

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

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ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND,
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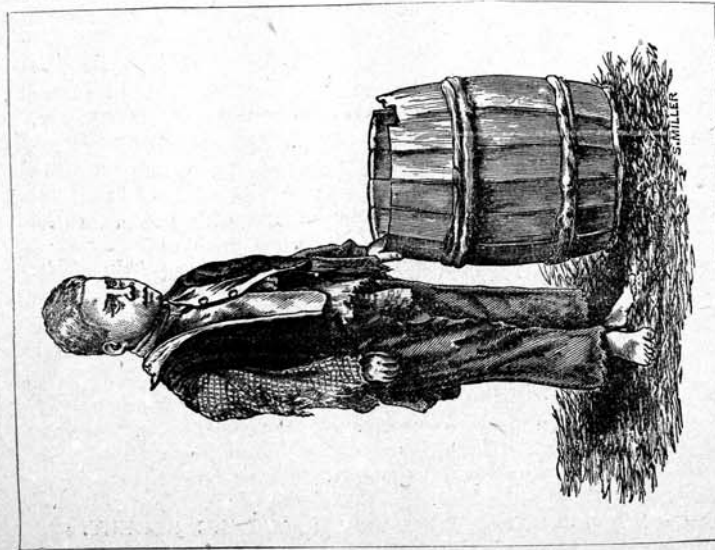
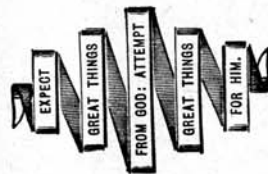
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NARRATIVE OF FACTS. 1885.

DEAR FELLOW-HELPERS,—Another year of the work has closed, and we have once more to look back upon the way the Lord has led us, and to record some of the things He has permitted us as labourers together with Him to accomplish. When the year began there seemed nothing but dark clouds around us in the depression of trade, and in the failing resources of old helpers; but above was the bow of promise, and that has shed light on our path throughout the year, and cheered us to its close. From our hearts we make "mention of the loving kindness of the Lord, and the praises of the Lord according to all that the Lord hath bestowed upon us." In view of the large number of children rescued from misery and suffering, of the hundreds of souls brought from darkness to light, of the sorrowing ones comforted, and the amount of money the Lord has sent in answer to prayer for the carrying on of the work, we ask you to join with us in thanksgiving to Him who has done "exceeding abundantly above all we asked or thought." He has made the morning and the evening of the year to rejoice over us, and has crowned it with His goodness.

Day by day the daily bread for our large family in the Homes has been given, and although there have been difficulties to surmount and trials to encounter, we can say, as we remember the way by which the Lord has brought us, "He hath done all things well." Our own personal needs have been met with an exactness and in a manner that have led us to realize more than ever the minuteness of our Father's care, and for this also we give thanks to Him that "He faileth not." At the beginning of the year our desires were that God would use us to do greater things than ever in the past, that He would increase our accommodation by sending money for more buildings, that more souls would be saved in connection with the Mission and among the children in the various Homes, and how the Lord has granted these desires it will be our endeavour briefly to shew in the following pages. It must only be briefly, as the space at our disposal is limited, and we are unwilling to make the "Narrative" any larger, because of the extra expense of printing and postage. Although the work has increased tenfold in the past fourteen years, our "Narrative" keeps much the same size. Our aim in writing is that the Master may be glorified, and that His children may be encouraged by the record of His faithfulness.

In connection with the work it must be remembered that we never call on anyone for money, nor do we send out collectors or resort to bazaars or entertainments to raise it. The work is the Lord's, and we commit everything to Him in prayer, realizing that we are only instruments and can be dispensed with when He who employs us sees fit to call us aside. The year commenced on the 1st of November, 1884, and since then we have received in answer to prayer from all quarters the sum of £12,826 9s. 3½d., and large quantities of clothing and provisions; and in the same time 646 children from different parts of the country have been admitted to the Homes, which, with the 483 we

began the year with, gives a total of 1129, who have passed through our hands. That such a large number should be helped whose only claim was their *entire destitution* shews the need for the work. There are hundreds more yet on the borders of starvation and want, and almost daily others are being left friendless by the removal of their parents, and it is our intention and hope that we may be still more used of God to rescue these perishing little ones for whom Christ died. We pray that the record of what has been done may lead our helpers by their prayers, and gifts, and work, to do more in the year that is before us. The time is short, and the Master calls for more labourers to reap the fields which truly are white unto the harvest.

Nov. 1, 1884.—This is the first day of another year of the Homes, and although there are difficulties around and before us the Lord says, "Go forward, I will uphold thee;" and relying on His strength we do so, believing that He will sustain. To-day £5 was sent to us at the request of an aged Christian lady lately gone to the Lord, £5 from an unknown friend, £1 from Kirkcaldy, 17s. 6d. from a Sabbath school in Leith, £1 9s. 7d. from one who gives as the Lord prospers him in business, £2 from Hamilton, and £1 from Paisley. Thus the Lord encouraged us in supplying the day's needs.

Nov. 4.—Our anonymous giver, "Wigtown," sends £1, and another old helper in Paisley £5, and one in Hillhead £5, which with £1 from Dunoon and 10s. from Airdrie is the amount received to-day. Two little boys of 8 and 6 were admitted. Their father is in a lunatic asylum, and the mother, who is not strong, earns about 7s. a week, with which she has to pay lodgings and keep herself and a little boy of 4. She had been in the poorhouse when ill, but did not want her children to return there, and she said as she gave them to us, "I know this is the Lord's work and can with confidence place them with you." An orphan girl of 13, whose younger sister is in the Home, was also admitted.

Nov. 6.—£1 from Crosshill and £50 from Dumbarton gladdened our hearts to-day, as did also £50 from an anonymous friend yesterday. Eight children were added to our large family. Three girls and one boy, of 11, 9, 7, and 4 years, from Johnstone. Their father is dead, and the mother, left with 8 children, finds herself unable to make ends meet with only the help of 1s. a week each from the Board. While she is out working the children are allowed to run wild, and their appearance, barefooted and ragged, certainly tells they need looking after. Two little boys, of 7 and 6, whose father is dead and the mother houseless with two others to care for. Also two boys of 6 and 9. Their mother is a tramp, living at present in a low den in the city. She has led a terrible life, and it would be almost certain ruin for the boys were they left with her.

Nov. 11.—Only £1 has come to-day, and we have taken in two little orphan boys of 6 and 8 from Glasgow, a boy of 14 from Edinburgh, another of 16 from Perth, and a little girl of 11, a real waif who can neither read nor write. A poor man came asking help for his children as his wife is a drunkard and wont let him keep a house over his head. She pawned and sold everything, and for the last three years he has been living in a model lodging-house to escape from her. Poor

children, with such a mother, and how many there are in the same condition! When will our authorities do their duty in regard to this dreadful drink traffic, which is ruining thousands in our midst and through which the innocent are made to suffer?

Nov. 17 was one of the busiest days we have had for some time. The cases at the City Home were very numerous and distressing. We took two little girls of 9 and 7 from Airdrie. Their father died recently, and they were deserted by their mother 12 months before and have not heard of her since. At the father's death a poor neighbour took them, expecting to get parochial relief; but that was refused, and there was nothing but the Poorhouse for them, from which they pleaded to be saved. The £40 from "Maggie," Coatbridge, which reached us on Saturday, will rescue these two from her own district. Her gifts have helped us much in times past, and although unknown to us she will have the reward of Him who seeth in secret. Two other girls of 13 and 10 who have been selling papers on the streets were also received. Their father died in an asylum about 16 months ago, and the mother a decent hard-working woman strove hard to bring up her children aright; but she too died a month ago, and the girls and an elder brother took to selling papers to keep themselves. Another little girl of 6; her mother, a poor wreck of a woman, died in the Infirmary a short time since, and the poor child was cast adrift. Two other girls of 10 and 9—the father deserted the mother some time ago, leaving her with four children, and she has to give up her house, and is in great destitution. An orphan boy of 14 from Dalbeattie, and another of 13 from Milngavie, were also admitted, making a total of 9 to-day. Another girl of 14 was brought by a neighbour, and was taken in till we made enquiries about her friends. We found afterwards that her parents were alive and decent people. They had been as far as Dundee in search of their wanderer. She told us her father was away, and her mother dead eight years.

Nov. 19.—Yesterday our thirteenth annual meeting was held, at which there was a large attendance of friends. To-day the following letter from England, with £25, reached us:—

DEAR SIR,—I had the privilege of being present at your Thanksgiving Day this year, and have only been waiting until I could see what contribution I ought to forward to you in promotion of your grand and noble work for the good of those friendless little ones. You will not, I know, allow words to be used in praise of yourself in carrying out a work in which you consider yourself, and quite rightly I admit, only an instrument made use of for the promotion of His glory; but to see how much you are permitted to accomplish makes us, who sit at home and can only draw the cheques, without which you cannot get on, feel how little we are doing. Nevertheless, it is a privilege to be allowed even this humble share in it, and we can add our prayers that God will long both bless and spare you to go on with it.

Our friend is quite right; we are only instruments used by the Master to do this piece of work for Him. His is the glory of it. It is blessed to realise that our money and our talents are His. He chooses His servants, and all are not called to do the same kind of work. May we be faithful, so that the "well done" shall be ours at last.

Nov. 26.—The following letter from London rejoiced our hearts, and led us, as we have often done before, to thank the Lord for the loving sympathy of our friends:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I have very much pleasure in handing you the enclosed draft for £100 from my beloved wife. She had intended leaving it to you in her will, but she

has decided—as I think, very wisely—to be her own executor, and to give, as far as she can, during her lifetime. I do earnestly wish that all Christians would adopt the same course. It saves the expense of *legacy duty*, ensures its being paid, and the donor has the *luxury* of giving, and experiences the truth of our Lord's words, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Wishing you an abundant blessing in your great and good work.

We fully endorse these sentiments, and believe where friends have means lying past it is their duty to disburse them in their lifetime, and in so doing obey the Master's injunction: "Occupy till I come." In some cases it may not be practicable, but we feel sure it is too often the case that men hoard up their money, that at their death they may have it said of them they were worth so many thousands. How much better it would be that their treasure should be laid up in heaven, and they have the pleasure of seeing while here the good their gifts accomplish. May the Lord stir up His people to see their duty in this matter.

Nov. 27.—The only gifts to-day were 10s. from Prestonkirk; £1 from Wishaw, with some clothing; and £10 from Staleybridge. The friend who sends the latter sum says:—

I have just been reading with interest your last report, and am pleased to learn that you have had so much encouragement in your work, both in Glasgow and Canada during the past year. The wonder to me is how you can get through your work! The daily demands upon your time must have increased so much with the growing dimensions of the work. May health, courage, and grace be daily supplied for the labours of the coming winter.

We wonder ourselves sometimes how we get through the work. Were it not that many of God's people all over the country are praying for us our hands would often hang down. Three little orphan girls of 8, 6, and 4 years, were brought to us to-day by a missionary, into whose care the mother had placed them when dying this week, with the request that they would be brought to us. The father was lost at sea 3 or 4 years ago, and the mother had managed to struggle on with the help of Christian friends till her health gave way.

Nov. 29.—We have been much encouraged by letters from different friends thanking us for the report, from which they tell us they have received blessing. Much prayer is made for this, and we give thanks to God for so abundantly answering our request. One friend who helps regularly writes:—

I have read your Report for 1884 with great interest. It is encouraging to see how faithful our Heavenly Father is to all His promises, if we have the faith to trust in Him. I have much pleasure in sending you £10 to help a little. I would like £5 to go for the wants of the children in the Homes, and the other £5 for your own expenses. I shall (D.V.) send my usual subscription in the beginning of the year, but this £10 is a little sum I had not had any call for, and I felt I would like to send it to you. I pray God may long spare you for the noble work He has given you to do.

May the Lord reward her for her consideration of the wants of others.

Among other letters received from our children in Canada during Nov., are the following—the first from a girl who has been out 9 years, and the other from a boy who has been out the same time. Both have done well, the girl being still in her first home, and the young man fitting himself to go out as a missionary.

DEAR SIR,—I am vexed at myself for not writing before. I am sure you will forgive me this time. I thank you a thousand times, and I thank the Lord for putting it into your heart to give us poor ragged children such a good home. I have a very good home—very, did I say? not very, but as good a home as you could find. I get every thing I could wish for; and do you know what papa bought me this summer? he bought me an organ—a lovely one. I am taking music lessons; I have had nearly one quarter now. Dear Mr. Quarrier,—can you give me any clue of my little brother, Charley? but

I must not ask too much from you. I am going to school now. I am in the third book, and am studying grammar now. I have been away for a long time. I had to stay home to help mother, for she had such a lot to do. I am sure you would not know me now, for I am tall, and I have got quite stout I am glad to say, and thank the Lord for my health and strength. I must close now. Please give my kind love to all.—Yours truly, LIZZIE.—P.S. I would like very much to hear from you. I hope God will prosper you.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I received your last letter, and was glad to hear that the Lord is still prospering you in your work. Bless His name! May there be a grand revival of God's Holy Spirit among the children! I often think of you and your work, and what a blessed thing it was that I had the privilege of coming into the Home, for by that means I have been led to Christ. The Lord has called me to go as a missionary to Africa. I think my time will be the best occupied by working here till He use means for my guidance in that direction. I am still in the railroad business that I told you of in my last letter. It is splendid working here. I often think of the times I had on the farm picking stones, etc. But what can give better joy and comfort to the soul than knowing that we have a Father that looks after us, and sees that we lack no good thing and "all things work together for good to them that love God!" My experience on the farm, and the hardships I endured before, will just be the necessary information fitted for a missionary, and I can thank God for His wonderful guidance in the past, as it comes clearer to me in all the little things that come up through my daily life. I often think of that verse in Matt. v. 6. According as our thirst is, the better and the more precious will the quenching be. I am learning daily more and more the great love of Jesus, and the special guidance, teaching, and directing power and personality of the Holy Spirit; it makes me, as I think, feel my awful ignorance of the blessed truths of the word; but over all I thank God that through the precious blood of Christ He saved me. May the Lord make your Homes the means of blessing, as it has been to me, is the humble prayer of a child of the Blessed Saviour. A. R.

Such letters are very cheering to us amid the discouragements with others, and again and again have we been refreshed by them.

Dec. 2.—From Linlithgow, Biggar, Beith, Dundee, Helensburgh, Stirling, Irvine, and Glasgow we have to-day received £71, sufficient for two days' supply. Our Father knows our needs and has supplied from many quarters, for which we praise Him. A little boy of 8 was admitted to-day. His father, who was given to drink, was killed recently, and the mother is often in prison. That the boy may be rescued from the same fate is our prayer. Yesterday we took in a poor wee starving girl four years old, who has also been living in awful surroundings, the memory of which we trust will never come back to her.

Dec. 4.—Among other sums to-day were 6s. from Irvine, the savings of two little girls, one of them lately gone home; 1s. 6d. from other two children in Paisley; and 5s. from a young man, his first earnings, with Prov. iii. 9. We do pray that many others will follow his example, not only in setting out in life but throughout it all, and we doubt not but that to them will be granted the fulfilment of the promise, "So shall thy barns be filled with plenty." To-day we also received £40 from an old friend in Edinburgh, who has for many years helped us and has got others to unite with her. She says:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I may tell you my income is very moderate, but enough for my wants, and I have been enabled to save off my dress, etc., for some years a portion of my income, which I intended others should give you; but, after reading the touching Report of 1884, I have come to the conclusion to send it to you now—it will also be a thankoffering for renewed health. May you be abundantly strengthened from on high for your important work. £10 is for your own use, and the balance as you think proper. There are few who are not able in some way or other to deny themselves for the sake of others, but there are too many who never enjoy the privilege. We are sure our friend has been none the less thought of here because of her self-sacrifice, and hereafter her reward will be all the greater. May the Lord lead many to do as she has done for His sake who gave up all for us. Her remembrance of our own needs is

very acceptable at this time. A message from the far north of Scotland encouraged us to-day amid trials. An old friend sending £1 quotes the text:—"The righteous also shall hold on his way, and he that hath clean hands shall be stronger and stronger." The Lord continue to fulfil this promise to us. A young woman of 18, out of work, homeless, barefooted, and friendless, was to-day taken into our Young Women's Home.

Dec. 6.—An unknown friend, whose shaky writing tells us she is no longer young, sends us £2, "as a small mite from Him who loved us and gave Himself, yea, Himself for us," with the message, "Be strong and of a good courage." We should have liked to have thanked her for this, but the Lord knows and will reward and bless.

Dec. 9.—£10 from Shots, £1 from Canada, £3 from Wooler, £2 2s. from Banff, and £1 from Kippen reached us to-day; not enough for the day's needs, but showing us that our Father is thinking upon us. We believe most of the gifts sent are followed by the prayers of the givers, and these we value very much. We have set up our banner in the name of the Lord, and He will fight for us. Yesterday we took in two little boys from Paisley Poorhouse. Their mother died recently, and there are no relatives able to help them. Also a girl of 9, deformed and suffering from hip-joint disease, who we hope will improve with care and treatment.

Dec. 11.—A friend in London sends us £100 for the emigration branch of the work, and another sends £1 for our own use, hoping "there is an Elisha in store to follow Elijah." The great Master never has to stop for lack of workers, and He is able to carry on His own work even after He has removed the privileged instrument, so that we have not the least anxiety in regard to this. Four orphan children, 9, 7, 5, and 4 years, were added to our number. Both parents died recently through drink, leaving their poor children unprovided for. We trust they will soon forget the scenes they have witnessed so frequently of late. Also, a young woman of 17, friendless, and in need of a helping hand.

Dec. 15.—£2 from Fifeshire, £1 from Airdrie, £5 from Edinburgh, with £30 from Dunfermline and £3 from Glasgow, have met our needs for to-day. There were five new members added to our already large family, so that our needs are increasing rapidly. Our Father's storehouse is unlimited, and He has never failed us yet. Those admitted were a boy of 15 whose parents are both dead. He wants to be a drummer boy, having lived for a fortnight in barracks. A boy of 11 from Glasgow, whose mother is dead, and father hopelessly insane. Three children, 4, 6, and 10, whose father died a year ago, and the mother on Saturday, after a long and painful illness. A neighbour brought the children to us, and they were so destitute she had to borrow boots to bring them in. Other needy ones were advised and helped—one a poor wayward woman who, but for strong drink, might be happy with her family. As we left the Home to-day after three hours' dealing with applicants, we were strongly impressed with the thought, "It is not the will of our Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish," and by His help we mean to rescue many more than we have done.

Dec. 18.—Two brothers in Liverpool send us the following letter:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Whilst many of us have been saddened and sickened by the extreme wretchedness to be found in our back streets and slums, and have been appalled by its extent from making any attempt to alleviate it, you have attacked the evil courageously, and have shown us how it may in great measure be remedied. We heartily bid you God-speed in your noble self-denying efforts to rescue the perishing and bring comfort to the wretched. In token of our sympathy please receive the enclosed small "cup of cold water," in the shape of a £5 note, to be applied to your every-day work.

Our aim is to save the children, and prevent them ever drifting into the criminal ranks, and we believe in so doing more good will be accomplished than there ever has been in trying to turn back those who have gone "out of the way." Prevention is better than cure, and this is the object of our work. A friend in sending 15s. from London to-day says, "What would Glasgow have been had all those precious souls you have helped been left in sin and misery to perish? May those who have means be given to see their duty to give to such a cause, and may the Lord uphold you and grant 'as your day your strength may be.'" It is a matter of thankfulness to us, and we believe to all who are interested in the work, that so many hundreds of destitute little ones have been gathered into this earthly fold and been saved from misery and suffering of which few who read this know; but our greatest cause for rejoicing is that many have been saved in a higher sense, and are fellow-travellers with us to the better country where sin never enters. Our constant prayer is that God will increase the number till all shall be gathered in.

Dec. 19.—A dear old friend who is nearing the end of a long life, and who has for many years remembered the work, sends us £3 10s., wishing "it were a thousand times as much." He also says: "You know who can multiply these gifts. May you ever be His care." The Lord give this dear servant of His to realise as the end comes the presence of Him who gives light at eventide, and may the everlasting arms be his resting-place. We took in five boys to-day, all of whom were going wrong through not having anyone to control them—two of 15 and 10; their father went abroad and has not been heard of for five years, leaving the mother with five children, two of whom have since died; other two of 9 and 7, also fatherless, and the mother unable to keep herself and them; and an orphan boy of 10.

Dec. 20.—Frequently gifts are sent us in memory of loved ones gone home, and we think there could be no better way of perpetuating their memory. To-day we received £3 from a father whose little daughter fell asleep in Jesus, more than 8 years ago, who before her death took a warm interest in the little ones gathered into the Homes. We feel sure it would have pleased her to know that her wishes are being carried out.

Dec. 23.—Among other gifts to-day was £1 from a servant girl, who received part of it from some friends to whom she gave the Report. She says: "I think no one could read it without having their faith in God strengthened very much." A wee girl of 2 years sends a nice parcel of toys for the sick children of whom she has been told. We trust she will in after years carry out the lessons she is now learning in giving. £15 also reached us with the following letter from Aberdeen:—

DEAR SIR,—Please find enclosed a donation of fifteen pounds (£15) for your Orphan Homes. The history of the donation may interest you, and if it appears in any public

way (without names being given) may stir up some others to do likewise. Many years ago a member of my congregation solemnly vowed to God, on commencing business for himself, that, if spared to his 55th year, he would devote the *whole of the profits of that year* to the cause of Christ throughout the world. That year is the present one, 1884, and in fulfilment of his promise, he has been, for months past, aiding various objects at home and abroad, having entrusted to me for that purpose already £200. The copy of your Report, which came lately into my hands, I sent to him, and he at once asked me to send you £15. He does not wish his name to be known, and I have therefore to ask that the sum be entered as "from a Friend in Aberdeen." It is an interesting fact that the year he fixed on, the profits of which were to be *wholly* the Lord's, has, he tells me, been the most prosperous business year he has ever had.

We doubt not that this servant of the Lord gave of his means during the past years of his life as well as in this one, and in performing his vow he will have much blessing to record we feel sure. Many of the Lord's people are being stirred up to give a certain proportion of their means for the furtherance of His cause, and if all were to do so there would be no lack and no need to resort to questionable methods of securing that which should be given with a willing heart. May the time soon come when this shall be the case.

Dec. 24.—A great many gifts of many kinds have found their way to us to-day, and not the least have been those from children, shewing that in the midst of their own enjoyments or in prospect of them they do not forget those for whom nothing is prepared. The children attending a public school in Renfrewshire forwarded a large parcel of very useful articles of clothing and £1, wishing to have a share in making others happy. Another large parcel reached us from a number of children and friends who were present at our last thanksgiving service, and they send it in remembrance of that happy visit to the Homes. Three other children send 10s. and some caps, while 32 articles came as the work of three children during their play hours last month, and a parcel of toys from some children in the country. God bless the children! We are sure their Christmas will be all the brighter and happier for the joy and gladness they have brought to other little ones.

Dec. 30.—To-day a lady friend in Aberfeldy sends us £8 "as a willing offering towards your good and loving work," and another in Edinburgh who wishes to remain unknown sends £25 to be used as we think best. We have been asking the Lord for money to give the street boys and girls their annual treat and part of this will help to defray the expenses.

Dec. 31.—To-day, the last of 1884, we have received over 40 separate gifts of money, clothing, etc., from friends all over the country, accompanied by cheering words and good wishes which have encouraged us as we stand upon the threshold of another year. Among these were a number of hand painted cards from a Sabbath school girl who sends them to-day "so that the little ones at the Homes may get them and learn that they are not forgotten by the children outside who just at this season are themselves getting so many bright things." £20 also came from Dunfermline with the following letter:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I have pleasure in enclosing cheque for £20 for your good work. The reading of your last Report gave me *sincere* pleasure. May the Lord spare you many years. Your work is all important, and the blessing of the orphans and the fatherless is no *mean* one. You have the approbation of a kind and gracious God, and the blessing in your own heart of doing good of the highest order. I would like you to apply £5 of this to yourself, the remainder for the purpose of emigration, with the best wishes of the season.

Thus closes another year, and our hearts go out in gratitude to the great Father who has cared for us and our little ones all through its days and hours and has never suffered us to lack any good thing.

Jan. 1.—Friends all over the country have been thinking of us in this festive season, and through their generosity we have been able to provide the usual treat for our large family. To-day, those in the City and Govan Road Homes had theirs, and enjoyed it to the full. The sumptuous dinner and tea, and the Christmas trees gave great delight. There were a number of friends present with us, who will not soon forget the happy day spent among our little ones. From a Sabbath school in Dublin 20s. reached us to-day with the prayer that "our Heavenly Father may grant you and your family and the greater family He has entrusted to your care, a truly happy New-Year.

Jan. 2.—"New-Year's Day" was held at our Bridge-of-Weir Homes, and we are sure there was not a happier family to be found anywhere than ours. It was with difficulty we got all crowded into the hall for dinner, but when seated at the well-spread tables everyone was pleased. The Christmas trees laden with toys and other articles as presents for the children made some of the little ones open their eyes in amazement, many of them never having seen such a sight before. A pleasant evening was spent, the children themselves contributing to the enjoyment by their singing, etc. At the close heartfelt thanks was offered to the "Giver of all good," and the many friends whose gifts had furnished the feast were not forgotten at our family altar.

Jan. 5.—Among other gifts to-day the following is specially encouraging. The letter speaks for itself. "DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—We thank you very much for your kindness to us. We thought it very mindful of you to send us an almanac and card on New-Year's Day. I thank God that I was taken into the Homes, for it has saved me body and soul. I enclose £3, thirty shillings for your own use and thirty shillings for the way you think best. I hope you will accept this small offering with my prayer. Feeling thankful to God for His goodness to us, I remain, yours, ONE RESCUED FROM THE STREETS. 'The Lord is my strength and has become my salvation.' Thus God blesses our efforts and raises up those we have helped to help us in return. A dear blind lady sends us 14 pairs of stockings, her own knitting, and another helper who is not now able to give as she once did, sends 10s. 6d. as first-fruits with the message 'The barrel of meal shall not waste neither shall the cruse of oil fail.' What a promise to lay hold of! We have proved it in times past and although our numbers are daily increasing we have never wanted the wherewithal to satisfy each one, shewing that our Father knows our every want and supplies according to our need.

Jan. 6.—Some time ago we received a letter from Bannockburn asking if we could take in a little girl whose mother was dying and anxious to know that her child would be cared for when she was gone, and to-day the little one came to us, the mother having died last week. The assurance of her child's welfare soothed her last moments. We also took in an orphan girl from Wick, who comes to us with not a very good character. Poor child, she lost her mother a year ago, and the father, who was not what he should have been, was found dead in his own house recently, so she has not had the training to make her truthful

and honest. We pray that God's Spirit may change her heart and lead her to see the error of her ways. Also a boy of 10, whose mother having married again has two other children to support, and her worthless husband has gone off and left her to struggle alone.

Jan. 7.—Among others received were three little ones of 9, 7, and 5 years. Their father died in Kinkcaldy about 18 months ago after a long illness, and at his death he told the mother if she could not keep the children she should take them to our Home. The poor woman has struggled faithfully to maintain them, but failing health has forced her to give up at last. They have been in great straits, and all have suffered by the privations they have had to endure, and they are sadly needing care.

Jan. 9.—Last night our annual treat was given to the street boys and girls of our city, and the following account of it appears in the *N. B. Daily Mail*.—

MR. QUARRIER'S TREAT TO STREET ARABS.

One of the most interesting events which take place in the city at this festive season is the annual treat which Mr. William Quarrier gets up for street children. The affair took place in the hall of the City Orphan Home, James Morrison Street, last night, and was, in its way, a great success. Fully seven hundred of our city arabs were present, the great majority of them being boys. The company, as might have been imagined, was of a most heterogeneous character, including, as it did, news-boys and girls, shoe-blacks, match, pipe, and vesuvian sellers, singers, and beggars. Many of them were of very tender years, and their pale and pinched faces indicated but too plainly the hardships they are called upon to endure. In almost every case the little things were wretchedly clothed, a number of them being absolutely in rags, while many were also barefooted. Tickets for the feast had been distributed for some days back by Mr. Quarrier and some of the workers in connection with the Orphan Home Mission, who experienced little difficulty in finding a number of the class of children for whom the treat is intended sufficient to fill the Orphan Home Hall. By seven o'clock, the hour fixed for the proceedings to commence, the hall was crowded, and a good many presented themselves for whom accommodation could not be provided. An excellent tea was served to the little waifs, and as a good meal was almost unknown to them, it is needless to say that the repast was heartily enjoyed. Mr. Quarrier afterwards addressed the gathering, and imparted some wholesome advice to the children. In the course of his remarks he referred to the difficulty experienced in consequence of there being no law for the control of street children, and stated that it was the duty of the magistrates to take steps to remedy the present state of matters. At the conclusion of Mr. Quarrier's remarks, one of the older boys present mounted the platform and moved the following resolution:—"That we, the news-boys and girls, shoeblacks, pipe-sellers, etc., assembled at our annual meeting in the City Orphan Home Hall, resolve once more to ask the Lord-Provost and Town-Council of Glasgow to get an Act of Parliament to control the street children, that we may not injure ourselves, and become a curse to the community." Another boy seconded the resolution, which was received by the youngsters with loud applause. A living illustration of the old picture of "Look on this picture and on that," could be found last evening in a comparison of the waifs from the street with a number of the well-clad and happy-looking boys from Cessnock Home, who in the course of the proceedings sang several hymns, while some of their number also gave recitations in a manner that would have done credit to children of an older growth. As usual, Mr. Quarrier invited any of the homeless boys or girls to come into the Homes, where they would be taken care of and removed from the temptation of the streets. A magic-lantern entertainment was given during the evening, and afforded considerable amusement to the children. Shortly before separating every boy and girl was supplied with a substantial meat pie, and on leaving the hall they were presented by Mr and Mrs Quarrier with a New Testament and a New-Year card.

These annual gatherings give us an opportunity of influencing many of the poor little waifs and strays whom we could not otherwise reach. It is a matter of unspeakable regret to us that the magistrates have not yet seen it their duty to take steps to make our streets what they should be. We know of no reason why they should not be as safe for the children who make a living on them as any public workshop, but as they are now they are a disgrace to us.

Jan. 12.—There are few things encourage us more than the remembrance of old friends who from year to year help the work. One who has for many years had fellowship with us sends the following from Ayrshire:—

DEAR SIR,—Enclosed find bank order for £100, from which please to take £10 for your own use, and the remainder to be applied as you think best in the Master's work in which you are engaged. I was very pleased to see from your last Report—as well as in former ones—that the Lord has supplied all the needs of your large family for another year. The good work which occupies your whole time is a testimony to the world of the power of faith in a covenant-keeping God. I was delighted when, some time ago, you gave up your business,—thus devoting your whole time to the Lord's work—and trusting Him to supply your own needs, as well as those of your large and increasing family; and I trust—or, rather, I am confident—that you will never regret doing so. It is indeed a privilege to be permitted to be helpers in such a work, even when only by giving a little to it of the means which the Master has entrusted us with. That the Lord may more and more bless you in your own soul, and increasingly make you a blessing to others, is my prayer.

We have never had cause to regret the step we took in giving up our own business, and although we have never had more than we required for our own needs we have never had less. Another valued friend sends us £110 from Edinburgh for the emigration branch of the work, for which we shall need £3,000 before June. Our eyes are to the Lord, from whence cometh our help; and as He has put the desire in our heart to increase the numbers we send annually to Canada, we are confident He will send the means to do it. Four children were admitted, and a young woman of 18 who was living in very low lodgings with her miserable mother and in danger of being led astray.

Jan. 16.—There were many sad cases at the City Home to-day wanting our help and advice. Among them were the following, which will give some idea of the difficult task we have daily to perform, sympathising with the outcast and trying to rescue the perishing: A boy of 15; mother alive, but without work and starving. Another of 13; mother dead, father out of work, and the boy in a miserable state, starving; is not through the First Standard at school yet. Another of 13; father dead, and the mother, having other children, sent this one out to see if he could get some one to help him. Next, a poor widow, whose daughter's husband is out of work and she is not able to do much herself. Gave her some tea and sugar and bread. The next was the mother of two little girls at present in the Home. She comes with a long story of her dead husband's ill-doings, but the truth is she herself is one of the worst of women. Her poor children when they saw her to-day screamed out for fear, thinking she had come to remove them and terrified to go near her. The next case was a man wanting advice, whose story was that he had been in poor health and gone home to Ireland. During his absence his wife started shebeening and when he returned, not much improved in health, he found her prosecuting this business. He said the house was in such a state and the characters who frequented it so bad, with their swearing and fighting, he had to go elsewhere. Now his wife had been sentenced to five years' penal servitude and he would like some one to take his children. We advised him to go to the Inspector of Poor and state his case to him as he had done to us. Next was a widow, a hand-loom weaver, who has been idle for a number of weeks. Her eldest daughter (15) lost her situation five or six weeks ago, and the family are in great straits and about to be turned out of their house for non-payment of rent. She wished us to take the girl

and train her for service, and this we agreed to do, and also gave her some food to tide her over. Next, a girl of 16, both parents dead. She had been brought up in a nunnery, but says she is willing to comply with the rules of the Home. She had gone to the priests but they would do nothing for her, and a decent R.C. woman brought her to us, wanting us to help her to a situation. Another decent widow called, wishing us to take her boy who is in the Union in Liverpool. The family was once in a better position, but through the long illness of the father they were brought down. The woman is grateful for the help given in taking two of her boys, who are now in Canada. There were a number of other cases.

Jan. 24.—Only 19s. 8d. has come to-day, and our wants are great. We are looking for more money for buildings, more for emigration, and more for the daily maintenance. Our God is able to supply all our need.

Feb. 9.—A friend in Wales to-day sends us £5 and says:—"I feel pleased and honoured in being able to cheer the Lord's servants by contributing 'His' for 'His' under your care, thanking you for your labour of love." We also received £10 from a Bible Class to take a child to Canada. We trust all the members of the class will realize how much more blessed it is to give than to receive, and that the child who is benefited by their gift may be found with them at last in the heavenly country above.

Feb. 12.—£5 from Paisley, 30s. from Biggar, and £1 1s. from Glasgow, is all that has come to-day. We have taken in five children. One a girl of 10, from Dundee, whose mother is frequently in the hands of the police; and the poor child has been so neglected she will require medical treatment. Also, a family of three—two girls, 7 and 10, and a little boy of 3, who were found sitting beside their mother's dead body on Monday last, and have no friends able to care for them.

Feb. 14.—"A servant" sends us 10s., and "a shore labourer" 5s., which, with 25s. from two other friends, is all we have received to-day for the maintenance of our large family.

Feb. 17.—The following reached us from an unknown friend enclosing £2 for emigration, from "Matthew xiv. 31":—"And immediately Jesus stretched forth his hand and caught him, and said unto him, O thou of little faith, *wherefore didst thou doubt?*" From Largs, £10 also came for emigration, and yesterday two more children were paid for.

Feb. 20.—Yesterday a box of useful articles of clothing came from Biggar, with the following letter:—

DEAR SIR,—We have again very great pleasure in forwarding a box with a few articles which you may find useful to some of your large family. On reading extracts of the Report to our scholars, their interest in the "Orphans" seemed to be quite aroused, and at once they expressed their desire to send them a box. So their little fingers were soon busy, and it was a source of very pure pleasure to them and to us as each finished article was put into the box. Some who were too young to do any work gave in their mites, amounting to 10s 10d, and a few friends have also kindly given small donations. We earnestly hope and pray that you are being strengthened day by day for your great and self-denying labours. May the Lord bless and prosper you in the work He has given you to do, and may your faith in Him more and more increase.

It is pleasing to us to see in how many ways the Lord supplies our needs, and often from quarters it would be least expected. There are now many Sabbath and day schools throughout the country the children

of which take a lively interest in the little ones sheltered in our Homes, and we are sure they would feel fully rewarded for any self-denial they may have to exercise could they see some of the children as they come to us, and again after they have been washed and clothed. £5 from Perth came to-day from a friend who says:—

DEAR SIR,—As this is about the time I used to remember you, I now do so in the shape of a five-pound note for the benefit of your large family, with their many wants, sorry it is not a larger sum, but hoping, though small, it may not be despised. It is gratifying to learn how you have succeeded in placing so many in America, where they are away from old associates, and in a land more likely to get on in than in their own country. Besides training them to what is essential for every-day work, it is an unspeakable boon to be taught the Scriptures from their youth up, which by the grace of God will make them wise unto salvation. Wishing you every success.

March 2.—£10 from Johnstone, £2 10s. from Wales, and £10 from a friend in Glasgow—who sends every year the same amount to take a boy to Canada—have come for the emigration branch which at present is in need. We hope to be able to send 100 boys to Canada about the end of this month, and for this purpose £1,000 will be required, or £10 each for passage and outfit. We have already received about £700 and are looking for the balance to come soon.

March 3.—£10 from Edinburgh for one boy.

March 7.—Yesterday one more child was paid for, and to-day money has come for three—£10 of it money "saved from housekeeping." £1 also came to-day from Rothesay, the history of which touched us very much. It is the legacy of a servant girl whose mistress writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—It is with a sad heart I write, enclosing £1, the dying gift of our dear girl, Mary Brown, on 4th February. She left what has been to her a happy home for 14 years, I hope to take possession of the mansion which her Saviour has prepared for her. The dear girl was never strong, but was confined to bed only a few weeks. When near her end she said, "If I get better I will send 10s. to Mr. Quarrier; if I don't, you will send £1." She took a great interest in you and your orphans, often regretting that she had never seen you as any time we were at the Homes you were absent; however, she said "I think I will see him in heaven." She was a good, faithful girl to us—more a friend than a servant; we miss her very much. I cannot promise to work for your cause as Mary did, for she really worked beyond her strength, but her collecting box is standing on the hall table, and I will try and collect a little for you before the end of the year.

In December last she sent us £4, collected during the year, and at that time we little thought it was to be her last service for us. "The cup of cold water" has refreshed us once and again, and now the giver is with the Lord who has promised "it shall not lose its reward."

Mar. 9.—Another child paid for by a friend in Uddingston and two others by friends in Glasgow.

Mar. 10.—£80 from London, £10 from Brighton, £10 from Montrose, and £10 from Glasgow, make eleven more provided for.

Mar. 12.—£20 to take two children to Canada, collected by a friend who last year paid for one. It is encouraging when friends not only continue their good works but increase them as this one has done.

Mar. 17.—An old friend who now lives in London sends us the following:—"I see your wants are great and I have no doubt they will be supplied. Meanwhile, I can only act on the principle of Dr. Chalmers, that 'mony littles mak' the muckles,' and send you a bank cheque for twenty-five pounds, to be applied at your own discretion, and with best wishes." Another in Edinburgh writes as follows:—

MY DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I heard an observation at a meeting lately which led me to cogitate thus with myself: "It is certain that I am at the very least £5 richer than if

we had not been all total abstainers in our house." So I went home and said to my family: "If you had 10s. each to give for benevolent purposes, to what objects would you give it?" The result was that in their allotments £1 7s. 6d. was set down to go to Mr. Quarrier for the Orphan Homes of Scotland. I have the pleasure, therefore, of enclosing you a cheque for £12 17s. 6d., which is £2 7s. 6d. more than my usual contribution to help on your good work.

"A few working men who sympathize with you in your noble work send £1." Another friend in London sends 2s. 6d. as "a small rain drop," with the wish that we "may have large and small drops until our bucket is full—the largest shower comes but in drops." We often think how true it is "God hath chosen the poor of this world, rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom."

Mar. 20.—On returning home late to-night we found the following waiting us from one who has helped us much in the Lord:—

MY DEAR SIR,—The Lord says send one day's supply to the bairns at the Homes, so I enclose to-morrow's portion, £40. It is blessed to give of what is the Lord's, He restoreth an hundred-fold. Praise His name.

Would that all the Lord's people would enjoy more frequently the privilege of giving Him what is His own.

Mar. 25.—A dear aged friend yesterday sent us 30s. with the following:—"Almost all the dear friends that used to send are called away before me. I am now 94, and so blind and lame, and enfeebled by age; your very interesting paper I now and then lift and try to read. I am not reading now but the Bible. I know you remember me in prayer." We do pray for this aged servant of the Master that her way through the valley may be brightened by the realized presence of Him who has said "Fear not, for I am with thee." To-day 5s. from Cupar-Fife from one who gives heartily to the Lord according to her means. She says:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—It is with the greatest pleasure I enclose postal order for 5s. for your poor bairns, glad indeed to be allowed the privilege of helping ever so little in such Christlike work, and only sorry it is in my power to do so little; but He who has all hearts and all the silver and gold in His possession can answer prayer, and so magnify Himself that we shall testify of His power and glory more fully the longer we live. But how often is the gentle rebuke necessary, "Said I not unto thee, that if thou wouldst believe thou shouldst see the glory of God." "Be not faithless, but believing." God abundantly bless and strengthen and long spare you to carry on this good work, and also all those who help you.

The prayers of God's people are a great help to us and we value them quite as much as we do their gifts and loving words. If people are sufficiently interested to pray for a good cause, we feel sure they will not withhold help of another kind when it is in their power to give it. During the past few weeks we have taken in almost every day, and some days as many as five, destitute little ones. Our family has increased so much we are feeling straitened for room and do not know what we should do were there no such outlet as Canada affords for the large number we hope to send.

DEPARTURE OF THIS YEAR'S FIRST BAND OF BOYS TO CANADA.

April 1.—For weeks past our energies have been taxed to the utmost preparing for the work that meets us to-day in despatching 100 boys to Canada. It is no easy task to decide which of the members of our large family are to have the privilege of going, nor to get ready the outfits for so many, but we are glad to say the Lord has given all needed strength, and has supplied all the means necessary even before the time

it was needed. Our farewell meeting was held in the City Home yesterday at 2 o'clock, and there was a larger gathering of friends to bid the outward bound "God speed" than we ever remember to have seen before. Sir William Collins presided, and ministers, and other friends also spoke. One of these was Rev. Mr. McGillivray from Canada, who being in Glasgow and hearing of the meeting, came to see the children. He said "it was with peculiar feelings that he found himself on the platform and looking at the faces of the 100 boys who were going to be his fellow-citizens in the years to come. They in Canada took a very deep interest in the work, and he could assure them that there was no name so much revered throughout the province of Ontario as Mr. Quarrier's. He was glad to be there to wish the boys God speed to the shores of his native land; a land that he was persuaded would afford them a kind and Christian home, and a land where they would find ample room to make themselves useful. In his own district of Glengarry there were no less than seven boys and girls from Mr. Quarrier's Homes, and he was glad to say they were all doing very well. He himself had taken one of the boys, who in reality had become a son of the manse. The children who were going out had reason to thank God that they had been rescued from poverty, and possibly from vice, by going to a new country where they would not have so many temptations."

This forenoon the boys under the care of Mr. and Mrs. Kelly, two of our helpers, sailed for the land of their adoption on board the s.s. *Hanoverian*. The Messrs. Allan, as is customary with them, provided special quarters for our party and made every arrangement possible for their comfort. We went with them to Greenock and saw them settled and provided with all they are likely to need on the voyage. They go out followed by many prayers, and will, we trust, in the years to come, rise up to be God-fearing useful men in the new land.

After paying all expenses we are left with about £350 on hand towards the sending of our second band about the beginning of May.

To-day money for five more has come from Largs, Elderslie, Croydon, and Wooler, and we have no doubt all will be sent in good time. One friend says:—

DEAR SIR,—This is my birthday, and it has occurred to me that a more suitable "birthday present" could not be than sending you a cheque for £10, to furnish out one of your little protégés for Canada. I feel deeply interested in your great and noble work, and trust that many may feel disposed to lend you a helping hand.

April 7.—A friend in Wemyss Bay sends £50 to take five children to Canada, and another in Helensburgh, £3.

April 10.—A Paisley friend writes:—

MY DEAR SIR,—I see you have a large family to transplant this year, and beg to hand you herewith cheque for ten pounds to convey one of them to the new quarters across the water, or to apply otherwise for your work if any other part seems to you more needful. Wishing all the young ones every blessing, and yourself all needful help.

Another in Crief says:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Enclosed P. O. O. is one pound for the emigration. I feel it is so little. You can confidently look up to God to provide. It is His work. As his under shepherd He will supply. "Behold, the Lord God will come with strong hand, and his arm shall rule for him: behold, his reward is with him, and his work before him. He shall feed his flock like a shepherd: he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom." That is His own word. Wishing you and yours every needful supply.

From Kilmarnock £10 also came for the same purpose.

April 13.—To-day, from a distant part of Europe, £50 reached us,

with the following letter, from one who has frequently been a helper in the past :—

MY DEAR AND ESTEEMED MR. QUARRIER,—In the midst of the sin, distress, and sorrow so prevalent, it is a comfort to be enabled to help a little a few of our needy and oppressed brothers and sisters in their time of need; and I rejoice that you fulfil this precious ministry given to you of the Lord. Please use the enclosed £50, which is sent with thankfulness, towards emigrating boys and girls to Canada, a step which, with the Divine blessing, is in my judgment more calculated to be to their benefit than if many times the expenses were spent on them in the old country. My means being much reduced is the only reason for the amount being less than before. Praying the Lord to be with you and your helpers, and to bless the children in their preparation and going, and to preserve them evermore.

April 14.—To-day a friend who paid for one of the boys sent in last party, and who had promised to pay for another next year, sent £10 with the text Prov. iii. 28: "Say not to thy neighbour, Go, and come again, and to-morrow I will give; when thou hast it by thee." None of us know how long or short the time of our service here may be, and it is our duty to do what is laid to our hand, lest the opportunity may never be ours again. The Lord help us to be faithful to the trust committed to us, and in working for Him while it is called to-day.

April 18.—£20 from Johnstone and £10 from Cannes for emigration. We need much more than this, and the Lord is able to give it.

April 25.—To-day an unknown friend called at the Bridge-of-Weir Homes and left a letter, which on opening, we found contained £10, without name or address. The gift is a most acceptable one, and we do pray that our Father in heaven may reward the giver.

April 27.—£10 from Ayrshire and £10 from Edinburgh pay for two more children.

April 30.—One child was paid for yesterday, and to-day we have received £20 from two friends in Glasgow and £10 from Edinburgh, which completes the amount we require for the boys we have prepared to send on 7th May. How kind our Father in Heaven is to give us the money before the time, thus setting our minds free for the arduous work that next week will bring us! We give thanks at the remembrance of His goodness, and call upon our souls and all that is within us to bless His holy name. To-day it was our sad duty to commit to the grave the body of one of the dear boys who, since he came to us four years ago, has been more or less an invalid. During the past few months he has been fast ripening for heaven, and his bright testimony and love for the Saviour were wonderful. He had a message for all who visited him, and never seemed to tire of telling what the Lord had done for him. The boys in the same cottage were all spoken to, and we are sure Charlie Aird's dying words will ever be remembered by them. The separations of earth are trying to us, but how joyful is the thought that one day we and those who have gone before will be re-united in the Father's house of "many mansions," where sickness and death never enter!

OUR SECOND BAND OF BOYS TO CANADA THIS YEAR.

May 7.—We can scarcely realise that it is a month since the last party left our shores. Every day has been fully occupied caring for the children in the Homes, and gathering in others. The Lord has provided all the means for passage and outfit of this second band, which numbers 99, and we are left with a very small balance on hand towards

the third party. Thus has He delivered us from our fears and led us again to see that no matter who fails He never does. We had not arranged for any farewell meeting in our own hall for this party, but having taken an interest in the Noon Prayer Meeting from its commencement, we thought, with the consent of the directors, it would be a nice thing to have the children present at it to-day. Those from the Bridge-of-Weir Homes came to town by an early train, and were met by 'buses at the station and driven to the Christian Institute, where the children from Govan Road joined them. Mr. E. P. Hammond presided, and addressed the children as to their future life in the country they were going to. The meeting was a most impressive one, and will not soon be forgotten by the children or the friends who were present. Dinner was provided at the close, and thereafter we proceeded to the ship in two 'buses, each drawn by four grey horses, kindly provided by a friend who has for many years helped us in the same way whenever we required it. It was certainly a grand turn-out for our poor children; many who saw it wondered that anyone should be so mindful of them. At three o'clock the *Norwegian*, of the Allan Line, sailed out with her precious freight of young lives bound for the land which God has provided for the overgrown population of this little island of ours. Our prayers go with them that they may be preserved from the snares of the devil, and be made not only respectable members of society, but fellow-citizens with us of the household of God. We left them at Greenock comfortably settled for the night in the commodious quarters set apart for them by the Messrs. Allan. Mr. Halliwell, our oldest worker, Mr. Mackie who is going to settle in Canada, and our youngest daughter go in charge, and for them also our prayers go up that all needed grace may be given them for their responsible task. Our hearts have been gladdened by letters telling us of the safe arrival of the first party at Belleville after a stormy passage, and of the hearty welcome and open doors for the children. Truly God doth go before us.

May 12.—To-day we have vacated old Cessnock Home on the Govan Road in which so many years of happy service for the Master have been spent. The house is very dilapidated, and the ground has been acquired by the Clyde Trust for their new docks, so that we could not remain longer, but God in His goodness has given us another "Cessnock" in one of the cottages at Bridge-of-Weir. Our mind goes back over the years that are past, and as we think of the hundreds of little ones who have been sheltered beneath its roof and taught of Jesus and His love, our hearts go out to God in praise and thanksgiving to Him for the countless blessings and privileges He has conferred upon us.

May 15.—The only gifts to-day are 2s. 5d. from a missionary box, 6d. from a little boy, 3s. from another little boy in Dundee, 15s. from a Bible class (collected in farthings), and £10 to take a child to Canada. Our needs are great, and these small gifts tell us we are not forgotten before God. Yesterday four were taken into the home. One of them, a young woman from the north of Scotland, whose mother was such a bad character no one will have anything to do with her children now she is dead, and this poor girl was literally starving.

May 19.—£10 from Largs for the emigration of one child, and £100

from Edinburgh for ten. The latter friend says:—"May the blessing of the Lord go with it. We have much to praise the Lord for. We would praise Him far more than we do had we a deeper sense of what we owe to His love—this we covet." How often we need to be reminded that we have nothing but what we have received from God and are not our own. Our efforts in the Master's service would be greater did we at all times realize this. May it be ours to do so more and more in the future.

May 23.—The gift of £1000 from a dear friend in the East of Scotland has gladdened our hearts to-day. We have been asking the Lord to send us money for the new stores, which we are in great need of, and this earnest will enable us to go on with them during the summer. We believe the Lord will also send the means to complete them as it is required.

May 29.—Seven more children were paid for yesterday and five to-day.

June 1.—A young widow who has to work for her own living called to-day with £10 "as part of the proceeds of the sale of her husband's tools." We did not think she could afford such a sum, but it is her desire to give it to the Lord. May He who is the Father of the fatherless and the Husband of the widow reward her abundantly.

June 3.—From different quarters money has come to pay for eight more children to-day.

June 5.—From Edinburgh, Stirling, Dunfermline, London, and Glasgow, money has come for five children to Canada. We shall need about £80 before the children sail this day week, and are looking to the Lord to send it. He is able, and if He means the children we have fixed on to go, He will send the money for their passage and outfit.

June 9.—Yesterday and to-day all the money has come and we are ready to go, every one paid. To our loving Father be the praise. The kind messages and gifts of friends have been a great source of strength during the last month of busy work and anxiety, and we do praise God on their behalf. The following from Grangemouth, with £3, £2 for the work and £1 for our own needs, cheered us in going forth:—

I cannot resist the sweet impulse of giving expression to the wish of my heart that you and yours and the girls may have a safe and prosperous voyage. The Lord bless you and keep you, and bring you safe back again.

Another in Greenock says:—

I received your circular this week, for which I thank you very much. The letters of the boys are really gems, and several of them breathe such a fine spirit, that I do hope the writers of them may turn out really good men in every sense of the word. I enclose a donation of £3, which you can apply to whatever you consider most needful. I am almost afraid you will overtax your strength and energy by the management of such a large concern; for, although you may have good reliable agents under you, still the great responsibility rests upon you. When I was over some of the Homes at Bridge-of-Weir I thought the establishment quite complete; but now, instead of a hamlet, you will have quite a village, and that none of the smallest, to look after. The voyage to America I have no doubt will be beneficial to you and Mrs. Quarrier, and, as I do not believe you could get on without work of some sort, the very change of occupation will be beneficial. Wishing you God-speed in all your undertakings, and that you may have a pleasant voyage across.

A servant sends 10s., "wishing it were ten times more, and trusting you will have a safe voyage." God bless the many friends who thus think of and pray for us.

THIRD BAND OF CHILDREN TO CANADA THIS YEAR—140 GIRLS.

For the first time in the history of the work we are sending three parties of children to Canada in one year. For nine years we only sent one, which annually increased, and in the last four years we sent two, to lessen the size of each party. This year the way has been opened up for so many to go we have had to face three parties. This last one has very materially increased our labours here and also in Canada, and had it not been to make room in the Homes for the numbers of needy ones applying we would not have undertaken it. There are few who know the difficulties connected with the starting out in life of such a large number of children, but those who do will sympathise. Most people find it no easy matter to start off one son or daughter, and they can imagine what it has been to us with 340. It must be remembered that every boy sent is provided with a good outfit, comprising three suits of clothing—one for winter wear, one for summer, and one for working, in addition to the warm suit he travels in—four shirts, four pairs socks, three pairs boots, a straw hat, a fur cap, a Scotch cap, braces, handkerchiefs, collars, ties, Bible, "Pilgrim's Progress," writing desk with materials, brush and comb, and a work-bag with needles, thread, worsted for darning, etc. All is packed in a good strong box, with each boy's name on his own. The girls are furnished out in the same way, and have a nicely trimmed dress and hat for Sabbath wear and a wincey dress and dark hat for winter, a liberal supply of underclothing both for summer and winter, three pairs boots, four pairs stockings, ties, gloves, collars, aprons and pinafores, and warm ulster, hood and cravat, etc. To provide all these means anxious thought and preparation beforehand, and we have to thank the many ladies and friends throughout the country whose busy fingers have helped to make the garments. That is only part of our labours, and not the greatest. The children suitable having been chosen the relatives have to be informed, and there again trouble comes. Many of them are the children's worst enemies, and would, if they could, stand in the way of their welfare. Then again the removal of so many from each Home disturbs the order and management, and it is a very trying time to the fathers and mothers in the cottages, who have learned to love the little ones given them to care for. Although it is our intention to go on sending more children to Canada each year, we do not think we could again face three parties. Mrs. Quarrier and myself had arranged to go with the girls, not so much for rest as for change of work, hoping that thereby renewed strength would be obtained.

June 13.—The steamer *Siberian* of the Allan Line, which we had decided to sail with, was advertised to leave on the 11th, but was detained till to-day at 10 A.M. We wanted to have a public meeting with the children before leaving, and saw no other way to accomplish it than by having one at 9 A.M., rather an early and unusual hour, but the large gathering in the Christian Institute this morning at that hour fully justified our decision, and led us to see that even earlier the Lord's people would have come to unite with us in commending our little ones and ourselves to our Heavenly Father's care. To ourselves the meeting was a source of strength and helped us to go forth with increased faith in God for His guidance and keeping in the unknown journey before us. We sailed out at half-past 10 o'clock in the good ship commanded by

Captain Moore, with whom one of our parties crossed before. Every arrangement had been made for our comfort, and we started amid the cheers and good wishes of hundreds of interested friends, who at such an early hour came to bid us God speed. It was not without anxiety that we left the work at home, but we felt sure God would provide in our absence all that would be required.

June 30.—To-day an unknown friend in Coatbridge sent £30, a most acceptable gift, as little has come the past few days. The Lord bless her abundantly. Yesterday two little boys of four and two, who recently lost their father, were received. The poor mother has tried to maintain them, but is now offered the poorhouse, which she does not want her children to go to. Also a little boy of six, living in such surroundings that the woman who came with him says he is already going wrong. Poor children, what chance have some of them to do right when from their earliest days they see nothing but sin and misery!

July 2.—The following letter from one of the boys sent to Canada in April, gives a good idea of the kind of homes most of them find. The country life on the farms is a blessing to the boys, and saves them from the ever-present temptations of large cities:—

DEAR FRIEND,—I write you these few lines to let you know that I am keeping well. I am in a good home here and I like this place very much. I am about a hundred miles from Belleville. My brother James lives about two miles and a half across the fields from here. He is in a very good home, and I see him every Sunday at Sunday-school. He tries to beat me in the school at saying verses, but I always manage to keep ahead of him. I came here about six weeks ago. We had all our seed in the ground on the 25th of May. I can plant potatoes pretty well now, and in a week or two we will be hoeing them. When I came here they were busy in the sugar bush, getting in the sap from the maple trees. I helped to go through the woods and empty the buckets. We go through the bush on a sleigh, and when we come to a maple tree we take the pail of sap, then we empty it into a large can and hang the pail up again, and take the sap to the sugar house, where we boil it into syrup and maple sugar. The farmers around here were late with their spring's work, owing to the water lying in the fields, which prevented them from ploughing. There is a boy from No. 6 Cottage, who came out last year, and his sister, who live just across one field from me. There are other two boys from Cessnock about four miles from me. We have a good large farm here, there is a hundred and fifty acres in it. We have four horses, six cows, nine yearling calves, and twenty-nine sheep and fifteen lambs. We had a duck, but a fox had her for his supper last week; but now we have got fourteen ducklings and five chickens, beside thirty-one hens. We have two pigs and get plenty of fat pork. The weather is very warm here. We have an orchard at the back of the house, with apple trees, cherry trees, currant bushes, and raspberry bushes. In our vegetable garden we have potatoes, pumpkins, cucumbers, tomatoes, melons, and squashes, onions, beet, and cabbage. We have plum trees growing in the meadow. I cannot mention all the things that grow here. A great deal of the work here is done by machinery—thrashing, binding, sowing, reaping, and all is done by horse-power machines. In some of the farms round here the dog does the churning, and I am sure I never saw a dog churning in Scotland. Our saw goes by horse-power. I liked the voyage across the sea and I was only sick two days. The crops are coming up beautiful and the meadows are all nice and green. James is to start to school on Monday, but I won't be going till winter time. I can milk two cows now quite fast. We sowed oats, barley, wheat, peas, and about an acre of potatoes, and we have about thirty-one acres of meadow land. No more at present, but remains, your friend,

H. M.

To-day three boys of nine, seven, and five years were admitted. Their father died some years ago, and the mother left them on the streets and went off a short time since. This is no unusual case, and one is apt sometimes to blame harshly those who do such things, but few know what it is for a woman to struggle on with two, three, or more of a family left unprovided for by the death of the bread-winner. Too often they fly to drink, imagining that brings comfort, and the result is the

mother's heart is turned against her own offspring, and she goes off and leaves them regardless of what may be their fate. How often such might be saved if the Church were alive to her duty, and gave the helping hand when it was needed! If the public-houses which are at every corner were swept away and the temptation to drink not there, hundreds of mothers would be saved who are now ruining body and soul through this dreadful curse. May God arouse our country to the point of demanding the removal of every one of these places which lead so many into immorality and crime.

July 8.—A family of four orphan children, 10, 8, 6, and 4 years of age were brought to us from Dunbar. Both parents, who were respectable people, died within a short time of each other last year, and the children were left in the care of their grandfather, who is an old man and dependent on his children, so quite unable to keep these four. Many similar cases have found a home with us, and we feel it a great privilege to save them from the poor-house. Also a boy from Carlisle, so self-willed and unmanageable that his mother can do nothing with him. We pray that God's grace may change his heart, and that he may become a good and true man.

July 10.—Another family, of four orphans, was brought to us to-day from Bathgate. The mother died four years ago, and the father last week, leaving the children without friends able to keep them.

July 15.—30s., the only money to-day, 10s. of it is from a boy once in the Home, who is now doing well, and that has encouraged us. We took in a little girl of 5, whose father, now dead, left her in the care of a woman, only telling her the mother was in an asylum, and now no friends can be found and the little one is alone in the world.

July 17.—The following letter from one who for many years has contributed towards the work, and who still prefers to remain unknown, was left at our house to-day:—

The enclosed two pounds are to help you with your Homes. My heavenly Father has increased my store this year, so instead of sending you one pound as I have done for years, He has enabled me to double it. When I first sent you a pound you were in Dalhousie Street. I walked one summer Sabbath afternoon and handed it in at your door, as I have every year since more or less regularly. Though I have only seen you once addressing a meeting, yet I still look on you as a personal friend and read of your work with much interest in the papers.

Another unknown one, who also desires to thank the Lord in a practical way for His goodness, says in sending £3:—

Praise the Lord. He has put me through a wonderful experience. I trusted Him to come in, and before one quarter of an hour the joy seemed to come welling up and out in praising His name. I ask your prayers that I may be kept humble. I enclose this for His work. May your faith be still increased.

The Lord's hidden ones are not forgotten by Him, and although we often feel we would like personally to thank them for their gifts, we believe they will receive blessing from the Lord in giving in His way—not letting their left hand know what their right hand doeth. A lady in Ireland sends £3 for our own need, and says, "I am so glad to help 'cheer' a worker, weary often, no doubt, and tempted to feel cast down; notwithstanding the much success which on the whole attends the Lord's work." There are many discouragements, but the joy of serving the Master and the success with which He crowns our labours more than make up for them all. Realizing in some measure the value of

one immortal soul we count no labour too great if by it we can save one, and the Lord in His goodness has given us many souls for our hire and thus encouraged us on our way.

July 20.—No money to-day nor on Saturday and our needs are increasing. One little fellow of 7 from Edinburgh was added to our family. His father died in December last. A month ago the mother was hanging clothes out of her window and overbalanced herself and was picked up only to live two hours. The little boy was thus orphaned, and no friends being found to help we were asked to take him.

July 24.—A family of four children, 13, 10, 5, and 3, were admitted. Their mother, after three months in the infirmary, died a month ago. Three years before that the father died and she had struggled to keep a house over her head with lodgers, now she is gone and the children are left friendless. What a privilege to shelter such and care for them till they are able to do for themselves! Only £7 17s. to-day although our family has increased by four. The Father of the fatherless will provide for His own little ones.

Aug. 12.—For the last fortnight very little money has come, and to-day £100 from one who had already sent to our necessities this year, was a most welcome gift. Our Father never disappoints those who trust in Him. Two children of 10 and 8, whose mother lies on her deathbed, were taken in. Also a young woman who wants to do well, but has no chance because of her bad mother.

Aug. 13.—To-day a young friend sent us an order for 200 loaves, as a wedding present on the occasion of his marriage. We are sure his happiness would be all the greater because of his remembrance of the poor and needy.

Aug. 18.—A friend in Kilmarnock writes:—

The enclosed P.O. Order for £10 has been handed to me by one who wishes to be known as "A Friend" to your excellent institution. She lies on her deathbed, and this is her last, but not the only donation she has sent you.

We have not heard whether this dear unknown one has gone home or not, but we shall one day meet her and rejoice together over what the Lord has permitted us unitedly to accomplish. She is one of the many who do good by stealth, and will be rewarded openly when the Master calls us to receive the reward.

Aug. 20.—To-day, after two months' absence we—Mrs Quarrier, my daughter, and self—arrived home from Canada, and were glad to find the work had progressed satisfactorily while we were away. The reception given us at the Bridge-of-Weir Homes would have befitting Royalty and we were quite overcome by it. Flags were waving from every house, and the children lined the avenue, nearly all with banners and flowers in their hands. As the carriage passed up we were literally inundated with flowers, and the cheering was almost deafening. At the Central Building the children all gathered together and sang a piece prepared for the occasion—"Oh, but we're glad to see you!" It would be hard to say whether they or we were most glad to be at home again, but certainly we felt that it was almost worth while going away to get such a welcome back. We wished all our helpers could have been with us to see the display and the happiness of our rescued band. Among the letters waiting us was one from a servant enclosing 10s.

with the one word "Inasmuch," which we trust will be her reward at last, and the following from one who though unknown to us personally frequently remembers our needs. He writes:—"Welcome back to our country, for I have no hesitation in so doing beforehand, for you are insured in an honourable and safeworthy company. I may say that my experience of it is glorious. For many years I paid a premium for £1000 at death against accidents of all kinds. Some two years ago I changed Companies and now I add the same amount of premium to the credit of the Lord, and since whenever I go or feel in any danger I feel safe. So much for the honour of the company." It is a blessed thing to be in partnership with the Lord, and to realise that the money entrusted to us is not our own but given by Him to be used for the advancement of His kingdom. There are more of the Lord's children realising this now than ever before, and we pray that the number may increase.

Aug. 27.—One of our little ones in "Bethesda" Home left us to-day for the home above after some years of patient suffering. All was done that could be with good nursing and care, but the Master had better things in store for Lizzie Campbell, and although we miss her we know that the change for her is a blessed one. To-day the Lord sent us three other little ones to care for, so we are not left with vacant places long. Their father died last month and their mother a year ago, and the grandmother, a decent, Christian widow, is not able to provide for them.

Aug. 31.—From New Zealand £4 reached us with the following letter:—

We received your reports, and were much cheered to see how the Lord was still prospering you in your good work among the destitute children and to see the cheering accounts which reach you from time to time from those who have benefited both temporally and spiritually. We hope that the Lord will continue to bless you more and more and establish the work of your hands. May you be long spared to rescue many who are perishing both for lack of bread and for lack of knowledge.

Sept. 4.—One of our rescued ones in Canada writes:—

DEAR MR. AND MRS. QUARRIER.—I now take the opportunity of writing to you these few lines to let you know that I am placed in very good circumstances for which I am very thankful to God. I am staying in a very good house, and could not wish to be in a better one, and so is Lizzie. I am very well used, and have good times. We are on pretty well with our harvest. We have a self-binder; that is a machine that reaps and binds the grain itself. We have eight milking cows this summer, and I milk four of them. Lizzie is staying about a mile from me. She was down seeing me the other evening, and she showed me a letter that you sent her, and your photograph. It looks to be the very picture of yourself, and reminded me of the time when I was living with you. I don't see my sister very often, and I would like if you would send me your photograph too, if you please. I hope that Mrs. Quarrier and yourself are well, and all the rest. I will send our photographs the next letter I write to you. I send my kind love to all the boys in Number 1. We have nineteen head of cattle, six sheep, ten pigs, and two team of horses. Would you please tell me something about how you are coming on with the work. I guess it has greatly increased since I was there. I wonder whether you have the training ship up yet or not. Would you please read this to the boys of Number 1. I will now draw my letter to a close. No more at present, but remains, yours truly, H. B.

We have sent him the photograph as requested, and have also read the letter. The children here are always delighted to get word of their old companions, and nothing pleases them more than to hear their letters read. We encourage them to write to us, and this adds to our labour considerably.

Sept. 8.—The workmen at our new buildings handed me £3 1s. 9d.

which they had subscribed among themselves to help the children, and yesterday we took in two children, 9 and 4, whose father, a working man, an iron-turner, died two years ago, and the mother is dying. She is a Christian woman and ready to go now she knows her children will be cared for. The Lord has enabled us to comfort many such in their last moments, and we know our helpers rejoice with us in the privilege.

Sept. 12.—A friend from Paisley called with £10 to take a boy or girl to Canada. He wrote to us some days ago saying, "somehow or other I always find myself short of money when I stop giving away. In looking over my list I find I have not given you very much for the Homes of late. £2 or £2 10s. is about as much as I can afford in a year. That is fully a week's wage. However, to make up for past neglect, I intend giving £10 this year." Such liberality is surely worthy of commendation, and we doubt not will be rewarded by Him who will not forget the labour of love of any of His children. If all who profess His name gave a week's income each year towards the promotion of His kingdom, it would bring blessing to themselves in the increase of their earthly store and glory to God in what would be accomplished.

Sept. 14.—For more than 12 months we have been asking the Lord to send us £5,000 to build a church and additional schoolroom, and for the last few days it has been specially laid on our hearts. The hall where we gather on Sabbaths is quite full when all our family is in it, and there are too many in the schoolroom to allow the work to be done efficiently. Our Father knew our need, and to-day through one of His children, sent the promise of £5,000 to supply it. Our hearts are filled with praise and thanksgiving. The Lord has done great things for us whereof we are glad. This gift has already called forth praise to God from all who have heard of it, and among our own workers who have been straitened for want of accommodation. We do pray that God will abundantly bless the friend to whom He has given the heart and the means to do this piece of service for Him. That the church may be the birthplace of hundreds of souls is our earnest prayer, in which we believe all our helpers will unite.

Sept. 17.—£1 from Largs and £1 from Shetland, with 2s. 7½d., the bank money of a little girl now gone home is all that has come to-day. The following encouraging letter from Shetland cheered us :—

DEAR SIR,—From my wife and myself I send you the enclosed one pound note (£1) as a donation in aid of the various good works in which you are engaged. I trust it will reach you in safety and you will reply. I trust your trip to America was pleasant and encouraging to you and to Mrs. Q. I hope you will be enabled not to weary in well-doing in rescuing the "lost sheep." Our Lord's charge to Peter was "Feed my lambs; feed my sheep"; and surely He meant to provide the wherewithal to feed them on. "Give ye them to eat," He said; but did not He Himself provide the food? "Even so it is not the will of our Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish." I think Psalm cxlvi. will be specially helpful and encouraging to you. I do much like to hear of all your good works prospering. You have been appointed to war against the devil's agents—drink, covetousness, and unbelief—hence the battle is the Lord's, and the victory and the glory will be His. No doubt you know all this a long way better than anything I can tell you; yet I sometimes fear you may feel at times a wee bit discouraged.—So, good bye, with best wishes.

How true it is that the battle is the Lord's, and it would be presumption in worms of the dust to think that by their own might and power they could do anything. May the Master keep us at His feet continually, emptied vessels meet for His use.

Sept. 28.—Not much has come for some days past, and there was only £7 11s. 8d. for the maintenance fund to-day; but £100 for buildings, with the following letter from Wales, made up for the lack of others :—

Enclosed find my cheque value £100, in aid of His work under your care, at your disposal. This cheque or amount has a history, which may not be without interest to you. For the last few years I have been subscribing systematically to His work. I remember some many years ago when an apprentice that I promised the Lord a tenth of all my salary and gainings, etc. I was then in the habit of giving and giving freely to some of His causes, but with no account kept. It has troubled me lately. Had I paid Him my debt or promise in full? as I felt somehow that He was hard upon me this last year. I shall certainly lose some £200 at least in business transactions; so, as to "square up" for fear of being in His debt, I beg to enclose the said £100. May I ask a share in your prayers for faith to look up to the Lord for grace to keep up expecting on Him in this business loss. "The Lord giveth as also taketh away." Wishing you long life to work for His cause, your friend in the Lord's service.

Many are at a loss to know how much of their income should be devoted to the Master, and this friend is anxious not to be in His debt. We are legal debtors for one-tenth of our income, and where there is ability to give, more free-will offerings should be made as the Lord prospers. We are not our own, and all we have or are, time, talents, and everything else belong to Him who hath redeemed us.

Oct. 5.—The following letter is from one of our girls who, with her two brothers, was sent to Canada eight years ago. She was homeless and friendless here, but has found a home and friends there :—

DEAR FRIEND,—I received your kind and welcome letter, and was glad to hear from it that you were well, as it leaves me the same at present. I was glad to get my sister's address, and am going to write to her just now. My brothers are well at present and getting along well. George is talking of buying a farm and I am going to live with him and keep house for him. James is in the same place and he likes it very much. His mistress has just two little boys, one is only two weeks old. He is very fond of the oldest boy; he is a very nice child and is very fond of James. I am in the same place yet, and don't you think I must have been a very good girl or I would not have stayed so long in the one place. I have seen some of the children that have come out this year; they are getting along well. Bella is living next door to me; she came out last year; her parents think there is no one like her—she is a very smart girl. Next letter I write to you I will send my own and brother's cards. We are very busy with the harvest just now. I can take a horse and carriage any time I want to go any place. I can drive any of the horses myself; we have eight horses and lots of cows. We have an organ and it is a splendid one; it was 160 dollars. It makes me very happy to hear from you all. Now I must bring my letter to a close by saying I am your friend,

MARY R.

Two boys were taken in to-day, whose father is in the poorhouse, not expected to recover. The mother, out of work and houseless, is unable to maintain herself and these two.

Oct. 13.—Only £5 4s. 6d. and there has not been much for some days past. The year is drawing to a close, and we are trusting the Lord to bring us through with the balance on the right side as heretofore. Two children, 7 and 5, were admitted. Their father is dead, and the mother, who is given to strong drink, has gone off and left them.

Oct. 20.—Still there is not much money coming, and only £6 1s. 6d. with some bread from a friend to-day. "Our Heavenly Father knoweth what things we have need of before we ask Him." A family of four children were brought to us to-day, who have been deprived of both parents within a short time of each other. The father was a stoker on board one of the vessels of the Nile expedition, and while in Egypt got a sunstroke, and died in July. The mother on hearing the news took it so much to heart she had to be removed to the poorhouse, and a week after she died in child-bed, and thus, through no ill-doing of the parents,

the children are left orphans. The youngest is only 3 years old and very delicate. She will require tender nursing to bring her round to health and strength again. Our hearts rejoice in the privilege of being permitted to shelter such, and we trust they will also be gathered into the haven of rest at last.

Oct. 27.—A boy who was rescued at the street children's treat 7 years ago, and after training sent to Canada now writes as follows:—

MY DEAR FRIEND,—I am glad to say that I am still in good health. I thank God for it. I would like to come home for a visit and stay two or three months. F. B. (another of your boys) went home last November and came back in March. He had a pretty rough passage coming back, but very good going. He wanted me to go at the same time, but I thought I would wait till this year. I have not received a letter from my mother for one year. Inside that time I wrote three letters and received no answer. One came back, so that I did not know what to do, so I made up my mind that I should come home and see all the folks. Fred and I live within ten miles of one another. I have been about seven long years without seeing your faces. I would like to see my mother once more. I would like to see the villages at Bridge-of-Weir. Are there any of my old companions in the Home yet? It would be nice for me to come home and tell the boys how I get along; it might encourage them some. Please, would you try and find where my mother lives, and give her this letter? Yours truly,

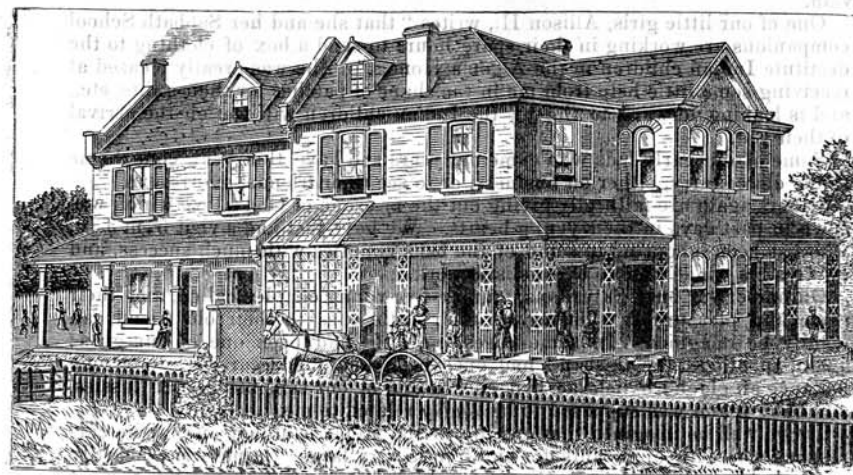
J. L.

We found his mother and gave her the letter, but, poor woman, she is a wreck through drink, and we cannot but feel thankful her boy has had a chance to rise away from her influence.

Oct. 31.—This being the last day of October, as well as the last of our fourteenth financial year, the children in the Homes had their annual treat in honour of "Hallowe'en." For a long time they have been looking forward to it from the oldest to the youngest, and even our little invalids, whose wasted looks tell us we are not to have them much longer with us, have been longing and looking for this day. Preparations were early begun, and in the evening each cottage had its own happy gathering. Pots of potatoes, with their mysterious ingredients, were soon disposed of, and then the ducking for apples commenced, and that was followed by a united procession through the grounds, with Chinese lanterns and "how'd" turnips, with candles burning inside, to the school-room, where all assembled, and for a couple of hours enjoyed games, etc. Bed-time came all too soon, and after family worship and hearty thanksgiving to the Giver of all good, each retired to their own home to think and dream of their enjoyment for days to come.

We also closed the night and the year with thanksgiving as we thought of the marvellous loving-kindness and mercy of our covenant-keeping God through another year. The last gift to-night was 10s., sent by an unknown friend, as "A Thank-offering to God;" and in praising Him our year closed. Once more our balance is on the right side, and although no one knows the shortcomings and failings in our work more than we do ourselves, we can say as we look back, it has been victory all through. We ask all our fellow-labourers to rejoice with us, for the Lord hath put gladness in our hearts. To Him be all the glory of the work, for His alone it is.

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MARCHMONT HOME,

BELLEVILLE, ONTARIO, 16th October, 1885.

MY DEAR FRIENDS,—In recording God's mercies to us during another year, we do so with heartfelt gratitude to Him for His continual goodness and watchfulness over us and the children committed to our care. We praise and thank Him for all the way He has led us, though sometimes "dark and dreary," yet He has strengthened and upheld us.

When last I wrote you we were just entering upon what proved a very severe winter—thermometer for weeks together 20 below zero—indeed, when our first party of boys arrived this year, on the 16th of April, the snow was still very deep, and the lads enjoyed a walk across the St. Lawrence between Point Levi and Quebec. These lads, under the leadership of their teacher, Mr. Kelly, won golden opinions for their singing from all who had the pleasure of listening to them. Our God went before in providing homes for them, and ere the second party arrived, the playground was almost deserted. These, in their turn, were soon dispersed; and our third party of 140, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Quarrier, landed on our shore. A number of these seemed little more than babies, but even these received a kindly welcome from some of our childless Canadian homes.

Mr. and Mrs. M'D. write thus on the arrival of their little three year old:—"Dear Miss Bilbrough,—We have got our child all right. I scarcely know how to thank you for the kindness and care you have shewn us in the selection of a child. We do not think we would have been any better satisfied if there had been a thousand to choose from. We will, with God's help, try and do our part to the child as if she were our own. In fact she has taken the house by storm, and is already quite at home. I enclose 5.00 (5 dollars). It is a small offering, but we are only starting on our own farm this spring, and had everything to buy, cows, horses, implements, etc., but thank God! they are all paid for, and we are in a fair way of getting along. Perhaps these details will not be of any interest to you, but you have trusted us, so that I feel like writing as I have done. Hoping God will bless you in your work,—I am, truly yours, W. J. M'D."

There are many varied incidents in connection with our work continually

occurring which serve to encourage us, and shew us our labour is not all in vain.

One of our little girls, Allison H., writes "that she and her Sabbath School companions are working in their spare hours to send a box of clothing to the destitute Indian children in the Algoma Homes." She was greatly pleased at receiving some little help from me in the shape of patches for their quilts, etc., and is looking forward to the joy the Indian children will feel on the arrival of their gift.

Some of our early lads who came out years ago have this year gone home to the old country, either on business, or to see their friends, and return.

Others again are faithfully giving out the message of God's love which was sown in past days in their young hearts. We have just had a visit from J.B., who has been labouring in some of the back counties with much success, and devotes his whole time to evangelistic work.

On one of our busy Saturdays, four or five young couples called, and their pride and pleasure in shewing off their little ones to their old friend can readily be imagined. In some cases the wife had been one of our girls; again, in others, the husband had once been under our care, while in one instance an older English lad had chosen one of our sensible Scotch lassies, and baby Maud was supposed to be doubly related to me.

It can well be imagined that our life at the Home is a busy one. The correspondence with applicants for children is very large. Some write heartily and sensibly; while others again ask for children so perfect, they can never get such this side of heaven! Many friends write desiring information, and the children send us happy details of their new homes and work—of course expecting answers. Add to this the daily supervision of the house, in which my friend and fellow-worker, Miss Ramsay, kindly assists, the care of the sick, sending children to their places, and receiving others back again, giving advice and help in the difficult cases constantly occurring, and it will be seen our thoughts and time are fully occupied.

The visiting of the children in their homes has always been a most important branch of the work, and the account given of it by our visitor, Mr. Wallace, will be read with interest by all. We do thank God for the privilege He gives us in thus ministering to the temporal and spiritual wants of His little ones. It is not all sunshine, as at some one period or another of their lives children often wish to take their own way, and find experience a hard teacher.

Occasionally we get letters from boys whose hearts God has changed, and they long in their way to work for Him. W. C. writes yesterday:—"I would like to come and stay in the home and do the work morning and evening and go to school. It would be a great help to me, since God has washed my sins away. I feel that it is His will that I some day may spread His Word in other countries. I love God with all my heart, and want to love Him more and more—

—: "I love to tell the story, from God's own Holy Word."

The mistress of a very unpromising child writes thus, after some years of service and her marriage:—"Mary and John are still here yet, but won't be very long now, as John has rented a splendid farm of two hundred acres, with a fine brick house, heated by a furnace. He has bought a good span of horses, and is to buy ten cows at Mr. F.'s sale, and is to pay for them too. My brother says there is nothing to hinder them getting on if they keep their health and work as they have done."

We have had rather a cold, wet summer, and ice and frost have already visited us to the detriment of our flower and vegetable gardens. While investing Tommy Chirgwin with warm clothes, cloth cap, and comforter, he looked up so earnestly into my face:—"Please, Miss Bilbrough, will it be Christmas to-morrow." I suppose he thought it was about as cold as Christmas weather at home.

Death has visited us twice this summer. A boy, Murdoch McDonald, from our first band, passed away in rapid consumption, having first given evidence of a saving knowledge in his Redeemer; and a little girl, Christina Corbett, from the third band, who had been placed in a home was returned with the doctor's verdict, "rapid consumption," and soon she too was laid to rest till the resurrection morn. Edith Riley, who came out in 1881 from Glasgow, has been in a lingering consumption many months, and is just drawing near the end. She is very peaceful and happy, longing for the time when her Saviour will come and take her to Himself. She has written beautiful letters to some of her old companions and given full directions as to what is to be done with her books, etc. How much the presence of death solemnizes all our work! we realize then for whom we are working. Soon the day of earthly labour, with all its faults and shortcomings, will be over, and in the land of eternal rest we shall each receive from Him our own reward, according to our own labour.

Yours in patient continuance and happy work for helpless children,

ELLEN AGNES BILBROUGH.

MR. ROBERT WALLACE'S REPORT.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I am glad to be able to send a favourable report of the children visited this year, and also of the new homes the Lord opened up for the large number sent out this spring and summer. In the course of the last two months I have seen a good many of the latter, and have been delighted with the homes they have got into, and to find them fitting into their places so nicely and all as a rule so happy and contented. We gave the second and third bands Exodus xxiii. 20 as a text to begin the new life with, "Behold I send an angel before thee, to keep thee in the way, and bring thee into the place that I have prepared," and sought to impress them with the fact that their homes were really prepared and provided by God, and that each one should go forth believing they were going to the very place God had prepared for them specially. They might not find it all their fancy painted, and would doubtless have to bear and forbear, but if they accepted it as God's place it would help them to be content and do their duty faithfully to their new fathers and mothers. We believe this blessed promise has been manifestly fulfilled, as comparatively few have had to change their homes. Although complaints have been made of many, yet a little time and patience has had the effect of helping nearly all to settle down comfortably and happily, with a good prospect before them of making an honourable name and position for themselves in this the land of their adoption. In the winter I visited a large section of country east of Belleville, and was rejoiced to find the majority still in the same homes, and on the whole doing very well. When visiting in the winter I find a large proportion attending school and often have to call there as well as at the home in order to see both children and people. Last winter was a very severe one with us, the thermometer down to 20 degrees and 25 degrees below zero, equal to 52 to 57 degrees of frost, for weeks, accompanied by heavy snow-storms which made travelling very difficult and at times well nigh impossible. During one storm I was snowed up for four days, and when I did venture forth the big lad whom I was visiting had to go before me for miles with a pair of horses in a sleigh to make a track, as we had to cross two lakes and it would have been unsafe for a stranger to go alone. Even in the stormiest weather however the children can generally go regularly to school. Clad in fur cap, thick woollen suits and plenty of warm clothing they can defy the cold, and as the snow is dry and the schools well heated with wood stoves they never get damp. The younger ones who cannot get through the deep snow generally go in the summer till old enough to help in the spring and harvest work, then they continue their education during the

long winter months, and can go every winter till they are young men, as there is so little work to be done. I have been much pleased to find some who, having gone as far as they could in the common schools, have passed the entrance examination for the high schools, and are now studying there with a view to becoming teachers. At one home I visited last month the boy was away lodging in a neighbouring town and attending the high school. His adopted father says he will pay all expenses till he gets a second or a third class certificate and then he will be independent. When once a lad has a teacher's certificate he has the ball at his foot, and by saving his salary for a year or two he can put himself through college and fit himself for any of the professions, or even the ministry, if the Lord should call him, as He has many, to engage in the highest and noblest of all work. A younger sister and brother of the lad I refer to are in the same home, and are also clever and anxious to learn, and though still rather young show considerable aptitude, and think they will also be teachers. The people are much attached to them, and are in a position to help them on as far as they have talent and ability to carry them. Other lads I have found who, not having such good friends to help them, are blessed with enough independence and ability to push their own way, and by working in the summer earn sufficient to enable them to go to school all winter. The majority of the boys take very kindly to country life, and say they mean to be farmers when they grow up. In many cases they are fortunate in being with people who have no sons of their own, and if they are steady and industrious the probability is that some of them will ultimately have the farms they now help to work. Others again have no taste for farming, and will only stay till old enough to learn a trade, but the five or six years on the farm will build up a constitution that will enable them to stand the strain and confinement of whatever trade they choose, or to enter on a course of study. Several I have seen are already at different trades, and bid fair to become useful men. As to the girls, their destiny is generally bounded by their domestic duties, and few have any thought beyond. The people always say they will keep them as long as they will stay or till they get married, and then provide for them as they would for their own daughters. One girl, I reported lately, is a clerk in a store, and a few are learning dressmaking. Another girl had been for some time a member of the Salvation Army, and although considerably persecuted at home continues to hold fast the profession of her faith. Two or three lads I saw had also joined the army, and I trust may prove steadfast and be the means of leading others to the Saviour. I was much cheered by one case, J. S. He was at one time a pretty wild lad, but was converted at a revival meeting last spring, and has since been very earnest and consistent, showing the reality of the work of grace in a truly changed life and an anxiety to lead others to partake of the same grace that reached and rescued him. I was much cheered to know that a tract sent from the home had been a means of blessing to him. We scatter thousands of these silent messengers year by year in letters, Christmas parcels and when visiting, and we trust they may be the means of bringing light to many dark souls. In my last tour I visited some backwood districts, and having a good supply of wholesome Christian literature, I scattered it freely, seeking in special cases to give appropriate tracts, accompanied with what I pray may have been the "word in season." At family worship in many houses one often has the opportunity of speaking to strangers, visitors, etc., and we trust in many cases the word may find an entrance into the heart and bring forth fruit. The singing of the children continues to be a great attraction, and if those who train them could only see them amid their new surroundings, singing the sweet Gospel songs they learned in far-away Scotland, they would feel abundantly rewarded for their labour and see that it had not been in vain. Uniting my prayers with those of all my fellow-workers for a richer outpouring of blessing in the coming year.—I am, yours in Christ,

ROBERT WALLACE.

ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND, BRIDGE-OF-WEIR.

£30,000 still required to enable us to house 1000 Children.

The year just closed has been one of progress in connection with the buildings and grounds at the Bridge-of-Weir Homes. Early in the spring we commenced operations at "Overtoun Home," the money for which was given at the close of last year, and now it is almost completed, and will, we hope, soon be ready for occupation. In the end of April a friend of the work who was visiting the Homes, intimated to us at the close of our service one Sabbath morning, that the Lord had laid it on her heart to build a house. We thanked the Lord for this, and told our friend to consider the matter still further, and next day she gave us the order to proceed with plans, etc., for "The Montrose Home." It was at once put into the tradesmen's hands, and is now roofed in. In November last the farmer's lease of the land expired, and in May that of the steading, and we then entered into full possession. Feeling the necessity of increased accommodation in our stores, stables, etc., we set about seeing what could be done to alter the farm steading to make it suitable for the future needs of the work. Plans were prepared utilising as much of the old building as possible, and we found the estimates amounted to between £3000 and £4000. Towards this we had nothing on hand, but the earnest of it came in the united special collection of the Sabbath School children of Glasgow and neighbourhood, amounting to £350. Shortly afterwards a friend in the East of Scotland left £1000 at our disposal, £700 of which we laid aside for this building; and about the same time we were informed that a legacy which was expected to amount to £800 or £900 had been left to the work by the late Mrs. Charles Arthur of Edinburgh. With these monies in hand we thought we were justified in proceeding with the building to that extent, and so we commenced operations in May. The house when completed will embrace stables, coach-house, cart shed, byre, milk-house, large store-rooms for provisions and clothing, and accommodation for storekeepers, seamstresses, and laundresses, etc. It will be a most useful executive addition to the group, and will meet the requirements of the contemplated extension of the work for years to come. We stipulated with the tradesmen employed that at any time the money in hand was exhausted we should stop building; and as we have only received about £2,400, we still require close upon £2,000 to complete. Our helpers tell us sometimes there is no fear of us having to stop for want of money, and we believe God will supply this need as He has always done in the past. With road-making and other improvements in the grounds we have also made progress this year, and friends who visited the place three or four years ago would scarcely recognise it now. With the help of our workers, boys, and labourers, we have deepened and widened the Cattie burn which runs through our grounds and furnishes our water supply, and which in former years caused us considerable annoyance after heavy rains. We have also thrown a wooden bridge across to connect two fields and have laid out a large vegetable garden which supplies the needs of the Cottages. In addition to these we have built a wall 200 yards long, enclosing all the houses, which has improved the road, and also the appearance of our

property. Inside roads have been added, flower beds formed, and other improvements made, and altogether this year has been one of hard work and progress. The crowning addition, however, is the promise of £5,000 from a friend of the work to build the church and additional schoolroom. The day we received this, and indeed for some time before we were very much exercised about the crowded state of our school and hall, and we found that our friend had had it laid on his heart for some time to give the church, so that while we were yet speaking God was answering. The ground on which the church is to be erected has been staked off, and plans are being prepared, and we trust the house when finished will be the birth-place of hundreds of precious souls. The number of applications for admission continues to increase, and we shall require more Cottages to enable us to shelter all who come. We also need £1,000 to build a house for our own use at Bridge-of-Weir, so that we may personally superintend the work, as the rooms we at present occupy will be needed for the extra staff of teachers. We trust some one will be led to give this soon. The site set apart for it by Mr. R. A. Bryden, our Architect, is at the entrance to the grounds opposite the gate-house, and we are anxious to see it filled up that the surroundings may be put in order. £1,500 will build and furnish a house to hold 30 children. Are there not many of the Lord's Stewards who could give not one house only but a dozen if they knew the need for such? Be that as it may we have no doubt God will move the hearts of some to send of their poverty or of their abundance, so that His little ones who are perishing may be rescued and blessed. No money given for the help of the needy will accomplish more lasting good than that which saves the children of our land from becoming paupers, and fits them for being useful members of society. Many have had the privilege of putting stones in the buildings who could do no more, and others have sent larger gifts. "If there be first a willing mind it is accepted, according to that a man hath, and not according to that he hath not."

NEXT THANKSGIVING-DAY AT BRIDGE-OF-WEIR HOMES,

will, God willing, be held about the beginning of Sept., 1886, when we hope the church and other buildings now in course of erection will be dedicated to the Lord. Will our friends keep this in mind, and pray that it may be a greater blessing to all who shall gather with us than any of the past.

OUR JOURNEY ACROSS THE ATLANTIC AND VISITS AMONG THE CHILDREN SETTLED IN CANADA.

Twenty bands of children from the Homes have crossed the Atlantic during the past 14 years, and our family in Canada now numbers about 2,000. The largest band ever sent was the one of girls we went in charge of this year, numbering 140. It is an important matter that those who accompany the children on the journey should know something of their habits, and be able to control such a large number in circumstances which are not the most helpful to good management. The Lord has given us helpers who have shared this work with us in the past, and when there has been lack of others we have always been

ready to go forth ourselves. As already mentioned, we sailed about 10.30 A.M., on Saturday, 13th June, by the Allan Line s.s. *Siberian*, and left Greenock the same evening at 7. On page 36 will be found a reproduction of one of the photographs taken on board ship before we sailed, showing the girls in their warm clothing. Life on board ship is generally supposed to be monotonous, but we have always found it anything but that. From early morning till late at night there is never time to weary; and, indeed, at the close of all the voyages we have taken the children have always said they would like to have remained longer on the ship. From the captain, officers, and crew we received every kindness and attention that could be desired, and everything possible was done by all on board to make us comfortable. We had very little sea-sickness among the children, and those that were affected by it soon recovered. The quantities of food disposed of at every meal were enough to frighten the steward had he not had a well-supplied store-house. A barrel of hard sea-biscuits disappeared in an incredibly short time between meals, and no matter at what hour the whistle was blown for meals everybody was ready for them. We usually rose about six every morning, and after washing and dressing (no easy task for 140 children in a rolling ship), breakfast was served at 7.30, consisting of porridge and milk or treacle and bread and tea. After breakfast the tidying-up process began, while the younger ones romped on deck until 10 o'clock, when the call to worship was given. In this we were joined by many of the passengers, who seemed to appreciate the privilege and enjoyed the children's singing very much. Then there was more romping on deck, playing at skipping ropes, swinging and other games, until 12, when dinner was served. This meal was varied almost every day, thanks to the consideration of Mr. Stewart, the ship's steward. Irish stew was the favourite dish and was often asked for specially. Soups of various kinds and puddings were also provided and much appreciated. The afternoons were spent playing, reading, knitting, or sewing, and the happy times on board ship will long be remembered by the little ones. Their conduct was exceptionally good and called forth the praise of all the passengers, many of whom remarked they had never seen such orderly children, while others said they wished they could get theirs to behave as well. Tea was at five, and besides tea and bread and butter they had nearly always marmalade and buns as a treat, and once or twice at the beginning of the voyage a red herring, which is counted a special treat at sea—indeed, we know of nothing that removes any lingering feeling of sea-sickness like it. At seven we again gathered for worship, and immediately afterwards all retired for the night. On both Sabbaths we had services at 10.30 A.M. and 6.30 P.M., at which most of the passengers and crew were present, and we had the privilege of telling out the story of God's love towards all men, and of His willingness and power to save. We trust the word spoken may be good seed sown in good soil which shall spring up and bear abundant fruit to the glory of God.

On Thursday, 25th June, we arrived at Quebec about 4 p.m., and at 6 we got on board three first-class cars and proceeded by special train to our destination. At the Tanneries, near Montreal, breakfast was provided, and on Friday, at 7.30 p.m., we reached Belleville with

hearts filled with thankfulness to our Father in Heaven, not only for the good weather, but for His protecting and guiding care all the way. Miss Bilbrough met us and gave us a hearty welcome. Three buses conveyed the children from the station to Marchmont Home where we found about thirty children of those we had sent before, making with our party 170 in the Home, about 70 too many for the capacity of the house. Miss Bilbrough is always willing to do everything in her power for the children we send, but this third party besides increasing our own labours at home has also added heavy burdens to the work and workers on the other side. The necessity for additional accommodation there was more impressed upon us this year than ever before. When we left Glasgow, it was part of our programme to visit the North-west Territory and see for ourselves what prospects it held out as a future home for some of our older lads and for others who might seek our advice, but the extra number of children sent this year involved so much additional work we had to give up the idea. We were only able to make a few short excursions among the homes in which our children are placed, but that of itself was a real pleasure to us and to those we visited. Our first journey was westward to Toronto with five little ones, whom we left at their several destinations, quite bright and happy at the prospects before them. Next we went east, and among others visited were M. C., who is now married and settled in a home of her own, and was very proud to show us her little baby girl. J. C., a little one of six, who is adopted into a home where there are four sons but no daughters; B. D., five years old, the pet of a childless couple; and J. F., also in a home where there are no children, and very happy. We took another short trip with some children to Fenelon Falls, and there saw one of our girls, who is like a daughter in the minister's house and much loved. We also saw two of this year's boys settled in good homes, one of whom has since written saying he is well off and likes Canada very much. His sister has been placed near him, and the two see each other frequently. At another minister's house where we stayed a night, we were also pleased to see one of our girls, very happy and highly thought of. She professes to be a true Christian, and shows by her life that she is a new creature in Christ Jesus.

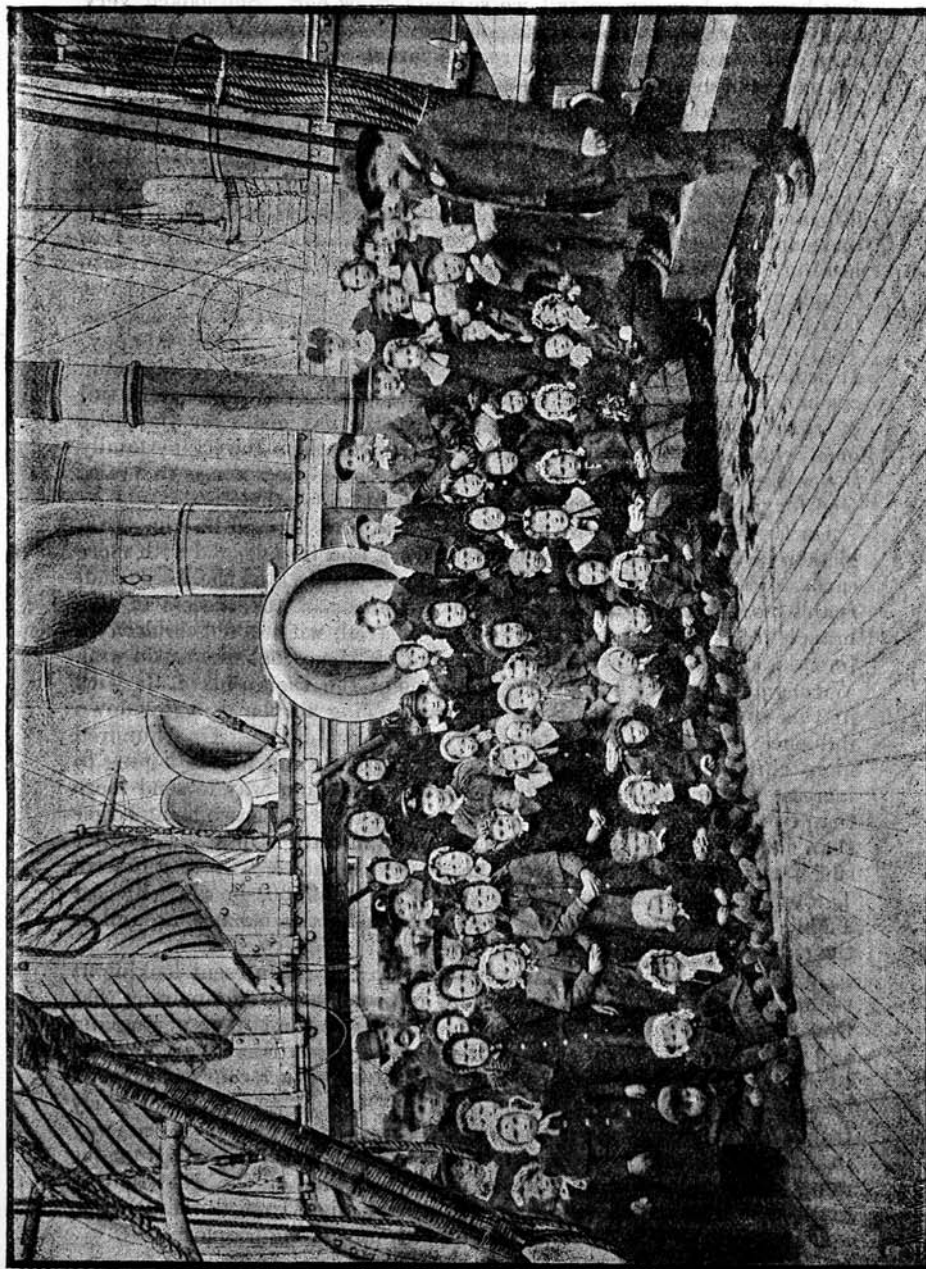
A number of our older boys and girls settled near Belleville called at the Home to see us, and it was with difficulty we recognised in them those whom we had rescued and cared for years before. During a ten days' tour in the neighbourhood of Perth and Lanark we saw between 50 and 60, some of them out for six, eight, and ten years, and some more recently. Among these was J. B., a little boy of 8, whom we found in a home with four growing up daughters and no sons. He sang several hymns to us while one of his new sisters played the organ, which he is to be taught also. All in the house are very much taken up with him, and he is a bright clever little fellow. R. M., another boy of 6, is in a comfortable home with a young couple who have only one little girl. J. M., who went out ten years ago, is working on a farm and earning \$17 a month. He is a fine sturdy young man, and has an excellent home. He was very pleased to see his old friend after so many years' absence, and we were as pleased to see and hear such good

accounts of him. J. and T. M'C., two brothers, we saw near each other, the elder earning \$7 a month on a farm, and the younger adopted in a good home. L. W., a girl sent out 7 years ago, we found still in her first home, and grown so tall we scarcely knew her. She looked very happy and bright, and has made good progress at school. J. A. is the only child in a good home where the father is a waggon-maker, and Jamie likes the shop and will doubtless follow his father's trade. He is clever at school, and very much liked by his foster parents. G. L.'s adopted mother told us she could not have got a better boy if she had picked a thousand. She has two daughters but no son, and Robbie fills up the blank to their entire satisfaction. J. S. is the only child in a Canadian farmhouse. His new mother spoke highly of his behaviour, and said he was a true Christian: we joined in family worship before leaving. A. C. and L. B., two of our 1878 girls, have now grown into young women, and are much respected in the district. J. R., sent out last year, we saw in the corn-field helping his father to bind sheaves. They are mutually satisfied with each other, and John is quite happy. It would be difficult to describe the comfortable homes and favourable circumstances in which we found the children. Our hearts were full of thanksgiving to God for the provision He has made for the little ones whom no one cared for here. To most of them the happy family life was a thing unknown before, and they have good cause to praise God for the hearts and homes He has opened up for them.

On the 8th of August we sailed for home, and arrived on the 20th, glad to be back again among our loved work and friends, and with more earnest desires to gather in the lost lambs of the flock as the Lord shall enable us. We are more than ever convinced of the success of this branch of the work, and after 14 years' trial, with 2000 children in Canada, are able to state that 95 per cent. of them continue to do well. We should like to be able to say the same of the thousands dealt with in this country, but such is not the case, owing to the dragging-down influences of their relatives and whole surroundings. One hundred more children have been sent this year than last, and we are hoping to increase the numbers annually. We do not see our way to send more than two parties each year, and this will necessitate these two being larger than before—say, of 200 each. Our accommodation in Canada is not sufficient for such a number, and an additional house will be required. Towards this we have already received about £130, but it will cost £2000, and we are looking to the Lord to send the balance, as well as the extra money for passages and outfits.

A great many workers among poor children are at present looking at the question of emigration to Canada, and some are of the opinion that Government should help to send out children from the Unions of England and other places. From what we know of the Canadians we are inclined to think they would not receive pauper children as such sent out through Government influences. No child should be sent who is not properly trained, morally and physically suitable, and likely to push their way in after years. A proper supervision should also be maintained on the other side, and there should be no overlapping of the Distributing Homes, as thereby the supply in the district might exceed the demand, and lead to the children being placed with unsuitable people.

GROUP of one-half of the party of 140 Girls who sailed for Canada on 13th June, 1885, photographed on board the Allan Line S.S. *Siberian*.



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.

1st November.—D. M. S., for emigration, £1 9s 7d; A., £5; St Andrew's Hall Children's Church, Leith, per A. K., 17s 6d; an aged Christian Lady lately gone to the Lord, per E. B., Hawick, £5; the Young Ladies of the Baptist Church, Lochgilphad, 67 articles of clothing, per M. C. The following donations have been sent for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Miss S., Kirkcaldy, per A. H., £1; Mr M'P., 56 large scones.

15th November.—J. R., Paisley, £1; Mrs T., 5s; Great Hamilton Street F.C. S.S. Society, per A. L. M., £2; R. S. G., £1; Kinning Park F.C. S.S., per C. L. G., £1 16s; from Wigtown, £1; Miss E., £5; A. M., Airdrie, 10s; Mrs L., Edinburgh, 12 knitted semmets; J. A. B., Paisley, £5; E. S., Fort Qu'Appelle, N.W. Territories, 12s; Mrs. C., Paisley, £1; Mrs W. C., Hamilton, 5s; Mr A., Johnstone, two sheep; J. E. J., £1; Mrs W., London, £1 5s; A. C., Crosshill, £1; Mrs D., Dumbarton, four pairs stockings; P. D., Dumbarton, £50; Miss B., 10s; Miss E., parcel of clothing, cotton, &c.; Mrs G. R., Portmahomack, £1; a Friend, do., 5s; Mrs M'F., Portobello, £1; a Friend, per do., 5s; M., Cambuslang, a box of clothing; J. E. S., Bridge-of-Weir, £1; Mrs A., for rent of Girls' Home, £30; W. S., Edinburgh, for emigration, £3; from Stirling, two parcels of boots; Miss H., Bridge-of-Allan, £2; box on lobby table, per do., 10s; Miss W., Largs, six pairs stockings; Misses A., Tighnabruich, £1; W. C., Buckhaven, 1s; R. D. M., Dunlop, £1; Rutherford Free Church S.S., Aberdeen, per R. E., £1 19s 10d; T. K., £10; "Nemo," Dunoon, 10s; Miss B., Blairgowrie, £2; J. L., Toronto, Canada, a consignment of honey to be sold for behoof of the Homes; R. S., £10; W. L., 10s; W. L. L., Appin, £2; Mrs L., Edinburgh, £5; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 8s 9d; Mrs K., Paisley, eight pairs stockings; W. B., £1 1s; A. D., £10; J. R., a pair of wheels, springs, axle, &c., for pony cart. The following donations have been sent for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Mrs R., Hamilton, £2; J. W., Dunoon, £1; A. M'K., two cheeses; "Found," 15s; J. M'F., 9½ loaves; "A Friend P.," six boys' caps, gloves, &c.; A. B., £50; Uddingston Free Church S.S., per R. L., £4 5s; Alva U.P. S.S., per J. B., 8s 7½d; Mrs S., two pairs stockings; A. M'Q., Skipness, 13 bags potatoes; S. M., £1; from Laurievile, two parcels clothing; W. H., senr., Dunoon, 5s; Mrs H., parcel of clothing; R. R., Hamilton, £5; S. F., Hawick, a parcel of clothing. The following has been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—A Friend, to complete payment for a house, £400.

29th November.—Mrs A., Edinburgh, £2; Mrs D., Dumbarton, six pairs stockings; "Maggie," Coatbridge, £40; M. P., Greenock, 2s 6d and parcel of clothing; Mrs M., £1; Camphill U.P. Church Missionary Society, per Mr S., £10; Mrs H., four petticoats; Miss F., Crieff, £1; Miss S., 40 pairs cuffs, three scarfs, &c.; P. K., Hamilton, £2; Mrs T., £5 and eight pairs stockings; Miss R., 12 pairs stockings; "In memory of Little Katie," for sick children, £1; M. and L. H., £5; R. L., Lenzie, £1; J. E. C. C., Dunblane, £25; Miss M'G., Gourrock, £1 2s 6d; R. M., £10; A. C. B., Aberdeen, £5; J. G. T.'s Bible Class, Buckhaven, £1; a Thankoffering, £1; W. L., Paisley, £1; a Friend, £1; "Anchor," Paisley, £100; Pitcairn Green Free Church S.S., per J. C., £1; "One whom the Lord hath prospered," £1; Mrs R., 5s; a Servant, 2s 6d; Mrs S., Partick, 5s and four pairs stockings; Mrs W., Edinburgh, six pairs stockings; Miss B., Melrose, £1; Mrs G., Braemar, seven pairs stockings; W. N., Hamilton, £1; Mr E., Blairmore, £1; a Friend, a parcel of toys for sick children; J. I., Dunfermline, 5s; Mrs W., Dunblane, £5; St. George's Sabbath-School Association, Paisley, per N.B., 10s; T. B., Alloa, 10s; Mrs M., Polton, £1; M. N., Largs, a thankoffering for restoration to health, £1; A. M'G., £5; J. G., Edinburgh, £1; Mr M., Port-Glasgow, 10s; Kilmaccolm U.P. S.S., per J. E. F., £1 15s; Mrs B., Houston, per do., 5s; R. H., Kirkcaldy, £3; J. L., Kelso, £2; E. M., Greenock, £1; A. A., Gathouse, 5s; Mrs A., Huntly, £1; A. P. F. P., Alloa, £5; Miss F. P., do., £5; Allica U.P. Church S.S., per do., £2 4s 9d; Mrs J. T., 5s and four pairs stockings; W. and J. P., 42 pairs children's socks, 28 knitted semmets, &c.; Mrs M., £1; Miss A., Bridge-of-Allan, £2; Mrs T. F., Strathaven, £1; Mrs L., 5s; Miss M., Greenock, £2; Mrs W. C., Rothsay, £2; "Nemo," £10; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 11s; Mrs J. G., London, £100; Mrs M. L., £2; Mrs M'G., £1; J. J., Edinburgh, £10, to help to buy a waggone for the Bridge-of-Weir Homes; Miss A. G., Strathaven, £1; Miss E. M., Bucklyvie, £1; Teachers and Scholars of East Kilbride Parish Church S.S., per J. T. T., £1; Miss K., Staleybridge, £7; Mrs R., toys, &c.; J. J. M. I., 10s; M. G., Wishaw, £1 and children's slaters. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—A Poor Preacher's Fre, Irvine, £1; Miss F., Crieff, £1; D. I., Kirkcaldy, £4 10s; Mrs A., Cambuslang, £2 and three dolls; "Give and it shall be given unto you," 19s 6d; "Rupees," £1; J. C.;

£5 5s; a Friend, an old waterproof; a Friend, four pairs stockings; J. J., £1; per Rail, a parcel of old clothing; a Friend, £1; Mrs D., five pair stockings, two cloaks, and clothing; a Friend, a small dress and ulster; P. B. J., £1; Mrs W., periodicals; Mrs B., parcel of clothing; a Friend, a parcel of boys' clothing, ulster, petticoats, &c.; T. C., £10; J. B., Hamilton, a parcel of clothing; per Rail, a parcel of old dresses and shoes; Mrs N., six pairs socks; L. M.L., two pairs stockings, three knitted shawls, and one petticoat; Abbeygreen, Cambuslang, 10s; Mrs R., £10; a Worker, £1; do., 5s; A. M., £4 4s.

13th December.—Miss M., 5s; Mrs B., £1; W. A. W., Diphinton, 10s 6d; Misses B., Keswick, £2; P. G., London, £1 1s; W. A., Ayr, £1; an Orphan Family, Brechin, 7s 2d; Misses M., Edinburgh, £2; Mrs W., Edinburgh, £5; Mrs J., London, for Christmas tree, 5s; Mrs F., Edinburgh, parcel of new clothing; a Thankoffering, C. A., £5; R. A. B., £1 and two pounds' worth of dolls; Dr R., Manchester, £5; W. L., Edinburgh, £1; Mrs M., 5s; Fordyce Children's Band of Hope, Banffshire, 5s; J. R., Collace, 5s; J. M.L., Brechin, 10s; Mrs M., Rothesay, £1; Mrs G., Hawick, £1; Miss B., Louthgow, £10; a Lady, per Miss J. M., Biggar, £1; Mrs D., Perth, £2; Mrs D. M., Dundee, £4; A. B. K., £50; J. S., Helensburgh, 10s; Mrs H., Edinburgh, £1; Mrs C., Stirling, £1 5s; Mrs J. B., Irvine, 10s; H. A., Irvine, £2; Mrs S., Melrose, £1; Mrs M., Strathaven, £5; Miss M., do., £1; Mrs D., Dumbarton, four pair socks; M. B., Airdrie, £1; Mr L., Bellahouston, a parcel of clothing; Miss G., a parcel of clothing; G. M., Leith, £1; W. F., Perth, per C. L., £1; Mrs A. D., Kirkcaldy, per do., 5s; Collected by a servant in Rothesay, M. B., £4; A. B. C.'s friend, Callander, £1; D. M., Bridge-of-Allan, £2; Mrs S., Helensburgh, £3; Miss M., £1; "Four Little J's," Grimsby, £4; W. B. H., Matlock Bridge, 10s 7d; Henrietta and Mary's small savings, Irvine, 6s; H. H., Aberdeen, £1; A. A., Edinburgh, £1; "A young man, part of his first earnings," 5s; Jeanie and Mary's savings, Paisley, 1s 6d; Dr M., Kirriemuir, £1; Mrs J. C., Cathcart, £2 2s; E. M., £1; "A Widow's Mite," Mrs S., £1; Miss S., Gourrock, six pairs socks; Mrs M., £1; Mrs T., 10s; Miss E., Edinburgh, £40 (saved off dress, &c., during some years); Wigtown, £1; W. C., Buckhaven, 1s; Cathcart Street Mission, S.S., per A. L., 15s 1d; Mrs M., Edinburgh, £6; Victoria Hall S.S., Wishaw, per Mrs W., £1; A. C., Grangemuir, 10s; a Friend, per Mrs H., parcel of underclothing, &c.; collected by J. K., Ballinluich, £1 5s; "A Workman's Mite," Barkip, 10s; Mrs W., Bournemouth, 10s; J. J., Leith, £1; an Aged Friend, £2; Mrs T., Markinch, 5s; W. M., do., 10s; Miss M., Musselburgh, £2; W. T., Nairn, £1; Mrs B., Southport, 5s; Miss M., £2; Camphill U.P. Church S.S., per R. D. S., £1 5s 3d; Mrs J., Shandon, £1; D. M., £2; a Widow, a parcel of clothing; Girl; in Leith Walk School, Edinburgh, a parcel of Christmas cards, books, sweets, &c.; Princes Street U.P. Church S.S., Port-Glasgow, per W. B., £1; W. D. M., Edinburgh, 15s 6d; Saturday Evening Meeting, Montrose, per Miss M., 10s; F., a thank-offering, £10; Mrs S., Belleville, Canada, £1; Miss S., per Mrs M., Wooler, £3; "Little Elsa," Bauff, £1 1s; "In dear memory of little John," do., £1 1s; P. T. M., Kippen, £1; Miss A. E., 6 pairs socks; P. R., Kelso, 10s; S. G., Blairgowrie, 8s; two Friends, Strathmiglo, 12s 6d; Mrs B., Bridge-of-Weir, for New-Year's Dinner, £1; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 6s; Mrs M.C., 10s and clothing; P. S., Kilmartin, a topcoat and parcel of remnants; a Sister, two small petticoats and two worsted balls; a Friend in the car, 5s; Mrs R., Callander, £2; a Friend, Methven, £1; from Aberdeen, 2s 6d; Miss F. P., Alloa, 12 shirts, 12 petticoats, and 60 articles of underclothing; Dr and Mrs R., Bridge-of-Allan, £1; Mrs F., Edinburgh, £2; "The time is short," do., £3 6s 8d; Mrs M., Cambuslang, parcel of clothing; S. A. S., London, £100 for emigration; C. A., 10s; W. J., Belfast, for Christmas treat, £1; a Friend of the poor per J. T. F., Langholm, 2s; Larkhall U.P. Church S.S., per R. R. P., Hamilton, £1; Mrs M., 5s; H. L., £25; Miss I. A. S., Arbroath, £1; Mrs M., 3s; Miss E., £10; Mrs C. C., Dunblane, a large parcel of clothing; for the destitute children, 5s; J. W. O., per W. T., Shotts, £2; little Katie, on her second birthday, 10s; M. S. M. H., for girls, £1; Miss B., for keep of a girl for a year, £12; do., for general fund, £2; Queen's Park Free Church Mission S.S., £1 7s 6d; a Friend do., at Tighnabruich, J. H., 2s 6d; Miss J. U., Helensburgh, £1. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—A. and R. S., 2 boxes biscuits; D. M. S., parcel of clothing; for the children, 7 pairs stockings; J. M.P., 8½ loaves; Renwick F. Church S.S., per A. M. C., £1 4s 10d; Mrs A., 10s; J. B., £5; Mrs A., £1; a Friend in Edinburgh, per P. B. J., £2 2s; Mrs J., London, for street children's treat; 5s; found in boxes during November, £3 7s 9d; the Lord's Tenth, 8s; Mrs B., Bothwell, parcel of clothing; a Friend, parcel of old clothes; Miss L., 12 pairs socks, underclothing, &c.; a Friend, A. W., £1; R. M.D., £2 2s; Miss L., 10s; W. L., 10s; R. H., 12 loaves; A. J. K., £10; Mrs W., 6 dresses, 13 petticoats, &c.; Miss P., Greenock, £1.

27th December.—Miss M., Stornoway, £1; Mrs W., Burghhead, £1; Miss W., Windygates, £1; Miss L., Windygates, £1; Mrs M., Kirriemuir, six pairs stockings; a Friend near Airdrie, per J. B., £1; Mrs F., Kent Road, £2; a Lady at noon meeting, £1; Mrs D., Dumbarton, five pairs socks; W. C., £2; a few Friends, per A. C. A., Edinburgh, £5; A. W., Dunfermline, £20; Misses M., Langside, £1; W. M.B., Aros, 2s 6d; Jessie's first wages, 10s; Miss E., Banchoory-Ternan, £1; Mrs D., Banchoory-Ternan, 10s; Miss

H., Coldstream, a parcel of clothing; J. C. W., £100; Lansdowne Church S.S., per D. R. T., 11s 4d; A. L. B., 8s; G. L., Edinburgh, £10; a Friend, Dollar, 5s; Mrs S., Kirkcaldy, £1 and 20 petticoats and six scarfs; "Our Baby's Portion," £5; a Friend, A.B., £1; a Friend, 10s; Gala Parish Church Sunday Morning C.F. Association, per T. S., 10s; a Friend, £8; M. P., Dunbar, £1; Miss M. A. T., Portobello, £1; Mrs N., Edinburgh, £1; Mrs R., Bath, £2; a Young Friend, per Mrs H., London, 5s; Mrs L., Nairn, per Mrs H., London, 5s; a Friend, £2; a Friend, £1; J. R., £5 5s; Fire Insurance, £2; a Friend from S. America, £1; a Christmas offering from New Zealand, £1; Free St. Andrew's Church S.S., Kilmarnock, per A. R., 15s 6d; College Street Juvenile Missionary Society, Edinburgh, per J. S., £1; Kirkmuirhill S.S., per do., £1; Misses L., Lenzie, 12 petticoats and 6 pairs stockings; Rossie Y.W.C.A., books, sweets, dolls, toys, &c., for Christmas trees; S. C., Sheffield, £3; Workmen in Dalzell Iron and Steel Works, Motherwell, £1; G. M., Falkirk, 5s; Motherwell Working Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per T. W., £1 11s 6d; The Widow's Mite, Edinburgh, £1; W. M.D., Edinburgh, £1; K. E. R., Dundee, £5; Mrs T., Torrington, £1, and 5s, for Christmas dinners; Mrs R., Noblehouse, 5s; W. C., Buckhaven, 1s; Laurieston S.S., per J. M.A., £1; H. B., Galashiels, £5; Girls and Female Teachers in Leith Walk Public School, Edinburgh, 10s; "In memory of a dearly loved daughter," £3; Mrs T., for Christmas treat, 10s; M. and S., London, £5 5s; Mrs J., Lamslash, 10s; Young Women's Bible Reading, Falkirk, two large parcels of clothing; Miss W.'s Sunday Class, Falkirk, 13s 7d; Miss W.'s Junior Classes, Falkirk, 8s 8½d; a Friend, 9 petticoats; per Parcel Post, 9 pairs socks; Western Amateur Swimming Club and Humane Society, per J. L., £1 1s; J. H., Darvel, £1 10s; Greenhead U.P. Church S.S., per R. I. Kooms, £1; Mrs B., Helensburgh, per do., £5; "Nogrog," 2s 6d; Little Elsie, Kirriemuir, 10s; W. M., Edinburgh, £1; F. H. R., £5; E. C. R., £5; a Tailor's Message Boy, 1s; Mrs T., Bridge-of-Weir, for New-Year's treat, £2; J. W. and S., £10; Mrs G., Bothwell, cuffs; D. C., Helensburgh, £1; Mrs M.A., 10s; A. P. B.'s Bible Class, 18s 4d; D. W., £2; M. L., £1; Mrs T., Helensburgh, £1; Alexandria U.P. Church S.S., per J. G., £2; Union S.S., Ednam, per A., M., Kelso, £1 1s; Little Katherine, Greenock, two dolls, toys, and picture books; a Servant Girl and some Friends, £1; Mrs T., 20 pairs stockings; a Friend in Aberdeen, per G. H. K., £15; Minnie, a box of clothing, sweets, &c.; a Friend, Renfrewshire, for emigration, £30; "Sambo Ginger, jun.," Christmas cards and a pot of jam; Mrs F., Pollokshields, 2s 6d; A. F., do., 2s 6d; E. and R. M., Lochans, for cripple children, 5s; Missionary Box in the Maw S.S., per Miss W., Windygates, £2 10s; a Friend, £20; Mrs R. C., sen., Alloa, £1 and piece of flannel; a Little Girl, Helensburgh, 4 scarfs; Mrs M.P., 11 dolls, 16 scarfs, sweets, &c.; J. K., £4; Mrs K., Hillhead, 10s and 12 pairs cuffs; Mrs R., do., £1 and three scrap books and Christmas cards; R. K., Milngavie, £5; Misses B.'s Sewing Class, Horsforth, a parcel of new clothing; G. L., £3; J. B., £2 2s; R. A. S., Cambuslang, 5s; Mrs A., do., £2 for toys and a Christmas tree; W. F. A., £10; J. W., Irvine, and Friends, £2 and 12 mufflers and 1 fur jacket; "In memory of Wee Alex," 8s; Annie's Pennies, 5s and 2s 6d; a Friend, Dumfries, £1; J. L., a box of tea; a Friend, 10s; Miss W., 10s; Kilmaccolm U.P. Church Dorcas Society, per J. E. F., 10 skirts, 10 pairs stockings, 3 jackets, and 24 yards wincey; Children and Teachers of Kilmaccolm Public School, £1 for treat and 109 articles of new clothing; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 6s; the Children at Genoch, a parcel of toys; the work of three children during their play hours last month, 6 mufflers, 2 petticoats, 24 pairs cuffs, &c.; John, Bella, and Lizzie, 10s and knitted caps; "In loving remembrance of a happy day spent at the Bridge-of-Weir Homes," a large quantity of useful clothing, books, &c., from M. K.; Mr N.; a Little Sufferer; J. D.; M. M.D.; Misses W.; M. H.; M.E. and B.; Cyril and Athole; Miss H. and sister; a Friend, Lamslash, 5s; T. M. and K., 6 pairs stockings, 6 pairs cuffs and bags of sweets "bought with the tenths of their money boxes;" A. R. C.'s collecting box, 2s; Sympathisers, 10s; Mrs D., Dumbarton, £6; J. R., Stirling, £1; a Xmas Gift from E. F., £1; A. L., Broxburn, 10s; P. D. M., for New-Year's treat, 10s; a Little Family at Burnside, £1 1s; Mr and Mrs C., Creetown, 10s; J. S., Kirkcaldy, Xmas cards; J. G., Leicester, £1; a Friend, a box of 47 articles of new clothing; Mrs S., Edinburgh, 10s; Mrs G.'s mantelpiece box, Paisley, £1; B. D., £1; G. G., Aberdeen, £1; R. F. E., Kilbride, £5; Mrs B., Aberdeen, £1; R. & W. S., Carlisle, £2; "A Working Woman," 40 pairs stockings; Miss R., £2 and five pairs stockings; half of children's penny box, Innellan, per A. H. L., 5s; M. M.K. and A. P., Alexandria, Xmas cards; Carmyle, Arbroath, 14 pairs cuffs and 2 scarfs for Christmas trees; "Cardonald and Ibrox," 62 articles of new clothing; Paisley Road Free Church Children's Meeting, 12s 6d; Miss L.'s Xmas Tree, £6; W. B., Sons, & Co., £1 1s; Johnstone Parish Church S.S., per R. A., £1 6s 6d; Elderslie Wallace S.S., per T. W., £1; W. and A. P., 62 pairs stockings, and socks; Mrs M., 5s; Mr M., Chilli, quantity of clothing, cloth, &c.; Miss R., Cockburnspath, 5s; from Canobie, £1; J. A., Edinburgh, £2; J. S., Kelso, 10s; Employees of M. C. & Co., £2 2s. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—R. D., Ayr, £1; Mrs J. O. R., £1; A. W., Dunfermline, £10; Mrs P., Thaukerton, £1; Miss L., do., £1; R. S., Fraserburgh, 10s; R. S., Peterhead, 1 barrel of herring, and 1 do. of biscuits; J. G., £10; A. F.'s Trust, per do., £10; A. and R. S., 2 boxes biscuits; A. B., Helensburgh, £5; Miss B., do., 10s; J. M.F., 11 quarter

loaves and 3 dozen rolls; two brothers, Liverpool, £5; R. G., a tin of tea; teachers and scholars of E.U.P. Church, Strathaven, £1 1s; M.C. & Co., £2 2s; a Friend, 5s; Mrs C., a pot of jelly; S. and Y., 32 jars of preserves and 56 lbs. sweets; a Friend P., 7 boys' caps; Mrs W. W., £1 1s; Miss S., Kirkcaldy, 4 petticoats; R. C. G., Skipness, a basket of vegetables; Miss M. D. D., 2 dozen Scripture texts; Mrs F., Rothsay, 4 pairs stockings; G. F., 17 parcel of firelighters; G. and F., Wishaw, a large parcel of useful articles; Mrs G. M. K., Lochgoilhead, a plum pudding and 1 petticoat; a Friend, 2 petticoats and 2 pairs stockings; Parkgrove Congregational Church S.S., £1 3s 2½d; a Friend, 5s; Dr B., for New-Year's dinner, £1; Miss M'G., 2 pairs stockings; M. M., Maryburgh, 2s; Anonymous, £1; B. Bros., 10 dozen currant loaves; a Friend, underclothing and socks; A. and R. S., 2 boxes biscuits; Mr M'C., 2 cwt evergreen.

10th January.—J. B., a box of hats; "In Memory of our Baby's Birthday, 23rd December," £1; D. H., Shawlands, £1 and Christmas cards; Dalziel U.P. Church S.S., Motherwell, per T. F. W., £1 2s 2d; Muir Street S.S. do., 11s 3d; Children in East Free Manse, Rothsay, 10s; Miss C., Whithorn, six pairs stockings; Miss D., do., 2s 6d; Mrs M'D., Bridge-of-Allan, £1; J. B., Dunoon, pinafores and stockings; West Free Church Minister's Bible-Class, Rothsay, 15s; proceeds of sale of work by Mrs C.'s boarders in July, per Miss T., Edinburgh, £5 4s 6d; R. M'D., Invergordon, 7s 6d; W. A., Balgarnies, £2; "Pembroke Street," £1; from Coleraine, 2s 6d; Mary S., Dundee, 10s; Alyth Mission Sabbath Forenoon Services, per A. O. L., £1; J. B., Helensburgh, £5; Mrs T., Dalkeith, £12; A. O. F. and his sisters (a New-Year's gift, 3s; Miss K., 10s 6d; Rita, £1; Mrs G., Innellan, 2s 6d; Mrs B.'s Mothers' Meeting, 13s; Mrs P., Shawlands, 10s; Employees of Clyde Paper Works, £2; Mrs J. S., two cakes and quantity of toys, ties, &c. for Christmas trees; Misses S., £1 10s and cuffs and scarfs; A. R., £10; Ardrossan New Parish Church S.S., per J. D. M'C., £1; A. & J. C., Ayr, 10s; C. J. C., Aberfeldy, £8; Portland Road U.P. Church S.S., Kilmarnock, per T. W., £1; Miss T., Greenock, £5 and parcel of clothing; Calton Parish Church S. School, per D. B., £2; D. B., jr., 10s; New Kilpatrick U.P. Church S.S. £1; C. B. and Mrs A., £2; do. for last year, £2; G. B., Portobello, 6 pairs stockings; Mrs K., toys and books for Christmas trees; a Friend, ties, &c.; H. W., Johnstone, £5; "Phil. iv. 19 and Heb. xiii. 5," 10s; M. E. S. W., 25 articles of underclothing; Two Little Girls, dolls for Christmas trees; T. R., Clelland, 10s; Blairingone S.S., per J. C., Dollar, 16s; a Friend, per H. B., Greenock, 10s; a Few Young Ladies in Dunoon and Kilm, per Miss P., a basket of new clothing; St P. ul's Church Bible-Class, £1 5s; do. Sabbath-School, £1 7s 6d; Kilmalcolm U. P. Church S.S., per J. E. F., £1 5s; a Friend, Edinburgh, £15; Miss M., Dumfries, £4; P. M., Greenock, £5; Miss M., toys, &c., for Christmas trees; G., Tranent, 5s; Mrs M., Thornhill, £5; Miss M., £2; J. A., Paisley, 10s; Robbie's Pennies, do., 2s 6d; Jamie's Pennies, do., 2s 6d; Bowling S.S., £1 17s 10d; Friends in Bowling, per D. M'F., £1 8s 11d; J. M'P., a New-Year's Gift, £5; St David's Parish Church Bible-Class, per J. S. B., 10s; Mrs J. C., Cathcart, 12 pinafores, 12 scarfs, and 12 wool neckerchiefs; Mrs A., Edinburgh, 6 pairs socks; Miss M. C. R.'s counter box, Helensburgh, £1; Mrs I. and Friends for New-Year's treat, £1; "Blanche," parcel of clothing, stockings, and aprons; Butterburn U.P. Church S.S., Dundee, per R. A. W., 10s; "A Shopwoman's Mite," 2s 6d; Mrs D., 5 pairs socks; J. C., Millport, £1; Mrs J., Elie, 5s; W. A. G., 10s; Free College Mission School, £1 9s 8d; W. D. M., Carlisle, £1; Miss K., Aberdeen, 2s 6d; proceeds of a bazaar held by three young ladies in Peebles, per Miss P., £15 14s 3d; A. S., a packet of hand painted cards; C. M'G., per G. G., 5s; Mrs W. R., per do., £1; Mrs C., per J. C., Laurencekirk, 10s; W. M., Dunfermline, for emigration, £15; Dr D., per R. O., Greenock, 10s; T. B., do., 10s; Archie, 1s; Phemie, 1s; Lizzie, 1s; R. C., do., £1 and one dozen shirts; a New Year's Gift from James, 2s; Telegraph Staff at G.P.O., £2; Eglinton Street U.P. Church Sabbath School Society, £3 5s 4d; Mrs G., Braemar, two petticoats; J. B., Govanhill, 10s; St Andrew's Street Mission School Bible Class, Aberdeen, per J. C., 10s; North Strand Mission Sabbath School, Dublin, per H. B. D., £1; a Mother, 5s; Parish Church Bible Class, Dumfries, per G. A., £1; First Free Church Sabbath School, Blairgowrie, per L. F., £1; R. W. R., 10s; "Wee Willie," 5s; Mr and Mrs M'C., Oban, £2 2s 6d; a Shoemaker, 10s; a Young Friend, 10s; Mr. M., £1; W. G., £1; Mrs M., £1; Little Mary's saved pennies, 1s 6d; Miss C. F. M., Elgin, 7s 6d; D. R. M., 5s; M. M'K., Elderslie, £10; Marjory, Cambuslang, 5s; Wee Jamie and Mary, Crosshill, 5s; Miss B., 15 pairs socks and stockings; Mrs W. S., Bridge-of-Weir, a small box of tea and a cake; J. C., Bothwell, £1; R. W. H., for Cessnock, £2 2s; Queen's Park U.P. Church, per T. W., £5; Miss S., Dollar, 10s; J. G., Kilmarnock, 5s; a few Ladies in Kilmalcolm, a quantity of Useful Clothing; Mrs W. W., do., £1; a New-Year's offering from M. J., Lanark, £2; Tullibody Sabbath School, per W. J., £1 8s; C. M., £1; R. C., knives and brooches for Christmas tree; Plantation Parish Church, per W. G. G., £2 2s; J. E. M., Tarbet, £3; Kilbarchan Co-operative Society, £1 1s; a Member of the Paisley Y.W.C.A., scarfs, &c.; J. G. C., Paisley, 10s; Elie Free Church New-Year's Day Thankoffering, per D. C. M'G., £3 10s 6d; Dechmont Dorcas Society, Cambuslang, a quantity of new clothing; Candlish Memorial Free Church Bible Class, 17s; W. M. M., Davidson's Mains, £1; Mrs C., Port-Glasgow, 10s 6d; Miss G., Edinburgh, £1; a Friend,

an ulster and old clothing; a Railway Guard's Four Little Children, 3s; Mr. D., Aberdeen, per A. C. B., £1; a Rescued Boy in Canada, 4s 2d; a Rescued Girl, do., 8s 4d; Mrs B., two books; Miss G., Perth, parcel of clothing, books, &c.; Miss T., Kinnoull, do., 2 petticoats and 11 pairs cuffs; G. T., 40 boys' caps, 7 pairs stockings, remnants, &c.; Mrs B., Lochgoilhead, 8 pairs stockings, clothing, &c.; Friends at Lochgoilhead, per M.C., 25 articles of clothing; Miss M'K., 10s; A. R., £1; Downhill U.P. Church Mission Sabbath Morning Meeting, £3; do. Sabbath School, £1 8s 6d; R. M., 7s 6d; Misses S. and D., Laurencekirk, Christmas cards; P. G., £5; collected in Family Mission Box during the year, per E.S., £4 7s 6d; a Worker, £1; a Friend, per do., 10s; Mrs A., Alloa, socks, scarfs, &c.; a Friend, per Miss A., 5s; J. S. W., £1; Helensburgh Congregational Sabbath School, per R.R.L., £3 3s; "A Part of Unexpected Surplus," £2; D. M., Balloch, £1; Dechmont Dorcas Society, Cambuslang, per Miss M. M. B., 13s; Mrs D., do., £1; Lenzie Union Sabbath School, per J. A., £3; Auchinloch Sabbath School, per do., 12s; Westbourne Mission Sabbath School, per J. H., 8s 3½d; Langside Road U.P. Church Sabbath School, £1; E. S. J.'s First Week's Wages, 5s; Collected from a few Friends by Mrs A. H., £20 15s; Contents of a Family Box, per C. P., Shawlands, £1; a Family in Paisley, per T. F. R., £1; Free West Church S.S., Stirling, per W. W., 10s; J. S., Crosshill, £10; John, 2s 6d; Bessie, 2s 6d; Jamie (in memoriam), 2s 6d; Alick, 2s 6d; Archie, 2s 6d; Isa, 2s 6d; Mamma, 2s 6d; Papa, 2s 6d; G. E. M., Paisley, 10s; W. C., Rothsay, 4 pairs stockings; R. B., Aberystwith, £2; a Thankoffering from a Husband and Wife, £5; a Govan Joiner (interest on sum in Savings Bank), £1; the Four Girls at G-noch, £1 10s; Mrs T., Paisley, £1; Spero, 10s; a Friend, per W. M., Kilmarnock, £2; a Lady, per Mr F., £1; a Friend "who did not expect to be able to give again," £10; Govan Free Church S.S., £1 8s 6d; W. B., 15s; Mrs M'C., Stranraer, £1; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 16s; Mrs L., £1; Grandchildren at Galashiels, 10s; J. G. O., for Invalids' Home, £200; "Psalm 68 and 5," £1; Miss M. B., Keith, 2s 6d; Mrs J., Irvine, 10s; Mrs L., do., 10s; Mrs M. D., Inverness, 2s 6d; J. P., Gosport, 2s 6d; Miss C., Ibrox, £1; Balance of Fund Collected for a Father's Funeral, £3 10s; Teachers and Scholars of Glencairn S.S., £1 5s; E.U. S.S., Galashiels, per G. C., £2; New Deer Public Hall S.S., per A. J., £1 3s; Little Johnny, Stornoway, 2s 6d; Wee John Norman, do., 2s 6d; Mrs A., Portobello, £1; A. G., Johnstone, £10; W. E. Morning Meeting, Paisley, per C. M'F., £1; Miss B., Hillhead, £1; Fort-Wilham Free Church S.S., per J. M., 7s 6d; Mrs E. K., Milngavie, £1; Miss S., Lenzie, for emigration, £2; "To Buy some Loaves," 2s; Mrs N., six pairs socks; Graham's Road U.P. Church S.S. Falkirk, per R. Y. H., £1 3s 9d; a Friend, Odds and Ends for the Little Girls; Cathie, H. Clare, Hettie, and Charlie C., 10s; W. C., Buckhaven, £1 10s; H. K. W., London, £10; Wilson U.P. Church Sabbath School, Perth, per N. P., £1 10s 1½d; R. M., Edinburgh, £1; Mrs F., St Boswells, £1; R. H. A., Edinburgh, £5; Mrs M'F., Strathblane, £1; J. W., Kilmarnock, £1 10s; Paisley Branch of Young Women's Christian Association, per Mrs L., 19 pairs stockings, 12 petticoats, &c.; a Friend, £2; Miss M. S., Edinburgh, 10s; Mrs C., Langbank, £2; Original Secession Church S.S., Kirkintilloch, per Mr B., £1; Miss F., Edinburgh, petticoats, stockings, &c., Mrs J., Dundee, 4 pairs stockings; a Scotch Girl in Chester, a knitted petticoat; Newhills Free Church Dorcas Society, 15 shirts and 36 pairs stockings and socks; H. B. C., Greenock, 6s; Miss B., Melrose, £1; Crown Terrace S.S., Aberdeen, per A. G., £2; Wigtown, £1; K. J., £4 18s 6d. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—W. S., Dundee, £3; "Give and it shall be given unto you," 16s 9d; J. G., £1; Miss C. F. M., Elgin, parcel of new clothing; W. R. C., £1; M. H., £1; a Husband and Wife, £1; Miss M. C. F., Baillieston, £5 for Street Children's Treat; Broomhouse S.S., £1 1s; C. B. M., Dollar, £5; "To Help the Poor Children's Treat," 1s; Calderhead S.S., per H. L. P., £1 5s; R. H., 12 loaves; J. D. B., £10; A. M., 1 piece of Angola Shirting; Mrs S., 2 petticoats; J. N. K., London Road, 12s 6d; East Campbell Street U.P. Children's Mission Church, £1 4s 1d; Mrs A., Edinburgh, for New-Year's Treat, £1; a Friend, do. for Street Children's Tea, £10; "Ibrox," for do., £5; T. H. W., £3; A. C., £1; Mrs A., old boots and shoes; Three Sisters, Partick, per J. B., 17 pairs stockings; Mr. G., 11 dozen currant loaves; Mrs T., for New-Year's Treat, 5s; Mrs. R., for do., 10s; A. D. M., £3; P. M., 1 dozen shawls; Kent Road U.P. Church Mission, per J. B., £1 17s; W. W. S., Norwich, for New-Year's Treat, 3s; A. G., Paisley, for Street Children's Treat, £1; Mrs A., £50; One Rescued from the Streets, £1 10s; A. M. G., 5s; Mrs G., 1 piece Wincey and 1 do. Gingham; Miss T., Edinburgh, underclothing; J. M'F., bread and cakes; F. & L., two rolls brawn; R. P., 2s 6d; Mr M., the result of reading "Narrative," 5s; London Road U.P. Church S.S., per Mr S., £2; Part Proceeds of Admission to Royal Polytechnic during Holidays, per J. A., £10; T. & J. D., Coatbridge, £2; Sir Michael Street U.P. Church Mission S.S., Greenock, per R. L., £1 18s 10d; Mrs S. M., £1; Cranstonhill Free Church S.S., per Mr C., £1; "The 'Lord's Tenth,'" 8s; 2 Sisters, 1s 6d; a Friend at Meeting, £1; Miss J. M'C., £1; A. C. T., a Rubber Stamp to order; J. M'F., 3 dozen quarter loaves; J. M'D., Motherwell, £1; Chalmers' Free Church S.S., per R. G., 15s; Mr and Mrs A., for Street Children's Treat, 5s; Mrs I., for do., 2s; Mrs A., for do., 2s; J. & A. M., Wishaw, 9 overcoats, jackets, &c.; Mrs C., do., 1 pair stockings; Mrs D., Dumfries, £5; found in boxes during December, £2 6s 7½d; Cambuslang Baptist Church S.S., per Mr T.,

17s 1d; J. M.F., quantity of bread; Campbell U.P. Church Bible-Class, tea bread left from Soiree.

24th January.—Mrs M., £4; Mrs P. M'K., £1; Mrs Q., Birkenhead, £1; Mrs G. H., £1; W. and D. M., £2; W. B. C., £5 5s; A. L. B., a thankoffering, £1; Free Church S.S., Tobermory, per A. H., £1; Children of Mount Pleasant U.P. Church, Greenock, per D. M., £1; Dechmont Dorcas Society, Cambuslang, 2s 6d; "For the Homes," 10s; West Barns S.S., per R. R., a New-Year's Offering, £1; Troon Children's Church, per J. H., £1; an Ayrshire Farmer, for emigration, £40; Mrs D., Falkirk, 2s 6d; Miss G., do., 2s 6d; Christian Institute Boys' Meeting, Aberdeen, 10s; D. L., a crate of dishes; Mrs C., Edinburgh, for emigration, £110; Rattray Free Church S.S., Blairgowrie, per J. T., £1; additional subscription from the Free Church, 5s; Britannia Lodge of G. T. s., per R. R. H., 10s 8d; Crown Terrace Ladies' Working Society, Aberdeen, 126 articles of new clothing; a Blind Lady, do., 3 pairs stockings; a Friend, do., 2 pairs stockings; Mr C., Lawmarnock, a cheese; Two Sisters, Newcastle-on-Tyne, £1; a F-w Friends in Leith, per Miss S., £2 17s; a Mizpah Man, 5s; a Friend, Govan, 2s; Mrs W. W., 4 pairs socks and 1 pair stockings; a Friend, 10s; a Railway Signalman, 5s; Young Ladies in Mr Dick's Seminary, Claremont Terrace, £5; Miss W., Stirling, for emigration, £10; a Friend, per Miss S., Montrose, £1; a Sister, per do., 5s; Garliestown S.S., 10s; A. R., do., 10s; a New-Year's gift from U.P. Church Bible Class, Lochgelly, 12s; R. T. and family, Paisley, £1; Mrs G., Killochside, parcel of clothing; Mrs H., Alloa, 15s; Arbuthnot S.S., by Fordoun, per Miss W., 7s 6d; J. M., Edinburgh, £5; G. S., 10s; A. C. Arrossan, 2s 6d; Mrs B., Kilmalcolm, £2; D. L., Pollokshaws, a crate of dishes; Miss E. L.'s Bible Class, St Giles Street, Edinburgh, 10s; Misses L., do., 5s; Long Wynd Baptist Church S.S., Dundee, 10s; Miss W., Bath, per M'K. and A., for emigration, £1, and for General Fund, £1; A. C., Cockburnspath, 5s; P. P., Lochgoilhead, £1; J. W., large quantity of clothing and sundries; Esther, Mary, and Jane N., 6s; Dr N., £1; Misses B., Greenock, 6 pairs stockings; Ruthwell Free Church S.S., Dumfries, per A. B., 15s; Miss C., Ryde, for emigration, £10; R. R., Pollokshields, £2; Two S.S. Scholars, 4 pairs cuffs and 4 neckerchiefs; Mrs R., 5s; Henderson Memorial Church Bible Class, £1 10s; Sandyford Free Church S.S., per T. W., £1 2s 10d; C. M. G., £1; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 5 pairs socks; Port-Glasgow Working Boys' and Girls' Society, per R. B. H., £1 10s 6d; Hamilton Free Church S.S., Schools, do., per do., £1 5s; a Sabbath Class of Crofters' Children, Lismore, Oban, per A. M'G., 7s; Miss M., Dalkeith, £1; Princes Street U.P. Church S.S., Kilmarnock, per J. D., £1; "Townhead," £1; Dumbarton Parish Church S.S., per A. R., £3 3s; R. W., £2; Collected at Ardentinny and Glenfinart by J. W. (a S.S. girl), £2 4s 6d; Kilmalcolm Parish Church S.S., £1; Miss H., Haddington, 31 articles of new clothing; C. D. M.'s Sabbath Class, 2s; Mrs B., Callander, £5; W. K. D., Ayr, £1; Glenbary Juvenile Missionary Society and Band of Hope, per W. B., 10s; Mrs B., Edinburgh, 10s; A. T., Leith, £3; Free St George's S.S. Association, Paisley, Mission School, £1 3s 6d; do., Session-House School, 19s; proceeds of Furniture sold on behalf of three children, £2; West U.P. Church S.S. Strathaven, per A. G., 10s; Lady B.'s S.S., Whitburn, £1; Mr G., do., 5s; Mrs N., Busby, £1; A. F. A., 1s; Mrs M'L., 2s; A. M'L., 2s; Mrs F. J. C., 2s; M. W., 1s; M. A., 1s; J. A., 1s; M. G. A., 1s; W. A., 10s. The above sums, from Busby, were collected by A. A. Miss M., Aberdeen, £2; Miss M. S., do., 5s; h. S. and S., £2; D. M. S., for emigration, 18s 6d; from Galashiels, 1 pair stockings; Mrs G., Edinburgh, £3 and 10 pairs stockings; "Railway Fare," 2s 6d; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 3 pairs stockings; Largs Free Church S.S. Box, per J. C., £2 11s 6d; R. M., 11 lbs. roast beef; a Sincere Well-Wisher, Greenock, 5s; Mrs I. L. W. and Friends, 10s; Queen's Park Parish Church Congregational Sabbath School, per J. M., £1 11s 6d; Mission Boxes of Parish Church S.S., Port-Glasgow, per W. C., £1 2s; Chapelhall Free Church S.S., per J. M'K., 15s; a Friend, per W. R. S., Dundee, 5s; W. M'B., Aros, Mull, 2s 6d; A. C., Nairn, 5s; G. M. K., Lochgoilhead, 10s; Mrs W., Stirling, £1; Mrs G., £1; North Free Church S.S. Mission Boxes, Kirriemuir, per S. D. M'N., £1; a Friend, 3 pairs socks; Tarduff S.S., Lindithgow, per Mrs S., 4s 1d; U.P. Minister's Bible Class, Grangemouth, 10s; Glenorchy E. Church S.S., 6s; Friends at Glenorchy, per K. M. W., £1 18s; Forfar E. Church S.S., per J. M'D., 10s; St James' Parish Church Bible Class, Clydebank, per J. H. P., £1 10s; R. B., Kinross, 1s 6d; Mrs A. C., do., 5s; Miss M., Edinburgh, £1; a Friend, Crossford, £2; Mission S.S., Hamilton, per W. C., 6s; Cardonald S.S., per J. F., £1 11s; Mrs F., £1; Mrs T., Alloa, 1 dozen scarfs; Dunfermline Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per G. M., 2s 8d. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Mr W., quantity of pastry; an Ayrshire Farmer, £10; M. C. D., Dumbarton, £1; Mrs H., Edinburgh, 2s; Miss C. F., Kingussie, 10s; Catherine and Alexander F., do., 1s 6d; T. S., £1; a Friend, per Mr M., 5s; High Street U.P. Church S.S., Dumbarton, £2 4s 7d; do. Bible Class, 9s 11d; Mrs W., 5s and periodicals; a Friend, an ulster and tweed hat; Mr M., 5s; Miss J. T., Cockenzie, £1; J. P., Stranraer, £2; Baillieston U.P. Church S.S., per Mr B., £1; Middle Parish Mission Church and S.S., £2 0s 6d; Mrs M'F., 2s and clothing; W. D., Dumbarton, 5s; Miss B., 2s 6d; Mrs T., 1s (for street children); A. H., 10s; Mrs C., parcel of clothing; J. B. S.'s Employes, bread left from soiree; a Member of Stair Free Church, per D. L., £2; Miss C. W. F., 2s 6d; D. L., Pollokshaws, a crate of

dishes; Mrs W., old clothing; Saved Pennies of the Boys at Cessnock Home to help their poorer brothers and sisters, £4. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—An Ayrshire Farmer, £40; a Friend, Crossford, £2.

7th February.—J. S., Kilmarnock, two remnants of tweed; Mrs P., 6 pairs stockings; Mrs H., Broughty-Ferry, 10s; A. P., Greenock, 2s; "Part of a Legacy of a Little One now in Glory," 5s; W. J., Bangor, £3; Cargill Free Church Sabbath School, Coupar Angus, per A. S., £1; Mission Fund of Baptist Sabbath School, Anstruther, per A. B., £1; F. H. M., Hillhead, 5s; Mrs M., Renfrew, 29 pinafores and 3 scarfs; Mrs S., £2; Motherwell U.P. Church Sabbath School, per A. F., £1; J. and M. A.'s box 5s; also parcel of clothing; Cullen U.P. Congregational Sabbath School, per the Synod Treasurer, £1 1s; Stromness Sabbath School, per do., £1; 2 Little Boys, Bell Street, Dundee, per do., 5s; Bridgend U.P. Church S.S., Dumbarton, £1 5s 7d; Mrs B., Ayr, for emigration, £10; Johnstone Free Church Mission S.S., per R. G., £1; M., Mount Vernon, 5s; Infant Class in Grange Free Church S.S., Kilmarnock, per Mrs T., £1 12s; F., Hawick, £1; D. F., Inverness, 7s 6d; a Friend, Crieff, £1; Mrs E., Edinburgh, £1; J. H., Neilston, £1; Miss A. P., Errol, £4; Mrs S., Dunfermline, 5s; Mrs W., Stirling, 2 pieces of tweed and cotton, &c.; A. C., £1; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 6 pairs socks; A. P., £5 and a large quantity of cotton shirting; J. T. B., Kirkintilloch, 6s; Alice Sunday School, Africa, per W. G., £1 10s 1d; Alexandria Children's Meeting, per A. O. E., £2; Holborn Parish S.S., Aberdeen, per J. R. J., £1; Stonelaw S.S., Rutherglen, per D. S., £1; Mrs A., 54 Wincey and 42 pinat dresses, and 6 dozen night-gowns, &c.; R. G., Montrose, 10s; Mission Box of U.P. S.S., Inverkeithing, 10s; Miss C. M., do., 10s; Trossachs Curling Club, per J. C. H., Callander, £1; Young Street Free Church Bible-Class, per W. C., 10s; Mrs R., Bath, a packet of books and leaflets; Thankoffering, £1; J. G., Langside, 10s 6d; Mrs J. C., Renfrew, £1; U.P. Church Bible-Class and S.S., Innellan, per R. H., 12s 6d; Mrs F., 2s 6d; Ladies' Union, Aberdeen, 93 articles of new clothing, per Miss M.; Mrs M., for emigration, 10s; from Fort-William, £1; M. R., for emigration, £10; a Widow, Alloa, per W. L., Greenock, for do., £1; Mr and Mrs G., Gatehouse, a parcel of clothing and toys; Miss M., £2; Bol-han S.S., per J. N., Frickheim, 9s 4d; a Friend, £5; the contents of 2 Children's Money Boxes, Paisley, £1 5s; Mr C., Castle-Douglas, £1; Mrs B. H., Callander, 21 articles of new clothing; a Small Mission S.S., per Miss F., 2s 4d; Hope Park U.P. Church Juvenile Missionary Society, Edinburgh, per M. M., £1 10s; a Friend, per do., 5s; J. L., Rothesay, £1; Miss B., Stornoway, per Miss R., 10s; Miss D., per do., 2s 6d; Govanhill U.P. Church S.S., per W. M'K., £1 8s; Springbank U.P. Church S.S., £2; Aitkenhead S.S., £1 8s 8d; D. M. S., for emigration, 16s; Captain B., Greenock, £4; a Thankoffering, from J. D., for emigration, £3 3s; Mrs W., Largs, £1; Mrs S., Wishaw, per Mrs G., £1; Mrs H., Perth, £2; Kilmarnock Established Church, S.S., Alexandria, per W. B., 15s. The following donations have been sent in to City Home Refuge and Mission:—Bridgeton New Presbyterian Congregational S.S., 8s 7d; Miss W.'s Young Women's Bible-Class, 5s; from Helensburgh, 12 pairs socks; Adelaide Place Church, tea bread left from soiree; surplus of Queen's Dock soiree, per A. M'P., 9s; R. M'K., 2s; Mrs S., Lenzie, clothing; A. & R. S., two boxes biscuits; J. A., sandwiches; Mrs L., £1 and stockings; Children of the Band of Hope, Ballachulish, parcel of clothing and 2 scrap boxes; Found in Boxes during January, £2 10s 7d; Two Workers, 10s; Mrs B., Renfrew, £1; "Give and it shall be given unto you," £1 17s 1d; Polly B., £1 5s; Mrs S., quantity of material for dresses; a Friend, 8 flannel petticoats; Mrs K., Cardonald, 8 pairs stockings &c.; Mrs M'F., parcel of old clothing; E. Campbell Street U.P. Church S.S., per Mr L., £1; J. M'F., 12 loaves; Trinity Free Church Forenoon Meeting, 12s; R. P., £1. The following donations have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—St George's-in-the-Fields S.S., per Mr V., £3 10s; Bridgend U.P. Church S.S., Dumbarton, per Mr M'L., £3 11s 4d; Calton U.P. Church S.S., per Miss D., £3 10s 9d; M'Leod Parish Church S.S., per A. H., £2 3s 7d.

21st February.—Mrs L., 2 suits of boys' clothing and 12 knitted petticoats; Mrs L., 5s; Mrs H., Jedburgh, £1 10s; W. J., Bangor, £5; Mrs L., Castle-Douglas, £10 for emigration; Portland Road U.P. Church Bible Class, Kilmarnock, per T. W., £1; Mrs and Miss M., Johnstone, £5; Mrs S., Montrose, 2 dresses and 5 petticoats; Bristo Place Baptist Church S.S., Edinburgh, per A. C., £3 16s 10d; from Wigtown, £1; Misses K., Edinburgh, 12 trimmed hats; J. R., Port-Glasgow, £5; Niddry Sunday School, Wincburgh, 16s; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 5 pairs socks; 2 Little Girls in Troon, Christmas cards and magazine; A. C., Paisley, for emigration, £3; W. C., Paisley, for emigration, £2; Tufts, 5s; a Friend, per J. H. G. M., Biggar, £1 10s; Mrs R., Callander, 6 petticoats; C. S., £1 1s; Mrs L., Edinburgh, 15s and parcel of underclothing; a Friend per Mrs L., Edinburgh, 5s; Park Lane Mission Sunday School, Alloa, per J. Y., 9s 3d; Bridge-of-Allan U.P. Church Sunday School, per Miss B., 54 articles of new clothing; a Thankoffering for the Lord's goodness in times of difficulty through want of work, 2 pairs socks; Mrs T., Alloa, 9 knitted scarfs; Mrs W., Belfast, for emigration, £6; Mrs M., Hillhead, 10s and 6 pairs stockings; Lochee Baptist Church, S.S., per J. H., £1 10s; a Servant, 10s; a Shore Labourer, per D. G., Aberdeen, 5s; Miss P., Alloa, 31 pairs stockings, &c.; Miss D., 5s; W. B. N., £1; a Thankoffering from Belleville, Canada, to pay for the

outfit and passage of one boy, £10; Miss C., per Miss M., for emigration, £5; Mrs T., East Kilbride, 10s; J. W., Airdrie, for emigration, £15; Miss M'L., 10s; A. G., Aberdeen, £1; Mrs H., 20 petticoats; Congregational Church S.S., Portobello, per W. H. D., 10s; "Matthew xiv. 31," for emigration, £2; from Dundee, a box of tea; a Friend, S. F., £2; A. M., Largs, for emigration, £10; D. M'K., Ayr, 5s; J. W., Haddington, £1; Hutchison U.P. Church S.S., £1; Gourcock U.P. Church S.S., £1; Mrs A. A., Orfiff, £2; A. R., £1; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 5s; J. O. M., with John xxi. 15, £5; Children attending Union Place Public School, Biggar, per Misses R., 10s 10d and a box of 79 articles of clothing, toys, &c.; Mrs W., Biggar, 2s 6d; Mrs M., Biggar, 2s 6d; Mrs C., Biggar, 1s; Mrs A., Skirling, 5s; Mrs M., Skirling, 2s 6d; R. N. R., Edinburgh, 10s; Miss R., Musselburgh, 5s; Misses R., Biggar, £1 1s 6d; B. O. R., £25; Innellan Established Church S.S., per M. D., £2; Macduff Established Church S.S. Mission Fund, per J. C. B., £5; Miss M., per Miss C., 5s; Mrs D., per Miss C., 2s 6d; Mrs C., per Miss C., 4s; a Friend, Perth, for emigration, £5; J. H. M., Mount Florida, 10s; Friends in Helensburgh, £2 and 6 slips and 2 scarfs; Mrs M., Largs, £5; Mrs C., £1; Miss W., 10s; Mrs T. C., 10s; Mrs A., £1; Miss K., 3s; Mrs A., 2s; Mrs K., 2s; Mrs M., 10s; Mrs S., 2s; Mrs M., 2s; Mrs F., 2s 6d; Mrs M., 5s; Miss B., 5s; Mrs J., 1s; Mr O., 5s; Mrs M., 5s; Mrs P., 5s; Dr C., 2s 6d; A. Y., 2s 6d; R. J., 1s 6d; Mrs M., 10s; Mrs W., 1s 6d; Mrs C., 2s; Miss C., 4s; Miss R., 2s; Mrs R., 2s 6d; Miss B., 1s; Three Girls, 5s; A. B., 2s 6d; Mr J. O., £1; H. C., 2s 6d. The above sums from Largs were collected by Miss B. The following donations have been sent for City Home Refuge and Mission:—J. M'L., Inverness, 2s 6d; J. B. & Son, Kilmarnock, £5; D. M., 6s; Pollokshaws West Free Church S.S., per H. W., £1 3s 8d; A. C. T., a rubber stamp, ink, &c.; J. W., 3 pairs blankets; Whitevale Free Church S.S., per G. B., 14s 4d; Two Workers, £1 5s; "The Lord's Tenth," 8s; Mrs A. C., £1; Raglan Street Wesleyan Church S.S., per A. M'I., 10s; R. P., periodicals; a Farmer, a parcel of clothing; M. B., 10s; Miss W., £1; A. B., old books, &c.; Mrs F., Duntocher, a parcel of clothing; R. H., 12 loaves; R. K., Lenzie, £5. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Cathedral Square U.P. Church S.S., per Mr B., £1 10s; Pollokshields U.P. Church S.S. Society, £7 15s 7d; A. W., Partick, 5s.

7th March.—J. K., to keep a child for a month, £1 13s; A. C. C., Edinburgh, for emigration, £100; W. J., Bangor, for do., £4; Mrs M., Monkton, £1; Mrs R., Pollokshields, £2; R. W., do., £1 1s; Miss H. F., Kilmarnock, £1; Kilm U.P. S.S., per E. G., £1; J. S., Lossiemouth, 1 petticoat and 1 pair stockings; Kilmalcolm U.P. Church Dorcas Society, 3 pairs stockings; Mrs R., in memory of a beloved child, £1; Dublin Street Baptist Church Dorcas Society, Edinburgh, per Miss G., 21 articles of new clothing; Miss B., Dunoon, 50 shirts; Miss C. N., Mount Florida, £1; a Friend, C., £2; Miss G.'s Bible Class in South Parish Church, Aberdeen, 46 articles of new clothing; Lochgilphead Free Church S.S., £1; Mr P., London, £1; Miss R., £2; legacy left by Miss E. Smyth, Tottenham, for emigration, £25; Mrs M., 2 pairs socks; Miss D., Murrayfield, 10s; E. P. S., Croydon, for emigration, £10 10s; M. R., near Barrhead, 5s; Mrs W. M. D., a parcel of clothing; F. H. R., a quantity of quilted linings; Mrs L., a pair of boots; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 11 pairs stockings and socks; Miss M., 2s; Mrs W. M. D., £1; Miss H., Pitlochry, 9 pairs stockings and 2 pairs cuffs; Greenbank S.S., Busby, £1 13s 6d; Mrs M., Invergarry, £1 and 12 pairs stockings; Mrs M., Bradford, 19 petticoats, 4 scarfs, and 1 hood; a Friend and Wellwisher, 5s and 16 yards material for dresses; a Wellwisher, Upper Ashton, £1; Alva Free Church S.S. Children, per R. M'L., £1; a Thankoffering from W. S., 5s; Miss M., Johnstone, for emigration, £10; First Fruit and Thanksgiving from W. J., Bangor, for do., £2 10s; Ashfield S.S., Dunblane, per W. M'G., £2; Campbell U.P. Church Bible Class, £2 15s; Two Friends, 5s; Miss C. W., Greenock, 4 dozen hats; J. H., to take a boy to Canada, £10; Mrs H., 10s; A. M., Dunrossness, £1; J. S. & Co., 2 bacon hams; a Friend, Croydon, £2 4s; W. E. S., Greenock, £2; Mrs F., Duntocher, a parcel of clothing; Mrs M., 10s; Mrs M., Edinburgh, to take a boy to Canada, £10; do., for general fund, £2; Proceeds of Children's Services held by Crosshill Y.M.C.A. in July, 5s 7d; Whiteinch U.P. Church S.S., West, per A. N., £1; a Friend, per Mrs D., Edinburgh, £5; Mrs M'M., Braemar, £1; A. M'N., 5s; Miss M'K., 5s; D. M., 2s 6d; H. M'N., 2s 6d; Mrs C., 2s; Mrs C., 2s; J. E., 2s; J. S., 1s; D. F., 1s; C. M'D., 1s; J. M., 1s; E. M'D., 1s 6d; J. M., 2s; J. R., 1s 6d; J. A., 1s; C. T., 1s; Mrs B., 2s; J. R., 1s; R. R., 6d; R. L., 1s; A. M'H., 1s; J. A., 2s; A. S. Y., 2s 6d; Mr and Mrs L., 3s; J. S., 1s; C. S., 1s; M. W., 1s; J. H., 1s 6d; W. G., 2s; G. H., 2s; a Friend, 6s 6d. The above sums from Braemar were collected by T. H.; W. L., Portobello, £1; C. P., 8 scarfs and 3 pairs socks; School Girls' Saturday Class in Mr I.'s School, Dundee, per B. N., £2; Martyns Free Church S.S., Greenock, per A. S., £1; Townhill F. Church S.S., Dunfermline, 6s 9d; Dennistoun U.P. Church Congregational S.S., per A. G. B., £4 18s; Mrs L., per Miss R., £1; Miss H., 22 hats; D. M. S., for emigration £1 5s; Mrs M., 2 pairs stockings; Mrs S., 3 petticoats; from Orfiff, a box of clothing; E. J. W. W., £1 1s; J. T., jun., £1; J. R., to take a boy to Canada, £10; from "the mission box of two little boys," Greenock, 10s; B. P. B., Croydon, for emigration, £20; "a Reader of the Quirer," 5s; R. L., Aberdeen, 3s; a Friend, a parcel of clothing; an old Lady 81 years

of age, 4 pairs stockings. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Alva Parish Church S.S., per Mr G., £5; J. M'F., 22 loaves; A. B., periodicals; J. M'F., 16 loaves; do., 11 loaves; Mrs Y., Partick, a cloak; R. H., corned beef; Campbell S.S. Soiree, a box of oranges and cakes; W. H., 5s; Mr P., 4s 3d; J. B., Edinburgh, £2; Mrs A. C. F., a pot of jam; found in boxes during February, £1 1s 10d; Mrs T., 2s and 1 pair stockings; Cathedral Square U.P. Church Bible Class, £1; J. J., Paisley, 8 14-lb boxes of corn flour; "the Lord's Tenth," 8s; A. M., being money in dispute, £1 13s 6d; J. M'F., 20 loaves; Mrs P. C., 10s.

21st March.—"Saved from housekeeping," to take a child to Canada, £10; W. D., for emigration, £5; legacy from a servant in Rothsay, per Miss B., £1; A. H., Helensburgh, 5s; T. K., to take a child to Canada, £10; Stornoway Free Church (English) S.S., per D. S., £1; a Thankoffering from a U.P. Church Elder, Stirling, £1; Miss M., £2; A. C., £1; Mr M'N., Uddingston, for emigration, £10; J. and W. C., for do., £20; the fruits of a servant's mission box, Hamilton, 2 pairs stockings, 2 petticoats, and 2 shirts; Mrs T. F. M., 7 pairs stockings, etc.; Miss K., Helensburgh, £3; Mrs D., Perth, 24 shirts and quantity of stockings and socks; a Friend, a parcel of old clothes; Mrs M., £1; P. M., London, for emigration, £30; M. F. Brighton, for do., £10; J. G., Kilmarnock, 5s; Stirling Working Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per J. T., £1 4s 2d; Kinross Mission S.S., Huntly, per R. M., 7s; Y. W. C. A., Cupar-Fife, per Miss C., a parcel of clothing; W. C., for emigration, £10; J. M'L., Guthrie, 5s; a Friend, for emigration, £10; J. A., Kirkcudbright, £1; S. J., do., £1; J. P. Stratford, for emigration, £5; Leith E. U. Church S.S., per J. C., £1 9s 6d; Dennistoun Free Church S.S., per A. M., £1; L. I. G., for emigration, £3; Mr O., for do., £5; Elgin Place Church Congregational S.S., per J. N. M., £1; Glenryan Lodge of Good Templars, Kilmarnock, 7s 6d; Inverness Free High Church S.S., per A. D. R., £3 1s 1d; I. D., Aberdeen, 5s; Mrs T., Ryde, £2; G. B. S. W., Hawick, 10s 6d; J. T. F., Eskdalemuir, 8s; from Burntisland, £2; Mrs M'C., Gourcock, 12 pairs stockings and socks and one shirt; Mrs M., 2 pairs stockings; St. Luke's Parish Church, S.S., per D. G., £1 15s; a Friend, 2 pairs stockings; M. L. Edinburgh, 2 boys' jerseys and 2 semmets; W. D. D., 2 pieces tweed, 1 do. print, and quantity of hats, ribbon, etc.; K. S., London, 5s; Mrs E., Largs, for emigration, £10; a Friend in Royal Crescent, W., £2; part surplus of M. H.'s employes' soiree, £3 3s; collected by Miss J. M. G. S., Milngavie, and Mrs M., Glen Sadell, to take a boy and a girl to Canada, £20; do. (for general fund), £1 17s; Miss E., for emigration, £5, and 12 pairs socks, &c.; Free St. Leonard's S.S., Perth, per J. B., £1; Dalnair S.S., per J. G. W., £1; M. M'D., 10s; money left by a sister gone home, per Miss C. F. M., Elgin, 10s; W. J., Belfast, for emigration, £5; J. M., Lanark, for do., £5; M. B., Dumfries, 2s; Gourcock Y.M.C.A., per C. R., 4s 6d; W. D., Helensburgh, 10s; R., Hawick post-mark, for emigration, £1; J. R. S., for do., £10; a Wellwisher in Alva, 6 pairs stockings; Mrs A., Partick, for emigration, £5; J. I., Dunfermline, 5s; Mrs A., Largs, 18 articles of new clothing; a few young Ladies in Dunoon and Kilm, 36 articles of new clothing; Misses C., Edinburgh, for emigration, £30; W. C., for do., £10; Miss H., Haddington, £1; M. O., London, for emigration, £20; D. S., Edinburgh, for do., £10 10s; a household in Edinburgh who are all total abstainers, per do., £2 7s 6d; Dalziel Free Church S.S., Motherwell, per T. W., £1; Anonymous, £1; M. A. L., Ceres, 7s 6d; G. B., Dundee, 2s 9d; 5 Servants, per do., 1s 3d; Mrs M'F., Campbeltown, 2 petticoats and 5 pairs stockings; Mrs B., do., 4 pairs stockings; Miss M., 7 scarfs; H. B., 180 Bibles for the children going to Canada; C. C., Fife, 2s 6d; a Friend, per do., 2s 6d; J. B., Keswick, £1; Miss M., Edinburgh, for emigration, £5; D. M'D., £1; Mrs C., Edinburgh, 12½ dozen pairs socks and 9½ dozen pairs stockings; from Dorsetshire, 2s 6d; Kinbuck S.S., near Dunblane, 10s; gathered by some children for the poor children's food, 9s; Mrs F., Edinburgh, £1; Mrs M'K., Renfrew, 1 dozen boys' caps; Miss F., Maybole, 2 dozen shirts and 2 remnants shirting; a Servant, per do., 2s; J. R., Holytown, £3; M. & L. H., to send a child to Canada, £10; Miss B. and Friends, L'nithgow, 65 articles of clothing, cuffs, &c.; W. B., Melkior, £1; some members of Free St. Paul's Church, Montrose, per Mrs S., 84 articles of new clothing; Miss S., do., a parcel of underclothing; West Free Church S.S., Hamilton, per G. M., 11s 8d; Miss T., do., 6 pairs stockings; J. B., do., 2 knitted petticoats; a Friend, a parcel of clothing; J. F. M., Edinburgh, to take two boys to Canada, £20; Miss M., Musselburgh, £2; a Friend in Somerset Place, a parcel of clothing; Mrs N. M., Inveraray, 7s; Friends at Sandbank, 10s and parcel of new clothing; A. S., Dundee, 2s 6d; G. R. M., do., 2s 6d; Muslin Street E. U. S.S., per W. S., £1; part of money collected for behoof of 3 children, per W. A., Greenock, £15; Crown Terrace Ladies' Working Society, Aberdeen, 204 articles of new clothing; a Friend, "one day's supply" to take 4 children to Canada, £40. The following donations have been sent in to the City Home Refuge and Mission Fund:—Mrs T. F., Strathaven, 10s; from Crieff, 2 hampers old clothes; Elphinstone Total Abstinence Society, 14s; P. M., London, £20; J. F., Kirkcaldy, £2; a Friend, Edinburgh, 10s; "Give, and it shall be given unto you," 14s 8d; Nicholson Street Reformed Presbyterian Church S.S., £1; K. S., London, for Young Women's Home, 5s; Mrs W. D., Dumbarton, £5; W. H., a basket of bread; W. J. M., 10s; Milton S.S., near Bowling, per J. S., £1; Family Missionary Box, per Miss J. C. S., £1; W. C., £10; M. C., London, £5; sub-

scribed by a few Working Men, per W. F., £1; Anonymous, 2s; L. A. T., Dowanhill, 5s; East Park Free Church Bible Class, per J. W., 11s; Mrs H., Lenzie, £2; a Friend, Morange, 5s; Mr R., a parcel of old clothing. The following have been sent for the Orphan Homes Building Fund:—J. M'N., Ayr, £5; W. C., £10.

4th April.—A Thankoffering, 15s; Mrs W. P., £1; Mrs E., Aberdeen, to take 2 children to Canada, £20; Mrs F., £1; J. F., Motherwell, for emigration, £5; Bishop Street S.S., 17s 6d; Anonymous, £1; A. A. M'G., £2; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 6 pairs socks; Miss C., Ryde, to take 2 children to Canada, £20; Mrs S. G., Auchencairn, £1 10s; W. C., £2; "The Lord will provide," 5s; Clydesdale S.S., per J. F., Bellshill, 4s; "Mrs F.'s children," 5s; "Their Aunt," 15s; Miss C. R., Cupar-Fife, 5s; Alva U.P. Church S.S., per J. B., 18s 6d; Mrs A., £1; a Friend, Crieff, £1; a few Friends, Wishaw, 6 cravats; Ella T., Oellardyke, 2s 2d; A. T., Bridge-of-Weir, to buy a sewing machine, £5; Mrs F., first fruits, 9s; Miss M. S., Wick, £2; W. M. B., Aros, 2s 6d; Mr M., Markinch, 5s; J. L., 2s 6d; A. L., Kirkcaldy, a box of periodicals; Miss M., per A. C. B., Aberdeen, 4s; the Little Ones at Northcote, 5s; Kilbarchan U.P. Church S.S., per A. M'C., £1 8s 6d; F. North Church, Dumbarton, per J. H., 15s; Friends in Yetholm, per Miss T., a parcel of clothing and 12s 6d; Mr P., 14 boys' caps; Trustees of A. R.'s estate, Greenock, per J. S. D., for 4 children, £40; Mrs G., 3 pairs stockings and periodicals; Mrs R., hats and collars, &c.; from Aberdeen, £1; K., to help a child to Canada, £1; Members of the Scotch Girls' Friendly Society, Biggar, 110 articles of clothing, per Miss S.; Misses L., per do., £1; a Friend, per do., 2s; Mill Girls, Greenock, per Miss M., 26 articles of clothing; W. J., Bangor, £1; Ivy Place U.P. S.S., Stranraer, per W. J., £2 10s; Mrs N., Partick, £2 and 6 pairs stockings; Cupar Free Church Bible Class, per J. S. R., £2 8s 10d; Miss M'N., Edinburgh, 13 articles of clothing; "One of the Lord's Little Ones," 10s and some articles of jewellery; Mrs T., 2 pairs stockings; N. D., for emigration, £10; F. & G., £1; a Friend, 3s in stamps; A. M., Coatbridge, 10s; Mrs A., £1; A. C., Grangemouth, 10s; Miss M., Edinburgh, for emigration, £5; a Friend on the West Coast, for do., £20; Philip, Aberdeen, 2s 6d; the last work of a Friend now gone home, 2 pairs stockings; M. H., for emigration, £1 1s; W. J. F., 10s 6d; the Sister of an Orphan Boy in the Home, 5s; from Blairgowrie, 5s; Mrs A. L., Dundee, for emigration, £6; "A Nameless Saint," per D. J. F., for do., £10; J. M'F., 5s; C. & Co., per Miss R., £2; a Lady at Farewell Meeting, £2; Bank Street S.S., per R. W. O., Brechin, 10s; Laurencekirk Free Church S.S., per J. C., 16s; Friends in Laurencekirk, per do., 7s; Mrs R., Bath, testaments and leaflets; "Birth-day Gift," W. M'K., Elderslie, to take a child to Canada, £10; B. P. B., Croydon, for do., £10; Mrs M., Wooler, for do., £10; Mrs M., Largs, to take 2 children, £20; Mrs E. C., London, £2 2s; Helmsdale Sabbath School, per D. F., 5s; a Working Woman, 27 pairs stockings; Mrs F., Duntocher, a parcel of knitted articles; Mrs H., to take 2 children to Canada, £20; Miss M., £2; Mrs W., Edinburgh, 6 pairs stockings; J. S., Largs, for emigration, £100; Friends in Granville Street, £1; F. High Congregational S.S., Paisley, per W. D., £1 6s; Portobello and Joppa Home Mission S.S., per J. S., £2 18s 7d; Miss M'U., 4 pairs socks; J. J., Edinburgh, for emigration, £5; Miss S., 5s; J. S., £1. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—A Friend, 2s 6d; D. R., 5s; Mrs M'U., 4s and parcel of clothing; "The Lord's Tenth," 16s; Mrs W., 5s 6d and periodicals; J. M'F., 15 loaves; Mrs A., 10s; Mrs G., £2; M. H., £1 1s; G. E. P., £1; Mrs C., 8 pairs stockings and clothing; J. H. G., £1; a Lady at Farewell Meeting, £2; Miss C., Ibrox, £1; a Friend, 5s; Mrs B.'s Mothers' Meeting, 11s; E. V., 2s; Polmadie U.P. Mission S.S., £1 6s 3d; found in Boxes during March, £1 16s 3d; a Friend, Kirkcaldy, £4 10s; J. M. S., £1. The following have been sent in for Orphan Homes' Building Fund:—M. H., for a stone in the new buildings, £1 1s; special collection by the S.S. Union, per J. S. K., £247 11s 11d.

18th April.—East U.P. Church Christian Work Society, Strathaven, 13s; D. W., for emigration, 15s; Miss A., Edinburgh, 6 pairs socks; D. M. S., for emigration, £2 7s 6d; Mrs C., for emigration, £5; Mrs M'C., Hillhead, £1; G. K., Aberdeen, 5s; J. H., to take a child to Canada, £10; Watten Free Church S.S., per J. B. G., 18s; a Young Friend, 2s 6d; Mrs D., Edinburgh, a box of clothing; Linthouse S.S., per J. P., £2 14s 10d; Sandyford Church S.S., per T. W., 17s 8d; Miss A., Stirling, 37 articles of new clothing; Friends, per do., 21 articles; J. R. M., Inchture, quantity of magazines; Mr M'U., Helensburgh, for emigration, £3; a Friend to the Work, for emigration, £50; D. B., 10s; Mrs W., Kendal, £1 10s; Miss F., Edinburgh, a parcel of clothing; Miss M. Stirling, parcel of underclothing; a Friend, per Miss M., Biggar, £1 5s; H. and A. M., Wishaw, 6 pairs stockings and 2 cravats; Mrs W., a quantity of clothing; a Friend, Newcastle, £1; E. J., 8 boys' suits and 2 jackets; Cardonald and Ibrox, a quantity of new clothing; J. S., Aberdeen, £3; J. A. B., Paisley, for emigration, £10; M. S., Kilm, for emigration, £10; Miss F., Crieff, for do., £1; Bell Street U.P. Church Minister's Bible Class, Dunder, 5s; a Friend, per C. C., £1; Miss C., 26 articles of new clothing; Mrs W., Burghhead, parcel of new clothing; "A Tithes of a Present," J. L. P., Carnforth, £2; "A Trifle in Jesus' Name," 2s 6d; Proceeds of a Nursery Bazaar held by Little Children, 10s; two Greenock Boys, 2s; W. B., for emigration, £5; a few Scholars, per M. G., Montrose, 5s 6d; a Friend, per do., 2s 6d; "In Memory of Bella's Birthday," 5s; a Wellwisher at Comrie,

per W. H., 10s; F. H. M., Belgrade, for emigration, £50; H. B. & Co., for do., £20; Wallacetown Established Church Sabbath School, per J. U., £1; F. Hawick, for emigration, £1; Mrs M'G., a parcel of underclothing; Miss A. G., Johnstone, 20 petticoats and parcel of underclothing; Miss P., Alloa, 44 pairs stockings; a Lady on the Train, 10s; do., 2s; Mrs H.'s Sewing Class, Alloa, 47 articles of clothing; Mrs M., Bradford, parcel of clothing; a Lady Friend, 10s; Working Girls in Elie, Fife, per Miss M., 5s and 9 articles of clothing; "Prov. iii. 28," to take a boy to Canada, £10; Mrs M., 2 pairs socks; Mrs M., a parcel of clothing; Free Middle Church Congregational Sabbath School, Coatbridge, per W. R., £2 16s; a Friend, Aberdeen, a box of hats, clothing, &c.; a Friend, a remnant of tweed; Mr C., Aberdeen, £1; J. L., for emigration, £5; D. M. S., for do., £1 8s; Mrs C., Edinburgh 49 pairs stockings and socks; Mrs C., Douglas, £1; Mrs M., quantity of clothing, &c.; Mrs S. and A. C. B., Aberdeen, to take a child to Canada, £10; from the "Master's Treasury," Grangemouth, £2; Mrs M. and Friends, Wooler, a large quantity of clothing; collected by T. O. K., 18s 9d; A. S. P. and a few Friends, Brechin, £1 1s 6d; Livingstone Memorial Church Sabbath School, Blantyre, per W. G., £2 1s; Mrs K., New Kilpatrick, £1; a Mother, 10s. The following donations have been sent in to the City Home Refuge and Mission:—A. B., £1; Mrs R., 5s; J. M'F., 15 loaves; Partick Free High Church Sabbath School, 7s; St Rollox U.P. Church Sabbath School and Bible Class, per A. H., £1 1s; J. H., old boots; A. and R. S., 2 boxes biscuits; J. A., 7s 6d; a Friend to the work, £25; St Stephen's Free Church Sabbath School, £2 13s 3d; Mearns Parish Church Sabbath School, per M. R., £1; a Friend, 1s; Free St Luke's Sabbath School, per T. P., £1 16s 7d; Miss S., £2; Mr M'C., 10s; L. C. M., and E.'s pennies, 4s; a Friend, 2s 6d; Wellpark Export Department Workmen's Benevolent Fund, £1; Mrs T., Govan, £1; M. M'D., 5s; valuations, 11s 6d. The following donations have been sent for Orphan Homes' Building Fund:—Interest on special collection by Sabbath School Union, 7s 1d; a Friend to the work, £25; Miss L.'s Bible Class, Crossford, "for a stone in the Gordon Memorial Home," £1 5s.

2nd May.—Mrs S., Johnstone, for emigration, £20; Mrs O. E., Cannes, for do., £10; Newbattle F.C. S.S., per Miss M., Dalkeith, £1 10s 6d; Children in the F. South Manse, Aberdeen, 10s; Mrs S., 12 pairs stockings; from Wigtown, £1; Mrs A., Edinburgh, 18 shirts, 9 cravats, &c.; Miss M'Q., Edinburgh, 2 pairs stockings; A. & R. S., a large quantity of oatmeal biscuits; Queen Anne Street U.P. Church Mission, S.S., Dunfermline, per R. M., £2 15s 6d; Mrs B., £1; Mrs S., Kirkcaldy, 10 and parcel of clothing; J. H., £1; Teachers and Children of Queen Anne Street U.P. Church Mission S.S., parcel of clothing; G. M. K., Lochgoilhead, 10s; Mr L., 2 dozen "extract of malt," F.C. S.S., Darvel, per J. C., 10s; D. M. S., 12 ulsters; the Grange Crossroads Band of Hope and Temperance Society, per G. L., £1; Mrs S., Crosshill, 5 dozen handkerchiefs; Miss C., 2 scarfs, 3 pairs stockings, &c.; "Whip Money," 7s 6d; "Kinnie," £2 and 6 pairs stockings; J. G., Castle Fergus, £1 10s; Mrs L., Kirkcaldy, parcel of clothing; Mrs M., 1 pair socks and 6 handkerchiefs; Isle of Man Industrial Home, per W. T., to take 20 children to Canada, £200; Bridge-of-Weir Fishing Club, per J. A. M., 10s; Miss F., for emigration, £5; Mr and Mrs F., Inverness, 13s; T. L. H., per N.B. Daily Mail, 10s; W. E. S., Greenock, for emigration, £1; Mrs N., Dunbar, parcel of clothing; D. F., £40; Greenhead U.P. Church S.S., per G. S., £1 0s 7d; Mrs P., 10s; an anonymous gift left at Bridge-of-Weir Homes, for emigration, £10; a Friend, per Mrs B., Edinburgh, for do., £10; M. C., Lochgoilhead, 14 shirts; Mrs B., Campbeltown, 2 brooches, 2 pairs stockings, &c.; the work of a Lady Friend now "gone home," 18 pairs socks; J. M., jr., 7s 6d; "For the Waifs," £1; W. J., Bangor, £1; "An Ayrshire Farmer," for emigration, £10; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 6 pairs socks; a Servant, 10s and some books and tracts; Mrs M., Campbeltown, 6 petticoats; from Thornhill, 6 pairs socks; Mrs H., Macduff, £1 10s; R. A. B., for emigration, £10; D. M. S., for do., £1 7s; W. L., 10s; M. D. G., for emigration, £10; Mrs J. P., for do., £10; H. R., Edinburgh, do., £10; Miss R., do., £1; M. C., Selkirk, 9s 6d; Mrs A., 24 petticoats, and 35 dresses; Mrs D., 10s; Miss C., 8 articles of clothing; Tolleross Free Church S.S., 10s; found in boxes at Cottage Homes, £6 8s 2d; a Wellwisher, Taynait, for emigration, £5; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 3 pairs stockings; Anonymous, 5s; J. B., Govanhill, £1; Mrs R., 2 doz. shirts. The following donations have been sent for City Home Refuge and Mission:—"Give, and it shall be given unto you," 11s 6d; Mr P., Alloa, £1; Mrs S., Mount Vernon, parcel of old clothing; J. M'F., 6 loaves; York Place U.P. Church S.S., Perth, per P. M., £1 7s 9d; 2 Friends, £2; H. Brothers, £5; R. H., 12 loaves; collected by Misses J. & H. Moffat, £2 9s; R. C., Bishopbriggs, £5; A. & R. S., a barrel of biscuits; "An Ayrshire Farmer," £16; R. H., 12 loaves; J. W., £2; Mrs M., Inveraray, £2; Uddingston Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per Mr. M., 13s; Mrs M. K., clothing; R. H., 12 loaves; found in boxes during April, £5 9s 10d; J. M'F., 7 loaves; Cumberland Street U.P. Church Bible Class, per Mr F., £1. The following have been sent in for Orphan Homes' Building Fund:—Additional collections from the Glasgow S.S. Union, per J. S. K., £26 12s 1d; proceeds of sale of work by the Rosebank Ladies' Work-party, Perth, per Mrs C., £37 2s 1d.

16th May.—Miss J. E. W., St Bees, for emigration, £20; "Forget-me-not" Working Society, Kilmalcolm, a box of clothing; Mrs M., 1 pair socks and 2 handkerchiefs; Mrs

M.F., to take a girl to Canada, £10; a mite from a Widow of 88, 2s; A. W., 8s; Miss E., for emigration, £5 and parcel of clothing; Miss S., 25 pairs cuffs; Young Women's Bible Class, Renton, 10s; Balruddery Farm S.S., per W.S., 10s; Miss M., £2; do., for emigration, £20; Crown Terrace Ladies' Working Society, Aberdeen, a large quantity of new clothing; St. James' U.P. Church S.S., Paisley, per N. P., £3; Miss M., Bonnyrigg, 4 pairs stockings; Mrs H., Larbert, an ulster; H. H., to take a girl to Canada, £10; Mrs T., 30 handkerchiefs; Mrs T., 10s; a Friend, 1s; a Friend, 10s; Miss Q., £1; a Friend at Noon Meeting, £1; Friends, sweets for children going to Canada; Mrs J. W., Stirling, 2 dozen petticoats; 1. Cor. xv. 57 and 58, 5s; A. B., Blairmore, 10s 3d; "for Jesus' sake," to help the girls going to Canada, £1; Miss C., Greenock, a box of clothing; Perth North U.P. Church S.S., per D. M., £2 10s; Miss D., Dumbarton, for emigration, £5; Mrs L., £1; "Sympathy," Ferfar, 10s; J. B. G., to take a girl to Canada, £10; from the Children's Mission Box, Hamilton, 2s 6d; J. B., Perth, £1; G. T., for emigration, £10; 2 Friends, Alloa, to take 2 girls to Canada, £20; Congregational Communion Sunday contribution from Callander, per W. W., £3 10s; Mrs A., Huntly, a box of sundries; Mrs M.L., 10 articles of clothing; Mrs G., hats; H. B. & Co., 31 pairs socks; J. W., Halifax, 7s 6d; Minister's Bible Class, Strathaven, 12s 6d; Miss M. G. W. W., Falkirk, £1; Mrs C., Annan, £1; Galashiels Established Church Parochial Association, per P. T. G., £4; a Friend, Dumfries, £1; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 18s 6d; Special Collection at Adelaide Place Baptist Church, £9 8s 3d; Miss T., 2s 3d; Mrs R., Callander, 17 articles of clothing; Bridge Street S.S., Montrose, per J. W., £1; J. J., for emigration, £5; from Hamilton, to take a girl to Canada, £10; Free Anderston S.S. Society, per J. B., £1 12s 2d; a Friend, a few books; Mossbank Industrial School, per M. H., for emigration, £60; Contents of J. M.K.'s box, 2s 5d; a Friend, a parcel of odds and ends; Mrs L., Edinburgh, 14 articles of clothing; a Little Boy, 6d; collected in farthings, by Miss M.'s Bible Class, Piccadilly Street, 15s; "a Little Boy in Dundee," 3s; J. D., to take a girl to Canada, £10; W. C., for do., £10. The following donations have been sent in towards the City Home Refuge and Mission Fund:—J. M.F., 15 loaves; J. M.K., Cupar-Fife, 10s; D. C., 5s; J. D., 10s; Campbellfield Street Mission Hall S.S., per J. M.M., £1 12s 7d; J. D., London, £7; G. M. F., Govan, 10s; J. J., 10s; Mrs C., £1; J. W. B., being money paid to withdraw an action for slander, £2 12s 6d; T. M.L., 7s 6d; J. K., £3. The following has been sent for Orphan Homes' Building Fund:—A. T., for making new roads, &c., £50.

30th May.—Kelso Parochial Board, per G. A. T., for emigration, £10; Mrs M.M., £1; J. T., for emigration, £25; Mission Box of a Brother now gone home, per Miss M., Peterhead, 4s 6d; Miss W., Elie, £1; Mrs S., Tighnabruach, a petticoat; Miss L., 12 articles of clothing; Miss H., Edinburgh, for emigration, £100; T. R. H., for do., 10s; collected by Mrs B., Largs, for do., £10; Mrs S., Bridge-of-Weir, two parcels of underclothing and sheets; from Bangor, "His," £1; Maybole Children's Meeting, 12s 6d; L. K. S., Manchester, to take 8 children to Canada, £80; J. B. B., 2 parcels of magazines; a Friend, 1 do.; Dennistoun U.P. Church Minister's Bible-Class, per C. O. M., £1 10s 6d; J. T., Kilmacollm, for emigration, £20; Mrs J. T., for do., £5; Aliak T. T., for do., £5; left at 255 Argyle Street, for do., £10; a Domestic Servant, 3s and a few books; Mrs S., magazines; Mrs M., 3 pairs stockings; Mrs G., per A. C. B., Aberdeen, £1; Mrs G., Inverkeithing, 10 articles of clothing; Fraserburgh Baptist Church S.S., per R. S., £1 4s; Free St Andrews S.S., Kirkintilloch, per W. C., 10s; R. B., £5; Inch Free Church S.S., Dunragit, per T. T., 10s; a Friend at a distance from Glasgow, £1000, to be used as Mr Quarrier thinks best (divided as follows:—For emigration, £200; for City Home, £100; for building, £700); R. N., Blantyre, for emigration, £1; a Widow's Mite, for do., £2; Gourrock Parish Church S.S. Schools, per M. S. B., £1 2s 6d; Misses L., Lenzie, 12 petticoats and 6 pairs stockings; W. E. S., Greenock, for emigration, £1; Mrs M.C., Hunter's Quay, 15s; a Young Girl, per do., 5s; Mrs K., Pollokshields, underclothing; Mrs H., Bridge-of-Allan, old clothing; J. E. C. C., Westerham, for emigration, £50; Miss B., Melrose, for do., £2; Mrs H., Fairlie, £1; Mrs B., Callander, £5; Mrs E., Aberdeen, for emigration, £1; part of a Little Boy's first wages, 5s; R. F., E. Kilbride, £1; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 12s 9d; A. S., for do., £10; Mrs L., Du dee, for do., £2; a Friend, Fortrose, for do., £10; L. K. S., Manchester, for do., £40; A. G., Broughty Ferry, for do., £5; a Thankoffering from T. H., 8s 6d; Two Sisters, Edinburgh, £2; Mrs L., 9 articles of clothing; by post, 1 pair stockings, cuffs, &c., Mrs F., periodicals; Friends, per P. F., Leith, £2 13s; Misses S. and D., Laurencekirk, 3 pairs stockings and 2 remnants flannel; Mr W., a quantity of rope, twine, &c.; H. J., Johnstone, for emigration, £5; a Friend in Granville Street, to take a girl to Canada, £10; a Friend, Johnstone, for emigration, £5; P. R., Kelso, for do., £1; Johnstone Free Church S.S., per W. L. C., £1; M. S. C., for emigration, £2; Fraserburgh Free Church Bible-Class, per T. T., £2 7s 8d; Mrs D. S., Greenock, for emigration, £5; Miss B., for do., £1; Miss T., for do., £4; T. F. M., Birmingham, for do., £10; left at Christian Institute, 6 pairs stockings, 2 petticoats, and 2 pinafores; J. R. J., cotton patterns. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—W. N. B., Hong Kong, China, per G. O., £2; Misses A., Tighnabruach, £1; St. Matthew's Established Church Sabbath Schools, £2 16s 4d; Mr W., £1; Mrs H., 10s; a Friend on the street, 10s; Mrs

W., 5s and clothing; Mrs B., Bothwell, clothing; J. M.F., 39 loaves; J. S., Kilmarnock, 10s; Miss P., Dunoon, £1; Mrs W., £2, and 18 pairs stockings; a Railway Signaller, 10s; Mrs G., £1; Summerlee Lodge I.O.G.T., per W. D. B., 5s; a Friend at a distance from Glasgow, £100; Miss K., Melrose, 10s; Mrs H., Edinburgh, £1; a Friend in Gourrock, £1; M. S. B., Aberdeen, £1; Mrs T. F., Strathaven, £1; Mrs B., old clothing; Readers of *The Christian*, per Morgan & Scott, £1; T. B. G., Leith, £3; Miss T., Helensburgh, 5s; J. M.C., £1; Miss S., Dollar, £1; Mrs R., Hamilton, £3; Mrs M., Alexandria, £5; Dalmarock Established Church S.S., 7s 6d; R. M.D., £2 2s; a Boy's first month's wages, 16s 8d; G. Brothers, £5; a Friend, £5; Miss M., Greenock, £3. The following has been sent for Orphan Homes' Building Fund:—A Friend at a distance from Glasgow, £700; collection at sewing meetings, per Mrs F., for "Gordon Memorial," £2 1s.

13th June.—B. E., for emigration, 10s; Mrs G., Bothwell, for do., £5; Miss A. L., £1; J. H. M., 10s; "The Ramblers," £1 10s; H. G. C., London, to take a child to Canada, £10; G. B. H., Edinburgh, for do., £10; A. M., 3s; a Lady at Noon Meeting, £1; a Widow, part proceeds of the sale of her husband's tools, for emigration, £10; J. G. O., for keep of Invalids' Home, £200; Mrs W., E. inburgh, for emigration, £4; Mr W., do., £1; P. M., London, to take 5 children to Canada, £50; Miss S., Edinburgh, for emigration, £10; J. P., Brighton, for do., £10; two Sisters, Edinburgh, for do., £2; W. L., Joppa, for do., £1; R. L., Aberdeen, 4s; subscribed by Mrs S.'s School for emigration, £8; A. M., Jr., 8 pieces wincey shirting; a Widow's Mite, from Edinburgh, £1; Mrs S., Kirkcaldy, 10s, and 5 pairs stockings; Miss C., Greenock, 7 pairs stockings, 5 dresses, &c.; W. J. M., 10s; a Friend, per J. H., Darvel, underclothing; Miss G., Waterford, 7 pairs socks; Mary and Minnie, Moniaive, 6 pairs stockings; Miss R. and Miss E., 23 articles of new clothing; Mrs B., aprons, hoods, &c.; Mrs F., parcel of old clothing; Miss M.C., Gourrock, for emigration, £1; Misses G., Strathaven, for do., £1; Mrs M., Appin, for do., £1; T. B., Alloa, for do., £1; W. B., for do., 15s; W. L., Greenock, for do., £1; Cardonald S.S., per J. F., £2 2s; Mr J.'s Bible Class, per J. S., 11s; Polton S.S., per Miss L. M., £2; J. N. T., 2s 6d; E. C., Kinross, 6d and clothing; a Friend, per Miss T., Yetholm, 3 articles of clothing; Mr and Mrs J. A., for emigration, £3; their children, for do., £1; Mrs M., per A. C. B., Aberdeen, for do., £5; Mrs A., to take a girl to Canada, £10; P. F., Leith, 2s; R. A. S., Cambuslang, 4s 6d; Mrs M.C., Hunter's Quay, 3 shawls, to be sold for the benefit of the Home; Miss W., Sandbank, 12 petticoats, scarfs, hats, &c.; Lenzie Bible Class, £1 2s; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 17 pairs stockings and socks; a Friend, per Mr M., to take a child to Canada, £10; A. W., Dunfermline, to take 3 children, £30; Mrs L., Edinburgh, for emigration, £1; Mrs C., Stirling, for do., 10s; Sarah, a servant, for do., 10s; Mrs S., Tottenham, for do., £10 10s; half of Children's Penny-box, per A. H. I., Inverness, 5s; J. H., Helensburgh, £1; Mrs C., London, to take 2 children to Canada, £20; C. N. H., Wick, for emigration, £5; M. T., Alloa, 19 scarfs; found in Boxes at Bridge of Weir Homes, £6 19s; Misses S., Bellahouston, for emigration, £50; a Friend, £1; Miss C. R.'s Counter-box, Helensburgh, £2; A. C., £1; per W. A., Greenock, balance of money for behoof of 3 children, £26 9s; Miss R.'s Meeting, Kilcreggan, £1; three Friends, £1; Newton Place U.P. Church Mission School, 8s 10d; Mr C., Largs, 7s 6d; Mrs C., 5s; Mrs J., 5s; Miss M., 3s; Mrs C., 10s; Mrs B., 5s; Mrs F., Fairlie, 5s; Mrs H., do., 5s. The above sums from Largs and Fairlie were collected by Miss B. "One of the Lord's Stewards," to take a girl to Canada, £10; Mrs S., Lenzie, for emigration, 5s; Barony Free Church S.S., per Mr B., jun., for emigration, £2 7s 4d; Miss C. H., to take 2 girls to Canada, £20; two sisters, a thankoffering, £1; Mrs G., Carmunnock, £1; W. A., Forfar, £2; Mrs R. H., towards the emigration of a little girl called Marion, £5; J. H. D., to take a child to Canada, £10; Miss M., £2; Mrs W., Stirling, £2; Strathbungo S.S., per G. W., £1 1s; J. N., Greenock, 12 articles of clothing; H. B., Bibles for all the girls going to Canada; Mrs F., Periodicals; Hamilton Y.W.C.A., per Miss K., 46 articles of clothing; G. and F., Wishaw, large quantity of fancy articles; a Small Church in Gatehouse, per J. B., 10s; Senior Lads' Bible Class in connection with Wellington Palace Branch of G.F.B.K.S., 10s 6d; Miss C. A. D., Bridge-of-Allan, £3; Miss F., Rothesay, £1; Miss S., Lawers, 12 articles of clothing; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 19s; Mrs S., Pollokshaws, 2 dozen shirts; Miss F., Maybole, 6 night gowns; a Widow's Mite, 6 pairs socks; Mr S., Uddingston, old school books; R. B., 4 parcels of sweets for girls going to Canada; Mrs F., Edinburgh, £2; Miss T., £1; Miss C., Fifehire, £1; G. F. N., 5s; Great Wellington Street Wesleyan Church S.S., 10s; G. W., Inverness, to take a girl to Canada, £10; J. W., Auchinleck, £5; D. M., Balloch, £1; from Greenock, a small dress; Mrs M., Paisley, 3 pairs socks; some Boys in Paisley, books; P. D., 7 dozen loaves; M. S., Aberdeen, 2s 6d; H. C. C. B., do., 2s 6d; Mrs N., £1. The following have been sent for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Scottish Football Association Charity Cup, £5; Miss C., Ibrox, £1; Mrs B., Helensburgh, £5; F. College Church Evening School, per Miss C., £1; J. B., £5; R. & Son, £2; M. B., £1; B. M., Edinburgh, £1; J. I., Dunfermline, 5s; Mrs A., Gatehouse, 5s; Collections at City Hall and City Home during May, £27 10s 5d; R. H., 12 loaves; Mrs G., parcel of clothing; "The Lord's Tenth," 8s; a Widow's Mite, per J. K., 5s; J. F. M., £1; W. H., Partick, 5 dozen loaves; Mrs B.'s Mothers' Meeting, 10s; R. H., 12 loaves; R. R., Hamilton, £5;

W. P., £1; A. P., Wighton, £1; S. H., 4s; Miss L., Edinburgh, £1; a Friend, Stirling, £3; Mrs D., Perth, £1; H. M. L., £1; Strathbungo S.S., per G. W., £1 1s; Mrs J. G. P., Hamilton, £1; R. S., Kelso, £1; Shawlands Established Church S.S., £1 6s 10d; "The Master's Treasury," Grangemouth, £2; J. M'F., 12 loaves; J. G., a small box of tea; M. M'D., "for my poor brethren," 2s; J. W., 10s. The following has been sent in for Orphan Homes' Building Fund:—Miss F., Newcastle, first instalment towards "The Montrose Home," £650; H. G., £5; J. O., £20; a Friend on the West Coast, £40.

27th June.—R. F., Strathaven, for emigration, £3; J. R. T., Luncarty, 2s 6d; a Little Girl, 5s; Mrs B., 3 pairs socks; J. G., Killeary, 5s and 10 articles of clothing; Mr D., magazines; A. & R. S., 2 barrels biscuits; Mrs G., hats; E. A., Kilmarnock, £1 1s; Friends visiting the Homes at Bridge-of-Weir, 2 pieces of blue serge for dresses; F. C. & S., a case of acetic acid; Inveraray Free Church S.S., per M. M., 19s 3d; "Balance of Price of Tickets," per J. W., 10s; Mrs A., Keswick, £5; Mrs B., £2; J. P. and Mrs T., Lunanastig, £1; a Lady Friend, per M. H., Perth, £1; from Cove, 6 pairs socks; R. A., Roth say, £1; Polmadie Mission, £2 4s 4d; Anonymous, "to help the little ones," £1; a Lady Friend, Stirling, 2s 6d; A. M'N., £1; a Friend, per C. C., Fife, 10s; E. B., Greenock, 4s 6d; "A Little to Help the 400," from a Domestic Servant, £1; a Servant Girl, per W. C., Barrhead, 2s 6d; Mr M.'s Y.M. Bible-Class in Victoria Place Baptist Church, Paisley, per W. T., £1 6s; W. B. & S., Kirkcudbright, 10s; Mrs B., Mauchline, a small parcel of clothing; Mrs L., Paisley, a parcel of clothing; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 9 pairs socks; "His," from W. J., Bangor, £2 10s; a Few Friends in C. W., £1 2s and 15 articles of clothing; Mrs L., Campbeltown, 10s; Mrs M., 10s; Mrs C. C. G., 10s; J. R., 5s; Mrs C. M., 10s; Mrs M., 10s; Mrs R. C., 5s; Mr M'N., 5s; Mrs D. C., 5s; W. H., jun., 2s 6d; Mrs B., 5s; Mrs S. G., 10s; Mrs G., 5s; Mrs H., 5s; Mrs R., 5s; Mrs C., 5s; Miss M., 3s; Mrs B., 3s; Miss D., 3s; Mrs G., 5s; Mrs J. M., 5s; Mrs R. G., 10s; L. C., 5s; J. S., 10s; Mr M., 5s; Miss T., 5s; Miss W. M'K., 5s; Mrs J. M'K., 5s; Mrs W. B., 3s; Mrs B., 3s; Mr H., 2s 6d; Mrs I. M'K., 10s; Mr M., 2s 6d; J. M'Q., 2s 6d; Mrs M., 2s; Miss M., 2s; Miss C., 10s; Miss M'N., 5s; Miss M'M., 5s; Mr M'D., 2s 6d; Mrs W. M., 5s; Miss H., £1; Mrs W., 10s; a Friend, 1s; a Friend, 2s 6d; Mrs D. C., 5s. The above sums from Campbeltown were collected by Miss M. D. M. S., for emigration £1 16s 9d; D. W., £1; Hutcheson Free Church S.S., 11s 9d. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—J. D. D., £10; J. M'F., 9 dozen rolls; Employees of J. T. & Co., quantity of bread; R. H., 12 loaves; Brown Street Mothers' Meeting, a number of plants; Mr M., Cambuslang, a bed, bedding, &c.; J. B., 5s; Found Money, Phil. iv. 19, 5s; Mrs G., lot of clothing. The following has been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—A Friend to complete and furnish Leven Home, £300.

11th July.—J. F., Greenlaw, £1; W. B., Meikleour, £1; Mrs T., Helensburgh, £1. "A Cheerful Giver," £5; W. J., Bangor, £5; Young People, per Miss K., Melrose, 6s; a Friend, per T. M. M., 12s; Mrs A., Partick, a parcel of clothing; "Maggie," Coatbridge, £30; Sandbank Free Church Bible Class, per J. H., 5s; found in Boxes at Bridge-of-Weir Homes, £5 6s 9d; Mrs J. M., Callander, 7s 6d; Mrs C., Paisley, £40; a Birthday Gift from J. E. M., 2s 6d; West Free Church Bible Class, Rothesay, per W. E. B. B., 15s; J. J., Paisley, 8 boxes corn flour; Mission School, Preston, Mukinch, per R. W. £1; R. S., Fraserburgh, a barrel of red herrings; G. M. K., Lochgoilhead, 10s; J. M'L., Guthrie, 7s; Gourcock Forenoon Meeting, per Miss J. J. P., £1 2s 5d; Mrs C., Langbank, £2; Friends, per Miss N., Moffat, £15 2s; Miss H., Coldstream, 10s; Langholm North U.P. Church Y.M.C.F.A., per W. W., 10s; J. A.'s Bible Class in Crosshill U.P. Church Hangingshaw Mission, £1 4s; A. & R. S., 2 barrels biscuits; W. R., Selkirk, £5; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 5 pairs socks; "Charity," 1s; Mrs L., Helensburgh, 10s; Miss P., do., 10s; Mrs F., £1; Mrs S., 5s and 5 pairs stockings; A. R., £1; Kintyre, £1; a Member of Alexandria Scripture Union, 2 pairs stockings. The following donations have been sent for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Miss P., parcel of clothing; found in Boxes during June, £1 19s 9d; G. M. K., Lochgoilhead, quantity of rhubarb; Mrs M., Cambuslang, clothing; Mrs D., do., £1; J. M'H., 29 half loaves; Miss K.'s Boys' Class, Carriden, 9s 6d; Do., in Mission School, Boness, 4s 6d; Mrs F., 6s; B. & P., Paisley, a box of starch; Mrs A., £50; R. L. A., parcel of small books and tracts; J. M'F., 16 half loaves; per rail, a parcel of clothing. The following has been sent in for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—H. B., Dunfermline, £20; Regent Place U.P. Church, per J. S., £1 9s 6d; Town Hall Forenoon Meeting, per do., £2 6s 11d; Grange Free Church, Kilmarnock, per do., £1 14s.

25th July.—R. G. & Co., £5; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 3 pairs stockings; Proceeds of Child's Bazaar, Gourcock, held by I. S. and M. S. D., 4s; T. & G. F., £10; Miss M., £2; Mrs D., Dumbarton, £6; Kilmarnock Boys and Girls' Religious Society, £8 11s 2d; M. S., for emigration, £2 2s; per parcel post from Kirkcaldy, 11 articles of clothing; J. G., £3; "Dalhousie Street," £2; Pollok-haws U.P. Church Evangelistic Meetings surplus collection, 10s; Dale Street Mission S.S., £2 6s; Miss H., Hawick, £1; Mr B.'s party visiting the Homes, 10s 2d; J. B., Govanhill, £1; Miss P., Alloa, 40 pairs stockings and 6 flannel slips; A. M'O., parcel of magazines; a Friend in Paisley, a parcel of clothing; from Lenzie, £2; Mrs F., Doune, per Mrs S., £2 4s; Mrs S., Gourcock, £1 1s; Stewarton

Free Church S.S., per J. J., £1 12s. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Deut. xxxiii. 27, 5s; A. & R. S., 4 barrels biscuits; a token of gratitude from an old City Home Boy, 10s; Erskine Church Mission Mothers' Meeting, per Miss M'F., £1; a Poor Coddler, 10s; J. M'F., 20½ loaves; X. Y., 2s 6d; Cranstonhill U.P. Church Bible-Class, £1.

8th August.—Mrs R., Hamilton, £2; Miss J. S., Perth, 13s 6d; found in Boxes at Cottage Homes, £9 13s 8d; 2 Friends in Callander, £2; Greenock Y.M.C.A. Morning Meeting, 8s 9d; Rossie Y.W.C.A., per Mrs A., 54 articles of clothing; "Rohr," £5; St. Andrew's Hall Sabbath Forenoon Meeting, Leith, per A. R., 18s; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 19s; Mrs T., Innellan, £1 10s; Bristo Street U.P. Church S.S., Edinburgh, per A. E., £2; Thursday Evening Bible-Class, Tolcross, and J. M'B., 5s; East Bay Mission S.S., Gourcock, per A. S., 4s; collected by Miss L., Edinburgh, to take 2 boys to Canada, £20 2s; Family Mantelpiece Box, per E. J., £1; D. L., a crate of dishes; proceeds of Miss C.'s School Children's Bazaar, Kinn, £3; Cambusnethan Free Church S.S., per J. S., 14s 7d; J. G. M., Springburn, 10s; Wigtown, £1; D. M. S., for emigration, 17s 6d; Free St. Clement's S.S. Girls' Working Meeting, Aberdeen, per Miss B., 16 pairs stockings and socks; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 9 pairs stockings; Miss M., £2; A. P. L., Kinnross, £2; J. R. T., Luncarty, 3s; from Row, 12 pairs socks and 2 scarfs. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—J. M'F., a quantity of bread, cakes, &c.; a Friend, buns; R. H., 12 loaves; two old Workers, £1; J. M'F., 8 loaves; found in Boxes during July, 13s 5d; M. W., £5; Free Gaelic S.S., Renton, 10s; two Workers, £1; Mrs F., Innellan, £3; Mrs A., Cambuslang, £1; J. M'F., 15 loaves; Mrs J., Skelmorlie, £1; Mrs R., Kintyre, £1; Mrs M., old clothes; D. L., a quantity of dishes.

22nd August.—J. A., 6s; Mrs B., Callander, a parcel of clothing; Marshall Lane S.S., Paisley, per J. W. P., 6s 7d; Session-House School of Free St. George's, Paisley, 7s 8d; West U.P. Church Minister's Bible-Class, Selkirk, £1; J. E., Bonness, £2; M. M'O., Stirling, 2s 6d; A. C. C., for additional distributing home in Canada, £100; Mrs R., Weston-super-Mare, £1; Miss C., Johnstone, a piece of print; Mr B., Johnstone, 10s; J. B., £1; E. I., Burritland, 5s; A. M.'s Bible-Class, Auchmill, 7s; M., Largs, £1; Regent Place U.P. Church Mission Schools, per P. L., £1 1s; Miss T., Montrose, magazines and clothing; South Leith Parochial Board, for emigration, £10; a Friend, per W. M., Kilmarnock, £10; "Help," 10s 6d; Miss W., Ayr, 10s; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 0s 6d; a Servant, Aberfoyle, 10s; Miss L., Dundas, 100 dollars for additional distributing home in Canada, £20 16s 8d; Mrs L., Toronto, 50 dollars for do., £10 8s 4d; Mr D., Lanark, 5 dollars for do., £1; "Louise," £2. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Mrs H., Helensburgh, £5; Miss S., Stirling, 10s; D. L., quantity of jars; J. M'F., 7½ dozen rolls and 21 loaves; a Marriage-Day Present, 20s loaves; "Give and it shall be given unto you," £2 6s 4d; Mrs I., 5s; J. M'F., 23 loaves; legacy of the late Andrew Wishart, Kirkcaldy, less legacy duty and bank charges, per R. Black, writer, £89 18s 10d. The following has been sent in for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Legacy of the late Miss Lockhart, per Mrs B., £45.

3rd September.—Misses B.'s Sewing Class, Horsforth, 12 articles of clothing; Miss L., Helensburgh, 42 pairs socks and stockings and clothing; Forfar Children's Church, £1 3s 3d; "A mite for a bite for somebody from somebody in Inverness," 2s 6d; J. M'O., £5; Mrs F. A., Auckland, New Zealand, £1; Family Mission Box, per Miss J. C. S., £2; W. F., Greenock, £5; Miss E., £5; Mrs J. Y., Lenzie, £5; W. S., Gloucestershire, £2 2s; P. S. E., do., £1 1s; Dundee Boys' and Girls' Religious Association, per W. W. H., £17; G. F., Greenock, £1; W. I., do., £2; W. T., £1 10s 6d; "A thanksgift for business success," £3; T. C., Kilsyth, £5; Mrs J., Crosslee, 6 pots jam; Miss T., Hamilton, 6 pairs stockings and underclothing; a Member of Grant Street Free Church, a pinafore and remnants of print; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 8 pair socks and stockings; Mrs P., 10s; Mr M., Chilli, £5; Visitors at the Homes, 10s; found in Boxes at Cottage Homes during August, £11 11s 8d; Mrs G., Innellan, 2s 6d; Nemo, Dunoon, 5; Mrs H. P., Brighton, New Zealand, £1; Mrs S.'s Bible-Class, do., £1; Mr and Mrs S., do., £2; Helensburgh Working Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per D. M., £2 17s 2d; M., Cambuslang, a box of clothing, &c.; M. M'K., Gourcock, 6 pairs stockings; a Bible-Woman, £1; a Widow, 10s; T. M., £5; "One who has read of the work," 2s 6d; a Lady Friend, £1; A. S., £5 5s; C. A., 10s; Kirkmuirhill U.P. Church Bible-Class, per J. S., £1 1s; Gala-shiels South U.P. Church S.S., per do., £1; Edinburgh College Street U.P. Church S.S., per do., 15s; "In memory of a loved one gone home," for bread for the little ones, 5s; Miss P., 15 pairs stockings; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 4s 5d; J. E. S., "to help a child born in Glasgow," £5; Mr and Mrs T., Luncarty, 8s 6d; a Sister, per do., 1s. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Children attending Topping's Hall, Peterhead, per W. S., 12s; M. & Co., quantity of old wood; a Lady Friend in Car, 2s; Mrs W., 5s; P. B., £1; found in Boxes during August, £1; Mrs E., £1; a Birthday Gift, 10s; a Worker, 10s; Mrs A., West Kilbride, £20; Mrs A., 10s. The following has been sent in for Orphan Cottage Homes' Building Fund:—Legacy of the late Miss Helen Cuthbertson, £101 16s 11d.

19th September.—Mrs J. C., Mariebad, £5; Miss M., Musselburgh, £2; the Workmen on new buildings at Bridge-of-Weir Homes, £3 1s 9d; J. W., Bellingham, parcel of new clothing; Mrs L., 7 pairs stockings; East F. Ch. S.S., Pollokshaws, per J. M. L., 15s; Miss S.'s Sabbath Class at the Sucher Parish Church of Colclace, 24 articles of clothing; Miss M.'s Sabbath Class, 8s; Miss M., £2; balance of the means of the late J. G. for behoof of 2 boys, per W. H. L., Castle-Douglas, £40; Free West Church S.S., Stirling, per W. W., 6s; Anonymous, from London, 10s; Stoke-Newington Children's Sunday Morning Service, London, per J. W. M., 15s; Mr and Mrs R., Croydon, £2; Dol ar Free Church S.S., per J. G., £2 8s 8d; J. G. C., Paisley, to take a boy to Canada, £10; W. B. H., Matlock, 10s 6d; C. B., for emigration, £3; W. L., Paisley, £1; Free Abbey Church S.S., Dunfermline, per J. R., £1; A. T., 10s; Miss M., Johnstone, £3; from Lochgilphead, to help to feed the children, £1; from Crieff, tartan for neckties; a Lady in Largs, in memory of her little son who lost his life while bathing, £1; Lizzie C.'s money, 2s 7½d; H. B., Uddingston, £1; Friends at Sandbank, clothing and hats; J. E. D., Aberdeen, in memory of little Willie's birthday (Sept. 12th), £1; G. M. W., £1; a Visitor, a pair of stockings; J. M., 1 lb. tea; Miss B.'s counter-box, Montrose, £1. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Mr A., Bellingham, 5s; Miss C., Ibrox, £1; Mrs C., £1; Mrs F., old clothing; J. S., Kilmarnock, £1; D. B. K., £2; R. M., Edinburgh, £1; A. C. C., clothing; Mr W., old suit of clothes; Misses S., Aberdeen, £1; J. E. C. C., quantity of old clothing; two Workers, "to help to carry on the work of rescuing the perishing," £2; J. P. and Mrs T., Lerwick, Shetland, £1. The following donations have been sent in for Orphan Homes' Building Fund:—C. T. C., Dunoon, £20; a Wellwisher, £1; additional Donations through Sabbath School Union, per J. S., £2 16s 6d; J. C., Paisley, £20.

3rd October.—Miss R., Cockburnspath, 2s 6d; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 6s; Mrs H., a parcel of clothing; Mrs B. H., Callander, 39 articles of clothing; Balance of Funeral Society Money, per M. D., Neilston, £3; Miss M., 10s; T. J., a barrel of apples; Mrs N., per Miss W., Dunlop, £1; Contents of the Bank of a Little Boy now in Heaven, per do., 2s; two Friends, per do., 8s; the S.H.R.C., per Miss S., Ardishaig, 15s; One who Sympathises, £1; Miss A., Bridge-of-Allan, £2 and 6 scarfs and 6 Tam o' Shanters; Miss B., Edinburgh, £1; Miss M.M., do., £2; from Kirkcubright, £3; St. Mary's Free Church Children's Meeting, Govan, 15s 2d; Mrs F., 7 pairs stockings; Mrs M., and Miss K., 11 pairs stockings; T. K., £10; from Row, 5 pairs socks and 10 cravats; Airdrie Free West Sabbath-School and Bible-Class, per J. T., 12s; R. A. B., for apples for Hallowe'en, £1; J. J., Edinburgh, £5; Mrs K., 10 pairs cuffs; proceeds of sale of effects, for behoof of a girl, per H. M.E., £2 11s 8d; a thankoffering, £1; a mite for the little ones, 5s; Anonymous "for Orphan Homes," £1; W. L., Portobello, £1; W. B. P., per W. M., £1 1s; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 9s 6d; found in Boxes during September, £2 15s 10d; E. A. T., 5s; D. L., dishes; Mrs H., Wishaw, 5s; "a Birthday Thanksgiving," £1; a Thankoffering from two old Workers, £1; D. S., Bathgate, £2; additional from Sabbath School Union, 2s; J. S., £1; "Registration Fee," 3s 1d; Miss G. G., Kilmarnock, 8 pairs stockings. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—R. H., 12 loaves; Free East Church Upper Denburn Mission Sabbath School, Aberdeen, per W. A. F., £1 9s; J. M. P., £3; "The Lord's Tenth," £2; Miss A., Edinburgh, £1; T. J., a barrel of apples; R. H., 12 loaves; Mrs W., pamphlets and 5s; P. P. M., Dalmuir, old clothing; R. L., Aberdeen, 5s; Y. and K., 13s; Mrs M'C., old clothing; J. M'F., half-bag of meal; Crieff Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per J. K., 11s 10½d; T. C., £1; M. H., 15s 1d; found in Boxes at City Home during September, £4 3s 11d; "God's tenth from a working woman, M. J.," £1. The following donations have been sent for Orphan Homes' Building Fund:—One-third share of residue of the estate of the late Mrs Charles Arthur, Edinburgh, per Fyfe, Ireland, & Mackay, £795 13s 1d; "The Lord's Tenth," Bangor, £100; "a Leith Man," £5 5s.

17th October.—Miss M., £2; Mr D., Falkland, 10s; Mrs T., old clothes; J. and R. E. E., Perth, 3s; Miss H., Pitlochry, £1; Miss C. M. A. S., do., 10s; Mrs A., Wishaw, parcel of clothing, hats, ties, &c.; from Wigtown, £1; A. R. and J. P., on account of four children, £13 2s 10½d; G. M. K., Lochgilphead, 15s; "Kinnie," £1 and 9 pairs stockings; Crosslee S.S., per T. J., 10s; J. D., London, £6; part of Funeral Society Money for 2 children, £8; Mrs M., Cambuslang, clothing; Mr A., quantity of meat; Mrs C., Edinburgh, 10 lbs. arrowroot; E. B., Wigan, 10s; Miss C. S. B., £1; Mrs J. G., Wishaw, 10s; Trustees of the late Mr Peter Brough, Paisley, per Mr James Gardner, £50; Upper Denburn Y.M.C.A., Aberdeen, per J. G., £1; T. T. T., £2; "Anonymous," a parcel of clothing; D. A., £1 1s; Alexandria Children's Meeting, per A. O. E., £1 14s 7d; Mrs G., Port Glasgow, 2 pairs stockings; St George's S.S. Association, Paisley, per N. C., 10s; Bluevale E.C. Sabbath School, per M. A. J., £1 7s 6d; G. G., Kirkintilloch, £2; Mrs G., Braemar, 7 pairs stockings; Alexander, 1 pair stockings for a little boy of the same name; Mrs D., 13 articles of clothing; Oakshaw U.P. Church Mission School, Paisley, per J. G. C., 10s; A. J., Kirkcubright, £1; Miss P., Hamilton, small box of clothing; Mrs R., Callander, 26 articles of clothing; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 17s 6d; a Friend of Orphans, old boots; Sheriff Cowan's Sabbath Morning Bible Class, Paisley, per W. B.,

£1 10s; J. A. S., Keith, 10s; Mrs B., Helensburgh, £5; D. W., for emigration, £1; a Friend, Crieff, £1; Mrs J. B., Duntocher, £3; Mrs M'N., 10s. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—J. M'M., Old Kilpatrick, £1; Mr S.'s family, per J. C. S., £1; Shamrock Street U.P. Church S.S., £1; do., Advanced Girls' Class, 4s 8d; Rockvilla Sabbath Morning School, £1; Mrs C., box of old clothing, books, &c.; J. T., Cockenzie, £1; Blackfriars F.B. Meeting, quantity of bread; Pollokshields Free Church Sabbath Schools, per W. M'Q., £2 6s 2d; Mr M., quantity of scones and bread; "Anonymous," 7 pairs stockings; C. A. R., £15; Mrs R. C., Alloa, £1; M., Cambuslang, a table, fire-screens, ashpan, &c.; Miss W., Edinburgh, £1; Miss B., 10s; a Friend on the West Coast, £20; J. T., Periodicals; a Friend, ribbons, handkerchiefs, &c.; Mrs and Miss A., Edinburgh, £2; F. St George's S.S., per Mr C., £1 14s 6d; Adelaide Place Church, quantity of buns, &c.; Mrs M., 2 pairs socks; Mr M., quantity of scones; Downhill U.P. Church Girls' Advanced Class, per Miss W., 13s 6d; Mrs C., £1; W. M., a farm lad, Grange, 10s; J. K., 5 stones oatmeal; Mrs B., Milton of Campsie, £5; Miss M. G. A.'s Bible Class, Crown Street, 10s; Mr S., Edinburgh, 5s; Cedar Street S.S., £2 3s. The following donations have been sent in for Orphan Homes' Building Fund:—J. M., Greenock, £5; J. G., £8; Mrs M., Kilmarnock, £5.

31st October.—A Friend, a pheton and pair of ponies; Friends in Sandbank, 10s and 20 scarfs; Miss M'L., per Miss H., Pitlochry, 2s 3d; Friends, per do., 1s 6d; Mrs S., Uddingston, £1; Mrs D., 15 pairs socks and stockings; Mrs C., Dufftown, £3; R. K., Hamilton, £2 2s; Gartly S.S. and Bible Class, per F. W. S., 5s; Crawfordburn Free Church S.S., Greenock, per R. F., 14s 6d; A. D., £5; Mrs S., Kilmarnock, 6 pairs stockings; Bank Money of a little Girl now gone home, 2s 5d; South Parish Church S.S. and Morning Service, Paisley, per G. L., 14s 4d; Miss W., Stirling, for emigration, £10; Mrs J., Perth, 19 articles of clothing, balls, &c.; Mrs F., Edinburgh, 18 articles of clothing; Mrs J. B., 12 pairs stockings; Mrs M., 1 pair socks; Mrs G., Liverpool, 12 scarfs; M. T., Alloa, 12 cravats; from the C.M. Box, per J. C., Hamilton, 2s 6d; W. M'B., Aros, 2s 6d; Mrs M., Carno, Wales, £1; Miss C., £1; Mrs J., Edinburgh, £5; a Friend, Liverpool, as a Thankoffering on his Birthday, £5; A. K. B., £2; Collected by a Servant, 8s; Mrs G., 6 pairs stockings; L. D.; Brechin, 43 pairs stockings; Mrs F., parcel of clothing; Miss M., 12 pairs stockings; J. M., Hurford, £5; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 8s; a Friend, £1; M. P., Greenock, 7 pairs stockings and underclothing; Mrs M., 1 pair stockings; Money belonging to a Family, £4; "G.", Gourock, 10s; Found in Boxes at Cottage Homes during October, £3 16s 1½d; a Friend, a case of tinned meat; Children attending the Evangelistic Mission Hall, Peterhead, per W. S., 10s; A. T., Bridge-of-Weir, 14 bags potatoes. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—"A Thankoffering" from Kelso, £6; "a Well-wisher," old clothes; "Anonymous," pamphlets; R. H., 20 loaves; A. D., £2; R. H., 20 loaves; W. S., 4 dozen loaves; Mrs S., quantity of preserves; M. M'L., Greenock, 10s and parcel of clothing; J. K., £2; "Give, and it shall be given unto you," £1 18s; J. M., Edinburgh, £5; W. H. L., £5; Mrs M'L., 2s 6d and a hat; John Street U.P. Church Juv. Missionary Society, £3 12s 8d; part of the year's Missionary Collections of the Children in the Bridge-of-Weir Homes, given to help their poorer brothers and sisters, £6 2s 2d; A. M., 10s; found in Boxes at City Home during October, £7 3s 2½d; T. K., 2 bags oatmeal, to be distributed among poor people; a Friend, 3 cloaks, &c.; Miss K., Cardonald, 2 dresses and a jacket; Free St Clement's S.S. and Children's Forenoon Service, Aberdeen, per A. R., £4; "a Thankoffering to God," 10s. The following has been sent for Orphan Homes' Building Fund:—H. L., £25.

CASES DEALT WITH IN THE CHILDREN'S NIGHT-REFUGE.

Pat M'C., 13 years of age, was frequently seen by a lady in the West-end singing such songs as "Home once more" and "Sweet Ireland." She got interested in the little fellow, and on making inquiry he said he had no friends. For some little time she paid his lodgings in Woodside "Model;" but wisely concluding that was no real help, she applied for his reception here. After a deal of questioning enough truth was got from him to lead to his friends being discovered. The true state of matters was found to be black indeed. The father, a collier near Airdrie, a drunken worthless fellow, who if he cared might earn 4s. a day, did almost nothing toward supporting his wife and family. The poor mother, who came for Pat, said she was heart-broken with him. He had been away before, and this time he was sent to pawn a parcel of clothing for 5s., which he did, but never returned with the money.

James W., 8 years of age, to insure his getting away from home without being caught, locked his mother in but very unwisely came with the key in his hand, shewing clearly he was a runaway. He was restored to his mother, who was found in St. Ninian's Street, sorrowing over this wayward child who had scarce seen eight summers.

ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND AND DESTITUTE CHILDREN'S EMIGRATION HOMES.

October 31, 1884.		October 31, 1885.	
To Balance at date, being Cash on hand and in Bank,	£851 4 1½	By General Expenses of 16 Homes at Elmpark, Cessnock, and Bridge-of-War, ..	£3084 9 6
October 31, 1885.		" Wages to Teachers, Fathers and Mothers, and Servants,	710 12 6½
" Donations and Legacies received during year, ..	46 11 4½	" Furniture, Alterations, Repairs, &c., during year, ..	114 9 1
" Found in Boxes at Cottage Homes,		" Rents, Taxes, and Insurance,	271 2 2½
" Proceeds of Gifts, Photographs, and Sundry Articles,	118 9 3½	" Emigration Expenses of Children sent to Canada, ..	2018 10 4½
" Rent of Farm (two years), Lodge, and Stable, ..	173 9 5½	" Donations in Money to Marchmont Home, Belleville, Canada,	631 0 0
" Received from other Institutions for Expenses of Children Emigrated to Canada,	155 0 0	" Reward Pennies to Children for Good Conduct, ..	51 15 4
" Wages Earned by Boys,	117 5 0	" Printing, Stationery, School Books, Postages, Photographs, and Advertising,	196 19 11½
" Interest from Bank,	25 12 10		£7078 19 0
	7212 11 3½	" Cash in Union Bank on Deposit Receipts, ..	£325 0 0
		" Do. do. on Current Account,	436 0 11
		" Do on Hand,	23 15 6
			484 16 5
	£8003 15 5		£8003 15 5

* About £240 of this is specially for Emigration.

GLASGOW, 11th November, 1885.—I have audited the Books containing the Intrmisions of Mr. Quarrier for year ending 31st October, 1885, in connection with the Orphan Homes of Scotland and Destitute Children's Emigration Homes, compared the relative Vouchers and his various acknowledgments of Donations, etc., 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 Twenty-three Pounds Five pence Shillings and Sixpence, and the sum of Nine Hundred and Sixty-one Pounds and Elevenpence in Bank.

JAMES HUTTON, C.A.

CITY ORPHAN HOME REFUGE AND MISSION.

October 31, 1884.	To Balance at date, being Cash in Bank and on hand,	£428 2 19½
October 31, 1885.	Donations and Legacies received during year, ..	£1073 16 1½		
"	Wages earned by Boys, ..	£1024 4 7		
"	Loss Premium of One Penny per Shilling to Working Boys on Wages, and Reward Femmes for Good Conduct, ..	107 7 9		
	.. Collections at Evangelistic Meetings and Found in Boxes at Homes, ..	916 16 10		
"	Proceeds of Hymn Books, Gifts, and Sundry Articles, ..	59 3 10½		
"	Interest from Bank, ..	9 19 5½		
		2 18 2		
				2063 14 5½
				£2490 17 2½

GLASGOW, 11/4 November, 1885.—I have Audited the Books containing the Intrusions for year ending 31st October, 1885, in connection with the City Orphan Home Refuge and Mission, compared the Vouchers, and find all correct, closing with a balance on hand of Sixteen Pounds Twelve Shillings and Fourpence Halfpenny, and a sum of One Hundred and Sixty-six Pounds Twelve Shillings and Eightpence in Bank.

JAMES HUTTON, C.A.

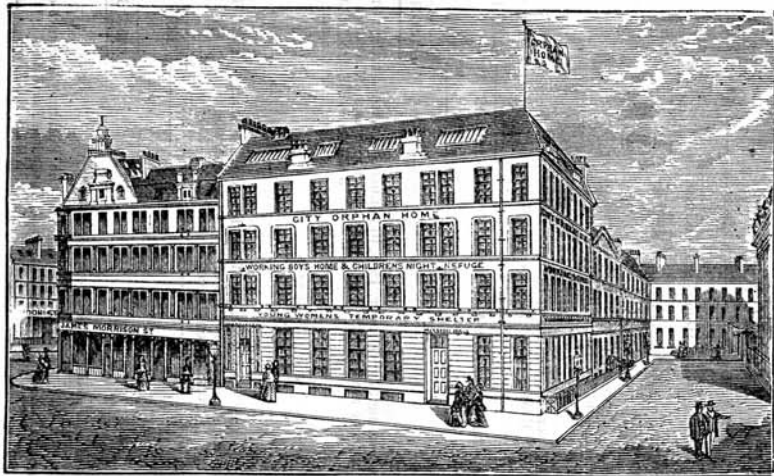
ORPHAN COTTAGE HOMES BUILDING ACCOUNT.

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* NOTE.—This Balance is entirely absorbed by Contracts already entered into but not completed.

GLASGOW, 11th November, 1885.—I beg to certify that the Sum on hand and in Bank on 31st October, 1885, at the credit of the Building Account of the "Orphan Cottage Homes" amounts, as stated above, to One Thousand Three Hundred and Thirty-one Pounds Seven Shillings and Tenpence Farthing.
JAMES HUTTON, C.A.

CITY HOME REFUGE AND MISSION.



THE City Orphan Home, James Morrison Street, Glasgow, continues to hold its place of usefulness in the City, and in the past year has been "a house of blessing" to hundreds. It is like the Cave of Adullam to which those who are in debt and distress gather for help, and if our readers will take time to peruse the former part of our Narrative they will have some idea of the difficulties of the work connected with this house in dealing with cases day by day. Its usefulness is not only seen in the 732 who have been sheltered under its roof, but in the thousands who have received temporary help in the shape of advice, food, clothing, money to pay rent, etc., or been otherwise assisted in their "time of need." The investigation of each case before finally deciding as to how it shall be dealt with involves an unusual amount of work, and our helpers are often taxed beyond their strength in overtaking it in addition to the management of a large house with 100 inmates. This of itself is a heavy burden, as most of those we try to help have been unaccustomed to any restraint whatever, and of course resent it at first and like their own way. With kind firm dealing we seek to overcome this and endeavour to inculcate habits of order and cleanliness. Not the least of the labour arises from the interference of would-be friends of the children. Gratitude from the relatives of those we seek to help is a virtue we never look for, but it is hard sometimes to listen to the abuse and impudence that are heaped upon us and the wrong motives which are imputed to us. We have frequently to remind ourselves that it is through evil as well as through good report the work has to be carried on if we are to receive the reward. We can only briefly touch upon the four branches of work connected with this building.

WORKING BOYS' HOME.

Boys of from 14 to 18 years of age, who are destitute and have no one to care for them, here find the comforts of home and the advantages of a well-regulated family. They are apprenticed to various trades, or

otherwise employed in the City, and return to this house for meals and at night. Their wages, which range from 3s. to 10s. a week, are handed over to us, and we allow them 1d. off each shilling earned for pocket money. Four nights a week during the winter months classes are held for them, and in every way possible we try to influence them for good. In the past year over 100 boys have enjoyed the benefits of this house, and, although the work is uphill, and it is hard to undo the habits that have been formed amid evil surroundings, we are glad to say we have not been without encouragement. The following are out of the number helped:—

I. M'C. (15.)—Father died in the Poorhouse, and mother from injuries received while under the influence of drink. Went to stay with a stepmother, but was driven from this poor shelter by the ill usage he was subjected to, through drink also.

G. G. (17.)—Adopted, when quite young, by a woman who kept him until her death, five years ago. A daughter then took him in hand, and latterly he has been kept for the small wage he earned, replenishing his wardrobe at the Old Clothes Market. She will not bother with him longer, and he is unable to struggle through alone.

YOUNG WOMEN'S TEMPORARY HOME.

In this department timely help has been extended to many virtuous young women who were out of work and in danger of going wrong. They are trained in household work, and have every chance to fit themselves for situations which we find for them as soon as we think them competent. An outfit is also provided, and thus we give them a fresh start in life. Thirty-three have been placed out this year, and there are at present 27 in the Home. It is to be regretted that so many young women prefer public works to domestic service, and it is difficult to persuade them how much better the latter is for them in fitting them for their future positions as good housewives. We shall be glad to assist friends who know of young women in danger of going wrong, if they will bring or send them to us. The following are two of the cases admitted:—

A. R. (17.)—A brother who went to Canada, ten years ago, is doing well there. Two married brothers at home are unable to give the least assistance. Stepfather is given to drink and her mother has been turned out of her house. A. has now been some months in service and giving satisfaction to her mistress.

M. M'G. (16.)—Both parents dead, and the relatives she was staying with dissipated characters. All the poor girl's surroundings were such as to suggest removal as the only safeguard from ruin.

THE CHILDREN'S NIGHT REFUGE

is a branch of our work which adds very materially to the labour of our helpers, as it is open day and night to receive any child found sleeping out or begging. During the year a great many such were brought to us by Christian workers and others, and every case was fully investigated—no easy matter when wrong addresses are given, and there is not a word of truth in the stories they tell us. We would again advise friends who may come across such cases as we have mentioned, not to believe their stories nor give money, but to bring them to us, and we will see that the proper help is bestowed.

C. G., aged 6 years, a perfect specimen of a street arab, looked more like a monkey than a child, peering through his old-fashioned face with those quick dark eyes that seemed watching on every side for an enemy, as he came seeking to get into the "Home," a word void of real meaning to him, as the sequel showed. In vain did we try to find from himself his friends, and as he was young and possibly some one was in search for him, he was taken to the Central Police Office. There he was no stranger, often having been there as a homeless child, and his mother was a regular attendant among the list of "drunks." The poor wee chap

was given back to her with a strong feeling it was a pity such a character should have the custody of a dog, far less a little immortal. He said his hair was never combed, and the only washing his face got was by himself at a street pump.

Mary Jane B., aged 15, came from Edinburgh, and of course had no friends save a stepmother, who treated her cruelly. By writing it was found that the person whose name and address she gave was her own mother, and that she was anxious she should return.

EVANGELISTIC AND MISSION WORK.

Probably the year just closed has been more productive throughout of spiritual good than any former year of our Mission. The crowds who came together to hear Mr. and Mrs. C. King, Mr. and Mrs. Smith (the Gipsies), Richard Weaver, and others, have not only been much larger nightly, but the meetings have been attended with more blessed results than on any former occasion. At each meeting there were conversions, and often large numbers came clearly into "the liberty wherewith Christ maketh his people free." Our ordinary weekly meetings have also had evident tokens of the Holy Spirit's presence and power, and time after time we shared in the joy which there is in the presence of the angels of God over sinners repenting. While we do not think it wise to single out, and relate in detail, individual cases from the hundreds—yes hundreds, praise the Lord!—who have professed faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, we may say that they have been most striking and varied. One very pleasing feature in the work has been God's marked approval of the faithful testimony and efforts of those who have been recently saved, in regard to their companions in factories and workshops and amongst their friends at home. We have found one or two sometimes prove the "little leaven which leaveneth the whole lump." Many times have God's promises been put to the test, and those prayed for have trusted the Saviour at or before the next meeting. A large number of those who look at the Orphan Home Mission Hall as their spiritual birthplace are now usefully engaged in Sabbath school and Mission work connected with the various churches they have joined. Others, while in fellowship, continue to give us their help in sowing the seed of the kingdom in this most needful neighbourhood by tract distribution, singing and speaking at the street corners, visiting, and dealing personally with the unsaved in other ways. That "our gracious Lord refuses none" has been proved by the child of tender years as well as the hoary-headed sinner of over threescore years and ten; the moral and the utterly depraved; the comfortably clad or circumstanced side by side with the ragged, starving outcast receiving the same welcome, and going forth with the sweet assurance, "Thy sins are forgiven thee." Visiting a dying man in one of the lowest localities, our hearts were cheered by meeting two women converted years ago in our hall, who have ever since been shining for Jesus amidst such surrounding darkness. They have pleaded the merits of His blood—and not without fruit—by this strong argument, "If He could save and keep such a vile drunken wretch as I was, there can be none too bad, and no case too hard for Him." The Children's Morning Service has had a larger average attendance. Some have clearly evidenced a saving change, and in many more cases, we doubt not, the "good seed" has fallen into prepared hearts, and will spring up and bear fruit "to the praise of the glory of His grace."

SUMMARY OF THE YEAR'S WORK.

CITY ORPHAN HOME.—On 1st November, 1884, we had 66 boys and 20 girls in the Home, and these numbers have been augmented during the year by 380 boys and 266 girls, thus giving a total of 732 cases disposed of as follows:—

BOYS.—150 sent to the Cottage Homes, Bridge-of-Weir; 76 to Cessnock and Elmpark Homes, Govan Road; 21 left and went to lodgings, etc.; 1 was adopted; 12 absconded with wages; 4 were dismissed; and 111 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 71 in the Home.

GIRLS.—91 sent to Cottage Homes, Bridge-of-Weir; 38 to Elmpark Home, Govan Road; 33 were placed in service; 5 were adopted; 2 to Hospital; 9 left; 1 dismissed; 81 were sent to their relatives in various places, and 27 are still in the Home.

ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND, BRIDGE-OF-WEIR.—The year commenced with 305 children; 287 new cases have been received from City, Cessnock, and Elmpark Homes, giving a total of 592 disposed of as follows: Sent to Canada, 184; ran away, 2; died, 4; adopted, 2; returned to friends, 26; to City Home, 5; to service, 1; leaving at present in the Homes, 368.

CESSNOCK AND ELMARK HOMES.—The year commenced with 92 children in the Homes; 114 new cases have been received from the City Home, making a total of 206 disposed of as follows: Sent to Canada, 130; to Bridge-of-Weir, 46; returned to relatives, 18; died, 1; to Infirmary, 1; left, 6; to City Home, 4.

During the year we have permanently helped 841 children, and in the same time temporary assistance has been given to 288 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 1,129 who have passed through the Homes.

Over 250 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 daily come to the City Home for advice and help are continually increasing, and during the past year over 4000 were personally dealt with. Many of these were poor widows out of work and not able to pay their rent, while some were starving for lack of the bread that perisheth. Others were in trouble or difficulties of various kinds, and in every case we endeavoured to give the advice or temporary assistance required, and also used the opportunities thus afforded of pointing to Him who has promised to deliver those who call upon Him in the time of trouble.

During the year 450 homeless, friendless wanderers were provided with a night's shelter in the model lodging houses, and in many cases with food. Others in sickness or delicate health were got into the Infirmary or Convalescent Homes through the kindness of friends giving us lines for these places. It is not easy for poor people to secure these for themselves, and many demands are made on us so that if friends who have such at their disposal will send them to us they will confer a favour, and we will see that they are given to proper persons.

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 £117 5s. earned by boys, £7,212 11s. 3½d., for the City Home Refuge and Mission, including £1,024 4s. 7d. earned by boys, £2,170 2s. 2½d. and for Orphan Homes of Scotland Building Fund, £3,443 15s. 9½d.—the total amount for all purposes being £12,826 9s. 3½d., 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, and we shall need much more in the year to come if we are to rescue more of the perishing little ones. This is our desire, and we are sure those who know the need will sympathise with us in it, and do all in their power to help. At present our current expenses amount to £25 a day, or £750 a month; but as new members are constantly being added to our family the needs are daily increasing. We are looking to the Lord for £2,000 to complete the new Stores now building, and for £1,000 to erect the superintendent's house at Bridge-of-Weir, besides money for more cottages to house the little ones. We will also require £2,000 for the additional house in Canada to enable us to deal efficiently with the increasing numbers of children we hope to send there. £130 have been received as an earnest towards this, and we trust some of the Lord's children will be led to give the balance. In addition to this £3,000 or more will be needed for the passages and outfits of the children, so that our wants are great. For the 466 children in the Homes, and the others who will be taken in during the year, we shall need thousands of shirts, pairs of stockings, dresses, petticoats, and other garments, and we believe our lady friends will esteem it a pleasure to help us thus to clothe the naked. The faithfulness of our God in the past, and the generous sympathy of His children, encourage to go forward with more earnest desires to "rescue the perishing;" and in the assurance that the work is the Lord's, and He will not suffer us to lack any good thing, we once more "launch out into the deep," praising Him for what is past, and trusting Him for what is to come.

Additional workers will be required, and for the supply of this need also we look to Him who has the hearts of all in His hands, praying that He may send us those who will be fitted in every way to train the children for this life and for that which is beyond. We do praise Him for the true yoke-fellows in the various Homes who share with us this blessed service for the great Master. 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, etc. 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."

IN MEMORIAM.

Throughout the year there have been many changes in the circle of givers to the work, and many of our old and tried helpers and friends have been removed to the higher service above.

In Nov., 1884, Mr. STEWART TURNBULL, of Renton, was called home, who for years took a warm interest in our efforts, and by gifts and sympathy encouraged us much. His long life of usefulness is at an end, but the savour of it will be felt by many for years to come.

Mr. ANDREW WISHART, of Kirkcaldy, was another of our helpers. Though personally unknown to us, he was interested in the work, and left a legacy of £100, which helped us at a time when we were in need.

Mrs. THOS. TRAIN was a dear friend and fellow-worker, and her removal has made a blank to us. She, and her husband who went home nearly two years before her, were warm friends, and in many ways showed the deep interest they took in our Homes, and indeed in all good works.

Mrs. WATSON, who died in Edinburgh in February last, was another personal friend, and she too did what she could to help both by gifts and work.

MARY BROWN, of Rothesay, although only a servant, did more for her Master than many others who have more opportunities and means. She gave of her own earnings, and got others to give also. Her last message to us with £4 which she had collected was, Matt. x. 42: "Whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water shall in no wise lose his reward;" and now her life work is over, and we have no doubt she will have the Master's "well done."

Mr. ALLAN DICK, of Hillhead, for many years contributed to the work, and he too has been called home. May the relatives who are following in his steps be comforted by the thought that he is not lost but gone before.

Mrs. CHAS. ARTHUR, of Edinburgh, was a regular donor, and her gifts frequently strengthened our hands. She also remembered the work in her will, and one-third share of the residue, amounting to £795 13s. 1d. has been sent to us, and will defray about a fifth of the cost of the new stores now building.

Miss BARCLAY, of Irvine, and Mrs. MALLOCH, of Johnstone, were both called home on the same day in March last. Both were old in years, and although we miss their loving messages and words of cheer, we do not mourn but rather rejoice that as sheaves of corn fully ripe they have been gathered into the Master's granary.

Miss LOCKHART, of Crosshill, who died in April, frequently sent to our help, and through her means several little ones have been transplanted from miserable homes here to brighter homes and prospects in Canada. She also left a legacy of £50 which has fed and clothed others.

Mr. JAMES ARTHUR, of Barshaw, was an occasional donor to the Homes. He was a man of shrewd business ability, and amassed great wealth. We sympathise with the bereaved widow and family, and pray that God may comfort their hearts and give them grace to use the means committed to them for His glory.

Mr. JAMES TEMPLETON was a valued personal friend for more than 20 years, and during all that time we ever found him a ready and willing helper of the Homes and of all good works in the City. We trust the mantle of his useful life will fall on those he has left to mourn his loss, and that they will follow him even as he followed Christ.

Dr. LOGAN AIKMAN's name is well-known, and in his removal many have lost a friend and brother. It was our privilege to have his practical sympathy from the beginning of our work, and on all occasions where his presence and words of cheer could help he was there to give them. We can well remember one night when we returned home late finding him waiting for us with a cheque for £1,500 to build the Anderston Home from a family connected with his congregation who wished to remain unknown, and the joy it was to him to rejoice with us. May the church he was pastor over be the richer and more useful for his life, and may all who were connected with him seek to follow his example that they too may be remembered by what they have done.

On the same day that he died Miss MARION SLIMAN, of Lenzie, passed away after a long life of useful service for the Master. She served her own generation by the will of God, and has fallen asleep in hope of a glorious resurrection. Many years ago her words of encouragement helped us and strengthened our faith while we were waiting on God for guidance as to beginning this work. The influence of her life was a blessing to all who knew her.

Mr. ANDREW MUIRHEAD, of Lochwinnoch, was another personal friend, and in his own quiet way served his Master. He too rests from his labours and his works do follow him.

Mr. MATTHEW GEMMELL, of Gourrock, was a regular donor, and took an interest in all connected with the Homes. His kind words and help cheered us much, and we are glad to know those he has left are seeking to carry on what he began.

As our year closed we were called to mourn the removal of Mrs. STODDARD, of Port-Glasgow, on the 25th of October. Nine years ago on the 23rd of October, she and her late husband, were honoured by God to give the first cottage in the national group of Homes at Bridge-of-Weir. It was given in memory of a dear son, and during the seven years since it was opened it has sheltered and been the means of blessing to many little ones, who, we trust, will in their own sphere serve the Master. It was the sad privilege of some of these to follow to the last resting-place the remains of her who had been such a friend to them, and the few flowers strewn over her grave by them were a very small token of their feelings towards her. Mrs. Stoddard took a lively interest in the house and the children, and frequently visited it herself and brought friends with her.

In thus reckoning up the vacant places in our large circle of friends, there may be many others, as doubtless there are, of whose removal we have not heard. Our prayer is that all the relatives and friends may be comforted by Him who is the God of all consolation, and that they may be stirred up to labour more earnestly till Jesus comes, that then we may hear Him say, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these ye have done it unto me."

CONCLUSION.

We feel, as we bring to a close this narrative of work done for the Master, that we have only touched the outlines of it. Many more details might have been given of the Lord's goodness to us in supplying all our needs, and of the hundreds of little ones who have found a "harbour of refuge" under our care, but our space is exhausted and we forbear. We are sure our helpers will rejoice with us in the great results of the past year, and give thanks to God for the marvellous loving-kindness with which He has followed the work. He put the desire in our hearts at the beginning of the year to do greater things in His name than ever before, and He has granted it in helping us to rescue and permanently help nearly one hundred more children than in any previous year. He has sent in all the means necessary for the maintenance of the increased family and for the additional numbers sent to Canada, and although the amount of money received for buildings is not so large as last year, the promise of £5000 to build the church and school room (to be given soon) will more than make up the deficiency. Greater spiritual blessing among the children and in our mission and evangelistic work has also been vouchsafed in answer to prayer, and we cannot but magnify the name of the Lord. Only five deaths have taken place in the Homes during the year, which, in comparison with the large number we have had to deal with, is a very small percentage. Four others have died in Canada, out of the 2000 children we have there; but altogether that only makes nine deaths out of 3000. Of these nine, seven died of consumption and heart disease, and the other two through accidents. We have therefore much reason to bless our Heavenly Father for His preserving care and for the general health of the children. In entering upon the fifteenth year of the Homes, and the twenty-second of our work among poor children our aim is to rescue more than in the past, and we believe our helpers will continue to extend to us the hearty sympathy and practical co-operation we have already received, and that many others will be stirred up to help forward that part of the Master's work which has been committed to us. We are anxious to have in hand soon the £2000 to complete the new stores, and the £1000 to build the superintendent's house at Bridge-of-Weir for our own use; we would also like to see three or four more cottages erected during the coming year. £1500 will build and furnish one, and no more fitting memorial could be erected in memory of a loved one gone home. The money for emigration, and for additional accommodation on the other side, for which over £2000 will be required, we are also looking to the Lord for, in addition to that for daily maintenance, which at present amounts to about £25 a-day, and is constantly increasing. The depression that meets us at every turn, instead of hindering, should be all the more reason for extending the help we can to the needy and perishing. That there will be trials and difficulties in the way we doubt not, but our "God is faithful and will not suffer us to be tempted above that we are able to bear, but will with the temptation also make a way of escape, that we may be able to bear it." The thousands of orphan and friendless children in our city and country, and the hundreds of poor

widows who are perishing for lack of a helping hand, are crying loudly in our ears, and we long to be able to lift them out of the mire. Will our friends unite with us in prayer to God that He may arise and scatter the darkness of sin and crime, and let the light of His glorious Gospel shine in. He is calling for more labourers, and the time for service is growing shorter with each one of us. May we endeavour more faithfully in the future to obey the Master's command,—“Work while it is called to-day.” The night cometh when no man can work.”

O Christians, be up and doing!
For children are dying to-day;
Make haste and come to the rescue
And save them while yet you may!
Your negligence or your service
The eye of the Master sees,
And as done unto Him He reckons
What is done for “the least of these.”

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.”

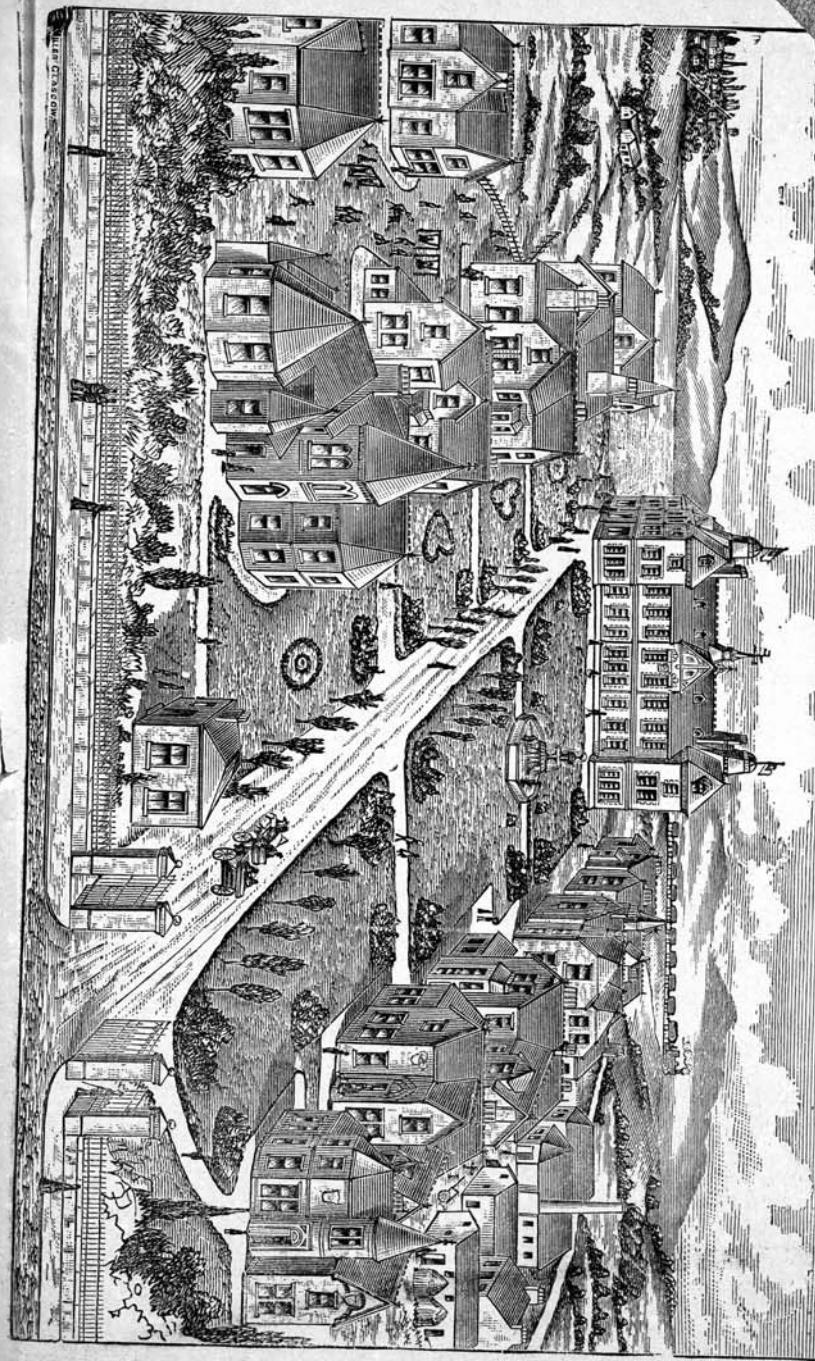
To prevent mistakes and delay, all letters relating to the Homes should be addressed to my house, 318 St. Vincent Street, Glasgow. Cheques and Orders to be made payable to WILLIAM QUARRIER. If more convenient, Donations can be paid into the Union Bank of Scotland, 174 Argyle Street. Clothing, provisions, etc., 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, 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,
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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 of the City Home will be glad to show friends through the house 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 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, Storerooms, &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. No. 11 COTTAGE, named "Cessnock Home."
13. No. 12 COTTAGE, named "Mizpah Home."
14. No. 13 COTTAGE, named "Leven Home."
15. No. 14 COTTAGE, named "Overtoun Home" (now building).
16. No. 15 COTTAGE, named "Montrose Home" (now building).
17. "BETHESDA HOME" for Invalid (Incurable) Children.
18. "FERGUSLIE OFFICES," comprising steam washing-house, laundry, workshops, &c.
19. GATEHOUSE.
20. STÖRES, STABLES, COACH-HOUSE, &c. (now building.)