Mrs T. F., Strathaven, £1; J. K., £3; a Thankoffering for the Lord's work from Alloa, 5s; Mrs B., ties and ribbon; Miss M'G., Gourrock, underclothing, remnants, &c.; J. T., £25; Miss D., Cheltenham, a melodeon; Miss F., Cheltenham, magazines, &c.; J. K. S., Manchester, to take three children to Canada, £30; J. P., Gosport, 5s; Miss M. C. R.'s Counter Box, Helensburgh, £1. The following donations have been sent in for the City Home Refuge and Mission:—Miss M., Greenock,

underclothing; J. S., 3s; Two Workers, 10s; Miss W. W., lot of clothing, &c.; St Luke's Parish Church Sabbath School, 16s; Mrs B., children's clothing; Mr and Miss C., 5s; Friends at Sandbank, a parcel of clothing; Mr M., 4 dozen pies; Mr F., lot of tea-bread; Mrs C. S., Dalmauir, a parcel of clothing; R. H., 12 loaves; Mrs L., petticoats, remnants, &c.; Mr M., 1 dozen pots jelly; from Helensburgh, 5 pairs stockings; Mrs F.'s Sewing Meeting Box, 16s; Miss B., a rug and bed cover; J. L., London, £1; J. M'F., 12 quartern loaves; Mrs B., Bothwell, a parcel of clothing; Mrs B.'s Mothers' Meeting, 12s; Mrs F. and Mrs S., periodicals. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—A Friend of the Poor in the East of Scotland, £800, to build lodge, gate, &c.; legacy of the late James White, Esq., of Overton, per Mackenzie, Gardner, & Alexander, £500.

May 31.—T. T., 5s; a Working Woman, 11 pairs stockings; a Thankoffering from J. D., £2; Mr G., Leith, £2; D. J., Kirkcaldy, £3 10s; G. T., £10 to take a child to Canada; Mr and Mrs J., £1; Mrs C., Bothwell, 6 petticoats; Miss W., Stirling, £10 for emigration; collected by Mrs B., Largs, £10 for do.; Mrs N., Partickhill, £1 and 6 pairs stockings; Mrs F., Duntocher, scarfs; Mrs S. and A. C. B., Aberdeen, £5; R. B., parcel of sweets for children going to Canada; J. R., £1; Mrs S., Port-Glasgow, clothing; F. M. R., £2; Galashiels Parochial Association, per P. T. G., £2; Mrs M., Girvan, £1; Charity Committee of the Scottish Football Association, £5; Mr M'L.'s Young Men's Bible Class, Greenock, 8s 6d; a Friend, Criff, £1; Misses A., Tighnabruach, £1; Mrs B., Caterham Valley, £1; F. H. M., Belgrade, Serbia, £100 for emigration; Sabbath Afternoon Class in Ibrox U.P. Church, per D. T. L., £5 10s; Mrs J. G. P., Hamilton, £1; J. C. and S., quantity of clothing; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 17s 11d; J. T., books; Mrs R., 4s; G. W., Inverness, to take a girl to Canada, £10; L. K. S., Manchester, for emigration, £40; Mrs G., Parkhill, per G. C. F., Aberdeen, £1; Crosslee S.S., per A. K., 8s 6d; a Friend, £1; Sandyford Parish Church S.S. Association, £1 8s 10d; W. L., 10s; Mrs C., 5s; Mrs C., Stirling, £1; Mrs C., do., £1; Free St Matthew's Bible Class, per J. P., £2 4s 9d; Mrs S.'s young ladies, £9 3s 5d; Queen Anne's Mission S.S., Dunfermline, parcel of clothing; Christian workers in Helensburgh, a box of dishes, books, &c.; A. B. H. G., 15s; Mrs S., clothing; A. S., Leith, 5s; from Bridgeton, a postal order for 10s; T. A. W., £2; Found in boxes at Cottage Homes, £6 17s 4d. The following have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Mrs W., Bathgate, a parcel of clothing; Bible Class, Strathaven, per A. W. D., £1 8s 3d; St James's U.P. Church S.S., Paisley, per Mr P., £3; J. M'F., 13 1/2 quartern loaves; Anonymous, £1; J. O., £1; J. & D. H., £2; Mr S., a copying press; J. S., one pair trousers and vest. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—A Friend, £600, being second donation towards building a cottage; Mr C., Glenluce, £5.

June 14.—Miss M'G., 10s; Visitors at the Homes, £1; Miss H., Edinburgh, for emigration, £100; a Friend, Helensburgh, 3 pairs stockings and £1; R. B., £5; Mrs S., Uddington, £1; O. & Co., £2; Miss C., Fifehire, £1; Miss R., 6 pairs stockings; Alloa First U.P. S.S., per J. S., Edinburgh, £3 10s 6d; Auchtergaven U.P. Bible Class, per do., £1; Gourrock Parish Church S. Schools, per A. H. R., £1 2s; Mrs J. C., Bothwell, £5; a Friend, C., £3; H. M., £1; a Friend, 10s; Miss M., £2; Wigtown, £1; J. P. and Mrs T., Shetland, £1; T. F., £10; a Widow's Mite, 1s 3d; Mrs I., Campbelltown, 10s; Mrs M., do., 10s; Mrs C. C. G., do., 5s; Mrs J. R., do., 10s; Mrs C. M., do., 10s; Mrs M., do., 10s; Mrs R. C., do., 5s; Mrs W. M'N., do., 5s; Mrs D. C., do., 5s; Mrs D. C., do., 5s; W. H., jun., do., 2s 6d; Mrs M., do., 2s 6d; Mrs T. B., do., 5s; Mrs W., do., 2s 6d; Mrs S. G., do., 10s; Mrs G., do., 5s; Mrs H., do., 5s; Mrs R., do., 5s; Mrs C., do., 5s; Miss M., do., 3s; Mrs B., do., 5s; Mrs M'K., do., £1; Miss D., do., 3s; Mrs G., do., 5s; Mrs P., do., 10s; Mrs J. M., do., 5s; Mrs R. G., do., 10s; L. C., do., 5s; J. S., do., 10s; Mr M., do., 5s; Mr M'K., do., £2; Miss T., do., 3s; Mrs W. M'K., do., 5s; Mrs J. M'K., do., 5s; Mrs W. B., do., 3s; Mr B., do., 3s; Mr H., do., 2s 6d; Mrs I. M'K., do., 10s; Miss M., do., 2s; Mr M., do., 5s; Mrs D., do., 3s 6d; Mrs M'F., do., 2s; J. M. Q., do., 2s 6d; Miss C., do., 10s; Three Little Children, do., 4s; Miss H., do., 2s 6d; Mr M'G., 5s; Mrs W., do., 10s; Miss H., do., £1; Three Friends, do., 4s 6d. (The above sums from Campbelltown were collected by Miss M.) Miss F., Anstruther, parcel of clothing; P. B., tracts; a Friend, small cakes of shortbread; Mrs M'G., per Religious Institution Rooms, £1; Miss M'G., Dalwhat, £1; Mrs W., Crosshill, 12 pairs stockings, and £2; J. S., 4 pairs stockings; a Friend, £1; Mrs T., 12 pairs socks; Miss F.'s Bible Class, Bishop School, 17s 6d; Miss G. W., Wimborne, £3; a Friend, £1; H. Brothers, £10; D. M. S., for emigration, £2 3s 3d; Mrs M., Edinburgh, £1 10s; W. M'B., Mull, 2s 6d; C. S., £4; W. B. H., Matlock Bridge, 10s 6d; Collected by a few children in Langside Academy, per Mr A., 7s 6d; Miss T., Aytoun, per J. F., 10s; Mrs F., Edinburgh, per do., £1; J. F., Greenlaw, 10s; a Poor Preacher's Fee, Irvine, £1; a Friend, Coldstream post-mark, 10s; T. C., Kilsyth, per J. L., £2; G. G., Kirkintilloch, per do., £1; a Friend, per do., 5s; "Give and it shall be given unto you," £1 7s 1d; Mrs M., Dalmauir, parcel of clothing. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Miss M'G. and Miss D., Helensburgh; quantity of clothing, hats, &c.; Mr M., 10s; Found in boxes at City Home, 18s 10d; R. H., 12 loaves; Mrs A., West Kilbride, £30; Marjory, to help a poor child,

5s; Miss M., Wishaw, £1; Mrs P., £1; Saved pennies of a few of the children in No. 8 Cottage to help their poorer sisters, 17s 10d; a Working Man, 10s; G. W. B., clothing; a Friend, Airdrie, 10s; Miss M., Musselburgh, £2; R. H., 12 leaves; N. D., £10; Miss C., Ibrox, £1; Mrs B., confections; Mrs D., parcel of stockings; Parish S.S. Society, per J. W., £1; E. U., I. D., M. L., and E. E., proceeds of small bazaar, 10s; B. G., Airdrie, parcel of clothing; J. C. J., Crail, £15; Cambuslang Established Church S.S., per W. F., Bushyhill, £3 1s 9d; Miss F., Cellardyke, parcel of clothing; B. and W., 140 lbs. flour; "Katie," 5s; "Archie," 5s; "An Aberdeen Girl," 1s in stamps; Pollok Street Congregational S.S., per A. L., £1 10s; Dumbarton Parish Church S.S., per A. R., £1 5s; R. S., Campbeltown, 10s.

June 28.—Mrs J. C., Langbank, per Rev J. E. F., Kilmalcolm, £2; "M., Crosshill, £1; Working Party, Stranraer, box of use'ul clothing, per Mrs C.; Young Women's Bible Class, U.P. Church, Lochgelly, per J. B., parcel of clothing; Miss B., Melrose, £1; Mrs L., Dundee, per J. L. C., £5; Miss M. W., Girvan, in stamps, 6s; J. G. O., for keep of Bethesda Home, £200; Mrs M., Edinburgh, for keep of a boy, £6; Cardonald S.S., £1 16s 9d; Mrs D. S., Greenock, per Miss T., £5; Miss B., do., per do., £1; Miss T., do., £4; a Thankoffering with words, "Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a crown of life," 5s; Mr F., Paisley, £1; T. L. H., per N.B. Daily Mail, £1; Free St Stephen's Senior Lads' Bible Class, per J. H., 10s; Mrs S., 1-lge hobby horse; J. A., Paisley, £1; "Robbie and Jamie," Paisley, per J. A., 2s 6d; W. A., Forfar, £2; Miss W. W., a magic lantern; Mrs T., Helensburgh, £1; Mrs O., 10s; a Friend, per Miss B., cruet set and 2 scrap books; Mrs W. S., Dundee, 7s 6d; Mr B., Edinburgh, £2; Brown Street S.S., per G. G., jun, 15s 6d; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 17s 7d; Found in boxes at Cottage Homes, £1 2s 11d; "Nemo," Dunoon, 10s; Mrs R., £1; Miss F. P., Alloa, 40 pairs stockings; collected by A. P. in aid of Children's Homes, £1; G. R., Dundee, £2; a Servant Girl, in stamps, 1s; Mrs P., 10s; H. B. C., Greenock, 5s. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—J. C. B., £1; M. C., London, £10; Miss M., Greenock, £1 10s; Mrs C., Barrhead, £1; Miss G., parcel of old clothing; Found in boxes during June, £2 8s 9d; Miss F., magazines, &c.; "The Widow's Mite," Cambuslang, £2; Mrs R., 4s; D. A. and son, £3 9s 3d.

July 12.—A Friend, in stamps, 10s; W. B., Perth, £1; a Thankoffering, £1; Bath Street U.P. Church Mission S.S., per Mr A., 13s 6d; a Thankoffering, £2; W. J. M., with the words, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these," 10s; Mrs M'F., £5; Mrs K., parcel of clothing; Miss M. A. N., Edinburgh, 10s; Mrs R., Pollokshields, £2; D. B., £1; D. O. R., Closeburn, per J. M., Kilmalcolm, £1 1s; J. E. M., "a birthday gift," 2s 6d; "Money taken many years ago and restored fourfold, with the sanction of the party," 3s; Miss R., Cupar-Fife, 4s 6d; U.P. Church S.S., Helensburgh, per W. D., £2 13s; Mrs A., Cambuslang, £1; Mrs D., do., £1; Collected by a little boy, near Manchester, per Mrs N., £3 7s; Miss T., Helensburgh, 5s; Mrs J. I., Dunfermline, in stamps, 5s; "Good out of evil," per Mr N., Langside, 11s; W. C., £1 10s; "A Thankoffering," £5; D. P. A., Bridge of Weir, £1; Mrs M., a parcel of scarfs, wools, &c.; Mrs D., Dumbarton, £6; "Wigtown," £1; M. J., a thankoffering for mercies received, £2; Free St. John's Bible Class, per J. F. A., Dundee, 10s; Stirling Street Children's Forenoon Meeting, £2 10s; Messrs A. & R. S., two tins biscuits; Mrs C., Crosshill, Ayrshire, parcel of clothing and £1; R. M., Edinburgh, £1; Parochial Board, Abdie, Fife, per J. C., £3 0s 6d; Mrs J. C., Largs, 10s; Mrs C., do., 5s; Mrs J., do., 5s; Mrs C., do., 7s 6d; Mrs B., do., 2s 6d; Mrs B., do., 5s; Miss J., do., 1s; Mrs J. B., do., 10s; Mrs H., do., 5s; Mrs F., Fairlie, 5s. The above sums from Largs and Fairlie were collected by Miss B. D. M. S., for emigration, £2; a Rescued Girl in Canada, 4s 6d; Mrs M., Govan, 3s; G. M. K., Lochgoilhead, 10s; W. M' B., Mull, 2s 6d; W. S. R., a box of tea; Mr K., Rosie, 5s; A. B., £1; Miss H., London, £5; Mrs G. M. K., Lochgoilhead, box of gooseberries and rhubarb. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—A Friend in India, per Mrs B., £1; Barony Free Church S.S., per W. B., jun., £2 1s 8d; a Friend, 4s; Mr B., 10s; Mrs M., 10s; C. H. M., in stamps, 1s 1d; "The Lord's Teuth," 8s; Mrs H., 10s; Mr A., lot of sandwiches; Mrs A., £50; Mrs H., Hawick, £1; Two Workers, £1; a Friend, per C. C., Fife, £1; a Friend, per do., 2s 6d; W. Brothers, lot of lines and rope; Mrs C., 6 pairs stockings and 10s. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Friends, to furnish Mizpah Home, £200; Mrs C., Barrhead, "a mite towards £40,000 needed," £1.

July 26.—J. & J. M' L., Guthrie, 10s; "Give and it shall be given unto you," £1 10s; Proceeds of a children's bazaar, per Miss K., Greenock, 5s; Misses H. & I., Moffat, £2 7s; Working Girls' Class, per G. S. M., Keith, parcel of shirts and stockings; A. M., Chiff, per Mrs R., Neilston, £5; Collected by Miss N., Moffat, £10 11s; J. L., £1; Mrs W., Kilsyth, £1; J. G., Elgin, 5s; Mr and Mrs M., Hornsey, £1 1s; Mr and Mrs D., £1; Misses B., £5; part proceeds of Loan Exhibition, Peebles, per W. L., £13 4s 4d; "Rohr," £5; J. L. M., Bute, £2; a Little Sick Girl, Cellardyke, 4s; Young Ladies of Baptist Chapel, Lochgilghead, per M. C., parcel of clothing; Mrs D. Y. S., Troon, box of cut flowers; E. S. M., Kirn, "a thankoffering for mercies received," £2; Mrs G.

and P., Wishaw, 10s; Party of workers visiting the Homes at Bridge of Weir, 19s; "A Mite," Largs, £1; H. K. L., Beith, £5; "A," Helensburgh, £5; A. M'P., £1; M. A. F., Lenzie, £3 10s; Half of young folks' penny bank, per A. H. I., Innellan, 5s; Mrs S., Bridge of Weir, 5½ dozen pots jam. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—S. J. F., Hawick, £1; a Friend, 2s; R. H., 12 leaves; M. W., £5; Mr A., parcel of tracts; Mrs C., small parcel of clothing; T. P., Ayrshire quantity of butter milk; Mrs M., Dennistoun, 19 pairs stockings; Mrs W., Downhill, parcel of clothing; Elmbank Mission S.S. in connection with St. Vincent Street U.P. Church, per J. C., £1 8s 8d; a Friend, 10s; E. J., £1; "Townhead," £1. The following has been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—E. A., Kilmarnock, £1.

August 9.—Miss M., £4; A. C., £1; Mrs R., Hamilton, £2; Balance of money collected on behalf of some children helped, £7 9s 10d; a Friend, 2s 6d; A. C., Ardrossan, 5s; Found in boxes at Cottage Homes, £5 17s 2½d; a Friend, in stamps, 5s; Eva, Lizzie, David, and Andrew, in stamps, 5s; J. S., Dunfermline, £5; A. B., Blairmore, £1; Two workers, £1; Mrs G. & F., Wishaw, 5s; Mrs N., Dunlop, £1; Mrs C., do., 2s; M. L., Edinburgh, £20; Working Boys' and Girls' Religious Society Sabbath Forenoon Meeting, Helensburgh, per D. M., £3 14s 4d; Mrs G., Edinburgh, £1; Friends visiting Cottage Homes, 5s 6d; a Friend, Sandbank, parcel of clothing; Working Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, Stirling, per J. T., £1 8s 9d; Mrs R., Pollokshields, parcel of old clothing; D. M. S., for emigration, £3 0s 1d; Mr S., Bridge of Weir, large quantity of gooseberries for children at Cottage Homes; Mrs T., Bridge of Weir, quantity of strawberries; a Friend on Street Car, £1; a Friend visiting Cottage Homes, £1; Anonymous, with the words, "May God strengthen you for the arduous work," £1; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 6 pairs stockings; W. W. S., Norwich, 5s; a Friend, £2; a Friend in Stirling, £10; R. B., £10; Miss M. C. R.'s counter-box, Helensburgh, £1; J. C., for poor children, £1. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Mrs K., £1; Mrs R., 4s; Miss G., Kilmearn, per R. B., 10s; Erskine Church Mission Mothers' Meeting, per Miss M., £1; Mr C., Lenzie, basket of gooseberries; "The Lord's Tenth," 8s; D. M., London, £50; T. M., 10s; T. J., large quantity of cups and saucers; Mrs F., Pollokshields, £1; Mrs M., 10s; Collections in Hall during July, 9s 11d; C. H., High Blantyre, 7s 6d; Mrs B., parcel of old clothing; a Friend, parcel of school books; Mrs M' L., parcel of clothing and 2s; a Friend, parcel of old clothing.

August 23.—Forenoon Meeting, Dunbar, per R. C., 12s; G. B. R., £1; Mr B., £1; Anonymous, £1; C. E., east of Glasgow, £4; a Friend, Dundee, per J. D., 2s 6d; Mr S., £3 3s; Mrs C., Aunan, £1; H. H., Johnstone, £5; Mrs T., Downhill, 5s; A. S. B., Queensferry, per A. L. B., £1; "Inasmuch," 12s; Queen's Park U.P. Church Congregational S.S., per J. M., £4 5s 8d; J. T., Kilmalcolm, £12; Mrs J. T., do., £5; Alick T. T., do., £3; a Friend from America, per J. M' M., 10s; Mrs T., 6 pairs socks; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 6 pairs stockings; J. K. C., £1; Anonymous Friend, a gold brooch, "to be disposed on behalf of poor children;" Miss M. S., Aberdeen, per A. C. B., 5s; in memory of A. B. F., Alloa, 15s; A. F., do., 5s; Stockwell Place Bible Class, per A. M., £1 17s 2½d; Boys' and Girls' Religious Society and a few friends, Rothesay, per A. H., £2 3s; Mrs S., Kirkcaldy, parcel of clothing; "Kinnie," 6 pairs socks; J. T., Cockenzie, large quantity of herring; Mrs T., Bridge of Weir, gooseberries, &c. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Mrs J., Millerston, basket of fruit and vegetables; J. H., Helensburgh, per J. M' M., £1; Anonymous, £1; Mrs S., Hillhead, parcel of old clothing; Mrs B.'s mothers' meeting, 13s; Mrs Y., Milton of Campsie, £3; J. M' F., basket of strawberries.

September 6.—Mrs T. C., Paisley, £20; Money earned in holiday time by two little boys in Lonsdale, Rhode Island, 10s; A. & R. S., two dozen tins biscuits; M. & S., per Morgan & Scott, London, £5 5s; Townhill Branch of Y.W.C.A., Dunfermline, per Mrs S., 13s; J. A., West Kilbride, £2; Barkip Meetings, per W. M., £1; "In memory of a loved one gone home," 5s; Miss M., £2; M. G., in memory of a little one, £1; Legacy of the late Miss Margaret Whyte, per Fraser & Duguid, Aberdeen, £20; B., for Training Homes for Canada, £1; J. M., Bridge of Allan, a thankoffering for a child given back as from the dead, £2; E. C. M., Wyndham, New Zealand, £2; Mrs P., Brighton, New Zealand, £1; Mrs W. S., do., £2; A. N. S., £5; J. H., Hamilton, lot of toys; J. L., for mercies received, 2s; from Wigtown, £1; Miss E., £5; Mrs M., Aberdeen, £1; Friends, per Captain B., Greenock, £2; Mrs R., Rothesay, £1; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 4 pairs stocking; a Working Woman, 27 pairs stockings; Free St. Mary's Musical Association, Govan, per J. M., £5; R. L., Aberdeen, 2s 6d; Mrs K., an iron bedstead and straw mattress; Mrs H., £1; Mrs M., Rothesay, £1 for thank-giving expense; a Friend on the West Coast, £15; Friends at Kilcreggan, 6 pairs stockings and 6 wool balls; Friends visiting the Homes, parcel of scarfs, cuffs, &c.; D. M. S., for emigration, £2 8s 7d; Clepington Mission S.S., Dundee, per W. R. S., £2; J. P., Gosport, 2s 6d; Found in boxes at Cottage Homes, £5 7s 4d. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—R. S., Fraserburgh, per J. T., £1; Mr M., parcel of periodicals; J. C., £1; a Friend, Edinburgh, £50; a Friend, a parcel of old clothing; J.

M.F., 7 quartern loaves; R. H., 12 half loaves; Mrs D. J., Kirkcaldy, £5; Mrs R., 4s; G. & S.-W. Railway Servants' Temperance Association, 9s 1d; Miss B., a large fender; "Give and it shall be given unto you," 13s 1d; Collections at City Home during August, £1 8s 8d; Miss C., Ibrox, £1; Registered letter, Cardross post-mark, £10; Mrs B. H., Callander, parcel of clothing.

September 20.—Rossie Y.W.C.A., Inchture, per Mrs A., 54 articles of new clothing; Mrs H., Perth, £2; North Woodside Free Church S.S., per W. F. S., £2 12s 1d; Airdrie Free West S.S. and Bible Class, per J. T., £1 4s; Mrs B., Callander, £10; Proceeds of Bazaar held by some children at Biggar, per Mrs S., £25; A. L. B., £1; a Lady, Helensburgh, £10; A. T., East Kilbride, 10s; Mount Florida U.P. Church S.S., £1 17s 5d; A Little Boy, Greenock, 10s; Miss M., Gourrock, £1; Miss M.C., Gourrock, stockings; Collection for expenses on "Thanksgiving day" at Bridge-of-Weir Homes, £77 13s; D. M.P., £1; J. L., Greenock, £1; the gift of the late Miss Kennedy, 15 petticoats and 1 bed-mat, per Miss C.; M. F., Wishaw, coats, ulsters, &c.; T. F. N., Ayrshire, a small box of tea; G. S., do., 10s; Miss S., do., 2 pairs stockings; Bluevale Parish Church S.S., per M. A. J., £2 12s 11d; a Friend, Johnstone, 5s for invalid children; a Friend, Crieff, £1; "The Lord's Tenth," Campbelltown, 10s; "In memory of Little Willie's birthday," Aberdeen, £1; A. S., £5; W. L., Peebles, parcel of clothing; A. C., Crosshill, £1; J. M. B., Leven, 10s, 12 pairs socks, 3 petticoats, &c.; Misses B.'s Sewing Class, Horsforth, Leeds, a parcel of clothing; a Friend, £2; Sarah, 10s; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 5s 7d; J. C., Aberdeen, £1; a Friend, Kilmalcolm, a box of biscuits; a Friend, Milliken Park, 3 pairs stockings. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Mr F., lot of pies; Miss T., Hamilton, 6 pairs stockings; J. L., £1; Miss F., Edinburgh, £3; C. A. R., £15; J. F., lot of pastry; R. H., 12 loaves; Mrs M., a thankoffering, £1; Mrs S., 4 knitted petticoats; R. H., 12 loaves; a Friend, Govan, 2s 6d; A. M., Peterhead, 10s; the Widow's Mite, 6 pairs socks; Mrs M.C., old clothes; R. H., 12 loaves; Mrs H., £2; Sandbank Free Church Bible Class, 10s; W. L., Portobello, £1. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Mrs C., Barrhead, a brick for the new Homes, £1; a Friend, third donation towards building a cottage, £200.

October 4.—A Sincere Well-wisher, 4s; J. M., 10s; Wigtown, £1; Mrs N., £1 and 6 pairs stockings; Margaret, 10s; "Psalm cxv. 1, a Thankoffering," £10; E. Campbell St. F. Church S.S., per S. R., £1; a Widow's Mite, a tithe, 10s; Port Appin S.S., per J. C., 10s; Mrs M., 10s; J. T. B., Kirkintilloch, a Thankoffering, 2s; W. M.B., Ayr, 5s; Trustees of the late M. P. Reid for emigration, £162 2s 9d; Shawlands Established Church S.S., £1 16s 8d; J. M.K., 2s; a Thanksgiving Offering, Johnstone, £10; Mrs C., Alloa, £1; Mrs J. M. C., £1; Mrs M.N., Kilmelford, £1 10s; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 6 pairs stockings; an Old Worker, £1; a Friend, Govan, £1; Workers in United Co-operative Baking Society, Kinning Park, per D. S., £1 17s 2d; Children, Dunoon, 6s 6d; an Ayrshire Farmer, £20; Regent Place U.P. Church Mission Schools, per Mr S., £1; E. and D., a birthday reminder, £1; per rail, a parcel of periodicals; Whip Money, 3s 4d; J. D., London, £5 5s; W. Bros., quantity of ropes, twine, &c.; "From the little ones, wishing God's richest blessing on you," 5s; M. F. M., Carno, £1; a Birthday Thankoffering, £1; J. and Mrs B., Duntocher, £3; Miss M.M., Edinburgh, £2; Miss S., Cambuslang, parcel of clothing, balls, &c.; J. B. M.C., Manchester, 10s; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 7s 11d; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 6 pairs stockings; Busby U.P. S.S., per H. S., £2 2s; J. A., 3s; J. H., Kilwinning, 2 boxes sweets. The following donations have been sent for City Home Refuge and Mission Fund:—Mrs M.P., Eaglesham, a large cheese; W. H. W., Helensburgh, parcel of clothing; R. H., 12 loaves; J. M.L., parcel of clothing; Mrs A., Edinburgh, £5; M. M. M., Montrose, 5s; an Ayrshire Farmer, £10 for evangelistic work; "Give and it shall be given unto you," 16s; M. T. & Co., 21 hats; Mr P., £1; S.S., £1; a Friend, per W. L., Peebles, clothing; a Friend in Sandbank, parcel of clothing; M. S., do., 5s; a Well-wisher, do., 2s 6d; Queen's Park Parish Church Mission Schools, £1 7s 6d; Row postmark, 12 pairs socks; Townhead, £1; "The Lord's Tenth" (two months), 16s; Found in boxes during September, £1 1s 7d; R. H., 12 loaves; J. and W.'s Pennies, 7s; J. D. H., London, £5.

October 18.—G. M. K., Lechgoilhead, 10s; Mrs S., Forres, £1 10s; a Thanksgiving Offering, Hanilton, £1; Mrs D. B., Falkirk, 10s; a Friend, Guildford, £25; Miss M., £2; Children of Free Church S.S., Kilmalcolm, per T. G., £1; J. R., Dumbarton, £2; Mrs W. S., Leuzie, parcel of clothing; a Friend in Kilmalcolm, £1; Miss B., Edinburgh, £1; Mr O., Bridge-of-Weir, magazines; a Friend in Dunoon, per J. A., £100; R. M.G., Moscow, per W. W. & Co., £2; Free North S.S., Greenock, per M. C., 9s 6d; Mrs S., Bridge-of-Weir, parcel of underclothing, sheets, &c.; E. E., a scrapbook; Miss E. C. K.'s Boys' S.S. Class in Carriden, 11s 8d; Do. in Mission Scho 1, Bo'ness, 4s 4d; Queen Anne Street U.P. Church Mission S.S., Dunfermline, per R. M., £2 18s 2d; Mrs S., Bridge-of-Weir, a small hamper of boots, stockings, &c.; Mrs M., Kilwinning, 3 pinafores; a Grandmother, 10s; Mr C., Buckhaven, £1; A. A. Y., 10s; a Friend, sweets and worsted; A. P., a small box of tea; G. M. E., Govan, 10s; Wigtown, £1; A. C., Crosshill, £2; Trustees of the late Mr Peter Brough, per James Gardner, writer, Paisley, £50; D. A., Greenock, 10s; Crieff Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per H. M.,

17s 10d; Cambusnethan Free Church S.S., per W. T., Wishaw, £1 1s; Miss H., Pitlochry, £1; Miss C. M. A. S., per do., 10s; Miss G., per do., 5s; a Sister of one of the boys, 5s; "In memory of my loving wife," 10s; Balance of money for behoof of three children, per J. & D. T. Colquhoun, writers, £22 19s; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 12s 2d; T. K., £2. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission Fund:—Mrs R., 4s; part proceeds of the children's yearly collection at Bridge-of-Weir Homes, given to help their poorer brothers and sisters, £6; Two Workers, "to keep the balance on the right side," £2; Pollokshields Free Church S.S., per W. M.Q., £3 0s 3d; Mrs and Miss A., Edinburgh, £2; Mrs W., Edinburgh, 1s 6d; Miss M. S., £2; "Give and it shall be given unto you," 16s 7d; "Valuation," £1 10s 10d; W. B., "for blessings received," 10s; Mrs S., Govan, a piece of wirecey; M. S. M., Cambuslang, clothing and books; Miss L., Crosshill, 24 pairs socks; M. N., 23 pairs stockings; Mrs B., Milton of Campsie, £5; E. I. & Co., large parcel of tweed remnants, &c.; Miss M.Q., Edinburgh, clothing.

October 31.—Miss E. B., Wigan, 10s; Mrs B., two lambs; Miss S., Paisley, an invalid chair; J. B., juv., £2; A. B., £1; Misses M., Montrose, for Hallowe'en treat, £1; "Scot," Liverpool postmark, £5; J. S., Kilmarnock, for emigration, £1; A. D., Crosshill, £1; Mr M., Chili, £5; Bible class F. Church, N-whills, per A. M., 6s 6d; J. C. & S., 16 ulsters; F. Church S.S. of Liff, Dundee, per J. M., 6s 10d; Mrs J. G., Wishaw, 5s; Mrs W. H., do., 5s; Mrs M.P., Eaglesham, £5 2s and clothing; Miss M., Fort-William, a web of cotton; "Sambo Ginger, j.m.," 5s; "Three Motherless Children," £3; Miss C., 10s and four pairs stockings, books, &c.; a Friend, 5s; found in boxes at Cottage Homes, £5 8s 8d; G. B., Portobello, £1; Miss S., Helensburgh, socks and books; Anonymous, Glasgow postmark, £1; Mrs D., Dumbarton, three pairs socks; Mrs A., parcel of clothing; balance of money for behoof of three children, per Mr M.C., £45 18s 2d; W. C., Buckhaven, 1s; L. K. S., Manchester, for emigration, £40; from "The Master's Treasury, Grangemouth," £3; "Boys in the country," £1; Mrs S., Gourrock, £1 1s; Mrs W., per do., 10s. The following donations have been sent for City Home Refuge and Mission:—K. L., half-barrel of apples; from London Road, a parcel of clothing; Miss C., Nairn, 12 shawls; E. J., five suits of boys' clothes; A. D., Crosshill, £1; Mrs M., £3; J. S., Kilmarnock, £1; Miss G., Peebles, five pairs socks and parcel of clothing; J. M.F., 23 quartern loaves; Mr T., parcel of groceries; J. P. H., half waggon of coals; J. M.F., 17 loaves; Miss T., Montrose, "Graphic"; Two Workers, "to keep the balance on the right side," £1; Two Workers, £1; Miss L., Helensburgh, 2 dozen pairs stockings and 1 dozen pairs socks; Miss F., Winchester, magazines, &c.; a Worker, £1; R. S. B., Edinburgh, £16; Free St Mary's S.S., Govan, per J. M.L., £3 0s 1d; J. O., £20; J. M.F., 39 loaves; G. S., £100; found in boxes, 14s 7d; Mrs M.L., 2s and parcel of clothes; J. M.F., 31 loaves; "The Lord's Tenth," 8s. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund: J. C. W., to build a cottage, £1500; a Friend, to complete payment for a house, £400.

A FEW REPORTS OF CHILDREN VISITED IN CANADA OUT OF HUNDREDS RECENTLY RECEIVED.

A. C. is not at all strong; they have hired a servant who does all the work now. A. does not get up till after ten o'clock. The doctor gives them little hope of her final recovery. She is cared for every way like a daughter.

E. D.—A very bright intelligent child; very much loved and well-trained. Has an excellent home with kind Christian people. Goes to school regularly, and is making good progress. Hears from grandmother and sister in the old country.

F. C.—One of the best of boys in every way. Kind, truthful, and trusty, so that they can leave everything in his charge. Neat and careful with his clothes, and very willing to work. He has learned to speak Gaelic, and is just like one of the family; they have no sons of their own.

M. B.—A bright lively girl; doing very well in her home, but not so well in school as they would like her. She has been taking music lessons, and plays the organ very well by ear. Has a splendid home.

D. W. is doing well and learning to be quite useful. They thought he was too small at first, but they would not part with him now. He is quiet and trusty and truthful, and very well liked.

E. P.—In the same home as D. W. She is a very good girl, and they are well pleased with her. She hears from her sister and writes to her. She goes to school, is in the Third Book, and is making good progress.

ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND AND DESTITUTE CHILDREN'S EMIGRATION HOMES. ABSTRACT OF CASH TRANSACTIONS, for the Year ending 31st October, 1884.

Dr.

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October 31, 1883.

To Balance at date, being Cash on hand and in Bank,	£546 7 0	
October 31, 1884.		
" Donations and Legacies received during year, £6102 1 4½		
" Found in Boxes at Cottage Homes during year,	110 19 7½	
" Including Thanksgiving Day,		
" Proceeds of Gifts, Photographs, and Sundry Articles,	49 11 8	
" Rent of Lodge at Cessnock and Stable,	16 0 0	
" Received from other Institutions for Expenses of Children Emigrated to Canada,	151 0 0	
" Wages Earned by Boys,	174 10 8	
" Interest from Bank,	6 17 1	
	<u>6671 0 5½</u>	

October 31, 1884.

By General Expenses of Sixteen Homes at Elmpark, Cessnock, and Bridge-of-Weir,	£9258 6 11½	
" Wages to Superintendents, Matrons, Kitchen Servants, &c.,	690 15 0	
" Furniture, Alterations, Repairs, &c., during year,	102 9 10	
" Rents, Taxes, and Insurance,	137 13 6	
" Emigration Expenses of Children sent to Canada,	1521 13 8	
" Donations in Money to Miss Billbrough, Marchmont Home, Belleville, Canada,	450 0 0	
" Reward Pennies to Children for Good Conduct,	48 5 5½	
" Printing, Stationery, School-Books, Postages, Photographs, and Advertising,	137 1 10½	
" Medical Attendance at Bridge-of-Weir,	9 5 1	
" Law Agents' Expenses,	10 11 11	
	<u>£6366 3 3½</u>	
" Cash in Union Bank on Deposit Receipt,	£700 0 0	
" Do. do. on Current Account,	150 16 5	
" Cash on hand,	0 7 8½	
	<u>*851 4 1½</u>	
	<u>£7217 7 5½</u>	

* About £200 of this is specially for Emigration, and the balance is subject to Rents, Wages, &c., due 11th November.

GLASGOW, 11th November, 1884.—I have audited the Books containing the Intrusions of Mr. Quarrier for year ending 31st October, 1884, in connection with the Orphan Homes of Scotland and Destitute Children's Emigration Homes, compared the relative Vouchers and his various acknowledgments of Donations, &c., and hereby certify that the above is a true Abstract thereof; that it is correctly stated and vouched, and closes with a balance on hand of Seven Shillings and Eightpence Halfpenny, and the sum of Eight Hundred and Fifty Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Fivepence in Bank.

JAMES HUTTON, C.A.

CITY ORPHAN HOME REFUGE AND MISSION.

Dr. ABSTRACT OF CASH TRANSACTIONS, for the Year ending 31st October, 1884.

Cr.

Oct. 31, 1883.

To Balance at date, being Cash in Bank and on hand,	£207 18 1½	
Oct. 31, 1884.		
" Donations and Legacies received during year,	£2532 13 4½	
" Less Premium of One Penny per Shilling to Working Boys on Wages, and Reward Pennies for Good Conduct,	94 14 9½	
" Collections at Evangelistic Meetings and Found in Boxes at Home,	84 13 2	
" Proceeds of Hymn Books, Gifts, and Sundry Articles,	21 15 8½	
" Interest on Deposit Receipt and Current Account,	21 12 7	
	<u>3499 6 3</u>	
	<u>£3707 4 4½</u>	

Oct. 31, 1884.

By General Expenses of City Home and Refuge, Food, &c.,	£1600 18 2	
" Wages to Superintendents, Matrons, Kitchen Servants, &c.,	208 0 4	
" Alterations, Repairs, Furniture, &c.,	1227 4 9	
" Relief given to Neccessitous Cases, Funerals of Poor Persons, and Street Children's Annual Treat, &c.,	65 16 7	
" Evangelistic Expenses, including Rent of Halls, Payment of Evangelists, Tracts, Advertising, &c.,	177 1 9½	
" Cash in Union Bank—Current Account,	424 16 6	
" Cash on hand,	3 6 3½	
	<u>*2379 1 7½</u>	
	<u>*428 2 9½</u>	
	<u>£3707 4 4½</u>	

* This balance is subject to several payments for alterations.

GLASGOW, 11th November, 1884.—I have Audited the Books containing the Intrusions for year ending 31st October, 1884, in connection with the City Orphan Home Refuge and Mission, compared the Vouchers, and find all correct, closing with a balance on hand of Three Pounds Six Shillings and Fivepence Halfpenny, and a sum of Four Hundred and Twenty-four Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Sixpence in Bank.

JAMES HUTTON, C.A.

ORPHAN COTTAGE HOMES BUILDING ACCOUNT.

Oct. 31, 1883.

To Balance at date, being Cash in Bank and on hand,	£1590 18 2½	
Oct. 31, 1884.		
" Donations and Legacies received during year,	£5000 10 0	
" Interests from Bank on Deposit Receipts and Current Account,	36 12 4	
	<u>5037 2 4</u>	
	<u>£6628 0 6½</u>	

Oct. 31, 1884.

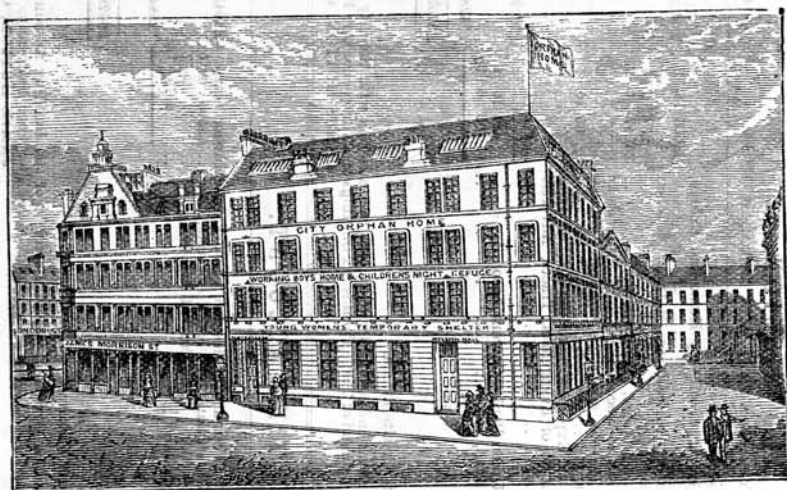
By Payments to Sundry Tradesmen for work done during Year,	£4043 17 4	
" Cash in Union Bank on Deposit Receipts,	£2500 0 0	
" Do. do. on Current Account,	77 3 7	
" Do. on hand,	6 19 7½	
	<u>*2584 3 2½</u>	
	<u>£6628 0 6½</u>	

* This balance is absorbed by contracts for buildings.

GLASGOW, 11th November, 1884.—I beg to certify that the Sum on hand and in Bank on 31st October, 1884, at the credit of the Building Account of the Orphan Cottage Homes' amounts, as stated above, to Two Thousand Five Hundred and Eighty Four Pounds Three Shillings and Twopence Halfpenny.

JAMES HUTTON, C.A.

CITY HOME REFUGE AND MISSION.



THIS House continues to be a centre of usefulness, not to the city alone but to the country at large. Within its walls many a wandering, wayward boy and girl from different parts of the country who have run away from home and come to the city, have found a temporary shelter and from thence been restored to anxious parents. Others who had no home or friends, or worse than none, have been taken in and are now being cared for, and very many others have been advised and helped according to their need. The latter is not the least important feature of our work, as a glance at the Summary will shew that above and beyond the 597 new cases that were admitted during the year, thousands of others received advice and temporary assistance. Hundreds of respectable people come to us to know what they are to do with wayward and self-willed children, and again and again we have been thanked for the help thus afforded. The whole case of each of those admitted has had to be thoroughly investigated and this has entailed an almost incredible amount of work, and in addition we have had under our consideration hundreds of others who were not suitable for admission. All this has been a heavy burden on us as workers which no money remuneration would induce us to carry. Nothing but love for Christ and the perishing would enable us to bear up amidst the ingratitude and misconception of the would-be friends of the children. It is no uncommon thing for us to be assailed by the drunken relatives who with oath and curses, dreadful to hear, try what they can do to annoy us. Although it is trying to bear yet it has led us frequently to thank God that the children have been removed from such surroundings and are now in Christian homes where they will have a chance to rise above their old life. Though often faint, we are still pursuing, seeking to do the work the Lord has called us to of "rescuing the perishing, caring for the dying, and telling of Jesus the mighty to save." During the year we have made alterations and improvements on the house at a cost of £1,400 and this will greatly enhance its efficiency and usefulness.

YOUNG WOMEN'S TEMPORARY HOME.

Through this branch of our work we have been able to help a large number of a very needy class of young women many of whom but for the timely aid would have drifted into vice. During the year, 29 of these have been placed in service; others have been helped to their friends, and there are at present 20 with us. We are surprised that no more of this class have sought the benefits of the Home, and take this opportunity of repeating that we are always ready to take in any virtuous young women from 14 to 25 years of age, who are out of work and willing to be trained for service. When we think them fit to go out we find situations and provide them with a suitable outfit, thus giving them a chance to earn their own living. This is the only preventive Home for the class in the city, and we will be glad if friends who know of young women out of work and homeless, will avail themselves of the help which it affords.

WORKING BOYS' HOME.

This department has been even more useful this year than in the past. From the Summary it will be seen that about 100 young lads have had the advantage of its shelter. A number of these have gone into lodgings on their own account, having sufficient wages to maintain themselves. Others have left, and there are at present 66 in the house. These go out daily to their work at the various trades to which they are apprenticed, returning for meals. At the end of each week they hand over their wages to us, and receive 1d. out of every shilling for pocket money—the rest going towards their keep. The house is, in every sense of the word, "home" to them, and we are grateful to God that so many lads who would otherwise be without control and in circumstances from which it would almost be impossible to rise into an honest life, are thus brought under Christian influence and training. The managing of these lads is one of the hardest pieces of work we have to do, as the evils on the streets and in the work-shops are so great. It requires very strong principle for any of them to be able to withstand the temptations to smoke or drink, or frequent music halls and such places, and it is only through the kind and firm discipline of our helpers in the Home that any good results can be hoped for. Their energies are taxed to the utmost from very early morning until ten, and sometimes till after twelve midnight, and they have great need for abounding grace and physical strength. We trust our friends will remember them in prayer, that the seed sown amidst such difficulties may bring forth many-fold.

CHILDREN'S NIGHT REFUGE.

In a city like ours there are a great number of children who, tired of restraint or because of ill-treatment, have left their homes, and others whose parents have deserted them and left them to wander about the streets and make a living for themselves. To all such we offer an open door, and friends who come across them would do well (instead of giving the copper which costs nothing) to put themselves to a little trouble by bringing them to us. We will fully inquire into each case, and if the parents are to be found we will find them, and if not the child

will be cared for. Had we time and space at our disposal we might enumerate some of the improbable stories with which we have been amused frequently by these little wanderers, which however we know by experience not to believe. Many of them come saying their parents are dead and that they have no friends, and they will even describe the circumstances of their death with the tears in their eyes, and all the time it may be the parents are living and anxiously looking for their lost ones. Such is the general character of the class, and it would be infinitely better for the children if friends would bring them to us instead of encouraging them to remain in their roaming life by giving to them when they beg on the streets. Throughout the year very many have been brought to us from the Police Office and from stairs and closes, where they were found sleeping, and as will be seen from the Summary, a very large number have been returned to relatives and friends throughout the country.

EVANGELISTIC AND MISSION WORK.

This is one of the most important branches carried on in connection with this building. In addition to the regular visitation of the district and lodging-houses by our large staff of voluntary helpers, our resident workers are at all times ready to visit the sick and dying; and in this way not only has spiritual counsel been given, but in many cases temporary help, which was very much needed. In these ways the Gospel has been carried to a large portion of our non-church-going community. Religious services have been conducted in our own hall every Sabbath and Wednesday evening, and at special times we have engaged tried evangelists, and rented large halls throughout the city in which they have proclaimed the word of life to thousands. This year we had four weeks' nightly services conducted by Richard Weaver in our own hall, and on Sabbaths in the National Hall. We also had George Williams for three weeks in the same places and others in the East-end. Large crowds came to hear these two brethren, and very many professed to find peace in believing. We are sorry to say that after Mr. Williams left us in February he was laid aside for three months, and the doctor ordered him to Australia as the only chance of prolonging his life. By the kind provision of friends he secured a passage and sailed for Sydney in August last. We are expecting to hear shortly of his safe arrival and improved health, and pray that he may be long spared to work for the Master. We had other special services conducted by Mr. John Thomson, of Cockenzie, and Mr. Johnston, and, besides these, our usual Sabbath Morning meetings for children and the Band of Hope and other gatherings during the week. The Lord has set His seal to all these services, and through them many have been led to accept of Christ and follow in His footsteps. As we write we regret to hear that our brother Weaver has had a relapse, and is very ill. We trust the Lord's people will remember him in their prayers, that he may be raised up to be more useful than ever among the class he is so well able to reach.

SUMMARY OF THE YEAR'S WORK.

CITY ORPHAN HOME.—On 1st November, 1883, we had 69 boys and 21 girls in the Home, and these numbers have been augmented during the year by 352 boys and 245 girls, thus giving a total of 687 cases disposed of as follows:—

BOYS.—108 sent to the Cottage Homes, Bridge-of-Weir; 88 to Cessnock and Elmpark Homes, Govan Road; 29 left and went to lodgings, &c.; 1 to Hospital; 1 to country service; 8 absconded with wages; 5 were dismissed; and 115 were returned to friends in different parts of the kingdom, such as Liverpool, Dublin, Belfast, Edinburgh, Inverness, Perth, Stirling, Coatbridge, Wishaw, Paisley, Greenock, Stranraer—leaving 66 in the Home.

GIRLS.—64 sent to Cottage Homes, Bridge-of-Weir; 55 to Elmpark Home, Govan Road; 4 to Canada; 29 were placed in service; 2 were adopted; 2 to Hospital; 10 left; 80 were sent to their relatives in various places, and 20 are still in the Home.

ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND, BRIDGE-OF-WEIR.—The year commenced with 270 children; 181 new cases have been received from City, Cessnock, and Elmpark Homes, giving a total of 451; disposed of as follows: Sent to Canada, 119; ran away, 2; died, 7; returned to friends, 14; to City Home, 4; leaving at present in the Homes, 305.

CESSNOCK AND ELMARK HOMES.—The year commenced with 90 children in the Homes; 143 new cases have been received from the City Home, making a total of 233, disposed of as follows: Sent to Canada, 96; to Bridge-of-Weir, 9; returned to relatives, 32; died, 1; ran away, 3; leaving at present in the Homes, 92.

During the year we have permanently helped 775 children, and in the same time temporary assistance has been given to 272 casuals (that is, those who have been in the Homes for a day, a month, or a year as the case may be, and have been returned to friends or left it because of ill-doing), giving a total of 1,047 who have passed through the Homes.

Over 200 evangelistic meetings have been held, with audiences of from 100 to 4000, in our own and other halls. Band of Hope meetings for children have also been conducted; thousands of tracts distributed; and visits paid to the poor of the district by evangelists and workers.

OUTSIDE WORK.—The numbers who come to the City Home for advice and assistance are continually increasing. 4000 is a good deal under the mark for this year, so that while the 597 new children admitted may seem a large number, it gives no adequate or even approximate idea of the multitude of cases from which they were selected, nor of the spiritual results of faithful loving words in season, as well as temporal good accomplished in dealing with them.

Pecuniary help is often bestowed after due investigation and consideration, in such a manner as not only meets the urgency of the case, but also reduces to the minimum the risk of abuse or misappropriation.

During the year 510 weary, destitute ones who could not be taken in have felt thankful for the tickets given to "model" lodging houses.

Many are not aware of the difficulty poor people often have in getting a "subscriber's" line for an infirmary, and hence the great demand on us. Our friends will confer a favour by sending one or more as they can spare, thus saving time and labour in searching for them, and we

will be responsible for their being bestowed on proper persons. During the past year we gave 25 "lines" for Infirmaries, and 20 for Convalescent Homes.

The amount received during the year in answer to prayer is as follows: For the General Fund, which includes the keep of the Homes at Bridge-of-Weir, Cessnock, and Elmpark, including £174 10s. 8d. earned by boys, £6,671 0s. 5½d., for the City Home Refuge and Mission, including £838 11s. 10d. earned by boys, £3,499 6s. 3d., and for Orphan Homes of Scotland Building Fund, £5,037 2s. 4d.—the total amount for all purposes being £15,207 9s. 0¼d. besides large quantities of clothing and provisions. This amount, large as it is, has all been needed for the increased work of the year just closed. We feel sure that those who have carefully perused the Narrative will see that there is still much to be done, and will sympathise with us in our endeavours to rescue more of the perishing little ones in the coming year. Over and above the money for the maintenance, which is at present about £30 a day, or £850 a month, we are looking to the Lord to send the £7,000 to build the church and class-room, superintendent's house, &c., at Bridge-of-Weir, and also for money to build more cottages. We shall also need thousands of shirts, pairs of stockings, dresses, &c., which we are sure our lady friends will help us with as they have done in the past. There is only about a fortnight's supply on hand for maintenance, as the amount sent for emigration cannot be used for any other purpose, and that for the Building Fund is also arranged for. The promise of our God has been sufficient in the past, and the generous sympathy of our helpers forbids us to doubt, so we go forward, confidently expecting that He, without whose blessing our work would be fruitless, will bless us still. In reviewing the past we can truly say, "Thou hast crowned the year with thy goodness." To Him be all the praise.

The supply of suitable workers is not the least of our necessities, and for the increasing work we are looking to the Lord to send us men and women with spiritual power, managing power, and teaching power, who will seek to do their work for His sake who died for them. We are grateful to God for the helpers in the various Homes whose efforts have contributed so much to the results of the year, and for the assistance of our fellow-labourer, Mr. R. H. Hunter. For the work accomplished we are, under God, indebted to them and to the practical generosity of friends throughout the country, to ministers, evangelists, and others who have aided in the Gospel work; to Sabbath-school superintendents, teachers, and scholars; to ladies who have made up garments and sent them in for our little ones; to medical friends who have visited the various Homes and given advice gratuitously; to the accountant who audits the books; to the friend who provides "buses" for the children when required; to the Press which has given occasional notices of the work; and to the proprietors of the *North British Daily Mail*, who from the first have given a place in their columns for our fortnightly letter acknowledging donations, &c. May everyone who has in any way helped on the work hear the Master say, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

CONCLUSION.

In closing the record of another year's service for the Master, we feel there are many more things we might have brought before our helpers which would have interested them, but our time and space are very limited and we have had to forbear. We are sure the facts we have given, revealing the great need for the work, will awaken a deeper sympathy in the hearts of our friends, and lead them to pray that God may arise and plead His own cause, as the Father of the fatherless and the Husband of the widow. If pauperism and crime are to be materially lessened, more persistent efforts must be made by the Christian community to help the fatherless and widows in their affliction. How frequently do we see when the breadwinner is cut off and the poor widow left to struggle with her family, that her poverty keeps her from attending church. By-and-bye her house goes, and soon she becomes one of what we term the "lapsed masses;" and yet this might have been averted by a little timely aid in tiding her over her difficulty, and thus she and her family would have been preserved to the Church at large. We hope the day is not far distant when the Church instead of allowing the State to do her work, will relieve to the utmost all her own poor, and so prevent the lowering of the sensibilities which the Parochial system has in a great measure tended to. In the year upon which we have entered we have resolved, the Lord helping us, to rescue more children than ever we have done, and the help we have received in the past leads us to believe that the funds necessary to accomplish this will be forthcoming. In the course of the Narrative we have referred so frequently to the various ways in which the Lord's people have ministered to our need, that we refrain here from saying more than this, that He who has promised not to forget a cup of cold water given in the name of a disciple will not forget their labour of love which they have shewn towards His little ones. There is still much to be done, and we are looking to the Lord for means to double the number of houses we have at present on the ground at Bridge-of-Weir. Towards the £40,000 for this, we have received the earnest this year in the gifts of two houses, and we believe the rest will be sent in due time. Our most immediate need is for the new church, class room, stores, &c., and for these we shall need £7000. Then we intend to send 300 children to Canada in the coming year, and that will involve an outlay of £3000 for outfits and passages—and all these in addition to the maintenance of the 500 we have at present in the Homes, and the 700 we hope to rescue during the year, which will be £30 a day, or £10,000 for the year. "Is there anything too hard for the Lord?" The depression of the times leads some to say it is hopeless to expect more this year than last, but it is only when sacrifice has to be made to enable us to give that the riches of liberality are clearly seen, and we are sure the Lord's children will esteem it a privilege to deny themselves for His sake. According, then, as every Christian heart is under the operation of this spirit, will giving to the cause of Him who gave Himself for us be a rich blessing to the giver, as well as gladden those who are in need of our help and sympathy. The removal of old friends and helpers in the year that has closed reminds us that our time for service is short,

and it remains with each one of us to "do with our might what our hands find to do." We close with the sad yet too true words of Mrs. Browning:—

Do ye hear the children weeping, O my brothers,
Ere the sorrow come with years?
They are leaning their young heads against their mothers,
And that cannot stop their tears.
The young lambs are bleating in the meadows;
The young birds are chirping in their nest;
The young fawns are playing with the shadows;
The young flowers are blowing towards the west—
But the young, young children, O my brothers,
They are weeping bitterly!
They are weeping in the playtime of the others
In the country of the free.

Shall they weep in vain for the help which the warm Christian hearts in our beloved Scotland can give? We believe not.

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

FORM OF BEQUEST TO THE ORPHAN HOMES.

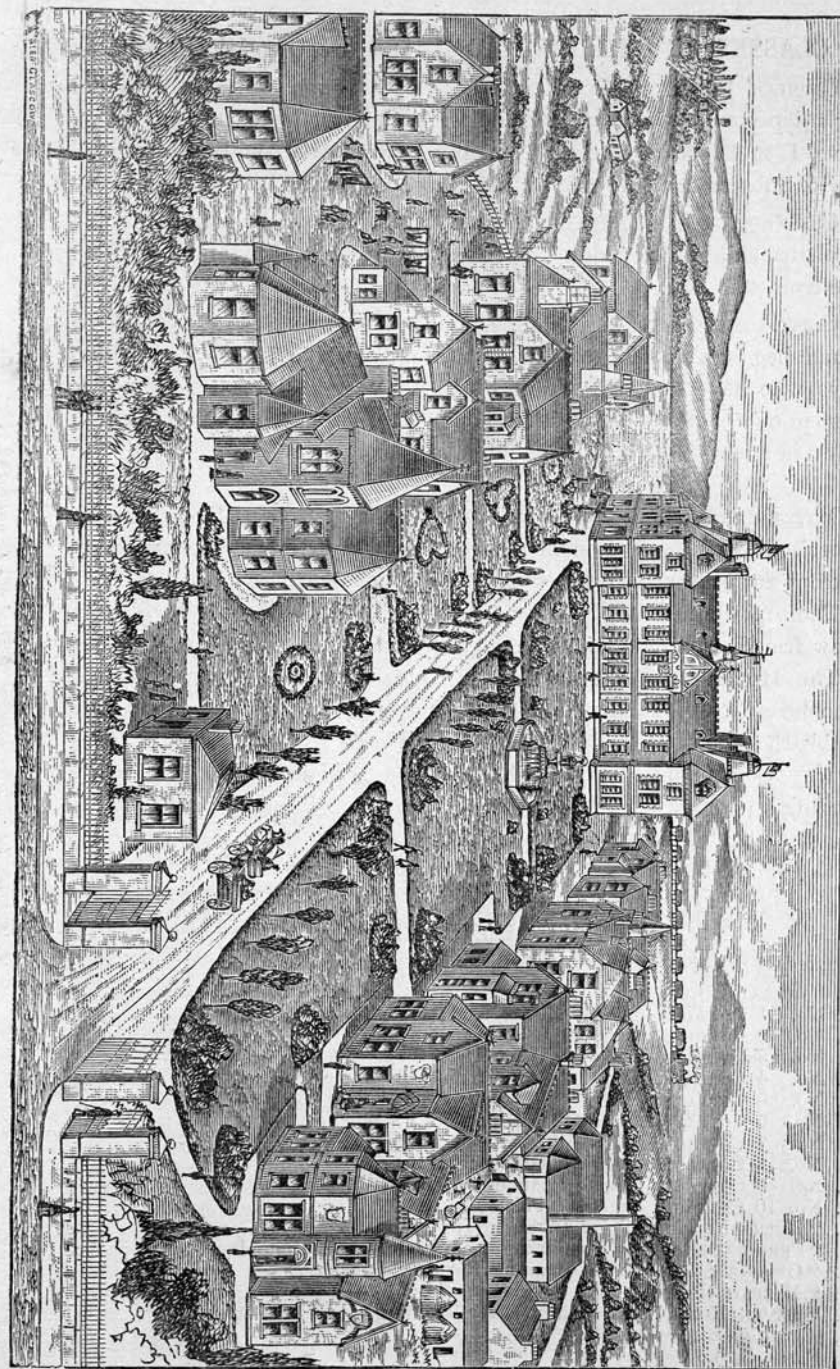
"I give to William Quarrier, Glasgow, or such other person or persons as shall, when this legacy shall become payable, be the director or directors of the Orphan Homes, Glasgow, and Bridge-of-Weir, the sum of £ : : , to be paid out of such part of my personal estate as shall be legally applicable thereto; 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, 318 St. Vincent Street, Glasgow. Cheques and orders to be made payable to WILLIAM QUARRIER. If more convenient, donations can be paid into the Union Bank of Scotland, 174 Argyle Street. Clothing, provisions, &c., may be sent to City Home, James Morrison Street, or if in the city and a post card is sent, a messenger will call for any parcel.

Friends sending money can have it placed to whatever part of the work they name, either to the General Fund, which includes the keep of the Orphans at the Cottage Homes, Bridge-of-Weir, and at Cessnock and Elmpark Homes, Govan Road, or it can be placed to the City Home Refuge and Mission Work, or to the Orphan Homes Building Fund. If left to my discretion, it 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 every second Monday in the *North British Daily Mail*. Friends not seeing their donations acknowledged in these fortnightly statements, will please communicate with me at once in case the money has gone amissing.

WM. QUARRIER.

318 ST. VINCENT STREET,
GLASGOW, 1st November, 1884.



ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND FOR DESTITUTE CHILDREN, BRIDGE-OF-WEIR, RENFREWSHIRE.
The Buildings at present on the ground cost £40,000. We hope to double the number as the Lord sends the money.

CLASSES OF CHILDREN ADMITTED INTO THE HOMES.

ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND, BRIDGE-OF-WEIR.—Orphan boys and girls deprived of both parents and without any one to care for them, from 1 to 12 years of age, from any part of the country.

No Subscriber's line nor voting paper necessary.

CESSNOCK AND ELMARK EMIGRATION HOMES, GOVAN ROAD.—Orphans, children of widows, or others; must be healthy and destitute; age from 4 to 14.

CITY HOME AND NIGHT REFUGE, JAMES MORRISON STREET.—Children found begging, sleeping out, or destitute, from 2 to 13 years; working boys who have no home, from 14 to 18 years; and virtuous young women out of work and with no one to care for them, from 14 to 25 years of age.

Mr. QUARRIER may be seen at the City Orphan Home, James Morrison Street, off London Street, from 3 to 5 o'clock P.M. daily (except Saturday); at other times by arrangement.

The superintendent or matron in any of the Homes will be glad to show friends through the houses any day (Sabbath excepted).

The Homes at Bridge-of-Weir are also open, and Mr. M'Connell, schoolmaster, Central Building, will conduct friends over them any day (Sabbath excepted). Trains leave St. Enoch's Station almost every hour. Conveyances may be had at the Bridge-of-Weir Station by sending a post card to Mr. Alexander, carriage hirer, who will convey friends to and from the Homes, waiting an hour there, for 3s. for one or three, and 1s. for each additional passenger.

THE ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND,

Situated at Bridge-of-Weir, Renfrewshire, now comprise the following buildings—

1. CENTRAL BUILDING, in which are Church, Schoolroom, Stererooms, &c.
2. No. 1 COTTAGE, named "Broadfield Home."
3. No. 2 COTTAGE, named "Glasgow Home."
4. No. 3 COTTAGE, named "Dalry Home."
5. No. 4 COTTAGE, named "Dumbartonshire Home."
6. No. 5 COTTAGE, named "Ebenezer Home."
7. No. 6 COTTAGE, named "Washington Home."
8. No. 7 COTTAGE, named "Aberdeen Home."
9. No. 8 COTTAGE, named "Greenock Home."
10. No. 9 COTTAGE, named "Anderston Home."
11. No. 10 COTTAGE, named "Paisley Home."
12. "BETHESDA HOME," for Invalids (Incurable).
13. "FERGUSLIE OFFICES," combining steam washing-house, laundry, workshops, &c.
14. "CESSNOCK HOME," for Training Boys for Canada.
15. "MIZPAH HOME," do. do.
16. "LEVEN HOME," now building, for Training Girls for Canada.
17. GATEHOUSE, now building.
18. FARM BUILDINGS.