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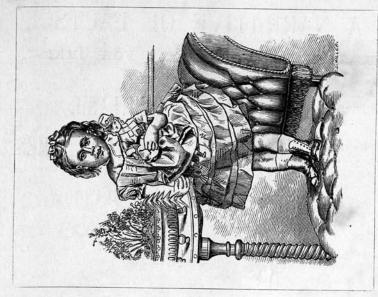
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NARRATIVE OF FACTS.

DEAR FELLOW-HELPERS,-Once more has the Lord brought us through another year, the fifteenth of our trust in Him for all the needs of the Homes, and the twenty-second of our work among poor children, and we are again called upon to record His marvellous loving-kindness in all that has been accomplished. In viewing the way He has led us and the amount of work that has been done we feel constrained to say, "My soul doth magnify the Lord, my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour," for He hath so wondrously helped us in the past year, and so blessed the work with an increase of usefulness and blessing that we cannot but as "workers together" praise Him who worketh in us "both to will and to do of His good pleasure." There have been many trials during the year in the removal by death of givers to the work, in changes among the workers, in the number of deaths among the children in the Homes, and from outside enemies (the priests) who have sought to injure the work and malign our character; but notwithstanding all the difficulties, the Lord has stood by and has been speaking to us all the time, saying, "Fear thou not, for I am with thee, be not dismayed, for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee, yea, I will help thee, yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of My righteousness." The many encouraging letters with loving sympathy and cheering words received from friends throughout the country from time to time just as they were required have not been the least of the help God has sent to strengthen and enable us to keep on fighting "the good fight of faith." Throughout the year there has been more money received than in any previous one since the work began. £23,325 13s. 91d. has been sent in answer to prayer, besides large quantities of clothing and provisions from all quarters. During the year 518 children from different parts of the country have been admitted, which with the 465 that we commenced the year with gives a total of 983 who have passed through the Homes, besides 850 of other needy ones helped with food, lodging, advice, etc. The number of children who have died in the year is more than in any former one, but considering our greater numbers in Canada together with those here, it is comparatively small, being only about 5 in the 1,000. Most of those taken from our midst might be classed as incurable, consumption, hip-joint disease, and water in the head, being among the diseases from which they died. We rejoice to know that these dear ones are not lost, but only fallen asleep in Jesus, whom they learned to love and trust after coming into the Homes. The spiritual blessing among the children, we believe, has been greater than in former years, and the Evangelistic Services in connection with our Mission in the City have been productive of much fruit, for which great blessings we cannot but praise our God whose mercy "crowns our days."

For the sake of those who do not know the nature of our work and have not seen our former Narratives it may be desirable to state once more the principles under which the Homes are carried on. We never

call on anyone for money nor do we send out collectors or resort to bazaars or entertainments for the purpose of raising it. Everything is committed to God in prayer, and we desire to see His leading in all that He sends. No really destitute orphan child is refused admission. We take the children as they come, believing that the Lord will send the means to keep them, and hitherto this has always been the case. Day by day the daily bread has been given and all other needs supplied and we can truly say there hath not failed one word of all His good promise. Since giving up business four years ago and devoting my time wholly to the work of the Homes, my own personal needs with those of my family have each year been met with an exactness which clearly indicates the loving Father's watchful care over us His unworthy children; and this year has been no exception. The work from the first until now has, we believe, been a standing rebuke to the sceptic who denies that there is a God, or One who hears and answers the prayers of His children, and it is also an evidence to the fact that there are thousands of Christians throughout the country, who in giving of their means to the work act from the high motive of doing their alms not to be seen of men, but of Him "who seeth in secret."

That the Lord's name may be glorified in the stimulating of His servants to do greater things in the time to come, and in strengthening the faith of His children throughout the land, we shall endeavour to tell briefly in the following pages some of His dealings with and through us during the past 12 months. We trust also that these details of the Lord's doings will help the Church of Christ at large to have more faith in God and less in the visible instruments that He chooses for His

work, however much honoured they may be.

Nov. 2, 1885.—On this, the first day of the fifteenth year of the Homes, our hearts have been cheered by the gift of £100 to the Building Fund from an old friend. £5 from a new friend in Crieff for the same purpose, £2 from Hamilton, £1 from Duntocher, 10s. from Gourock, and 10s. from a family in Glasgow, and £1 with the following anonymous letter-"£1 note enclosed, kindly use 17s. 6d. of it for the department you consider most needful at present, the other 2s. 6d. being for yourself as 'the labourer is worthy of his hire.'" We have taken in three children of 12, 7, and 5, whose father recently took his own life and the mother is not able to keep seven. Two others have been helped and she has still two with her who will require all her earnings. Also a boy of eight who had been adopted by a woman who has now to give up her house and cannot provide for him longer. Also a boy sent from the Police Office.

Nov. 5.-£1 from Maryhill and £2 2s. 6d. from two friends in

Glasgow is all we have received to-day.

Nov. 6.—£60 from a friend in Glasgow was very cheering to day as there has not been much for three days past. Among other sums was £1 from Paisley with these words, "I enclose my mite to help a little to feed some of your hungry ones, as there must be a great many on your hands at present as these are trying times, but the Lord has helped you hitherto, and will do so still." Took in a boy of 14 whose mother died 18 months ago and his father 4. An aunt kept him since but is not able to do so longer.

Nov. 10.—A friend in Bridge-of-Allan, who regularly gives to the work a part of what she earns, left at City Home to-day £2 19s. 1d. -

15s. ld. being from box on her lobby table. An unknown friend "Nemo" sends £10, and another unknown one £4 with the words, "May the Giver of all good send you enough to accomplish your desire, for the work you have in hand is the Lord's," which with 2s. 6d. from a servant and £7 from various sources, with a large parcel of useful

clothing from Lochgilphead, make up to-day's supply.

Nov. 13 .- £5 from a friend met at a public meeting, and an anonymous gift of £1 and a parcel of clothing is all that has come to-day. Our needs are great, and we look to Him who has hitherto supplied to do so now. Took in a young woman nearly naked; person who brought her said her mother was a decent Christian woman, and struggled to bring her up right. Also two boys, 11 and 9; father died three years ago, and mother has tried by her own efforts to maintain them and herself since. Although respectable she seems to have shut God out of her life, and having no comfort from Him the fight has been severe. We advised her as best we could, and she thanked us for it. We trust the message may bring spiritual blessing to her. A number of other cases were helped with food and advice.

Nov. 16.—To day from two friends, Aberdeen, we have received £5, half for our own use; from Edinburgh £6, half for own use; from an old friend, Glasgow, £10, with the following letter: "My dear sir,-It is with much pleasure I enclose cheque for Ten pounds to assist you in

your good work, and with warmest wishes for its prosperity. I hope you will be long spared to carry it on, and trust your Good Master will bless you even more abundantly than in the past;" and from two Sabbath Schools and friends in Glasgow £13 14s. 3d.; and four little girls 7s., so that our needs are fully met for to-day. The £5 10s. for our own

use reminds us our Heavenly Father knoweth that we have "need of these things." Took in a little girl of 6 who when a few weeks old was left on a road near Port-Glasgow by her mother, who was afterwards tried for her inhuman conduct. The people who found the child adopted her, but are now not well-doing and we are asked to take charge of her.

Also took in a girl of 14; mother is dead and father a wreck. We have helped others of the family before, and there was no home for this one but a model lodging-house. Two women out of the poorhouse had their lodging and supper paid; sent also tea and sugar at request of a poor man in poorhouse. Others were helped with food which a

kind friend has placed at our disposal. Thus another day is passed in giving a helping hand to many needy perishing ones.

Nov. 18.—Yesterday our fourteenth annual meeting was held. Although the day was foggy there was a very good attendance of friends, and their presence and hearty good wishes encouraged us much. To-day from Aberdeen, Carluke, Dumfries, Greenock, Rothesay, and Tighnabruaich we have received £10 5s.—£1 from Carluke being for our own use. These sums are not sufficient for the day's needs, but show us that our Father is thinking of us. Took in a little boy of 6; father deserted the family two years ago, and the mother is in a destitute condition, but thinks if we take one she will struggle through with another. Also a boy of 15, brought up in a reformatory, but got himself hurt while in a situation and is now homeless. Also a young woman from the Highlands, who had travelled from Edinburgh this week. She has been in and out of poor lodgings for two years, and is very glad of the helping hand we are

privileged to give her.

Nov. 21.—From different sources we have to-day received £56 10s. 6d. £35 of which is to the Building Fund, the rest meets our needs for the day. Four children have been added to our number. Father died of consumption 8 months ago. He was once an employer, but through sickness and other causes the family has been left destitute. After the father's death the mother took cancer and is now seriously ill (has since died) in Broomhill Home. The youngest child is only 2, and without the mother's care has been neglected.

Nov. 25.—An old friend in Fife writes: "Dear Sir,—With pleasure I enclose P. O. for 20s. towards your work among poor destitute little ones. Thanks for the Reports sent. The Lord be praised for granting you the experience contained in Psalm cxl. 7. To His name be all the glory." Among other sums received to-day is £4 from Ryde with the words, "Go on and prosper in God's name." How much the kind words of our helpers coming at the times they do strengthen our hands and encourage us to go forward! Only those who know the extent of the work and the inseparable difficulties and trials connected with it, which only God's grace can carry us through, will realise how much we value them.

Nov. 28.—A very acceptable gift of clothing came to-day from the Callander Branch of the Scotch Girls' Friendly Society, "wishing you most heartily Godspeed in your noble work of rescuing the perishing." Also £5 from Kilmelfort, £1 from two workers, 12s. 5d. from Uddingston, £5 from Stirling "as a thankoffering," and 10s from Falkirk.

Dec. 1, 1885.—Yesterday a legacy of £180 for the City Home gladdened our hearts. To-day a lady in Dundee sends £10-£8 for the bairns and £2 for our own use. A friend from Dunoon called with £6 and 10s. for our own needs and other friends in Kirkcaldy, Roseneath, Kilmarnock, Errol, Kelso, Coldstream, Weston-super-Mare sent about £30. Thus in many parts does the Lord put it into His servants' hearts to minister to His little ones under our care. We have taken in a young woman of 19, who has not heard of her parents for 3 years. She was in poorhouse with a sprained ankle, and had to pawn all her clothes when she came out. Also two children of 5 and 7. Father went to Australia some time ago and said he would never return. Grandmother has an annuity which would keep her comfortable, only she drinks it all, and the mother, a respectable woman, wants us to help her to save her children from the evil example. Also a girl, whose mother is dead and the father is in a "model;" although 12 years of age she cannot read. These are some of the waifs and strays driven on the rocks of want and poverty by the tide of drink, and but for it they would not have needed our help. A little girl of 3 was adopted by a respectable couple in the country, and a number of needy ones were advised and helped.

Dec. 3.—An unknown "aged friend" sends us £3 with the words "Be strong and of good courage," and among other gifts to-day £6 3s. 2½d., from Galashiels specially cheered us. It is the proceeds of a sale of work held by 8 little girls. May the Lord grant that any self-denial exercised by these little ones in trying to help those who are not so favoured as themselves may be abundantly rewarded by Him who has said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Another friend sends 30 pairs of stockings and says, "It has given me great pleasure to knit them for your flock. I could wish it had

been £3,000 rather. Let us however be thankful that as the daily need comes, so the daily need is always supp ied, and we are told to pray only for daily bread. You will be glad to see that the numbers of juvenile offenders are decreasing, thanks to you and others engaged in such benevolent work." We do thank God for the privilege of rescuing many little ones who would have drifted into the criminal ranks had it not been for the helping hand that was stretched out in time to save them.

Dec 8.—The gift of 10s to-day with the following letter filled our hearts with thankfulness to God for the faithfulness of His steward who in trying circumstances carried out his vow. May the Lord reward him for his work of faith, for it is faith that leads a man to keep his promises. We feel sure if he continue so doing he will find that the Lord will be debtor to none:—

DEAR Mr. QUARRIER,—I have much pleasure in enclosing a half-sovereign from a working man, out of employment, but who had promised long ago to give to the Lord a tenth of all He sent to him. He has just got a gift of £5 and cheerfully sends this tenth to the Lord's little ones under your care. He has just read your "Narrative of Facts" for the past year and rejoices with you in all that the Lord has done by you for the little outcasts of our City.

Dec. 9 .- An unknown friend who calls himself or herself "Nemo" sends us £50-a most acceptable gift in our increasing work and increasing need. May the Lord bless this and all other unknown ones who seek to minister to His little ones and obey the Master's injunction, "Let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth." We are sure the Father who sees in secret "will reward openly." Twosisters called with £40 for the Homes, and £10 for our own needs which the Lord knows. We praise Him for the supply which has hitherto met all. Another friend sends £2 "instead of insuring property," and a S.S. £4 5s. Five children have been added to our large family to-day. One little waif of 10 who says she travelled from Greenock, parents dead and stepmother ill-uses her. A boy from the same place whose father is dead 4 years and his mother was found dead about a year ago. Sister who has been keeping him can do so no longer. Also, 3 children of 7, 9, and 11, mother died 2 years ago. Father is in infirmary and not expected to live. The money come to-day will help to rescue these. It is more than the day's supply, and we have also taken in more than the 2 children a day we desired to do at the beginning of the year.

Dec. 12.-Letters from many friends thanking us for the Report and saying they had got blessing through reading it, have been very encouraging to us these few weeks past. Much prayer is made in sending it forth and we do thank the Lord for so manifestly answering our requests in this matter. From a new friend in Illinois, U.S., who asked us to send him a report, we have received the following letter:-"Dear Sir,-Accept my best thanks for your kindness in sending the Annual Report of your Orphan Homes. As promised I now beg to enclose draft in London for £80, which please apply towards support of the orphan children under your care. Do not allow my name to transpire in any way." This is a most acceptable gift, and will help to fill up the lack of some who are not able to help this year. A dear aged friend writes from Bournemouth, where he is in search of health, "Dear Sir,-Although at this distance you are often in my thoughts and the good works you are under God's blessing the principal mover. I have seen your yearly Report which is encouraging. I now enclose cheque for ten pounds." Another friend sends 10s. from a S.S. in Cupar-Fife, and says, "Again I have received your deeply interesting Report and unite with you in praise and gratitude to God for all He is continuing to permit you and your dear co-workers to do for Him among the poor little ones. May He increase you more and more, no need to fear. 'My God shall supply all you need.' That's a big promise and the Promiser can be relied on." We do thank God for these encouraging words. Many a time in the past have we tested this precious promise and found it to be abundantly true, and we believe we will also in the time to come. Another gift of 2s. to-day from two children, being part of their harvest wages, greatly cheered us. God bless and reward them.

Dec. 14.—A friend in Dunfermline writes :-

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I received your last year's report, the reading of which has given me sincere pleasure and thankfulness that the Lord has spared you and prospered your most useful and blessed work for the poor destitute ones. May a larger blessing attend you, and my prayer is that many of the dear ones may be brought into the fold of the kind Shepherd. I enclose cheque for £20, £5 for yourself and the remainder for the Emigration.

We thank the Lord for the renewed sympathy and help of this kind friend. Our daily prayer, and also our co-workers' in the different Homes, for the children we are privileged to rescue and care for temporally, is that every one may be brought to know Him "Whom to know is life eternal," and we rejoice that so many of our fellow helpers unite with us in this request. We praise our Father for the many of our number who already are the Lord's, but we long for "showers" of blessing.

From Callander a friend sends the following :-

Dear Sir,—I have very much pleasure in enclosing you a small sum towards your Homes. May I ask you kindly to apply £1 towards your own personal requirements, and the other £1 to be applied as you see best. When I see what others send you I am almost ashamed to send so small a sum, but it is accompanied with the earnest prayer that God may greatly speed your work and supply all your need.

The Lord gives to everyone of His children the power to do something for Him, and whether it be money or service, much or little, He accepts it "according to that a man hath."

Dec. 17.—To-day we have received from many different sources £56 10s 1d., nearly sufficient for two days' keep. Took in three orphan children; mother died some years ago; father, who was a Christian, died of paralysis on Monday last. On his death-bed he often prayed that provision would be made for his children, and we do thank God for using us in answering His dying servant's request. A young woman from Greenock whose friends were once in comfortable circumstances, but are now unable to help her, was taken in. Also a little cripple girl of 6, from Greenock too. Father, a sailor, left 6 years ago and has not been heard of for 4 years. Mother has been struggling on but can do so no longer.

Dec. 19.—An old friend in Crieff sends £2 4s., 3s. of it for our own use, and says, "I am thankful in reading the Report to see you are leaning on the all sufficient arm of God, who will never fail you." Another friend writing from the North says:—

Dear Friend,—Kindly accept of 10s. for your Orphan Homes. I fear the destitution will be greater this year and therefore I have increased my contribution. I wish it were a great deal more, but there are so many appeals and one likes to give a little to as many as he can. Your Report is very refreshing. The Lord is evidently with you in your work. That He may more and more bless and make you a blessing is the desire of your sincere friend.

With a parcel of clothing from Dundee came the following letter:-

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—The enclosed is our contribution by way of helping your to clothe some of the members of your large family; also, a small gift from Chester, with the promise, if spared till another time, will give more. I read your Report of work done for the past year with very great interest. How encouraging to yourself and fellow-helpers to know that of the hundreds of children who pass through your Homes, and are settled in life, so very few go astray, evidence. I think, it is the Lord's work to save the children. Our united sympathy is with you in the work. May you long be spared to carry on such a noble work for Him who gave His life for us, and who on earth said, "Suffer the little children to come unto Me."

Dec. 22.—A friend sends £22 15s. "collected from a few friends who continue to be much interested in your work and trust that our Father in Heaven will continue to smile upon your efforts in His cause and that during the year so soon to begin you may see the work of the Lord prospering in your hands." A little girl's letter greatly touched us to-day. She writes: "Dear Sir.—Mary and I like to help the poor wee boys and girls you are so kind to, so we send 2 shillings we have saved. Your friend, Jeane C." May our loving Father bless these dear little ones and grant the desires now in their young hearts to help the needy may, as they grow up, continue with them and bear much fruit to His glory.

Dec. 25.—At this festive season many kind friends have been remembering our needs, and their encouraging words as well as gifts greatly cheer us. "We three" send 15s., "with heartfelt congratulations for the success of your labours." Two friends 2s. 6d. each "as Christmas gifts, wishing it were much more." From Darvel a donor sends £3 and 10s. for our own use, and says, "I must thank you for your 'Narrative,' its perusal does me good. May the Lord abundantly sustain and strengthen you through the coming year as He has done in the past." Another friend sends the following:—

My Dear Mr. Quarrier,—I send you a mite, 3s. 6d. in stamps, to be applied as you think proper. I am sorry it is smaller than usual, but I have been ill and required some one to wait on me; and my dear niece who had such pleasure in sending you a little has been deprived of her reason since I last wrote you. May all His dealings be sanctified to us, and may the hearts of those who have means beopened to give to such a good cause as you are engaged in. You and your helpers have my prayers that you may be sustained and strengthened for the blessed work you are engaged in and have many souls for your hire. I have read your report with great interest, and sent it to a friend—many thanks for it. May our dear Lord be with you on the coming year to bless you and yours.

We pray that this dear servant of the Lord may realise the Master's presence in the severe trial through which she is passing. Among other sums to-day were £2 2s. 6d. collected by a few friends who have not much of this world's goods, but who were helped in doing this service by the words of Jesus, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren ye have done it unto Me." And £2 0s. 8d. "gathered in a money-box placed on our family table during the year." Thus in many different ways are all our needs supplied from day to day.

Dec. 29.—Our hearts were much gladdened yesterday by the gift of £200 from "A Friend of the Poor in the East of Scotland," which we have put to the building fund for the new stores, for which we still require more money; and to-day by another gift of £100 from a friend in Glasgow; also £20 from "An Ayrshire Farmer," to be used as we think best. We have put it towards the street children's treat, which we hope to give in the beginning of the year. Among many smaller sums

which reached us to-day are 10s, "as a thankoffering to God for giving me work during the past year" and £5 from Rothesay, £1 of it "in memory of our dear Mary, so that she being dead yet speaketh"-all, small and great, filling our hearts with thanksgiving to our God, who hath done "exceeding abundantly above all" that we have asked or thought.

Dec. 31.—The last day of another year has come, reminding us of the fleetness of time. Yesterday and to-day many kind gifts in money, clothing, toys, etc., have come to us from far and near and from young and old. Amid the darkening gloom of the year that is just closing there have been many bright gleams of Christian sympathy shown in loving words and deeds in all parts of the Lord's vineyard, but in none more so than in this part in which we have been privileged to labour. Our hearts are full of gratitude and rejoicing for all the tokens of loving interest we have received from friends known and unknown throughout the country and world, and we praise God on their behalf. The work accomplished in the past leads us to see how much more needs to be done, and stimulates us to go forward with increased energy to do still greater things in the time to come, depending on Him who hitherto has led and who worketh in us "both to will and to do of His

good pleasure."

Jan. 1, 1886.—To-day our whole family had their usual New Year's treat. No children being on the Govan Road, we took the City Home lads and girls to Bridge-of-Weir, where for the first time on New Year's day all our large family were gathered together. Not having a large enough hall to hold all, dinner was served in each cottage for the children, and in the school-room for the City Home party and friends. At one o'clock all sat down and partook of the feast, which consisted of roast beef, pies, potatoes, and plum pudding. After a short interval the whole family assembled in the hall, where four large Christmas trees were laden with toys and other articles as gifts for the children. These were soon dismantled, each child receiving part of the fruit. Immediately thereafter we proceeded to the Invalids' Home, where a special tree was provided for the little sick ones, and they also were made happy in the possession of a doll or some other desired article. At five o'clock tea was served, followed by an entertainment in the hall, to which the children themselves contributed by reciting, singing, etc. Prizes were given to some of the boys and girls for gardening, good behaviour, and other things, and during the evening we ourselves were presented with a very handsome marble time-piece, to be placed in the superintendent's new house at Bridge-of-Weir when it is built, given by the boys and girls of the City Home. We had not heard anything of it before, and were completely taken by surprise. The day was wet and stormy, but everything passed off satisfactorily. The happy faces of the little ones were very pleasant to see, and we could have wished that more of the friends whose kind thoughtfulness provided the treat had been with us to share in the joy. A few small gifts from various quarters cheered our hearts in beginning the new year.

Jan. 2.—Among other sums to-day was £20 from an old friend in Elderslie, who in this way shows his thankfulness to God for the spared life of another year. "It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord." 5s. out of the "Penny box" of some bairns living at the coast, 5s. from two little boys, with five other donations from Sabbath

Schools in different parts of the country, show us that the children donot forget the needs of their less favoured brothers and sisters at this happy season.

Jan. 4.—The following from a lad who with his younger brother was received into the Home many years ago, is but another proof of the truth of God's Word, "Cast thy bread upon the waters for thou shalt. find it after many days." The young man is now married and in business for himself, and better still, a decided Christian, who seeks in his own sphere to serve the Master. He says:-

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I write you these few lines to let you know that we are all well at present, hoping this will find you all enjoying the same blessing. I enclose £3-30s, for your own use and 30s, for the destitute children, hoping that it will help some wanderer. I hope that you will accept it and best wishes. I have not much more to say at present. I will stop by wishing you and all the friends at home a happy New Year.—I am yours, one rescued from the streets.

Jan. 6.—The Lord shows His children how they can help forward His cause in many ways. Yesterday one friend in sending 6s. says:-

DEAR SIR,-In October last the thought struck me that I might do something for the Lord, so I told my family that, instead of buying sweets on Saturday, I was going to give it up and put the money in a box for the Orphan Homes. of Scotland and any other good object. I asked my family to give a little in this to the Lord and He would bless it to them. I opened the box to-day and found it contained 8s. 6d., so I am giving the other 2s. 6d. to a missionary to give it to some needful ones. Dear sir, God sparing me, I mean to continue the box every Sabbath morning this year. It is my earnest prayer that God may spare you to rescue the perishing children.

Another says :-DEAR MR. QUARRIER, -I enclose £1 additional to former contribution for use of Homes. After I had sent the £4, 15s. came very unexpectedly and quite unsolicited. I sent a report to a house where I had called and got a trifling subscription, and on new year's day the servant called with the 15s., 10s. from her mistress and 5s. from herself. The lady is known to me only by name. The girl, who seems to be another "Mary," said it was the realing of the report that had opened their hearts, they were so touched by it.

One who has helped us frequently in the past sends the following to-day: "My Dear Sir,-I enclose £2, one for your own use, and one for the orphans. Praying that the Lord may abundantly bless Mrs. Q. and yourself, your fellow-workers, and the orphans;" and another sends 43s., "13s. for yourself and 30s. for your children, with best wishes." Our Father remembers our own needs and never suffers us to lack "any good thing." A wee girl sends 7s. from herself and two sisters. God grant she may always have the heart to feel for and help those whohave not been placed in such happy circumstances as she. A little boy of six was added to our family to-day. Father dead, was at one time in comfortable circumstances but the mother has gone sadly wrong, and was found by a Bible woman in the Police Office. Many sad cases of widows, etc., were dealt with revealing the depth of sin in our midst. The woman above is only one out of many victims of the low places of amusement in our city. What a privilege to save even one little one from such evil surroundings!

Jan. 8.—Among other gifts to-day were 10s. "from the hens," 5s. 6d. from a small Sabbath Class, the teacher of which says, "Would that we could send you much more, but the Lord is able to give thee much more than this." We thank God for this assurance, and take courage for the future, believing that He who has hitherto blessed and supplied will do-

so still. Also £10 with the following letter :--

My DEAR SIR,-I have pleasure in forwarding the enclosed for the general

expenses of your Homes, and am thankful to see from the Report forwarded of the steady increase both of the work and of funds to meet it. It will I am sure continue to grow further with the Master's blessing as heretofore.

We took in a young woman just out of a Convalescent Home who has no friends to help her. Yesterday four children were admitted. Three brothers, 7, 11, and 13. Father died two years ago in Woodilee Asylum. Mother has been in and out of poorhouse since, and is not very well-doing. The children are much in need of care. Also a girl of 12, whose mother is dead and father is in Infirmary not expected to recover.

Jan. 12.—We have received £17 ls. from various quarters to-day, about half a day's supply. A large number of needy cases were at the City Home. We took in two destitute boys, father dead, mother has been in Western Infirmary 4 months seriously ill, and had to be brought in a cab to give them over to our care. She expects to go into an incurable home. Also a little boy of 5, whose mother died in Western Infirmary a week ago, and two boys of 12 and 14, father dead, and mother having to go out daily is not able to control her boys. She has still an invalid daughter to keep.

Jan. 13.—Last night our annual treat to the street children took place in the Waterloo Rooms, the money for which was given by several friends. The area of the large hall was filled with the children, and the galleries with friends who came to see the work and the gathering. About 20 (from 14 to 18 years) remained at the close desiring to be taken into the Homes, and we hope most, if not all, of these will be permanently rescued.

The resolution passed by the meeting expressing the children's desire for supervision is another call to the magistrates to exert their powers and get them under something like control. When will they deal with this growing evil which we think deserves preference over other matters?

Jan. 18.—A friend in Alloa sends £15, which with £3 13s. from two S. Schools and £1 9s. from a Lady's Bible Class is the amount received to-day. Four children were taken in, three of one family whose father died 2 years ago, and the mother has been vainly striving to support herself and them since. Their tattered garments, bare feet, and starved looks tell how hard the struggle has been, and how much they need the help God enables us to give them. The mother is still dependent on casual work, and has another one to keep but hopes to struggle through. Also a working boy who has been staying with a married sister whose husband is out of work, and they are to be turned out of their house to-night because they cannot pay rent. A missionary from the north district of the city called to see if we could take charge of a family of 4 whose father died last week, and the mother is dying and has no one to leave her children to. Such are a sample of the cases that come under our notice from day to day, and which we are privileged to help.

Jan. 22.—£1 from Alloa, £1 from Glasgow, £1 5s. from S.S., Fraserburgh, and 5s. from Jedburgh, with some parcels of clothing, is all that has come to-day. Our numbers are increasing and our needs are great. We keep looking to the Lord to supply all. The friend from Jedburgh says: "I have much pleasure in enclosing to you a small offering of 5s. from Blackfriars U.P. S.S. children. I take this opportunity of wishing you Godspeed in your great work. I was privileged to see your Homes at Bridge-of-Weir last year. The visit has made a

lasting impression on my heart of the great power of prayer and faith in God."

Jan. 25.—Only £5 from Edinburgh to day, and 9 children have been taken in and added to our family. Four of one family, 11, 10, 8, and 6, whose father, a painter, died a fortnight ago. The mother is dying of cancer and requested the missionary who visited her to get the children into some home. It has comforted her to know they will be cared for when she is gone. Also 3 of 7, 8, and 10, whose father died 12 months ago leaving 7 of a family. Mother hopes she will be able to struggle through with the others. The Board have refused 1s. a week, accusing her of some misconduct, which, however, she denies. We have assisted her during last fortnight while investigating her case. Also a girl of 14 who has quarrelled with her stepmother and refuses to go back to the house and is in danger of going wrong, and a boy of 14, homeless. We relieved a great number of distressing cases. Among them was a poor woman with 5 children. Husband out of work for 6 months, oldest girl of 10 carrying second youngest, and mother with baby in her arms. trying to cover it with her thin ragged shawl. These and similar cases to-day forced us to cry, "Oh! for a bigger boat" to rescue those who are perishing around us. We are anxiously looking to the Lord for money to build the additional houses which are urgently needed. May He

send it speedily.

Jan. 28.—Received to-day the welcome news of a legacy of £1,600 left by a lady friend to build a cottage at Bridge-of-Weir, leading us once more to praise our loving Father Who, while we were yet speaking, has heard and answered prayer. We had over three hours dealing with cases at City Home to-day. 5 children of a family, whom we arranged for a day or two ago, were brought and received-father died 2 years ago and mother a week ago. A poor widow, whose husband, a railway guard, died about a year ago, after a long illness, leaving her with a baby and a little girl of 5. Her elder recommends the case to us as a deserving one. We have taken the little girl. A poor widow, the mother of two boys we sent to Canada, got a little money to tide her over till she would get into the Infirmary. Another widow, whose husband was drowned in Canal, left with 3 children—one a little boy of 8, barefooted and ragged, and who had never been to school; she wanted us to receive him. A poor widow of 60, hale and strong, but houseless. She brought good recommendations but can't get work, and it was sad to see such a respectable woman without a home. Another poor woman, dying of consumption, called to see if we could take her little girl of 6. She had a blanket thrown round her and a thin shawl on top, and her emaciated face was indeed a strong plea for a Consumptive's Home. We gave her a line for the Infirmary, but to all appearance there is little hope of recovery. We used the opportunity to point her to the Saviour, Who is "a Refuge in times of trouble." A boy of 16 who wants to leave the streets, to whom we gave a night's lodging pending enquiries. A man who has seen better days, but for years has been sowing wild oats, and a few nights ago was brought to see himself lost and accept the Saviour in our Mission Hall. He has fallen low, but seems really converted. A young woman from Belfast, who has no friends in Glasgow, and we have arranged to send her back. Two boys who came from Kilmarnock saying their parents were dead, were handed over tothe mother of one of them. A man recommended by a missionary had his fare paid to Carlisle. There were several other cases, but one can understand from these given how much patience is needed to sympathise with those "who are out of the way," and help them in the best possible way.

Jan. 30.—The following letter from one of our boys, amongst many others received from Canada this month, is encouraging:—

DEAR SIR,—I received your package, and I was very much pleased with it. I also received one from Miss E. A. Bilbrough. I spent a very merry Christmas in Belleville this year. Miss Bilbrough was very glad to see us. When there I saw one of my old companions, and I heard from him that some of No. 9 Cottage boys came out last spring with him. I would have been delighted to have been down when they came in, but I could not get, we were so busy cutting wood for our summer's use. But I suppose it is the way of the world; we hardly ever expect to meet again in this world, but we pick up new friends every day of our life. I haven't started to go to school yet, as we are so busy cutting wood for the rest of the winter. I will start this week. I go to Sunday school every Sunday. I haven't missed a Sunday yet. We passed a resolution to keep the Sunday school all the winter as well as the summer. I go to church nearly every Sunday, as the roads are good now We have had no snow now since the 23rd of December, which makes it more favourable for us to get up our winter's wood. It is more like summer than winter now, it is so warm. A- I- has given his heart to the Lord, and a great many others whom I know that came to this country poor miserable sinners, me among the rest. Send my love to all the children in the Home. I am still in my old place, and they seem to be getting better all the time. This is all I have to say at present. I remain yours truly, I wish you a merry Christmas and a happy new year. Good-bye.

Feb. 4.—From Glasgow, £11; from Haddington, £1; from Sabbath Schools in Campsie and Galashiels, £2 1s., and 12s 6d. from Guthrie, is the amount that has come to-day. Took in a girl whose father is dead and mother is ill in poorhouse.

Feb. 9.—Our old friend Wigtown sends us £1, and among other sums received (in all about £25) 5s, being part of a girl's first wages that we helped was very encouraging to us. Seven pairs socks and three pairs mitts came with the following letter:—"Dear Sir,—I have sent by post a few things for your poor children, and I hope to send you a few more by and bye, but being a servant I have my duties to attend to. I do not wish my name put in the papers. May God's blessing rest on your labour of love." Such gifts as these coming from those poor in this world but "heirs of the kingdom," cheer us from time to time. We believe that this dear one will get the Master's "Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things."

Feb. 16.—A London friend who evidently wishes to remain unknown, paid in £150 to our Bankers to-day, £100 of it for emigration. Another unknown friend left £50 at the City Home, which we have put to the Emigration fund also. Our Father is thus setting His seal once more on this special department which claims our attention at this time.

Feb. 17.—To-day, dear wee Kitty Robertson, who has been with us for about 4 years, and an invalid all the time, has been taken away home to be with Jesus. Her own father was dead when we got her, but she had been most brutally used by her stepfather, and the mother has never even enquired for her since. Her favourite text was, "I will never leave thee," and it is a great comfort to us to know that now she has gone to enjoy "the sweet rest in Heaven" of which she so often sang. We took in a little boy of 9 who has been kept by his

grandmother, but she is unable to do so longer. Also two young women homeless.

Feb. 23.—An old friend in London sends £20 which will pay for two children to Canada. Among other smaller sums is £2 from a friend who is sorry he "cannot do more." The Lord accepts "according to that a man hath," and even the "cup of cold water" will not lose its reward. Also, from "A Govan Tradesman," the following letter:—

Dear Brother,—I enclose One Pound for the Lord's work among the orphans, being interest of deposit in Savings Bank. May we be kept waiting for His coming. God is able to make all grace abound towards you.

To-day was a busy one at the City Home with cases. We took in two children, a girl of 5 and brother of 8. Father died some time ago, and mother lost her house through being unable to pay rent. She is now dependent on relatives, and has another child to keep. Also took in three girls, 6, 9, and 11. Father deserted the mother 12 months ago, and had frequently done so before. He was in prison at one time for ill-using her. She seems an industrious woman, and anxious to do well by her children but has not the means. She has other two to keep. A little boy of 8, who had frequent exploits with another boy two years older, running off and pawning clothes or boots, and breaking his mother's heart, who is a widow in delicate health. A poor widow from poorhouse was helped with some tea and sugar, and another got a pair of boots and the price of her fare to Greenock. Another had ther lodgings paid, and still others got provisions, etc.

Feb. 26.—£200 from London to-day for emigration, for which we still require about £1,200. We are hoping to send 100 boys about the beginning of April, and 100 girls in May. A friend in Strathaven writes: "My Dear Sir,—I have no doubt you would see from the papers the death of my dear mother (Mrs. Martin), and would know the reason why her usual subscription was not sent. Several things prevented me from sending mine. I now enclose £1 for your little ones, the Lord's little ones, which are precious in His sight. May the Lord's richest blessing go with it, and may you be greatly helped in your arduous work." We shall miss the kind sympathy and help of this dear friend who has been taken to the Father's home above. We did not hear of her death at the time it took place, before our last year's report was sent out. These removals are trying to the dear ones left behind. May He who knows "our sorrows" comfort this one.

March 4.—The following letters were cheering to-day. A friend in Glasgow writes: "Dear Mr. Quarrier,—I send you cheque for £10 to send a boy to Canada, and hope to send you a similar amount for a girl in a month or two. With earnest wishes for your success in your noble work." One in Pollokshaws says: "Dear Sir,—Having the desire by the grace of God to lodge a few pounds in the Royal Bank of Heaven, I (at my Master's orders) send you a postal order for £1, which I hope you will receive, small as it may seem to you, and use it for the glory of my Lord Jesus Christ." The Lord grant that many more may follow our friend's example, and thus lay up for themselves "treasure in heaven, where neither moth nor rust can corrupt, and where thieves do not break through and steal." Another in Kirkcaldy writes: "Dear Sir,—Having read with much interest the report of your laudable efforts on behalf of the young neglected, I enclose cheque for £10, to be applied as you think best."

March 10.—£400 from a "Friend of the Poor" in the East of Scotland filled our hearts with joy to-day. Truly our Father knoweth what things we have need of. The 100 boys whom we hope to send in the beginning of April are now all paid for, but we still require £1,000 for the girls' party before the end of May. He who has supplied in the past will, we are sure, not fail us this year also.

March 12.—A friend sends £50 for emigration, two others £10 each "for two children to Canada," and from other friends £20, making 9 more children paid for to-day. An invalid friend in Edinburgh sends a useful parcel of clothing "intended for the boy and girl emigrants." She says: "I have had great delight and thankfulness in helping you in a very small way and I do not forget to pray for you and yours and all your burdens and cares, joys and rewards, even in this life." The great Master has given each one of His children, high or low, rich or poor, the power to do something for Him, and even the weak and suffering ones have a ministry committed to their care. Another friend in England sending £5 says: "Notwithstanding the bad times I do trust that God will open many hearts as He has done already, and when hearts are touched the purse strings will not remain tied up. Since the day that my daughter and I visited the Bridge of-Weir Homes, I have never ceased to think of the well-cared-for little ones, and have tried to interest others. May you and Mrs. Quarrier be long spared to carry on this blessed work so much called for." We believe there are few, if any, of the Lord's children who have visited the Homes at Bridge-of-Weir that have not been cheered and their faith strengthened in seeing what "God hath wrought," and we are sure those who have not done so would be amply repaid for any trouble, by a visit to them.

March 16.—A friend in Calcutta sends £100, and £5 for our own use. This will pay for 10 children to Canada. From Perth £2 "to assist in relieving some of the many poor applicants in this trying season of cold and destitution, wishing you the Father's blessing." From Dundee £5, and from a friend in Stirling who acts on "the principle of dealing sma' if he would serve a'," £5. Also £10 from Edinburgh, and a parcel of clothing from a sewing meeting in Brodick have come to-day.

March 22.—We were much gladdened by a letter received from a friend giving us the promise of the money to build the "Training Ship" on land. We have long been asking the Lord to send this and He has answered our prayers, leading us anew to praise Him. £4 10s. is all the money we have received to day—£2 of it is from a dear friend in Johnstone whose kind help and loving sympathy have often cheered us. She writes: "Kindly accept the enclosed £2 for the work and use it as you see fit. You must have had some very trying times of it this winter. We have had a great deal of distress here, and it must have been much worse in Glasgow. Is it not a comfort that we can cast the needs of others as well as our own on 'Our Father which art in heaven.' May He richly supply all your needs, and those of your very large family, both temporally and spiritually."

March 24.—Amidst the ingratitude of some there are encouragements in the thanks of others who appreciate what we are seeking to do for their children, and these with the prayers and good wishes of our fellow-helpers strengthen us by the way. To-day we took in a little boy of 4. Mother barefooted and almost naked and houseless, and with another child in her arms. A neighbour as poor as herself came to

recommend her case. Also a family of 3, a boy of 4 and two girls of 8 and 11. Father deserted them 4 years ago. Mother died last week, and there are no friends able to help them. Eldest girl has had a sore hand for years. A poor boy from Pollokshaws, whose grandmother has struggled hard to keep him but through failing health can do so no longer, and a young woman out of work and without means to keep herself, were also taken in. Helped another with lodgings and advice, and others in various ways. We received a letter from a writer to-day demanding two children whose mother is leading an immoral life and had begged us before to take them. It is a pity that lawyers sometimes take up such cases without regard to the character of client or needs of the poor children. Among other sums to-day are £10 from Edinburgh to take a child to Canada, £10 from Largs, and £5 from Perth with the following letter:—

Dear Sir,—Having received recently your Occasional Paper puts me in remembrance of you, so I herewith enclose a £5 note for the benefit of your large family. Accounts continue interesting as usual from the other side of the water, while sad and doleful are the many cases on this. Depression of trade no doubt with the long severe winter must have brought many a family down, but how blessed that there is such a refuge as yours to have resort to, where care is taken for both soul and body. May the Lord prosper your work more and more, and bestow upon you every needed blessing.

March 26.—Only about £7 to-day, and a parcel of clothing from a servant, who says:—

Dear Sir,—My mistress kindly gave me permission to make these shirts and petticoats for your children. It has been a great pleasure to me the doing of them, and I hope they may be useful. I am afraid they are not good enough for Canada, but if they help to clothe some of the naked little ones who come into your Homes I shall be thankful. May our Heavenly Father's best blessing be on all your work.

We are sure the Lord has accepted of this gift. May the worker's labour of love be rewarded by Him who said of one of old, "She hath done what she could." Another friend writes to-day from Methven: "Would you kindly accept the enclosed cheque for two pounds to aid you in your work among the destitute children. Let us 'work while it is called to-day,' and may the good Lord Jesus encourage and strengthen you." The Lord help us to be faithful to Him and labour on now, for how soon "the night cometh" we know not. What a privilege He bestows on us in allowing us to be "workers together" with Him!

March 29.—Our hearts have been greatly cheered to-day by the promise of the money to build the Superintendent's house at Bridge-of-Weir from a friend who desires to remain unknown. We do praise our loving Father for this, another token of His interest in the work. "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits."

March 31.—The following letters from Canada received among others during March are cheering to us. One of our girls who went out last year writes:—

My Dear Mr. and Mrs. Quarrier,—I am very sorry to say that I have not written to you sooner, but I know that you will forgive me for this time—you may be sure I won't do it again. Don't think it is because I am far from you, and that I have forgotten all about you. Oh, no! How could I forget my best friend next to my father and mother on earth? I have thought on you every day since I left you. Yes, every hour. Sometimes I would hke to see you again; but I will never regret coming out the time I did, because I would not have got the home I have if I had stayed another year. I have

got a good home and I am very contented in it. I am living with a Methodist minister; they have got three children, two boys and a girl; they are very good and obedient, they do for me just like they would for their mamma or papa. I will never forget you and your kindness to me and my brother and sisters. I can never pay you for your kindness but our Heavenly Father will. I never forget you in my prayers.—From yours, J. H.

A boy whom we sent out thirteen years ago, and who is now studying with a view of going out as a missionary, writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER, -I received your gift in January or thereabouts. For me to say I thank you would be to express myself very mildly, but you will please accept such thanks as I am able to give you at present, hoping that in the future I may prove worthy of the confidence placed in me by yourself and my pastor. When looking over the past and tracing the Lord's dealings with me, I have to exclaim with the Psalmist, "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits." There is one thing I will tell you, which I never told to anyone. Before I wrote to you, I made a bargain with the Lord, I said: If you want me to work for you in the foreign field or at home, I will do it if I get help from Mr. Quarrier; if you had sent ten cents. it would have been the same. I take it as from God for me to give up my life for Him. I always felt as if I was not worthy to go and tell out the glad tidings. So it was more to find out His will concerning me I did it. I don't think I did wrong, for in Malachi iii. 10, He asks to be proved. I like to prove Him for He has never failed yet. Do you know, I think we miss a great deal by not taking Him at His word. Please tell the boys and girls who are coming out to this country that I want them to look up and believe Psalms lxviii. v. and xxxii. 8; Exodus xxiii. 20; and Malachi iv. 2—they are all true. I don't mind being an orphan, for I have a promise that God has kept, "when thy father and mother forsake thee, I the Lord will take thee up;" tell them that also. I sometimes think God is too good to us. My brother William, who has been in his first place till last fall, when he came up west, is now twenty milestrom because the last of the state of the from here, at school. We had union meetings here last winter when the churches were united. Much good was done; forty professed to have found peace in one week, in all there were about 200 added to the churches, but this winter there were only about 12 professed to have found Christ precious to their souls. You will excuse me for not writing sooner, but I am very busy studying; last night I was up till half-past one, and it is now 12, so I shall retire, - From your grateful boy in Christ,

April, 4.—£40 from an old friend in Glasgow to-day, £10 of it for our own use and a friend on the West Coast sends the following: "Dear Mr. Quarrier,—"I much regret I will not be able to be at the parting meeting on Wednesday first. I will be with you in spirit, however, and have much pleasure enclosing £20, of which kindly apply £5 for your own private use, and apply the remainder in aid of the good cause, wishing you and your fellow-workers much spiritual blessing and a successful voyage to the dear boys." Our heavenly Father continues to supply our own needs with a regularity which clearly shows us that "He careth for us," and "knoweth what things we have need of." We have never had reason to regret the step we took four years ago in giving up our business and depending on the Lord for the supply of our own personal needs from day to day. We would say to His praise "There hath not failed one word of all His good promise."

DEPARTURE OF THIS YEAR'S FIRST BAND TO CANADA.

April 7.—Our party of 117 boys sailed for Canada to-day in the S.S. Buenos Ayrean in charge of Messrs. R. Wallace and A. Burges. The Farewell meeting was held this forenoon in the City Home Hall. It was a most encouraging one, the hall being crowded with friends whose kind wishes for the outward bound as well as for those at home greatly cheered us. On board ship, through the kindness of the Messrs. Allan, most comfortable accommodation was provided for the

party. We left them at Greenock after seeing all settled for the night feeling sad at parting, but rejoicing in the prospect of the happier, better life that is before the boys in the broad fields of Canada than they had any chance of here. The majority of those dear lads we believe are really on the Lord's side, and go forth determined in His strength to live for and serve Him wherever they are. We and our fellowworkers in the different Homes were much gladdened by the testimony many of them bore to the saving power of the Lord Jesus experienced in their own hearts and by their consistent walk from day to day. We believe our friends will join us in praying that they may be kept faithful and be bright shining lights for Jesus in the homes to which they go.

April 8.—£70 which a kind friend on her deathbed desired should be sent to the Homes was very acceptable to-day, and although we cannot thank her now, the Master, whose servant we believe she was here on earth, will reward her openly. £10 from Large also to-day for a girl to Canada.

April 9.—Two boys were added to our family, one of 9 whose father died 10 days ago, and the mother 2 years previous, and there are no friends able to help him, and another of 12, also motherless and the father hopelessly insane. Our vacant beds are filling up again.

April 13.—£1 3s. from a S.S. and another £1 is all that has come to-day. We have taken in a boy and girl of 10 and 8 whose father died 6 years ago, and the mother has tried to maintain herself and them since, but finds the struggle too hard. Also two other children of 9 and 7. They were in the Homes before, but the mother having got married a second time, begged to have them returned to her, as her husband promised to support them. Some weeks ago he was apprehended, and the mother, who is not strong, and the children have since been literally starving.

April 14 .- Among other gifts to-day is £1, "as a thankoffering for much blessing received during the past year by yours in Christ." It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and we are sure those who thus practically do so will receive blessing through their gifts as well as confer one upon the objects they give to. Also from a few friends in Kirkcaldy who send the same annually, a useful parcel of clothing. The friend who writes says: "This work has been a great pleasure and the occasion of not a few very decided answers to prayer. It may cheer you to know that your work is made a daily matter of prayer with me that through you He may manifest the power of simple trust." Were it not that we knew so many of the Lord's children at home and abroad are praying for us we fear our hands would often hang down and our hearts get discouraged amid the trials and difficulties of the way. It is labour acceptable to Him. We have taken in a boy and girl of 10 and 8. Their tather deserted them some years ago, and the mother after a long struggle finding herself unable to continue it longer begged us to take the children and save them from going into the poorhouse. Should there not be some amendment of the law for deserting husbands, so that they could be dealt with as criminals and apprehended wherever

April 16.—Yesterday an old donor writes: "Dear Mr. Quarrier,—I presume you will still require funds to send off your next band of girls to Canada, and I beg to enclose a cheque for £10 for that object. I wish you Godspeed in the work of rescuing the perishing and helping

the helpless." Towards the expenses of the 100 girls we hope to send in May, we have about £500 in hand, but still require other £500 before the day of sailing. We have no doubt all will, as in the past, come in good time. Another friend in Wales sends a cheque for £25, wishing us "much blessing from the Lord." There has been no money received to-day. A large parcel of useful clothing from a sewing meeting, Strathblane, came in very acceptably. Gifts of clothing are always most acceptable, and we are very much indebted to the many friends who help in this way. Besides what is required for home wear just now the outfits for the girls going to Canada are in preparation, and as each girl is provided with five dresses and other clothing in proportion, no small amount of planning, cutting out of material, and making up is necessary.

April 21.—Yesterday heard of the safe arrival of our boys' party at Halifax, for which we praise God. £50 from two sisters, £40 of it to take 4 girls to Canada, and £10 for our own personal needs, was very cheering. A little girl, 2s 6d.; a young friend, 5s.; and a Bible Class, Lenzie, £1 1s., show the interest of the young in the work which to us is very encouraging. Five children have been added to our large family. A little boy of 11, whose mother died 4 years ago and his father in August last, and no one is able now to keep him. Two boys of 4 and 2. Father was killed 3 months ago, and mother tried to struggle with a little help from Parochial Board, but has to give in. Also two of 10 and 9. Father away and no word from him for three years. Mother is a powerloom weaver, and being idle for some time is very thankful for our help.

April 22.—The following letter from an anonymous friend who signs "Nil Desperandum," to day, did much to encourage and strengthen our hearts amid the trials and difficulties we are at present passing through. He writes:—

Enclosed is £1 note. Kindly accept of it as a gift from one of the Lord's servants, and apply 17s. 6d. to whatever you think most needful in connection with your work. The 2s. 6d. is for yourself, as "the labourer is worthy of his hire." May the Lord still greatly bless the work, and although enemies would like to injure the cause, by trusting in Him with greater confidence, nothing will go wrong, for "they are well kept whom the God of Israel keepeth," and I have no doubt but it is just to try the faith of God's children that He allows such things to take place. Excuse me for not giving my name as my belief is that the proper way to give to God's cause is anonymously when you are acquainted with the receiver.

During the past few weeks we have been privileged to experience the truth of the Master's words—"Blessed are ye when men shall revile you and persecute you and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely for My sake." May we be able by continuance in well-doing to put to silence the ignorance of foolish men.

April 26.—The privilege of serving the Lord by giving of our earthly store is a great one and might be more embraced by many. When we think of His wondrous love and mercy towards us, anything we can do seems nothing in comparison. A kind friend in Walsall writes us to-day: "My Dear Sir,—I have once before had the privilege of contributing a small donation to the Orphan Homes. Please accept, in the Master's name, the enclosed £5 note, and apply it in whatever way you may think best in your good work for the Master's sake." This £5, with 8s. from a S.S., is all that has been sent to-day. Our needs are great but we know His promise still is true, "My God shall supply all your need," and we look to Him.

April 30 .- One of our girls writes from Canada this month :-

DEAR FRIEND,-MR. QUARRIER,-I thought I would write to let you know that I am well, and the best of all I am well and saved, and trusting in Jesus. Hoping you and all your family are well. Dear Friend, I don't know how to tell you how much I thank you for your kindness to me. I can never repay you, hardly, but I know how I can repay you, that is, by being a credit to you here in Canada, and trying always to act a Christian. I have been out here now going on seven years. I am 18 years old now. Well, Mr. Quarrier, I am going to be married in July, if we are both spared. The young man I have been engaged to is a steady, honest, and upright young man, and best of all he is a true follower of Jesus. Dear friend, I wish you could send me your wife's and your own pictures, and I will be pleased to get them. Now don't disappoint me, and I will send you mine as soon as I get them. We have dreadful wet weather now. The little almanac you sent me I think the world of it. I learnt most of those little verses in it. The little texts helped me many a time. I often think when we all get to heaven, when we meet those who have gone before and when we see all our friends whom we have been parted from, what a meeting that will be! I have that card your daughter sent me and was so thankful to get it. I write to my brother and mother most every two or three months. My poor sister has died. Poor thing! she is my only sister. I will have to close now. Give my love to Mrs. Quarrier and the girls. I want to hear from some of you soon, please, and let me know how you are. I always pray for the poor little children who are motherless, and fatherless like myself, but always rely on God's promise: "I will be a Father to the fatherless." How true that He always has been that to me and always will as long as I serve Him. So good-bye, I am, still yours most grateful, I. M.

May 3.—In many ways the Lord's children are led to minister to His little ones under our care. From Nottingham came the following: "Two Christians getting married here to-day and desiring to acknowledge their God and Father in this personal event request your acceptance of a part of their thankoffering for the orphans," and our old friend who regularly gives to the Lord's work from what he earns off his business sends £1 19s. for emigration. Two boys of 10 and 8 were admitted. Their father, while the worse for drink, got burnt and is in the Infirmary not likely to recover, and there are no friends who can help. The mother will try and struggle on with 2 younger ones. How terrible are the consequences of drink! Also took in a young woman whose father has deserted her stepmother and she treats her badly.

May 4.—The sympathy and gifts of friends from afar as well as near often cheer us. A lady in India writes:—

Dear Sir,—By this mail I am sending you money order for £1 10s. (thirty shillings), which will you kindly accept for your orphanage? My husband and I have been greatly interested in reading from time to time in the Christian of your devoted work and are glad to be able to offer you a small contribution towards its expenses. So many noble works call for assistance now that we are unable to give to each as largely as we would wish. Please accept this trifle with our earnest prayers that a rich and continued blessing may rest upon your efforts to rescue and train little ones for our Saviour's glory. If you will favour us with fuller accounts of your labours we shall be greatly obliged, and I shall hope to send you another contribution ere very long.

A suffering Christian in England sends 20s. and the following letter :-

My Dear Mr. Quarrier,—I do not forget you though you receive so little evidence of my remembrance. I delight to watch the Lord's gracious dealings with you. Oh, what work for eternity! What a blessed service He calls you to in snatching these poor children from the pit and putting them in the way of peace and life! I am in the same place, only more helpless and suffering than ever before, and therefore able to speak more of the faithfulness and love of Him you serve in the forefront of the battle.

This dear friend's gifts and prayers and also her written words in prose and verse have often been a stimulus to us amid the trials of the way. May our loving Father use her more and more as "a succourer of many." To-day, with other two smaller sums, we received £5 "as a drop of

sympathy to help the girls going to Canada."

May 12.—The time is drawing very near for the departure of our girls' party and we still require about £60, but we feel sure all will come in time. A kind friend sends £20 and says, "If I may venture to make a suggestion, I should be specially glad if it could be used for your own holiday in summer or in some way, any you choose, to minister to your own personal comfort. Your grand labours must involve much tear and wear in you; and though I well know you possess the secret of renewing your strength day by day, still rest and change are also wanted." The loving thoughtfulness of this friend, in the midst of severe trial through which she is passing in the death of a much-beloved son, was most strengthening to us. May the God of all comfort who comforteth us in all our tribulation abundantly bless her. Her gift we have put for two children to Canada, as at present we don't feel the need of rest and change. "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength" is blessedly true in our experience from time to time.

May 14.—An aged friend sends £1 as a thankoffering to the Lord, and says: "It has pleased God in His infinite goodness to spare me to my 72nd birthday. There can be no better way in giving my heartfelt thanks to the dear Lord for His boundless love to me than lending a helping hand to His much-honoured servant in the great work you are engaged in. It is not the will of our heavenly Father that one of these little ones should perish. May you have many precious souls for your hire. The glory belongs all to the Lord." We are only the privileged instruments. The Lord has been and is the worker, and we join anew in giving Him all the glory. May this dear child of God realise in the evening time of her life here the precious promise, "Even to your old age I am He, and even to hoar hairs will I carry you; I have made and I will bear, even I will carry and will deliver you."

OUR SECOND BAND TO CANADA THIS YEAR.

May 20.—After many weeks of preparation the day of sailing came at last, and we sent forth our second band for this year, numbering 92 girls and 21 little boys, inclusive of 9 girls and 3 boys from Edinburgh and 9 girls from Maryhill. A farewell meeting, to commend them to the care of our Heavenly Father, was held in the Christian Institute in the morning. They sailed in the good old ship Buenos Ayrean, in charge of Miss A. Bilbrough. All necessary arrangements were made for the comfort of the children on the way. and we are sure many prayers and kind wishes will follow them to and in the land of their adoption. What a blessing that there is such an outlet as Canada for these little ones the Lord has enabled us to rescue here. The hundreds of letters that we receive from time to time from those already settled there, are a weighty testimony to the advantages of this branch of our work. A cheque for £100 received this morning from Edinburgh filled our hearts with thankfulness to our covenant-keeping God. "The Lord hath been mindful of us, and He will bless us" still.

May 21.—A sister of one of our boys now in Canada writes :-

DEAR SIR,—Having received £1 from my mistress as a present, would you kindly accept it towards your funds? I had a little brother in the Home two years ago; he was sent out to Canada and adopted there. I receive letters from

him very often; he is very comfortable, which I am very grateful to God for, and I hope, if it is God's will, you may be long spared to carry on His work.

It is very cheering to us to get thanks from the friends of those we have helped, and although it is only one in ten or less who return to give such, we are no worse off than our Master, for He had to say, "Were there not ten cleansed? but where are the nine?" We do not labour for thanks, but it is none the less acceptable when we do get it as in this case. J. A., one of our boys who went to Canada this year, writes just before going to his home:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER, -I now take the pleasure of writing you these few lines to let you know that we got a safe passage over, and that we had some fine entertainments when we were aboard the ship, and that there were nearly all the cabin passengers at it, and we had a good time of it when we were on the water, and we enjoyed ourselves very happy. We were very glad when we reached home at Marchmont. We had it very coarse the first day on the water, but all the rest was quite calm, and all that we had to do was to thank God for keeping us and sparing us on the wild and stormy ocean. We had some fine lessons out of the Bible from Mr. Wallace. I liked them very well, and I was always thinking how you and Mrs. Quarrier and the family was keeping, as I was always praying for the Lord to spare you all; and see and let all the boys and girls know that we were all safe landed. Let me know how the old horse, Gip, is getting on and who is driving it, and tell whoever has charge of him to be kind to it, as I don't see as good a horse in the whole of Canada. I want to let you all know how much more I love the Lord Jesus Christ, as I find Him my best friend ever since I left home. I hope I get into a good place that I will hear and learn more about Him. I am going to my place to-morrow, and as Miss Bilbrough gave to us all a good lesson to take with us to our Home, I mean to take it with me, as it is, "Behold I am with thee and will keep thee whithersoever thou goest." I have got no more to say but to tell you the text we got the first Sunday aboard the ship from Mr. Wallace—"Behold I send an angel before thee to keep thee in the way and to bring thee into the place which I have prepared."

May 25.—"Little Willie, who is an orphan," sends 3s. 6d. to-day, and two little boys in Greenock 10s. from their savings box.

June 2.—Yesterday and to-day the following letters reached us, proving anew to us the truth of God's Word—"Though I walk in the midst of trouble, Thou wilt revive me." A friend in Falkirk writes:—

DEAR SIR,—I enclose you an order for £2, a mite from a working man and his wife; apply it as you think best. I am sure if there ever was a time you required sympathy and support it must be the present. I trust means for the objects you have in view will continue to flow in and encourage you in what I consider the noblest work man can be engaged in.

An aged friend in Kirkintilloch writes :-

My Dear Sir,—I enclose £4 for the work which the Lord has laid to your hand. I see the priests have been at their old "dog-in-the-manger" policy, and I have been moved to show you the value I attach to it by doubling my subscription. This motive—by itself—would scarcely bear close scrutiny, but when one knows that the money will be devoted to an urent and fruitful portion of the Master's work, it entirely loses its doubtful character. "The servant is not above his Lord;" and when the active disciple provokes the hostility of certain sections of society, it is a sure sign that he is following hard in the Master's footsteps. But, having the Psalmist's trust, he will also enjoy the same support and have the same restful courage (Psalm Ivi. 11). I desire to have an interest in your prayers.

From Shetland came the following :-

DEAR SIR,—I have again the pleasure of sending you the enclosed postal order for £1 in aid of the good works in which you are engaged: and may the Almighty God continue to uphold you. Multitudes have been flocking to the great Ediaburgh Exhibition, but if they would visit also the Orphan Homes at Bridge of Weir they would see a marvellous exhibition of Christian faith, hope, and

charity. I had the privilege of seeing them about three years ago, and as we approached the entrance one of the party exclaimed, "How marvellous!"

"Quartette" send £1 and 6 pairs stockings, a friend £20, another in Greenock £5, and from Montrose £2 0s. 9d.; also other sums about £6, so our needs are more than supplied for the day.

June 3.—The news of the arrival in Canada of our girls' party gladdened our hearts. The voyage has been longer than usual, but we felt they were safe in our Father's hand. We took in 2 children yesterday of $6\frac{1}{2}$ and 4, father dead, mother been in the Night Asylum for 3 nights. She has struggled for years, and has never been so sorely tried for want of work as in the past few months. To-day we took in two children whose father was drowned, and the widow cannot struggle on any longer and is very grateful for our help. We feel it a great privilege to be thus the instruments of fulfilling the Lord's words, "I will be a Father to the fatherless."

June 5.—An anonymous gift of £100 yesterday from "a lady in the west-end of Glasgow" came at a most acceptable time, and we praise our Heavenly Father who does supply our needs as they arise.

June 8.—All we have received to-day is 10s. from Fraserburgh, and 4 children have been added to our increasing family. Two girls from Edinburgh, father dead, mother not well-doing, and children were literally naked. And two boys, whose mother is dead, and father is ill in hospital not likely to recover.

June 10.—Two friends send £5 "as a thankoffering to the Lord for His great goodness to us lately in raising up our dear little girl from a bed of severe illness, we believe in answer to prayer, and we thought this a suitable way to express our gratitude to Him in granting our request." This gift, with a small box of clothing, is all that has come to-day.

June 16.—A friend sends £5 in memory of her husband, who has been called "home," which with £1 is all that we have received to-day. One of our flock, Maggie Munro, has been taken "home" from our "Bethesda." She seemed one who was born to suffer, and after so many years of it we cannot but rejoice that she is now at rest in that happy land where the inhabitants shall no more say "I am sick." The personal trust of the dear little ones in a living Saviour, and their patient endurance in suffering, as well as their calm confidence when passing through the valley of the shadow of death, are very sweet to see. We and our fellow-workers feel it a great privilege to be allowed to minister to and ease the sufferings of these dear ones who are precious in His sight. Took in a little girl of 7 to-day, barefooted and in rags, who has been cruelly used by her stepmother; also a boy whose father was killed and the mother is now houseless.

June 18.—To-day, from two sisters, we received the promise of £2000, £1500 to build a cottage, and £500 to erect the village clock and bells in the church tower. In consulting with Mr. Bryden our architect this morning, we were perplexed as to how we should get the tower completed and the water tank put in without the clock and bells, and while we were yet speaking of the difficulty the Lord answered prayer by sending this gift, which will enable us to proceed. "Oh, that men would praise the Lord for His goodness and for His wonderful works to the children of men!" A mother at City Home to-day, with four children, who has been three months in the poorhouse, and has come out to try and make a home for herself, asks us to take two. They have been sleeping for

the last week in their clothes on the floor of a neighbour's house, who is about as poor as themselves.

June 21.—There has not been much coming in these past few days, but the Lord *knows* our needs. To-day only £1 with the following letter from an anonymous friend:—

Kindly receive herewith One pound note, and oblige the sender by applying 17/6 to whatever you think most needful, the 2/6 is for yourself, as the Lord always pays His servants. The Lord bless thee and keep thee, and be the guide and supporter of the great work He is carrying on at Bridge-of-Weir.

The Lord has abundantly fulfilled His promise to us, "They that trust in the Lord shall not want any good thing," and the joy and gladness we have in serving the Master more than make up for the discouragements and trials by the way.

June 25.—We were greatly cheered to-day in meeting at the railway station a young man whom 18 years ago we helped in our Shoeblack Brigade. Not having seen him for years, we were glad to find him doing well in business, married and settled in a good home of his own, with five children. We praise God for this "fruit after many days" and are stimulated to go on helping others. About £16 was sent to-day from various sources. Our Father's resources are infinite, and we keep trusting Him to supply all our needs.

July 1.—An invalid in Aberdeen sends 6s. yesterday, being proceeds of work done. Even this cup of cold water will in no wise lose its reward. From Edinburgh 5s. to-day with the cheering words, "Fear not, Jesus still sits over against the treasury." From Macduff £5 "as a thankoffering for a little one restored to health," and from London £10 10s, with the following letter, and other sums, in all about £13, have supplied to-day's needs.

Dear Mr. Quarrier,—I desire again to show my sympathy with you in the grand and beautiful work you are engaged in for our God and loving Father, in caring for the orphans and training them for Him. May you be more and more blessed and sustained in it. The cheque I have so much pleasure and satisfaction in sending to you, because of the Scriptural way you are conducting the work, is a mite indeed, compared to the demand for the need, will you apply it as you require for the work, or for your own personal necessities. And now, commending you to the word of His grace, which is able to keep you from falling, and to comfort you in all your afflictions and disappointments, and with Christian regards -believe me, very sincerely yours,

July 5.—A legacy of £360 came in very acceptably to-day. When our accounts were paid at the end of last month, we had only a few days' provision on hand, indeed less than at any other time of the year, and this money coming now leads us anew to praise our Father who knew our needs and has supplied. To Him be all the glory. Another of our little ones was taken "home" to-day from Bethesda. These removals from time to time are trying to us, but we have the sweet assurance that this dear child is not lost but only "gone before" to be with the Saviour whom she was brought to know and love while in the Homes.

July 9.—Took in 4 children to-day all with very sad histories. An anonymous friend sends £20; Sympathy, £10; and other two friends, £5. Also some useful clothing which is always acceptable among so many.

July 14.—The following from Queensland was cheering to-day:—

DEAR SIR,—Enclosed please find two P.O. for a pound each—one of them to be devoted to the Children's Night Refuge, the other for the Homes. We have

read in the Quiver of the good done by the institutions under your care. I trust that God's blessing will still rest on all your efforts.

A Christian brother, Greenock, sends 5s., a friend some socks and 5s., and a S.S. £115s. 8d., which, with some clothing, is all we have received to-day. We have added three to our family—a working lad and two children, whose father died a year ago of consumption. The stepmother has two children of her own, and finds she cannot keep all.

July 17.—Nothing has come to-day but £1 as a "thankoffering from a working girl." We are sure she will be none the poorer for thus showing her gratitude to God. That which she hath given He will pay her again.

July 20.—"John xxi. 22" sends the following letter:-

Dear Mr. Quarrier,—It is with pleasure I hear of the abundant answers to prayer our God is so graciously pleased to grant you. My heart's desire and prayer is that He will be pleased to give you the joy of seeing very many of those in the Homes brought to know Him whom to know is life eternal. Enclosed is a postal order for 5s., which is taken from the money I lay aside weekly for His service.

This gift is all the money to-day. What a comfort it is to know so many of the Lord's children are holding our hands up by prayer from day to day! May this unknown giver have the reward of the Father "which seeth in secret."

July 24.—The following letter from one of our rescued band is cheering. She along with a sister and brother were sent to Canada in May. When taken in they were in great need of help. The mother was houseless and almost starving and no friends able to help her. How thankful we feel to God for allowing us to save these little ones from want and misery, which so often drive to degradation and sin!

MR DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I now take the pleasure of writing you these few lines to let you know that I am well, hoping this will find you all the same. Mr. Quarrier, I suppose you know we had a very long voyage. We were fourteen days on sea. It was very foggy, and we saw an iceberg. I like Canada very much. I would rather have it yet, Mr. Quarrier. I have got a good home, and I like it very much. Mr. and Mrs. M. are very kind to me, and do all they can for me. When we reached Marchmont we were very glad to see so pretty a place. It is very hot out here. I am not going to school till I learn to speak like the rest of the people. I have not much to say in this letter. I will have more in the next. No more at present.—I remain your friend,

I remember Mrs. Quarrier's last text to us, "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart, and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowlege Him, and He shall direct thy paths." With kind love to Mrs. Quarrier and all the family.

One of our boys writes :-

Dear Friend,—I hope you are not forgetting me altogether. I am glad to tell you that I am in good health, hoping you are enjoying the same blessing. Are you having any hot and dry weather in Glasgow? We are here. The farmers are complaining of the dry weather here. There is no growth in the ground; all is at a standstill. I suppose you would like to hear how I am getting along on the farm. I can do most anything except reap; that is a pretty hard job. Dear friend, I hope you are still that same Christian, taking care of the poor and needy in their time of trouble. I hope the Lord will bless you with an everlasting blessing for the great work He has laid into your hands, and may you have help and strength to carry it out.—No more to say at present, but remains your dearest and faithful servant,

July 30.—\$100 (£20 7s of our money) from a kind friend in Canada was most acceptable. "For the daily needs," 2s. 6d. and four pairs stockings, with the words, "The Lord will provide," and £5 from Aberdeen also cheered us. We take courage and press on, knowing that the Lord will not suffer us to lack "any good thing."

August 5.—From "little David, 16 months old," 5s., "trusting that he will always be able to continue such donations," touched our hearts to-day; and from other sources £3 12s. 6d. Our family is increasing, and many, many sad cases of sin, want, and suffering we have to deal with from day to day which space forbids us telling of.

August 10.—Yesterday, 2s. 6d., the gift of a poor blind lady who heard about the work and wished to send her "mite" was most touching. May the presence of Him who is the "Light of Life" be very real to her. £100 to day from "a friend of the poor" filled our hearts with gladness and thanksgiving to Him who crowneth us "with loving kindness and tender mercy." With this sum came also to-day some "mites"—6s. "from a follower of Jesus;" 10s. from Edinburgh; 10s. from Wishaw; and £3 from "Amicus"—all, we are sure, pleasing to the loving Master who sees the motives in giving, and accepts "according to that a man hath."

August 17.—A useful parcel of clothing from a number of working girls in Fife was cheering. May they and others like them who give a portion of their spare time to help those more needy than themselves realise the truth of the Master's words: "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Also £5 5s., all that has come to-day. Three children were added to our numbers yesterday. A girl of 8, and two boys of 9 and 5 from Edinburgh, sent to us by a lady who says the surroundings in which the children lived were of the most debasing kind, and they were seeing nothing but vice and immorality. Their mother was found dead in bed a few weeks ago, suffocated through drink, and the father is a hopeless paralytic, with only a pension of 9d. a day to keep himself and two younger children. What a privilege to be allowed to rescue such! May they also be gathered into the Saviour's fold, who is not willing "that one of these little ones should perish."

August 20.—£50 from Arran gladdened our hearts to-day, as also did £5 with the following letter:—"Dear Mr. Quarrier,—I want to give this five pounds back to the Lord, and I cannot, I believe, hand it to Him in a better way than through you. I trust the Master makes you happy in His service." The "joy of the Lord" is our strength from day to day, and, although oftentimes cast down by hearing of the sin, misery, and sorrow that are around, and by the difficulties and trials of the way, yet we feel we are "more than conquerors, through Him that loved us."

August 24.—A grandmother of a girl we helped sends £2—another one returning to give thanks—which is encouraging, and a friend in Stirling who was not able to give last year, sends £2, praising God for enabling him to do so this, which with 10s is the amount received to day.

August 27.—Yesterday the following letter reached us:—

Dear Mr. Quarrier,—I am sorry to have to tell you that my son, James B. M'C., died (fell asleep) very suddenly, on the 10th of June, of heart disease. He was a true believer in our Lord Jesus Christ, so our loss must be his gain. His mother is in great sorrow over this trial. I have found among his papers one of yours showing his interest in your Orphan Homes. He never said much about what he did. So I send P.O. Order G.P. Office, for 10s. I know he would be pleased I should do so. The Lord be with you; may His power rest upon you. We believe that this dear young friend is only one among many others unknown to us who help on the work by their gifts and prayers. Surely their reward is sure! May the friends who mourn his loss be much

comforted by the remembrance of what their loved one hath done. An anonymous friend in Hillhead sends the following to-day:—

MY DEAR SIR,—Having been visiting your Orphan Homes with some of my family last month, when staying at Kilmalcolm, we were delighted with the work you have taken in hand, which has now reached such magnitude. We were much pleased with the neatness and order in all the cottages we visited, and in particular the hospital cottage near the gate we thought the perfection of repose and comfort. I enclose £1 from my family and £2 from myself for the good object, and wish you Godspeed.

And among other sums fully supplying our needs for the day is 5s., a thankoffering from a family, and £7, a "mite of assistance to feed and

cleed the poor stray boys and girls."

Sept. 2.—In view of our Thanksgiving Day to be held (D.V.) next week, the following letter with 2s. 6d. to-day expresses our own feelings in regard to it:—

Dear Sir,—I have often noticed with much interest your movements in connection with the work in your Homes. The Lord is evidently blessing your labours. I see you are about to have a thanksgiving day. You have great reason to thank Him who has so abundantly blessed your efforts, and erect your new Ebenezer. Please accept my small mite which I have much pleasure in sending you.

£40 "for the Orphan Homes of Scotland, which have done and are doing such great work for the most helpless of all classes," was very cheering to us, as there has not been much coming in for some days

past.

Sept. 7.—Our "Thanksgiving Day" at the Bridge-of-Weir Homes, an account of which is given on page 35. Although the early morning was wet and stormy, the afternoon was fine, and very many friends joined with us in praising our God who "hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad." Many gifts and kind wishes from those not able to be with us were very encouraging also.

Sept. 9.—The following letter from an old helper of the work in Glasgow is only one out of many others we have received from friends who were present with us on Tuesday, and who rejoice for all the Lord

hath done in our midst:-

My Dear Mr. Quarrier,—I am just home from your Thanksgiving Services—so instructive, stimulating, and wonderful. "What hath God wrought" was the thought uppermost in all Christian minds to-day. I only wish many thousands more could see and hear what those who were your guests to-day saw and heard. I trust God will spare you long to carry on your noble work. Do, my dear brother, with an unfaltering faith continue to "Lift up your hands to the Lord for the life of the young children that faint for hunger in the top of every street."—Lam. of Jeremh. ii. 19. Really Jeremiah was like a modern Mr. Quarrier. Will you accept a free will offering of £1? I do wish I could add a few ciphers to the 1. With my prayers for your increased usefulness.

A family of 5 children were admitted to-day, ages 9, ε , 6, 4, and 2 years, in a dreadful state of dirt and neglect. The mother has been in poorhouse, and has another child to keep, which she thinks she will be able to do by working at weaving. Also a boy of 7, whose father died in July, and mother is not able to keep him. Thus to-day have we been permitted to rescue some of the little ones who "faint for hunger in the

top of every street."

Sept. 10.—One of our number, Johnnie M'Pherson was taken "home" to-day, after 9 days' suffering from water in the head. His early upbringing was not good, but we rejoice that, though he was only with us a short while, he was brought to love and trust the Saviour, and when ill he frequently expressed the wish to the mother in the

Cottage that Jesus would come and take him home to Himself. "He shall gather the lambs in His arms and carry them in His bosom." A dear aged friend (89) who has often helped us in days gone by, sends £20 to-day from London. May his latter days shine "more and more unto the perfect day." A kind friend in the far North, who is not able to give money, sends a gold ring and masonic jewel to be sold on behalf of the work. The Lord accepts "according to that a man hath," and we are sure this self-denial will not be forgotten by Him who took notice of the widow's mite—even "all that she had."

Sept. 21.—£20 from an old donor and some smaller sums meet our needs for the day. Took in 3 orphan boys of 13, 11, and 9, father died 2 years ago, mother a week ago, and there is no one able to keep them; also other two of 6 and 9, father dead, mother in Infirmary with broken leg. They have no one able to help them, and have been sleeping in

Night Asylum for 3 nights.

Sept. 24.—John M·Lachlan, another of our dear boys has been called to the "home" above. He has never been strong since he came to us, and required much care and nursing, which was lovingly bestowed on him by the "Home" mother. At first he would hardly listen when spoken to of the love of Christ, and made a mock at the other boys who professed to be the Lord's. They kept praying for him, and before long he was broken down and brought to see himself a sinner and trust the sinner's Saviour. His life afterwards showed the change was real. We do praise God for the joy of knowing that this, another one, is safe for all eternity. May we realise more and more the value of one immortal soul.

Oct. 1.—How the Lord sends through His children, just at the right times, words of cheer and comfort! A dear friend writes to-day:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—It gives me great pleasure to enclose £2 for God's good work in your hands, and may you strive, like a noble worker of old, according to His working that worketh in you mightily. Reading a psalm just now I thought these words might be helpful to you, "Because Thou hast been my help, therefore in the shadow of Thy wings will I rejoice. My soul followeth hard after Thee, Thy right hand upholdeth me."

Among other gifts is £1, being proceeds from work done by an invalid, and £1 "a birth-day thanksgiving" from a young friend. The Lord bless and reward all.

Oct. 8.—£50 from Paisley yesterday came in very acceptably. £5 from friends in Glasgow, and anonymous gift of 5s. with the following words have come to-day: "I praise the Lord for the way in which He is prospering you in your work. The future is as sure as the past. He is the same. The enclosed is a thankoffering for His goodness to me." One of our number in Canada writes:—

Dear Sir.—I take pen to write you a few lines letting you know I am well at present, situated in a good home. I go to school which is close at hand. I have got a place with a farmer, I like it very well. My brother Tommy lives close to where I do; he is also with a farmer. We go to Sabbath school where we see some more of the boys who came here with me, they all appear to have good homes. What would some of our comrades say if they could see us driving horses, milking cows, and doing our work on the farm. I should have wrote sooner but coming to our new homes with so many new attractions makes us forgetful of our duty of at least writing. Thanking you for your good kindness to me and others in sending us to where we have secured good homes, I remain, yours truly, M. G.

Oct. 11.—£50 from two friends in Glasgow was very cheering to-day, as also was 6d. in stamps from a little girl in Dunfermline.

Oct. 14.—The following letter reached us from two unknown helpers in Liverpool, and greatly encouraged us:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER, -We have been deeply interested and impressed by glancing over your Narrative of Facts in connection with the homes for destitute children, and kindred institution in the West of Scotland, for 1885, and are greatly delighted to learn that so much has been accomplished. We feel assured that the spirit pervading the work has been that of Him who illustrated His own mission to earth in the parable of the Good Samaritan, and we would wish our brief letter to be read as the salutation from some of the unknown brotherhood who in passing by would say: "The blessing of the Lord be upon you; we bless you in the name of the Lord." We live in days when there are fears within and fightings without, when there are alarms on account of civil changes, and ominous clouds overhang the political horizon abroad, but we have a deep conviction however men of the world may marvel, or it may be deride, that institutions such as yours scattered throughout our land would constitute a surer protection than huge armies or ponderous ironclads. We are sorry our salutation has not reached you sooner, but it has not been through forgetfulness. Of the enclosed £7 be good enough to apply £5 to the object you deem to be most in need, and the balance we shall be much pleased if you will re ain for yourself. We remain, yours very sincerely, Two BROTHERS.

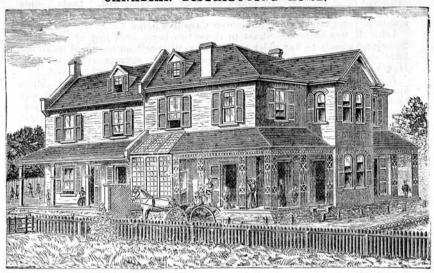
An old friend in Stirling sends £20. "His Steward," Wales, £2 for our own needs with "Ebenezer," for which we thanked our Heavenly Father. £3 10s. 2d. from different sources, and £1 12s. 6d. from our old friend who regularly gives to the Lord so much from what he earns off his business, supplied to day's needs. Took in a little boy from Greenock, whose father is dead and he is getting in among bad companions, and has sometimes been a fortnight away from home. Mother is very badly off and has other two children to keep. Many other cases helped and advised at City Home to-day.

Oct. 20.—Last night we were much alarmed through fire breaking out in one of the Cottages at Bridge-of-Weir, after all were in bed. But for a lull in the wind at the time it was worst, we fear the whole house would have been burned to the ground. However, with the fire apparatus we have and the help of the fathers and some of our bigger lads we were able to confine it to one of the wings. We are very thankful to the Lord for preservation from fire in the past, and also at this time that no one was in any way injured.

Oct. 21.—There has not been much coming in for some days past, and our year is drawing to a close. The text we got this morning greatly comforted and strengthened us amid the difficulties around—"The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want," and we went forth leaning on it. A cheque for £100 received during the day from an old donor in Glasgow filled our hearts with new thanksgivings to our God, whose promises "are all yea and amen in Christ Jesus."

Oct. 30.—To-day (Saturday), which closes our financial year, we received the gift of £100, sent through a servant of the Lord in Dunoon, from a kind lady friend who does not wish her name known. Since the beginning of July till now we have hardly had more than a week's provisions on hand at any time, but on looking back we can truly say our Heavenly Father has not suffered us to lack "any good thing," either for the children or ourselves, and now He hath crowned the year with His goodness in sending this gift, enabling us to close with the balance on the right side as in the past. Our hearts are full of thanksgiving and praise, and we can but say, "Unto Thee, O God, do we give thanks; unto Thee do we give thanks, for that Thy name is near Thy wondrous works declare."

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MARCHMONT HOME, Belleville, October 21st, 1886.

My Dear Friends,—This month again reminds me that another year's work is over, and this means much, not only for time but for eternity, and as the years and months roll on we more than ever realize how important our life's work is.

The care and responsibility of watching over so many young lives is no light burden, especially when we remember everyone exercises an influence that tells and continues to tell for good or evil. To turn these steps into the right way and lead them on heavenward are our constant endeavour.

Over two hundred children have reached our shores this year and been safely placed in homes, where our prayers, that they may be kept from temptation and sin, daily follow them. We have many blessed answers to these prayers, and the Master, knowing how much there is to discourage, never fails to cheer our hearts even in the darkest days by giving us some token of His love and favour.

Many of the children who came to us this year were very young, and one of our daily petitions at our Father's throne has been that God would send loving and kindly hearts to care for them. Here are some of His answers:—

During the month of July one of our older girls, who has been married for some years, came to spend the day with us—now in comfortable circumstances. She with her steady husband thought a child's voice would be an additional source of joy in their home, and she came to see if there was a little one she could fancy and take to her heart as her own. John A. M·D. was selected, a stout healthy-looking boy of four summers, and resembling sufficiently his adopted mother to pass for her own son. Very proud was she to carry him off, and we trust will give him back some of the love and care she has herself received from us.

Peter was a great source of amusement to all on board the Buenos Ayrean, rather resembling Sir Roger Tichborne in his size. His great anxiety to sing came somewhat in conflict with his shortness of breath, so that the rendering of his childish piece, "Two Little Eyes," was generally received with hearty laughter, at which he complacently looked around in wonder. One afternoon a farmer and his wife called wanting a boy to assist them in light "chores." A number were brought into the parlour for selection—among them Master

Peter; he scanned the couple carefully, and after singing was over. he climbed the man's knee, put his arms round his neck and whispered. "Dada"—this was irresistible and quickly won their hearts; the older boys were dismissed and little Peter reigns alone in his new Canadian home.

Little K. was quite a contrast to these two boys—only just able to talk. She clung closely to her older sister; no petting or fondling could make the little one smile—painfully shy, she resented any attempt at friendliness. How was such a timid one to be taken a fancy to, or persuaded to love?

A wife came in one day with her mother and husband—she had no children and wanted a girl to help her and run to school. I showed her several, and brought K. in also as I sometimes did to try and wear off her shyness by seeing strangers. The woman chose a bright healthy looking girl about eight and looked to her husband for approval. He said quietly but decidedly, "Well, that may be your choice but this is mine," and stooping took K on his knee—"You will be my little girl, won't you?" She raised her dark eyelashes for a moment, and looked at him and nodded approval—quietly went off to be made ready, and drove away as contented and happy as if she had known them all her life. They write "what a pet and darling she is," and that neither of them could bear to part with her now.

We have always a number of brothers and sisters in every party, and we endeavour to place them near together—occasionally we succeed in getting two into the same home, as in the case of A. and L. C., from whom I received the

following happy letter:-

My DEAR Miss Bilbrough,-I now take the pleasure in writing a letter to you at last. My mistress said it was better to wait a little before writing you, so as I could tell you the kind of home I have got. The first thing is we have worship every morning, and my master and mistress go to special meetings at night, so we don't have evening family worship now. We say grace before we take our food. I say my prayers night and morning, and I sing my evening hymn every night, and my little sister does the same. I have got a very good home, and my little sister has got a very good father and mother. They are very good to her. I have not been home-sick any yet. I have had my first lesson in milking. I think I will soon learn. I go to Sunday School in the morning and church in the afternoon with my little sister and master and mistress. We have got a nice garden. There is all sorts of currants, and gooseberries, and strawberries, and vegetables in it. We have horses and cows; 30 hens, forby one that has eight pretty little yellow ducks; 3 dogs, one of the dogs does the churning, the other is learning to go for the cows, and the little one does the playing about with Annie.

I am always trusting to the Lord to help me on. We remain your two

loving orphans,-A. & L. C.

We were glad to welcome our first party of boys in April, brought safely across the ocean, under the care and supervision of Messrs. Wallace and Burges. A fine healthy set of lads, ready for work in this new hemisphere, and delighted at the thought of soon taking care of horses and cattle. I have seen many of them since, either in their places or when calling at the Home, and express themselves well satisfied and glad they came out to this country. I returned yesterday from a ten-days' tour, seeing a number of the children. I left home on Monday morning, taking with me three little children who had been applied for; my friend, Miss Ramsay, kindly taking charge of the Home in my absence, which those "behind the scenes" know to be no light work, though to outsiders it seems apparently easy and free from care.

Johnnie was the first to leave us. A bright, happy little fellow of 8, who stepped manfully off the platform to his future home with strong faith and

good courage.

Another hundred miles and Mary's time for leaving came. A rosy-cheeked lassie of 4 years. Her new mother was waiting for her at the station, and thanked me heartily for bringing her such a healthy little pet. The train whirled on, and by night we reached the kind home of our friends Mr. and Mrs. B. It had been a warm Indian summer day, and we hoped for a continuance of good weather, but, alas! next morning a steady descending rain

gave little promise for the future. However, time to me was precious, so donning waterproofs and carrying umbrellas we set off to see some boys and

girls settled in the country village of A----.

Charlie K., working in a foundry, told us how he could now make coulters and stove lids, and hoped soon to be entrusted with more elaborate work. He. with several others, attend the Presbyterian Church and Sunday School. I find among the older lads a great disposition for change,—leaving a good steady place for the sake of some supposed advantage which like the mirage in the desert constantly deceives them. J. W., A. K., A. M.E., had all left good homes to "better themselves." Experience will prove to them as tomany others a hard master.

The next few days, though the weather was broken and the roads very bad, we drove out through the country in different directions, seeing a number of children in their homes, some recently arrived, while others had been there

for years.

I often wish some of the old country friends who are so interested in rescuing the little ones at home could accompany us in our journeys, seeing the different classes of homes, and hearing the various comments made about the children, and their behaviour—often by no means favourable—making us continually advocate patience and forbearance, line upon line, precept upon

precept, here a little and there a little.

When I arrived one afternoon at Johnnie's home (formerly a log-house, but now a nice brick cottage), J. was absent at the next farm watching the steam thrashing machine, but his mother hastened to go for him, keenly anxious that I should see the improvement that had taken place since they got him 5 years since. Johnnie took his book and read his last lesson, then with pencil and slate showed me how well he could write his name, while his mother with evident pride told how Johnnie could take her butter to the market, dispose of it for her, and bring back the correct change. Johnnie is an only son, and is to heir the farm, brick cottage and all.

But space will fail me to give further details of my visits among children, although there were very many interesting cases. After 16 years of steady work, I believe in "Standing by the Children." In a few years, if left to themselves, they are almost beyond your help, but now they may be saved and

influenced for good.

I could say much on this point—the want of early parental training, habits of obedience and truthfulness never inculcated and the children grow up-wilful and unmanageable. It is with such children we have constant trouble—returned to the Home again and again, taxing our patience and ingenuity to-the utmost how to manage and control them, ever finding new homes for them with advice and prayer urging them to do better. No text comes with more sweet comfort to the weary worker than 1 Pet. v. 7, "Casting all your care upon Him, for He careth for you."

As an examplification of another truth that cheers and encourages, "Cast thy bread upon the waters, for thou shalt find it after many days," I give the following letter from a little girl who came out 10 years ago, now grown into a useful young woman and the loved daughter in the family. She wrote asking for a little boy to keep her company that she could train to live for Jesus. She would take him to her Sunday school class, etc.. but she wanted this child very near perfection. Mothers know that little fellows of five and six years of age are a long way from this. However, I chose the very best I had, little Robbie, and I sent him to his new sister. She writes back:—

M., July 10, 1886.

Dear Miss Bilbrough,—We should have written before this, but we were waiting till we got everything fixed. You want to know how we like Robbie. Well I will just tell you what father says: "Tell her that he is just a lovely boy; that we will never let him go back again; that he is going to live with me;" and for the rest of us, I don't think we could find any better if we tried. He is very much attached to all of us, and if he thinks I am going to leave him he frets sadly. It is too far for him to go to school this summer, but he has his lessons every day at home and I am his teacher—he is coming

on nicely with his reading and spelling. He is a very smart boy, everybody I kes him at first sight. Now I will leave room for Robbie. DEAR MISS BILBROUGH. -- I write you these few lines to let you know how I am coming on, and that I am quite well, hoping you are the same. I am going to tell you how many creeping things we have. We have three horses and a little colt, 4 cows and a calf, about 60 hens and chickens and ducks, and some more young little ones to come out of the shell. And I couldna count the flies and "misscittoes." I am all sore with their biting me. We have three cherry trees and lots of apple trees; I go out with sister to pick them and make pies. I have been to church and Sunday school and I like it. I was at a funeral last Sabbath. I am glad I am safely landed to my home. I like living here, and I would not like to go back. I thank you for your kindness to me.

So, Miss Bilbrough, Robbie has taken all my space. This letter leaves us in good health and strength, which we have only by God's great love and mercy. I wish I could walk closer to Him and be more like Him .- With much love and many kisses, ever your loving girl,

Trusting the Lord's blessing and favour may be still more manifested in us and our work during the coming year,

I am, yours in faithful service for the little ones, ELLEN AGNES BILBROUGH.

MR. ROBERT WALLACE'S REPORT.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,-As you are aware, the work of visiting the children was somewhat broken in upon during the past year, owing to my visit to the Old Country, but that was more than compensated for by the knowledge gained of the other side of the work. Having been to Bridge-of-Weir, and seen the different cottages and the fathers and mothers, one is able to talk to the children about the happy days they spent there, and to answer the numerous questions that are often put as to the changes taking place and so on. The return voyage with the boys in spring was a very happy one; the personal contact and the daily opportunity of observing their different characters and dispositions has been found most useful in dealing with them afterwards. In the tours I have been able to make since returning I have seen a large number of this year's boys, and have been pleased to find them, on the whole, doing very well, settling down to their new life and work, and striving to adapt themselves to their new surroundings, thus by their willingness and industry winning golden opinions from their masters, and laying the foundation for a good character in the days to come. When seeing these boys so interested in everything on the farm, so anxious to please and learn, and hearing the masters speak so highly of them, how often have I prayed that the mutual good opinion might continue, and the character be confirmed as days and years went by. If this is not the case I generally find the fault lies as much with the people as with the boy. In many instances too much liberty is given at first; they are encouraged to talk more than they ought for the sake of hearing the broad Scotch, which causes great amusement but tends to make the boy forward. Prompt obedience is not enforced, nor the general training, begun in the Homes, kept up, till they awake to the change that has taken place in the child. I am frequently told, with a shake of the head, Ah! Johnnie is not the boy he was when I got him. I reply by asking whose fault it is. Some seem to think they are so well trained and disciplined that they cannot possibly relapse, but like a clock wound up must go on and keep right without further trouble or attention. It is surprising how quickly some of the older lads pick up the different branches of farm work. You will see some in their first year milking, binding in the harvest field, and even ploughing in the fall; and very proud is that boy whom I happen to find in the field with a plough and a pair of horses under his own management. The majority, from the first, make up their minds to be farmers, while others, having more ambition or ability, look forward to learning a trade, or following a profession. My advice to such, in every case, is to remain on the farm for some years till they have built up good constitutions, and in the meantime to study hard at home and at school. making it a matter of daily prayer that the Lord would guide them and teach them His will. I met two boys of this class in my last tour, H. and J. M. The elder brother is already in the highest class at school, though only out a year, and is said to be a better writer than the schoolmaster. He is a very quiet, studious lad, always reading when not at work. His master spoke highly of him, and I saw him next day in the harvest field binding after the reaper, and almost doing a man's work. The younger brother, though not so far advanced, keeps the head of his class, and has the same good character and honourable ambition. The lad W. C., spoken of in last year's Report as having a desire to serve the Lord in China, is working steadily, keeping his great aim in view. Having saved a little money he has devoted this summer to study, hoping to pass the high school examination in winter, there to prepare himself as a teacher. We have tried to encourage and stimulate him by lending him such books as "China's Need and Claims," "China's Millions," etc., and also to remember him in prayer, that he may have the single eye and be kept looking steadfastly to the Lord to open up his way. I spent a Sunday lately at a farm where one of our girls has been for years. She has now grown up a young lady, plays and sings nicely, and takes her place in the society of the neighbourhood. Best of all, she was converted last winter and joined the church, another witness for Jesus and crown of rejoicing in the day of the Lord. These friends also took a boy last year, who is now as a brother to M. and sharing her very superior home. As he is not big enough yet for much work, he has been allowed to attend school almost without intermission since he came, and will have an excellent chance to acquire a first-class education. In the near neighbourhood M. and W. R., brother and sister, are in the same home, giving perfect satisfaction and very happy and contented, being together. A little further, two girls are in the home of a merchant who has no family of his own. One was taken some years ago when only four or five years of age, and has now grown a very bright intelligent child, quite a pet in her home. The other, taken this year, is older and helps with the housework; she and Jeanie are the best of friends, playing and running about together, and going to Sunday School like sisters. Jeanie's brother is not far from her. When I called on him he was in the parlour playing the organ, and singing some of the old hymns he had learned in the Homes to some neighbours, who were greatly delighted and thought him a wonder. He has a sweet voice, and appears to have quite a taste for music, which his "pa and ma" are in a position to gratify. He is a delicate lad, and was so ill last winter that the doctors despaired of his recovery. The anxiety and grief expressed in the frequent letters received from Mr. G. could scarcely have been greater or more poignant had he been their own son. They are devoted to him, having no children of their own, and he is in every way worthy of their love. Such exceedingly satisfactory and gratifying cases are not to be expected without their contrasts, any more than lights without their shadows, but we thank God the lights ourshine the shadows and the sweet outweighs the bitter. While there are some who give trouble and cause anxiety we have every reason for thankfulness and encouragement. We leave the wilful and wayward ones with the Lord, believing the good seed which has been so plentifully sown in their young minds in the Homes cannot but bring forth fruit, if not now, yet after many days, when sower and reaper shall rejoice together

Mr. T. B. Scott has been associated with me during the summer in visiting work, and has also seen a large number. His reports, with few exceptions, have been very favourable both of boys and girls.

As heretofore, large numbers of tracts, books, religious papers, and periodicals have been distributed, services have been held, and words in season spoken to those met with from time to time; and we earnes:ly ask the prayers of all interested in the work, that these may be as good seed in prepared ground, and bring forth an hundredfold to the praise and glory of Him, whose we are and whom we serve.-Yours in Him,

ROBERT WALLACE.

ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND, BRIDGE-OF-WEIR.

£24,000 still required to enable us to house 1000 Children.

There has been greater progress made in the year just closed in connection with buildings at above Homes than in any previous one of our work for the Master. In addition to the houses that were in course of erection at the end of last year, we received £5000 to build the church from a servant of the Lord who does not wish his name known. Planswere at once proceeded with, but when ready we found they would involve a larger outlay than the £5000, so we were compelled to get a new set made and try to being the building into size for the money we had in hand for it. After it was commenced a strike took place among our contractor's men for a rise in wages, and this untoward circumstance has greatly hindered its progress. When completed it will be a valuable addition to the work, and will also stand forth as a conspicuous centre in the national group of Homes amidst the hills of Renfrewshire. We do pray that God will use it in days to come as the birthplace of many souls, and we are sure our fellow-helpers will unite with us in thisrequest. In the beginning of May we received £2000 to build the Training Ship on Land, the promise of which was given in March. When the plans were made out we found that it would cost £3000, and rather than curtail the size the donor accepted them, and now the ship is nearly fluished. There is a remarkable coincidence in connection with this gift that we would mention. Some years ago one of the sons of the kind donor sent £100 towards it, and we took this as an earnest of the gift that would come, we anticipated, from some other quarter. However, the Lord has given the privilege of doing this piece of service tothe mother. Under God's blessing, we believe the James Arthur will tend to give to the mercantile navy of our country men of moral power as well as physical fitness to "do business in the great waters." We trust also that those who go forth from it will be as missionaries carrying the glad message of a Saviour's love to all they come in contact with.

The next gift for the buildings was on the 18th of May, when we received £1000 to build the Superintendent's House from one who desires to remain unknown. This dear friend had resolved some months before to give this at a certain date if no one did so before. We do rejoice that such an one has had the privilege of adding this house to the national group of Homes, an additional expression of his interest in the work. May his useful life be long spared, and may the Lord use him more and more for the extension of His kingdom in the time to come.

In June we received from two sisters the gift of £2000, £1500 to build a memorial Home and £500 to erect the village clock and bells. We had felt for some time past that it was essential that the Homes at Bridge of-Weir should have a good clock, and in the plans of the church we made provision for it in the tower, and also for a large tank to supply water for the west end of the village, those in the Central Building not being sufficient for all. While we were in perplexity as to how we would get the tower completed and the water tank put in without the clock and bells, this gift came and set our minds completely at rest as to the Lord's will in having this accompaniment. As shewing the sympathy of the givers for this object, and as it expresses our own feelings in the matter, we quote the following extract from a letter received from one of

them: "I am specially interested in the clock and bells; they will help to make the place cheery as well as be useful for school and church."

In July we received £1600, being a legacy left by the late Mrs. Mitchell of Pollokshields "to build a cottage at the Bridge-of-Weir Homes." We had intimation of this in the beginning of the year and the house was then commenced. It is now almost completed and was dedicated along with the other new buildings on our Thanksgiving Day in September last.

Throughout the course of the year there have been many gifts sent from various parts of the country, amounting to over £2000, towards the completion of the new stores, stables, etc. These buildings are now in use and, we think, are one of the most useful and complete set of their kind that there is in any part of the land. We have not yet got all the contractors' accounts in for them, and cannot say exactly how we stand as to money for the furnishings, fittings, etc. The Lord knows our needs for these as well as for the rest of the work, and we have no doubt all will be fully supplied.

The £24,000 still required to enable us to house 1000 children may seem a large sum to many. As the work is a national one and there is great need for more accommodation, we should rejoice to see some friends in Edinburgh, Perth, Dundee, and other places that are not yet represented in the group, as well as "Scotchmen abroad," contributing to this effort on behalf of the orphan children of our land. £1500 will build a house to hold 30 children. All those at present finished are occupied, and as there are many daily applications for help, we are hoping that the Lord will soon lay it upon the hearts of some of His stewards throughout our country to do this piece of service for Him "while it is called to day, for the night cometh when no man can work."

The following report of our Thanksgiving Day, which appeared in N.B. Daily Mail of 8th Sept., 1886, will be read with interest:—

THANKSGIVING-DAY AT BRIDGE-OF-WEIR HOMES.

Yesterday was observed as Thanksgiving-Day at the Orphan Homes of Scotland, Bridge-of-Weir, Renfrewshire. The morning was dull and wet, and some misgivings were felt that the condition of the weather might to some extent interfere with the satisfactory fulfilment of the interesting programme which had been arranged. Fortunately the fears entertained were not realised, for in the course of the forenoon the rain ceased, and by twelve o'clock, when the visitors commenced to assemble at the Homes, the weather was quite fair, the latter part of the day turning out bright and genial. The visitors present were numerous, and included contingents from Glasgow, Paisley, Greenock, and other places in the west of Scotland, the local community being well represented. In the Mail of yesterday appeared a description of the eight new buildings erected to give the requisite increased accommodation for the great benevolent work of rescuing destitute and neglected children in which Mr. Quarrier has engaged with so much devotion and success for many years. The Homes comprise 25 structures, all well built and admirably equipped for the purposes to which they are appropriated. Before the commencement of the thanksgiving meeting in the hall of the central building at two o'clock the visitors were at liberty to inspect all the houses, and the opportunity afforded of acquiring in this way a knowledge of the institution and its operations was fully taken advantage of. That what they saw was to all a source of gratification was quite manifest. The well-kept walks and trim lawns outside the cottages give token of taste and labour, while the internal aspects of the Homes, the orderly disposition of furniture and utensils, and the clean and cheerful appearance of the juvenile inmates lend some evidence of the care with which they are managed. At the thanksgiving meeting the hall, which accommodates 500 persons, was crowded. Mr. J. Campbell White of Overtoun occupied the chair, and amongst those present were the Rev. Dr. A. A. Bonar, the Rev. F. H. Robarts, the Rev. A. Andrews, Glasgow; the Rev. Andrew Heuderson, Paisley; the Rev. T. Carruthers, the Rev. T. Duncan, Bridge-of-Weir; Mr. James Campbell of Tillichewan; Dr. Barras and

Superintendent Hamilton, Govan; Captain Hatfield, Glasgow; Dr. Henderson; Messrs. Walter Paterson, Hugh Ross, Edinburgh; Wm. Quarrier, Hart, R. H. Hunter, Slowan, Bryden, Maitland, L. T. Crosbie, George Smith, Thomson, Coghill, Mrs. Arthur, and Mrs. White. It was intimated that letters of apology for absence had been received from Dr. Cameron, M.P.; Mr. Cameron Cerbett, M.P.; the Rev. Dr. Somerville, the Rev. Professor Calderwood, the Rev. Dr. Black, the Rev. Dr. Boyd, the Rev. Dr. Hutton, the Dr. H. Bonar, the Rev. Dr. J. Elder Cumming, the Rev. Dr. M. rshall Lang, Principal Douglas, the Rev. Mr. Wells, the Rev. D. P. M Pherson. Provost Campbell, Govan; Messrs. Stewart Clark, Paisley; David M'Brayne, Alex. Allan, Robert Gourlay. Wm. Fife, and others.

The proceedings having been opened with prayer by the Rev. Thos. Duncan,

Bridge-of-Weir,

The CHAIRMAN delivered an address in which he referred to the interesting work inwhich Mr. Quarrier set his heart, and congratulated him on the increasing success with which it was being prosecuted. They were met to return their thanks to God for what had been accomplished in the past, and to pray that the work might in the future be even more abundantly fruitful of good. He was sure that Mr. Quarrier and those who rejoiced with him would bless God every day that he was allowed to go out after the little ones who were neglected, and to be the means of finding them. It was now about 22 years since Mr. Quarrier began to interest himself in this noble Christian work, There were at present something like 600 children in the Homes there and in the Glasgow Home, and about £60,(00 had been expended on property. There had passed through the Homes since they were instituted 2.300 children who had been rescued and sent over the sea, and a like number had been sent to situations in this country. They had much cause for thanksgiving that so much good work had been done, for no nobler work could be undertaken. In conclusion, he expressed the hope that the work would go on prospering.

The dedication services were then conducted by Dr. Bonar, the Rev. Jno. Slowan,

the Rev. George Clazy, and the Rev. Mr. Robarts.

Mr. QUARRIER, in addressing the meeting, said his heart was too full to speak all hefelt. He rejoiced that they had come to rejoice with him. He thanked them for their kind sympathy. In all men's lives there were some days which were dearer than others, and that day was one of the dearest in his life. It was just over ten years since the estate on which the houses were built, consisting of 40 acres, was purchased. After paying for the ground a little money was left, and they set about devisir g plans for the buildings. Friends came forward, one after another, and erected the cottages. The first consecration meeting was held eight years ago, when three cottages and the central building had been built. The cost of these buildings was something like £10,000. In the next two years property to the value of £10,000 was put up; in the two following years the same sum was expended. That day they were met to consecrate other £20,000 worth of property to the work. (Applause.) Mr. Quarrier gave some interesting reminiscences of his work in the rescuing of children. Referring to the maintenance of the Homes, he said that at the beginning of this year they had about a fortnight's provision for 500 cr 600 children. He was down one week to about £6. All the time he had been connected with the Homes there had generally been just a week's er a fortnight's provisions on hand, but the funds required had always been obtained in time. Recently, when he was lower than at any time for five or six years, he got a letter intimating a legacy of £300, and that just brought the fortnight right again. There had been a great deal of controversy alout this work in certain quarters (the priests). It had been said that it was a very expensive work. He held that it was one of the chealest works in the country, being only £12 per annum for each child. He could never move with the work he had got to do if he moved on the line of officialism. Officialism was good enough for institutions set up by law, but that institution was conducted on lines of Christian benevoler ce. That was the difference between an institution like that and one supported by Government. Besides caring for orphans they had been helping young men and young women, and preaching the Gospel to the poor, and there had been thousands of conversions all through the years the work had been carried on. He defended the course taken in erecting a ship to train boys for seafaring life on the ground that if our mariners were to be reformed, the best men must be sent into the service. The workers at the Homes were not salaried. They were persons who devoted themselves to the work from their love of it. He wanted other £20,000 before the next Thanksgiving Day, in order to complete a group of houses giving accommodation for 1000 children. He wished to house there 1000, and in addition 1000 children. in the city, in order that he might be able to rescue two children each day all the year round. This was a national work, and he was hopeful that the means would be provided to enable him to accomplish what he proposed.

The proceedings were closed with the benediction.

At four o'clock the children assembled round the fountain and sang a number of

The children met in the hall in the evening, and were addresed by Mr. Quarrier and others.

The Govan police band performed a selection of music for the entertainment of the visitors from 11 A.M. till 2 P.M.

Leading Article in N. B. Daily Mail of 8th September, 1886.

An interesting stage in the progress of a remarkable work was celebrated yesterday in the thanksgiving services held at the Orphan Homes at Bridge-of-Weir. The history of Mr. Quarrier's benevolent efforts is a record of steady advance and development, a singular record indeed in this respect when it is considered how much the pressure of dull times is likely to affect the prosperity of any institution which depends entirely on voluntary contributions. The gathering of yesterday was an occasion suitable for two purposes, to review the work that had been done and to take note of the work yet remaining to be done. It is two years since a similar meeting was held, and some account of the progress made in the interval has already been given in our columns. Thanks to the steady support afforded by innumerable contributions of modest amount and occasional donations from friends who can give more largely, there has been a great expansion of the accommodation at the Homes, and a still more noteworthy addition to the appliances for the comfort and training of the inmates. There are n arly six hundred children at present within the Homes, and while 240 have been sent out to Canada during the year, as many more have been given a good start for life in various places on this side of the water. Fifteen years of honest hard work, carried on with that genuine earnestness and practical sagacity which distinguish the founder of the Homes, have made the scope and the merits of his labours too well known to the public to require any statement of them at this time of day. The financial responsibility alone of such an undertaking is no light burden, and though the experience of the past has been reassuring enough in this respect, yet one fancies there must be times when Mr. Quarrier gives way to a little natural anxiety as to the prompt arrival of the funds he urgently needs. He has many mouths to feed, and it is no joke to provide for all the wants of a family of six hundred, a family, too, which is perpetually changing, new members constantly coming in to be cared for, and the older ones having to be rigged out from time to time for their departure to the work and the battle of life. Hitherto somehow the money has always come in as it was needed, and the way in which what may be called casual contributions, many of them of small amount, have been forthcoming to meet these current expenses which cannot be defrayed out of any endowment or reserve fund is one of the most remarkable facts about the institution. This is a matter quite distinct from the occasional gifts of large sums which have been made from time to time for special purposes. The building and equipment of the Homes would not have been what they are without these latter donations, and the two years' work which was reviewed yesterday shows how much has been done in this way during that time. New buildings have been erected at a cost of £20,000, including a range of stores, a church, and last but not least a training ship. The stores are built, the church is ready for the roof, and these buildings, with the four new cottages, will be most useful permanent additions to the value and efficiency of the institution. A training ship on dry land is not perhaps an absolute novelty, but when it is fully launched on the concrete bed which represents the dark blue ocean at Bridge-of-Weir, there will be few objects of greater interest to Mr. Quarrier's boys at anyrate. The brig James Arthur will be no sham, but a vessel fit to take the seas if ever she gets the chance. She hails from Paisley, not yet famous perhaps as a port, but with a rare fame for kind and generous benefactions. It is to the thoughtfulness and liberality of Mrs. Arthur of Barshaw that Mr. Quarrier owes this latest possession, and when the ship, which is to cost some £3000 and is to be fully and handsomely fitted out above and below is ready for use there will be room for thirty boys to live on board of her. Here they will be trained for that life on the ocean wave, which, with less stability and a good deal more of discomfort than the James Arthur will offer them, will no doubt recommend itself to many of the boys who pass through the Homes. Well will it be for them and for many of their companions that kind hearts and watchful eyes have had the training of them for a future which would otherwise have been far different from what we trust it will be.

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.

14th November. - Mrs R., Hamilton, £2; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 11 pairs socks; Miss F., Edinburgh, 21 articles of clothing, etc.; Mrs S., two petticoats; Mrs W., per Mrs S., Gourock, 10s; Mrs B., Callander, £5; "Christian Mission," Greenock, six articles of clothing, etc.; Miss S., Helensburgh, 12 pairs stockings; Mrs H., Maryhill, £1; Miss M., £2; a Friend in Helensburgh, six pairs stockings; a Friend, a dolman; Miss F., Newcastle, 10s; J. R., Paisley, £1; Mrs A., for rent of Girls' Home, £60; Miss M. G., Edinburgh, for emigration, £1; Mrs M., £1; "Alice's Bank," 1s 2d; Friends at Lochgilphead, per M. C., 62 articles of clothing; a Servant, 2s 6d; "In Dear Memory of John," Banff, £2 2s 6d; a Thankoff-ring from a Free Church Student, 5s; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 10s; "Scotch Girls' Friendly Society." Kilmallie, nine articles of clothing; from Huntly, six dresses; S. J., Paisley, £1; Miss F., three pair stockings and four scarfs; K. N., six pairs stockings; Mrs W., Edinburgh, seven pairs stockings. The following donations have been received for City Home Refuge and Mission :- R. C. M., £1; Family Mission Box. per Miss S., 10s; B. L. A., 17s 6d; Mrs N., £2 and 15 pairs stockings; J. M'F., quantity of bread; Mr M'K., do.; Mr P., Stranraer, £2; a Friend, 2s 6d; A. C., £2; J. M'F., 16½ loaves; G. M. F., 10s; D. M'A., £1; Mrs M'F., Portobello, £1; a Friend, per do., 5s; Mrs H., £1; Miss H., Bridge of Allan, £2 4s; box on lobby table, per do., 15s 1d; Largs Free Church Minister's Class, per Mr J., 14s 6d; Mr S., 25 loaves; a Friend, 1s 6d; Mrs J., Lamlash, £1; "A Thankoffering," £1; two Friends, Wishaw, a gasalier. The following donations have been sent in for Orphan Homes Building Fund:-G. S. and S., £100; Miss A. M., Crieff, £5; Renfield Free Church Juvenile Missionary Association, per J. C. A., £2 3s 2d; Miss F., Edinburgh, £5; Mrs J. C., Paris, £2 2s; Free St. Stephen's Junior Lads' Bible Class, per Mr H., 10s; J. A. B., Paisley, £5; Mrs W., £5; Alloa U.P. Church S.S., per A. F. P., £3 8s 7d; Free Church S.S., Loanhead, per W. I., 13s 6d; "Nemo," £10; C. E., East of Glasgow, £4; Kelvingrove U.P. Church, per S S. Union, £2 15s; Wellpark Free Church S.S., Greenock, £2; J. C., £5.

28th November.-Mrs I., Kirkcaldy, £1; Miss S., Gourock, five pairs stockings; "a Servant's thankoffering," Newport, £1; Mrs D., Dumbarton, six pairs socks; Miss B., £1 and six pairs stockings; E. M., £1; Four little girls in Pollokshields, 7s; Mrs G., Edinburgh, £3 and 12 pairs stockings; H. H., Aberdeen, £1; Miss F., London, a jacket; C. C., Fife, six pairs stockings; Howard and Berkeley, for their little brothers at Bridge of Weir, £1 1s; "a Brother," Edinburgh, £2; Misses A., Tighnabruaich, £1; J. R., £1; W. D. M., Carluke, £1; Mr L., a box of tea; from the Coast, a parcel of clothing; "Sarah," Greenock, 5s; W. C., Rothesay, £1; a Friend, Dumfries, £1; Mrs M. W., Paisley, three pairs stockings; Mrs H., £50; Miss M'C., Gourock, twelve pairs stockings and socks; Mrs J., London, for Christmas Tree, 5s; Mrs K., 10s; J. B., £2 2s; R. M'G., Moscow, £2; Mrs S., Kirkcaldy, £1; a Friend in Johnstone, £1; W. M., Markinch, 10s; 1. L., 5s; J. J. M. I., Prestonkirk, 10s; W. A., Forfar, £2; Mrs J. and Mrs L., Irvine, £1; Mrs T. F., Strathaven, 10s; Miss W., Brechin, £1; Mrs M., Edinburgh, £1; W. D. D., pieces of tweed shirting and print shirts, etc.; Miss F., four dresses and three pairs socks; J. W., £40; Mrs J. B., Irvine, 10s; Miss A. S., do., 28 6d; H. A., do., £2; A. C., Edin Mrs J. Mrs J. B., Irvine, 10s; Miss A. S., do., 28 6d; H. A., do., £2; A. C., Edin Mrs J. Mrs J. B., Irvine, 10s; Miss A. S., do., 28 6d; H. A., do., £2; A. C., Edin Mrs J. Mrs Grangemouth, 10s; J. M., clothing and remnants of flannel and shirting; J. G., Edinburgh, £1; Mrs M. Bolton, £1; a Friend, per C.C., Fife, £1; E. M.K., Dunfermline, 5s; Misses K. and B., Melrose, £2; Miss H., Coldstream, a parcel of new clothing; Aberdeen F. South Church Y.M.C. A. Mission, S.S., per G.M.S., 8s; B. P. B., Croydon, flower bulbs; A.B. C., Callander, in memoriam, £2; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 16s; Mrs S., Partick, 5s, and five pairs of stockings; Miss E., parcel of clothing; Mrs G., Falkland, £2; Mr W., Dolphiuton, £1; Misses L., Lenzie, £1, and 20 articles of clothing and periodicals; J. B., £1; T. N., Bargiddy, £1; Mrs A., Gatehouse, 5s; B. E., for emigration, £10; Mrs C., Helensburgh, 21 articles of clothing; J. G. O., for keep of Invalids' Home, £200; a Friend who gives a tenth of his income to the Lord, 6s; Mrs J. M'F., Callander, 5s and parcel of clothing; Mrs R., 5s; Callander Branch of the Scotch Girls' Friendly Society, 222 articles of clothing; a member of Children's Scripture Union, Alexandria, two pairs stockings and a petticoat; Mrs T., Alloa, 12 scarfs and underclothing. The following donations have been sent for City Home Refuge and Mission:-D. I., Kirkcaldy, £3 10s; G. T. H. P., £1; N. G. W., £1; A. R., £1; Mrs M., £3; Mrs B., £1; Mrs P., Helensburgh, £1; a Friend at Annual Meeting, £1; a Poor Widow, £1; W. T., Stirling, parcel of old clothing; J. M'L., Forfar, 10s; J. H. S., parcel of clothing; a Friend, small parcel of clothing; "a Sincere Wellwisher," a trunk of old clothing; Mrs L., Edinburgh, £3; E. M., Greenock, £1; J. C., £5 5s; R. R., Hamilton, £5 0s 6d; J. M., Edinburgh, £5; Mrs D., London, £2; C. H. R., £1; A. M., Edinburgh, £1; Miss O.,

Crossford, 10s; W. L., 10s; Miss E., Hillhead, £5; two Friends, Wishaw, a quantity of useful articles; W. T., Nairn, £1; Mrs M., 6s; a Sympathiser, £1; Mrs B.'s Mothers' Meeting, 10s; a Friend, Blantyre, 10s; Mrs G., Falklands, £2; Misses W., Prestwick, £1; J. W., do., 10s; T. S. & Co., £1 0s 5d; W. G., 5s; Mrs M., Fort-William, a piece of flannel and one of cotton; J. M'F., 6½ loaves; G. M., Falkirk, 10s; Mrs and Miss W., Stirling, a thankoffering, £5. The following donations have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—A. C. B. and Mrs S., Aberdeen, £2 10s; Clason Church S. S., per F. W., £1; R. M., £10; Pollokshields U.P. Church S.S., £7 14s 3d; legacy of the late Mr R. Stewart, per Miss S, £20; J. C. W., £100; J. C., £25; J. M., per A. C. B., Aberdeen, £5; M. C., London, £25; J. S. H., £10; A. M., Edinburgh, £5; Mrs T., Ryde, £4; Children's Bazaar, per Misses J. & A. R., M'N., and C. H., Pollokshields, £3 3s 4d; Camphill U.P. Church Missionary Society, per Mr S., £10; Anchor, Paisley, £100; Mrs M'N., Kilmelfort, £5.

12th December.-J. C. R., per J. N., £1 1s; Mrs R., Greenock, 2s 6d; N. G. M., per Miss C., 221 dozen pocket handkerchiefs; R. S., Fraserburgh, quantity of herrings and haddocks; Mrs G., Bothwell, cuffs and socks; G., 2s; from Aberfeldy, 10s; R. L., Lenzie, £1; from Chester, 2s 6d; H. M., Crieff, £1; Mrs C., Langbank, £2; Mrs A., £1; Mrs M'E., £1; J. I., Dunfermline, 5s; J. B. and S., Kilmarnock, £5; Mrs M., £1; M. E., Kelso, £1; Miss H., Coldstream, 10s; Misses H., Haddington, 27 articles of clothing; Anonymous, four boys' suits; Mrs B., £1 10s; "In memory of," from Eddlestone, £1 5s; Mr and Mrs G. A. H.. Weston-super-Mare, 5s; D. C., Roseneath, £1; Mr W., Dunoon, £1; Mrs N., per do., £5; Miss J. G. R., £2 and 18 pairs stockings; J. G., Kilmarnock, 10s; Miss J. S., Helensburgh, 10s; W. S., Dundee, £5; Mary S., do., 15s; Mrs A., Huntingdon, 15s; A. P. K., Gourock, 10s; Mrs M., Rothesay, £2; Miss A. M. S., Cambuslang, for emigration, £10; T., Bridge-of-Allan, six scarfs and six pairs cuffs; J. F., 6s 9d; Mrs C., four bantams; a Friend, per J. H., Perth, 5s; an Aged Friend, Perth postmark, £3; "The night cometh." Rothesay postmark, £1; K. H. B., £1; Mrs T., Ayr, 30 pairs Edinburgh, £2; Mrs H., Perth, £2; J. S., Whiting Bay, 10s; S. F., Maryhill, £1; P. E. and J. E., Irvine, £2; "The Widow's Mite," Edinburgh, £1 2s; Mrs L., Appin, 47 articles of clothing, etc.; Dr L., do., £1; A. C., 10s; Mr H., four petticoats; Mrs S., 12 pairs stockings; from Helensburgh, seven slips, three petticoats, and six pairs socks; "A Beginner," part of first wages, 5s; N. P., £1; Ella T., Cellardyke, £2 6d; P. P. J., £1; W. D. M. Edinburgh, 15s, Mrs L., Allog, for a brigk, in the new Canadian Heave, £1. W. D. M., Edinburgh, 15s; Mrs L., Alloa, for a brick in the new Cauadian Home, £1; Miss M., Greenock, for emigration, £5; H. S., Beith, 10s; a Christmas-box from a little girl in Canada, I dol. (4s 2d); C. G., Hawick. £2; Little Willie's gathered pennies, do., 3s; "The Lord's Tenth," from a working man out of employment, 10s; A. S. M., Wishaw, £1; a Friend in Duns, per do., 5s; "Once I was Blind, now I See," conscience money, £1; W. I., Edinburgh, £2; Miss M., £2; a Friend, per Mrs D., to buy Bibles, 10s; J. M., Methven, £2; a Friend, two pairs mitts and one pair stockings; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 6s 6d; a Father and Mother, Laurencekirk, 2s; part of the harvest wages of three children, do., 3s; O. W., Largs, a quilt; "Instead of Insuring Property," £2; L. and M. H., £40; Mrs C., Castle-Douglas, 10s; Craigrowan, Edinburgh, 13 pairs stockings; J. C., Lawmarnock, a cheese; Mrs B., Houston, 5s; from Kilmalcolm, a parcel of elathing. parcel of clothing; P. R., Kelso, 10s; Mrs S., Dunfermline, parcel of old clothing; C. Kinross, 5s; E. T., per do., 1s 6d; "Wigtown," £1; Mrs L., Nairn, £1 is; Miss E., Newcastleton, £2; Miss G., per Miss M., Biggar, £1; M. G., Wishaw, £2; Anonymous, 21; Miss A. G., Strathaven, £1; Rossie Y. W.C. A., Inchture, 100 articles for Christmastrees, per Mrs A.; Miss S., Melrose, 10s; a Friend, 22 articles of clothing. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:-Uddingston Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per Mr M., 12s 5d; Miss L., a parcel of clothing; Two Workers, £1; Legacy of the late J. C., per P. R., £180; D. M., Balloch, £1; J. M'F., six loaves; Miss C., Ibrox, £1; Elphinstone T.A. Society, per J. S., 10s 1d; J. S. W., £1; Mrs R., Nairn, £5; Mrs C. C., Dunblane, a quantity of old clothing; P. D. MI., El; Mrs R., Nairi, £5; Mrs C. C., Dundane, a quantity of old clothing; P. D. M'l., Falkirk, £1; S. and Y., 140 lbs sweets and quantity of organents for Christmas-trees; Employees of Clyde Paper Co., per J. B. M., £2; Miss K., £1; M'C. & C., £2 2s; J. M'F., a basket of tea bread; C. C., a quantity of scones and cookies; M. B., Giffnock, £1; Mrs K., Loch Ranza, 5s; A. M., £1; J. B. B., £1; J. B. M., parcel of old clothing. The following donations have been sent in for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Possilpark Free Church Sabbath Schools, per J. I., £2 2s; Mrs D. M., Dundee, £8; J. R., £5 5s; Miss A. P., Errol, £4; T. B. K., do., £1; R. H., Kirkcaldy, £3; Fetterangus U.P. Congregation. per J. S., Edinburgh, 10s; M. J. S., £5; "In memory of a brother," per Miss B., £2 10s; Mrs C., Helensburgh, £10; proceeds of a sale of work held by eight little girls in Galashiels, £6 3s 2½d; a Well-wisher, Aberdeenshire, £20; D. M., Polmont, £2; A. L. M'N., Lochgilphead, £5; E. P., Ipswich, £5; Cunningham Free Church S. S., per B. C., £4 5s; "Nemo," £50; Miss K., Staleybridge, £10; A. S. J., Kirkcudbright, £5: legacy of the late Alex. Scott, Kilmun, per Roberton, Low, Roberton, & Cross, £22 14s 6d; Mrs S., Melrose, £4; Baptist Church S. S., Cupar-Fife, per Miss C. R., 10s; Lynkirk U.P. Church S. S., per J. S., Edinburgh, £1 11s 1d; J. H., Johnstone, £10; West Parish S. S., Rutherglen, 10s.

26th December.-Mrs D., Dumbarton, 11 pairs stockings and socks; J. M. and

Family, Banff, £3: Mrs F., Kent Road, £2: Maggie and Harriet, 5s; P. G., London, £1; W. M., Dunfermline, for emigration, £15; Two Friends, Bridge-of-Allan, per J. H., £5; per Keydens, Strang, & Girvan, £14 17s 9d; J. M. D., 5s; W. A., Ayr, £1 10s; "We Are Seven," per T. M'G., Carfin, £1 2s 3d; Mrs M., Partickhill, 12 pairs stockings; J. R. A., Rothesay, £1; E. M., 6 petticoats; F. M. R., Airdrie, £2; W. and A. P., 23 pairs stockings; C. B. and Mrs A., £2; Mrs M'N., 12 articles of clothing; A Friend, Auldgirth, magazines; Mrs D. Dumbarton, £6; "Four Little J.'s," Greenock, £4; J. L., Edzell, £3; A Widow's Mite, 16 articles of clothing and a quilt; Mr T., 50 hyacinths; R. R. N., Edinburgh, £1; The Late Avonbridge Fellowship Association, Falkirk, per T. G., 11s; Mr. B., Bridge-of-Weir, £1; Anonymous, a parcel of clothing and cards; Additional from the Rossie Y.W. C. A., 8 articles for Christmas trees; Mrs A. M'C., £2; Workers in the United Co-operative Baking Society, per D. S., £3; Crown Terrace Baptist Church S.S., Aberdeen, per A. G., £2 1s 8d; Chryston Y. W. C. A., per Mrs T. O. H., 10s; Mrs L., Huntly, 24 articles of clothing; from Lochgilphead, 3 knitted petticoats; Three Sisters, Partick, 12 pairs socks; Mrs A., 6 pairs stockings; E. A., Kilmarnock, £1 1s; Miss L., Windygates, £1; Miss W., do., £1; N. T. N., 3 boxes collars; Miss C., 2 scrap-books; Miss H., Pitlochry, 9 dresses, 18 petticoats, 8 pairs stockings, dolls, etc.; R. I., per do., 5s; balance of account from a Lady, per do., 2s 10d; Mrs B., Leven, 10s and a box of useful clothing; Miss A., Stirling, 8 pairs stockings; Three Friends, Greenock, 7s; balance of J. T. Wilson's estate, per Wright, Johnstone, Mackenzie, & Aitken, £33 16s 1d; W. J. M, and A., £2; Mr and Mrs S., Aberdeen, per A. C. B., 10s; workmen in Dalzell Steel and Iron Works, Motherwell, per W. C., £1 7s 6d; Miss I. A. S., Arbroath, £1; Mrs M., 3 pairs socks; Miss B., for maintenance of a girl for one year, £12; do., for general fund, £2; Miss B., 6 dolls, 2 slips, 1 pair socks, etc., for Christmas trees; Miss F., Crieff, £1 1s; A. J., Dundee, 3 pairs stockings and 1 petticoat; A. M., Chester, 4 articles of clothing; Mrs T., 26 pairs stockings and Christmas cards; R. F., East Kilbride, £1; A. M. W., 12 petticoats; J. M'L., Knockbain, 10s; R. C., parcel of children's clothing; "A Friend in Helensburgh," £1; Miss K. W., Aberdeen, 5s; E. S., Fort Qu'Appelle, Canada, for emigration, \$4 (16s); Mr B., Hillhead, £1; S. I., Paisley, 12 pairs stockings; A Little Girl of Eight Years, 8 pairs garters; Mrs A., for toys for Christmas trees, £2; Mrs S., Douglas, 5s; Miss F., Dundee, 42 pairs socks and stockings; Miss S., Burghead, 4 pairs stockings; The South-Western Young Ladies' Sewing Club, 10 dolls and 34 other articles for Christmas trees; Mr F., Rothesay, 4 pairs stockings; Mrs B., 6 pairs socks and clothing; Mrs D., for Christmas tree, 10s; Charlotte, 2s 6d; Miss R., 10 articles of clothing, cards, etc.; Dr. M., Kirriemuir, £2; H. & R. M., Lochans, for cripple children, 6s; A. R., Bath, £2; D. M'L., Aberdeen, £1; Mrs G. R., £1; Mrs R., £1 and some scrap books; Anonymous, for Christmas, £1; Christmas present from Scholars' Missionary Box in Ladies' Seminary, Shawlands, 10s; Anonymous, Glasgow postmark, £1; Mary and Jeanie's savings, Paisley, 2s; Mrs. H., Broughty-Ferry, 10s; P. E., Dunfermline, 10s; D. P., Edinburgh, 5s; Mrs T., for New-Year's treat, £2; R. A. B., for dolls for Christmas trees, £2; Mrs P., 10s; collected by I. E., from a few friends, £1 10s; M. G., Wishaw, 17 ulsters; M. C. & Co., £1 1s; W. S., Dumbarton, £1; Neworth, Kelso, Christmas cards; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 9s 6d; Anonymous, 6 pairs stockings, 6 scarfs, 6 articles of clothing, and cards; G. B., Eskbank, £1 and 6 pairs stockings; a Friend, £1; W. F., Perth, £1; C. L., do., 10s; W. B., London, £5; J. P., Gosport, 5s; Miss M. and Miss M., a Christmas present for each of the children in "Bethesda" Home; from Crieff, a few cards; Mr and Mrs D., Dalkeith, £1; C. S., a scrap book and some magazines; R. L., 2s 6d; A. E. K., Aberdeen, 2s 6d; Miss M. A. B. C., £1 3s 9½d; In memory of our wee darling's birthday, £1; Mrs J. A., £1; Mrs K., Carmyle, 8 articles of clothing; "We Three," 15s; Surplus of funeral benefit, £1 12s; a Friend, 1 pair boots and a jacket; W. S., Greenock, for emigration, £1 10s; D. H., £1 and Christmas cards; Miss K., Milngavie, £1; Katharine A. C., Greenock, toys for Christmas trees and clothing; J. O., Bridge-of-Weir, magazines; Two Servants, Howood, cuffs; Three Friends at Bridge-of Allan, £3; W. M'B, Aros, 2s 6d; Miss D., Forfar, 2s 6d; The Four Girls at Genech, a box of toys; Miss H., 53 articles of new clothing: Gathered in money box on our family table, £2 0s 8d; Three Children, toys bought with the "tenths" of their own money boxes; Mrs J. S., a quantity of articles for Christmas trees; A Thankoffering, for emigration, £5; a Friend of Little Children, Crossford, £1; From the Nursery, Milton, £1. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—R. G., Carlisle, 5s; J. B., Govanhill, £1 5s; Mrs H., Edinburgh, £1; F. and L., a roll of brawn; W. M., Callander, £1; J. S., Kilmarnock, £1; W. D., £2; W. C., £1 10s; A. G., Broughty-Ferry, £5; Mr T., periodicals; A. C., Aberdeen, £1; J. C., do., £1; D. C., do., 10s; M. C., do., 10s; T. C., do., 10s; B. C., do, 10s; D. U. M., £2; C. E., Leslie, 5s; a Friend, per do., 6d; A. M. B., 6 shoulder shawls; "Give and it shall be given unto you," £1 4s 8d; From Huntly, a parcel of old clothes; D. M. L., Aberdeen, £2; J. K., £4; A widow's mite, Mrs. S., £1; Mrs. F., Crieff, £1; J. M. F., a quantity of bread; Mrs J., Greenock, Christmas cards; Anonymous, for Christmas treat, 3s; T. S., £1; a Mother, in loving memory of a dear baby, 5s; Mrs W. W. £1 1s; Mrs G., £2; Mrs A.'s Mothers' Meeting, 17s 5d; Mrs F., Edinburgh, £2 2s; a Friend, Hamilton, £1; Miss M. C. R.'s Counter Box, Helensburgh, £1; R. H., 18 loaves; G. L., £3; J. M'F., a quantity of bread; J. A., Alloa, £2; A. P., £3: Two Friends in Helensburgh, £2 and

two pairs stockings; Mr and Mrs C., Creetown, £1; G. G., Aberdeen, £1; R. E., £2; G. G., £1; C. M'G., 5s: M. W., £1; E. H., Sherbrooke, Canada, per Mrs E., £1; Mr and Mrs G. M., London, £1 1s; "South-Side," £1; Mrs H., London, 3s 6d; E. T., Liverpool, 2s 6d; Friends at Skipness, per A. M'Q., 7 bags potatoes; J. H., Darvel, £2 10s; Mrs L., Strathbungo, lot of old clothing; Mrs W., Shawlands, a petticoat; Mrs A., a petticoat; Mrs W., two scarfs, three petticoats, and cards; Mrs B., two shirts and two pairs stockings; Mrs H., Edinburgh, four pairs stockings; Mrs C., do., clothing; Mrs L. and Miss H., 8 pairs stockings and 2 scarfs; Jeanie, a pair of stockings; Miss M.E., laces and buttons; Charlotte, a parcel of toys; Mrs M. and Miss H., 4 petticoats, 4 shirts, and a dress; A. & J. C., Ayr, 5s; Two Children, Bearsden, 10s; A. J. B., 2s; G. H., Stranraer, 5s. The following donations have been sent in for Orphan Homes Building Fund: J. S. L., Rochford, U.S., £80; Pollok Street U.P. Church Mission S.S., per W. D., 15s; Kilwinning Parish Church S.S., per Mr. F., £1; Miss M., Perth, £5; Kilbirnie Evangelistic Union, per W. W., £2; Miss F., Newcastle, second donation for "Montrose Home," £450; Mrs S., Helensburgh, £5; Legacy of the late James Templeton, £50; Miss G. L. C. Aberfeldy, £8, G. L. Edishweth, £10. Wellbark Parish S.S. Caracteristics Miss C. J. C., Aberfeldy, £8; G. L., Edinburgh, £10; Wellpark Parish S.S., Greenock, per J. C., 18s; Langside U.P. Church S.S., per T. S., £1 10s; Miss T., Greenock, £5; Mr B., Helensburgh, £5; Miss B., do., 10s; "A Thankoffering from J. D.." £3 3s; East U.P. Church S.S., Strathaven, £1 10s; Houston F. Church S.S., 10s; P. M., Greenock, £10; a few Friends, per Mrs H., £21 15s; Proceeds of sale of work by Lesmahagow Y.W.C.A., per Miss H. M., £10; Renwick F. Church S.S., per A. M. C., £1 1s; J. W. O., Shotts, £2 10s; Rosevale Street Public School teachers and scholars, per J. H., £3 1s; R. and W. S., Carluke, £2 10s; Mrs C., Laurencekirk, £2; Union S.S., Ednam, per A. M., Kelso, 16s 6d; Mrs A. L., Dundee, £5; Landsdowne U.P. Church Juvenile Missionary Association, £3; Local Reception Committee, Glasgow Meeting of the Iron and Steel Institute, 1885, per W. J. M., £1; Pupils of Caversbank School, Paisley, 17s 6d; J. G. and A. G., Johnstone, £5; P. F., Shotts, £10; from Bridge-of-Weir, with flowers, £2; Mrs B., Aberdeen, £2; collected by three young girls in Alexandria, £2 2s 6d; a Friend of Little Children, Crossford, £1; "W. C.'s fee," £3 8s 6d.

9th January.—Rita, £1 and one pair socks; R. M'K., 2s; W. R., 2s 6d; J. W., Greenock, for New-Year's treat, £1; Part of the Savings of a Daughter now in Glory, 4s; Miss F. P., Alloa, six dozen articles of clothing; Newton-Mearns Y.W.C.A., nine pairs stockings; Mrs S., Broughty Ferry, 5s; R. C., Greenock, 12 shirts; Mrs C., Edinburgh, 16 pairs stockings and 30 pairs socks; Three Young Girls in Alexandria, six pairs mits and Christmas cards; J. L. & Co., three hams; Anonymous, 6d; Two Little Children, Edinburgh, toys for Christmas trees; R. M., jun., 5s; Three Little Children. 4s 6d; A. O. F. and his Sisters, 3s; a Follower, Coatbridge, per the Christian Leader, 10s; Elsie W., Kirriemuir, 10s; a Christmas Gift from Ibrox and Cardonald, 72 articles of clothing; Collected by Miss B. from Friends in Rothesay, £3; A. B. R., Gourock, £1; Mrs T. W. M., Paisley, 10s; M. B., Keith, 2s 6d; Mrs T., Helensburgh, £1; Miss J. B., Linlithgow, £5; P. T. M., Kippen, £2; a Friend, six pairs stockings; Miss M. A. T., Portobello, £1; a Friend, per do., 2s 6d; Mrs W., Bournemouth, 10s; W. K., Holytown, 10s; Mrs M'C., Kilhilt, £1; a Friend, per do., £1; "In Memory of J. B.," Irvine, £1; "In Memory of Wee Alick," do., 6s; Wee Annie's Pennies, do., 9s; a Friend, do., £1; "Forfeited Wages," do., £2 1s; M. & J. W., do., 12 mufflers; M. B., do., four pairs refricted wages, do., £2 18; M. & J. W., do., 12 mulmers; M. B., do., four pairs socks; Mrs I., a Thankoffering, £1; Mr C., per do., for New-Year's treat, 5s; Mrs M., Edinburgh, £3 15s; J. T., Torrington, £1; do. for New-Year's dinner, 5s; a Friend, per do., 5s; a Friend, per Miss J. M., Biggar, £1; Miss F.'s Sewing Meeting, a box of toys for Christmas trees; Mrs R., per do., two bonnets; Miss M. G., Edinburgh, £1; Miss M., do., £4; B. Bros., six dozen currant loaves; Jeanie and Fred, toys for Christmas trees; "An Old Home Girl," 10s; Willie and Reby, 5s; "Ladgreeph Department C. P.O. per Miss R., 62, M. G. C. Miss Willie and Reby, 5s; "Ladgreeph Department C. P.O. per Miss R., 62, M. G. C. Miss P. M. C. C. Miss P. Miss P. M. C. C. Miss P. M. C. C. Miss P. M. C. C. Miss P. Mi and Baby, 5s; Telegraph Department G.P.O., per Miss B., £2; M. G., £1; Miss D., 5s; J. E. J., 10s; J. R. A., Keswick, £5 5s; a Friend and three Children, Rothesay, 5s; Mrs R., Portmahomack, a box of clothing; Miss M., per do., 2s; Miss B. D., per do., 2s; A. M., per do., 1s; W. W., per do., 11 articles of clothing; G. R., Edinburgh, 5s, J. M., a parcel of clothes; J. H., Neilston, £1; Johnstone Parish Church Sabbath Schools, per E. C., £1 5s 3d; M. P., Hillhead, a barrel of apples; P. S., Kilmartin, two coats, two pieces wincer, and four representations of the product of t two pieces wincey, and four remnants of tweed; a Friend, a parcel of clothing; A. G. C., of Melbourne, Australia, £2; Robert and Jamie's Pennies, 5s; J. A., 10s; Half of the Wee Irvine's Penny Box, Innellan, 7s; Friends at Lochgilphead, 19 articles of clothing and Christmas cards; Miss R. M., Edinburgh, £2 and five articles of clothing; J. E. M., Tarbert, £2; "Work party" of friends at Brodick, Arran, per Miss S.; 41 articles of clothing; Perth Y.W.C.A., 38 articles of clothing, per Miss S.; a widow's mite, Oban, 10s; R. A. S., Cambuslang, £1 1s; Mrs G., Hillhead, £1; T. B., Greenock, 10s; A. C., do., 5s; E. M'L., do., 1s; A. M'I., 1s; E. M'I., do., 1s; R. C., do., £1; Anonymous, a dol; Misses B.'s Sewing Class, Horsforth, 19 articles of clothing, etc.; C. Y., Stockwell, £1; a Friend, 1s; I. D., Aberdeen, 5s; C. M. L., do., 2s 6d; R. W. C., 15s; Sabbath Class of Boys, per do., 1s 6d; "Collected round the table on Sundays" for three months by F. R. S., Galashiels, 14s; Mr and Mrs W., Largs, £2; J. G. P. & Sons, Hamilton, £1 1s 6d; Lowaters Miners' Mission S.S., per do., 5s 6d; Mrs D. B., Falkirk, per do., 10s; a Family in Paisley, per T. F. R., £1; Mrs G., Aberdeen, per J. M'G., £1; J. D., do., per A. C. B., £1; M. S., do., per do., 2s 6d; Boys' Meeting in Y.M.C.I., do.,

10s: R. H. A. Montrose, for emigration, £5; Broxburn Established Church S. S., 4s; E. & P. S., Rothesay, nine pairs stockings; W. J. R., a small box of tea; Miss M., £2; "For Jesus' sake, part of the Lord's tenth," 5s; T. S., Hunter's Quay, £2; a Member of the Mizpah Band, 6s; a Friend. Rothesay, per Miss B., 10s; a Servant, per do., 5s; Three Friends, per do., bs; Mrs L., a quantity of tweed remnants; Miss B., Melrose, £1; W. B., £1 10s; Wigtown, £1; H. K. W., London, £10; a Friend, Cambuslang, £1; Mrs R. M'L., Strathblane, £1; W. Bros., quantity of rope, twine, etc., amounting to £4 3s 6d; W. M. M., Davidson's Mains, three yards checked cloth; Mrs S., Wishaw, £1; S. E. D., Edinburgh, 2s 6d; a Friend, per C. C., Fife, £1; R. B., Pollokshields, £2; Mrs C., Uddingston, 10s; Little Mary, do., 3s; a Friend, per J. M'L., Guthrie, 10s; Miss E., Edinburgh, 13 shirts and three pairs socks; Mis C., Helensburgh, one petticoat and three pairs stockings; a Ladv, three ulsters and two pinafores; Mrs W., 14 articles of clothing; "From the hens," Whiting Bay, 10s; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 15s 6d; a Mite from Strathaven, £1; Mrs A., Portobello, £1; T. and J. D., Coatbridge, £2; "A Thankoffering to the Lord and in Memory of a Good Mother," 10s. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission; -T. Y. M. and Sisters, Leith, for street children's treat, £1 10s; T. R., Cleland, for do., 10s; A. W., jun., for do,, £2 2s; J. P., Alloa, £1; from Eaglesham, Christmas cards; a Lady, per Mr F., for street children's treat, £1; J. B., for do., £2; J. R., Dumbarton, £3; R. D., Ayr, £1; Mrs J. B., Selkirk, 10s; a Friend, Stirling, 5s; a Friend, 26 loaves and teabread; J. M·F., bread; R. W., 10s; an Ayrshire Farmer for street children's treat, £20; Mrs M., Dollar, £5; D. R. M., a thankoffering to God for work during the past year, 10s; Miss M., Lasswade, £1; a Friend, three petticoats; B. Bros., four dozen currant loaves; L. M. L., Christmas tree ornaments and clothing; Kilbarchan Co-Operative Society, per J. I., £1 1s; Miss A., Edinburgh, £1 and seven pairs stockings; "For the Homes," £1; D. G., Ballinluig, £1; Mrs R. C., Alloa, £1 and 18 yards shirting; a Friend, a parcel of clothing and books; J. W., Greenock, £1 10s; Dr D., do., per R. B., 10s; Mrs T., five shawls and two cravats; J. B., Helensburgh, £5; Miss C. F., Kingussie, 10s; A. S., cards for street children; Mrs R., for New-Year's treat, 10s; Mrs M., £1; G. S., for street children's treat, £5; "For the Homes," £2; A. D. M., £2; A. C., £1; Mrs P., 10s; Eliz, 2s; Catherine, 1s; Maggie, 1s; Euphemia, 1s: Mrs M., a parcel of clothes; Dean Park S. S., quantity of magazines; M. B., £1 and two pairs stockings and two scarfs; D. B., 10s; a Friend, two scarfs and six pairs cuffs; found in boxes during December, £1 1s 2d; W. B. S. & Co., £1 1s; a Friend, a cake and Christmas cards; D. D., £1; W. & D. M., £2; Mrs A., £50; R. W. R., 10s; One Rescued from the Streets, £1 10s; W. G. M., 5s; W. W. S., Norwich, for New-Year's treat, 5s; "Crossmyleof," 2s 6d, two small cakes, and one dozen oranges; Family Missionary Box, per J. C. S.; 15s 3d; J. W., Kirkcaldy, £3; A. M'C., £1; Mrs S., Logie, two pairs socks; Mary, Mabel and Daisy, for the poor children's treat, 7s; The Four Girls at Genoch, for do., £1 7s 9d; B. & Co., a box of corn flour: Mrs B., 19 half-currant loaves; T. H. W., Busby, 5s; W. A., do., 5s: Mrs A., do., 5s; A. A., do., 2s; Mrs C., do., 5s; M. P. A., do., 1s; M. A., do., 1s; M. W., do., 1s; Mrs S., 5s; Mrs G., 1s; a Little Girl, for the ragged ones, 2s 6d; J. R., Collace, 5s; Mrs T., Paisley, £1; part proceeds of admission to Royal Polytechnic during holidays, £10; Mrs S., £1; a Friend, per S. G. F. S., Callander, £1; A. P., £2; a Friend, Busby, a parcel of clothing, etc. The following donations have been sent in for Orphan Homes Building Fund:-London Road U.P. Church S.S., per G. S., £2; East Campbell Street U.P. Children's Church, per J. B., £1 3s 81d; Mr D.'s Bible Class, 10s; Kirkintilloch U.P. Church Bible Class, 14s; do. S.S., 10s; Cambridge Street U.P. Church Juvenile Missionary Association, £6; "A Friend of the Poor" in the East of Scotland, £200; Elderslie Wallace S.S., per T. W., £1; Belhaven U.P. Church Envelope Collection, 20th December, 1885, £3; Rutherglen Parish Church S.S. Association, per I. F. S., £3; North Strand Mission Hall S.S., Dublin, per H. B. D., £1 10s; a Friend, £100; J. D. B, £10; Bothwell U.P. Church S.S., £1 2s 8d; Laurieston S.S., per J. M'A., £1; Helensburgh Congregational S.S., per Miss L., £2 14s 3d; J. C. J., Crail, £10 10s; Strathbungo Church S.S., £1 8s; Broomhouse S.S. per W. A., £3 17s; A. J. K., £10; Larkhall U.P. Church S.S., per J. S., £2; Dalziel U.P. Church S.S., per T. F. W., £1 4s 3d; do., Muir Street School, 12s 3d; East Campbell Street U.P. Church S.S., per J. S., 16s 6d; Bonnybridge Parish Church S.S., per do., £2 6s 3d; Rose Street F.C. Minister's Bible Class, per M. G. P., £1; New Kilpatrick U.P. Church S.S., per W. R., £1; Dunoon U.P. Church S.S., per W. M., £1; D. M.L., London, £15; New Deer Public Hall S.S., per A. J., 78 9d; Friends, per £1; D. M. L., London, £15; New Deer Public Hall S.S., per A. J., 78 9d; Friends, per do., 128 3d; Union Church S.S., Lenzie, per J.A., £3; Eglinton U.P. Church Missionary Society, per A. M., £2 2s 11d; R. M.M., first fruits, £1; First F.C. S.S., Blairgowrie, per L. F., £1 1s; "For a Stone in the Building," 5s; Portsoy U.P. Church, Banffshire, per W. S., £1 15s; Kilmalcolm U.P. Church S.S., per J. E. F., £2 0s 0½d; W. M., per Religious Institution Rooms, £2; Old Kilpatrick F.C. S.S., per do., £1 6s 7d; Dalmuir S.S., per do., £1; Portland Road U.P. Church S.S., Kilmannock, per T. W., £1; do., Missioner, PhiloChaga and C. T., J. W. 18. Minister's Bible Class, per do., £1 7s; J. W. & S., £5; Calderhead S.S., per J. P., Shotts, £1 10s; Dollar Parish Church S.S., per W. M., £3 6s; Queen's Park Baptist Church S.S., per J. L., £4 7s 9d; Morningside Juvenile Missionary Society, Edinburgh, per J. S., £3 3s; W. M'K., Elderslie, £20; Maybole F.C. S.S., per A. G., £3 3s; Two Friends, per do., 5s; "Anonymous," £5; West-End Children's Church, Paisley, per P.

E., £1 3s; Lochgilphead Free Church S.S., £1; Cardonald S.S., per J. F., £1 7s; Ruthwell Free Church S.S., Dumfries, per A. B., 10s; West Barns S.S., Dunbar, per R. R., £1; Cavers Church S.S., Hawick, per G. W., 7s 6d; Teachers and Scholars of Glencairn S.S., Thornhill, per Mrs M., £1 11s 2d; Collection in Church on Christmas-day, per do., £1 17s 7d; West-Side Parish School, Kilmalcolm, per A. C. B., 15s; Lockerbie Mission Hall S.S., per J. L., 10s; J. R., Port-Glasgow, £5; Chalmers Street U.P. Church S.S., Dunfermline, per Miss L., 10s; Calton Parish Church S.S., per D. B., jun, £1; St. David's Established Church Bible Class, per J. F., 10s.; Insch Free Church S.S., per G. B., 6s 3d; J. M., Edinburgh, £5; Elgin Place Mission S.S., Bishop Street, per Mr H., 16s 2d; Chapelshade Free Church S.S., Dundee, per J. B., 12s 7d; Fordoun S.S., per Miss W., 5s 6d; J. E. C. C., Westerham, £10; Milnathort U.P. Church Bible Class, per W. B., £2.

23rd January. -Mr S.'s children, Edinburgh, 5s; W. D. S., Aberdeen, £1; Miss B., nursery swing and book; Miss W., Young Women's Bible Class, Falkirk, 48 articles of clothing; R. F., Hawick, £1; J. R. T., Dundee, 3s; R. M., 7s 6d; J. W., Kilmarnock, 2s 6d; Crown Terrace Church Ladies' Working Society, Aberdeen, 122 articles of clothing; A. O., £1; Mrs C., Stirling, £1; Mrs C., Stirling, 10s; Mrs C., London, £2 2s; Mrs N., six pairs stockings; Miss M. E., Banchory, £1; Mrs D., Aberdeen, per do., 10s; a Friend, 1s; Miss L.'s Christmas Tree, £6; Mrs B., a parcel of clothing; Anonymous, a parcel of old clothes, ornaments, toys, etc.; J. F., Strathaven, magazines; Mrs M'L., Pollokshields, £2; J. C., £1; Miss W., Largs, 12 pairs stockings; "His Steward," Bangor, £5 5s; A. M. A., 10s; Mrs J. M., Dunfermline, £1; Miss K.'s Sabbath Class, Slateford, 14 pairs cuffs and four scarfs; P. P., Lochgilphead, £1; Mr P., per Miss E., Edinburgh, 5s; Mrs M. £2; Mrs P. M'K., £2; Mrs Q, Birkenhead, £1; Mrs H., £1; Mrs J. S., a piece of cloth for dresses; Dr. N., £1; Four Children, 10s; Miss E., £5; a Friend, C., £3; Miss J., per B. P. B., Croydon, £5; Friends at New-Year's Dinner, per W. A. L., Campbeltown, 11s; Mrs A., Edinburgh, three dozen shirts: Miss M'C. Gourock, two scrap books; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 12 pairs socks; M. S., two petticoats and one pair cuffs; H. A., seven articles of clothing; Willy M., Stornoway, 5s; Mrs W., Pollokshields, parcel of Graphics; Mrs R., Dullatur, to take a child to Canada, £10; Miss R., Shawlands, two hats, four hoods, and ribbons; D. M. S., for emigration, 17s 6d; M. A. S., Bridge of Allan, £1; a Friend, Huntly, 10s; Miss C., Ryde, £10; "In memory of two little ones gone home," Mrs H., Macduff, £5; Miss S. G., Blairgowrie, 1s 6d; An Old Lady, 82 years of age, 12 pairs stockings, per do.; Mrs P., per do., 5s; a Friend in Callander, £1; D. W., 10s; Mrs P., Greenock, four pairs stockings and Tam o' Shanter; Miss T., do., parcel of clothing and cloth; Mr F., Alloa, 10s; Misses F., do., 10s; D. L. a crate of dishes; Mrs I. W., 10s; Misses B., Greenock, six pairs stockings; Bridge of Allan United Presbyterian Church Sabbath Scholars, 17 pairs stockings. 14 pairs cuffs, three shawls, and two scarfs; Miss P., parcel of cuttings, etc.; a Friend, per do., children's clothing; Mrs K., Cardonald, 2 dresses and 6 pairs stockings; Mrs M., Lang-postmark), £1; R. M. G., 5s; J. R. M., Inchture, magazines; J. F., Strathaven, do.; Anonymous, 2 dresses; Mrs D., a sewing machine; a member of Stair Free Church, per Dr. L., £3; Mrs M., 2 pairs socks; Mrs A., parcel of clothing; Mrs T. F. M., 6 pairs stockings and books; "To help the little one's tea," 2s 6d; W. R. C., £1; "The world for Christ," 10s 6d; Mrs W. D., Dalmuir, £5; from Skipness, a crate of vegetables; a Wellwisher, £2; Mrs R. M., Pollokshields, £2; W. H., Dunoon, 5s; Mr G., Whitburn, 10s; Mrs G., Carmunnock, £1; Mrs F., West Kilbride, 10s; Mrs J. M., Pollokshields, 10s; D. F., Inverness, 10s; J. W. A., parcel of clothing; a Friend, six pairs socks and some yards cotton; Maltmen Incorporation, per Mr R., £5. The following donations have been sent in for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Finnart U.P. Church Sabbath School, Greenock, per J. D. B., £I 10s; Miss R., Croydon, £20; Chalmers Free Church S.S., per R. G., 10s; North Parish Church Sabbath School, Paisley, £2; Queen's Park Parish Church Congregational S.S., per T. P. M., £1 1s; Kent Road U.P. Church S.S. Society, £5 10s; Motherwell 1st U.P. Church S.S., per A. F., £1: Ferguslie Church S.S., Paisley, per D. B., 6s; Bridge-of-Weir Free Church S.S., per W. W., 15s; Chryston Parish Church S.S., per T. M'I., £1; Sir Michael Street U.P. Church Mission S.S., Greenock, per R. L., £1 17s 6d; Dumbarton Bridgend U.P. Church S.S., per N. M'L., £12 6s 5d; Miss S., Edinburgh, £8; Hope Park U.P. Church Juvenile Missionary Society, Edinburgh, per Miss M., £1; St. George's Parish Church S.S., per J. N. C., £3 3s 10d; Stonelaw S.S., Rutherglen, per D. S., £1; West Kilbride Free Church S.S., per R. G., £2 4s; Alexandria Children's Scripture Union, per A. O. E., jun., £3 4s 104d; Scone U.P. Church S.S., per J. S., Edinburgh, 10s; Fort-William Free Church S.S., per J. N., 15s; Infant Class of Grange Free Church, S.S., Kilmarnock, per Mrs T., £1 13s; Miss K.'s Bible Class, Tron Parish Church, per G. W., £1 9s; West U.P. Church S.S., Strathaven, per A. G., £2; a Friend, £15; Wick Free Church S.S., per W. N. £1; Niddry S.S.. Winchburgh, per J. L., £2 3s; Dowanhill U.P. Church S.S., per Mr L., £1 16s 3d; Upper Denburn Y.W. Bible Class, Aberdeen, per Mr O., £1; M. R., East Kilbride, £10; Long Wynd Baptist Church S.S., per C. D., 10s; Free St. Andrew's S.S.,

Kilmarnock, per A. R., £1 3s 4d; Queen Anne Street U.P. Church Mission S.S., Dunfermline, per R. M., £2 16s 9½d; Gourock U.P. Church S.S., £1; Lady B.'s S.S., Whitburn, £1; Tobermory Free Church S.S., per A. H., 18s 8d; Blackfriars U.P. S.S., Jedburgh, per J. S. B., 5s; Baptist S.S., Fraserburgh, per W. R., £1 5s; Stornoway Free English Church S.S., per D. S., £1.

6th February. - Mrs M.N., 10s; Mrs S., Kirkcaldy, 10 petticoats and magazines; part proceeds of a children's bazaar, per Mrs R., 9s 72d; M. P., Hamilton, 5s; Mrs P., London, 10s; Girls of St. John's Grammar School, Hamilton, 12s; T. M. P. P., do , 5s; Mr P., 2s 6d; Mr H., 2s 6d; Mr M'P., 2s 6d; Mr W., 2s 6d; Mr M'K., 1s; Miss B., 1s; Miss R., Carluke, 2s; Mrs B., 2s; a Friend, 1s; Mr. R., 5s; Mrs M.N., 1s; Miss T., 2s 6d; W. S. T., 2s 6d; a Friend, 1s; W. N., £1; Mrs M.G., 2s; G. B., 6d; Mrs C., 2s 6d; Mrs G., 1s; Mrs M., 2s 6d; Miss R., 2s 6d; Mrs H., 5s; Mrs F., 2s 6d; Mrs D., 2s 6d; Miss H., 1s; a Friend, 1s; Mr M., 2s; Miss S., 1s; a Friend, 1s; Mrs K., 2s 6d; Dr B., 2s 6d; W. W., 2s 6d; Miss G., 1s; Mrs R., 1s; Mrs M., 1s; Mr S., 2s 6d; Mrs F., 4s; Mrs W., W. W., 2s 6d; Miss G., 1s; Mrs R., 1s; Mrs M., 1s; Mr S., 2s 6d; Mrs F., 4s; Mrs W., 2s 6d; Mrs P., 6d; Mrs A. M., 2s 6d; Mr B., 2s; Mrs R., 2s 6d; Miss N., 2s; Mr B., 2s; a Friend, 1s; Mrs H., 1s; Mrs S., 2s 6d; Mrs C., 1s; Mrs W., 1s; Mrs A. C., 2s 6d; a Friend, 1s; Miss H., 2s 6d; Mrs S., 2s 6d; Mrs B., 2s 6d; Mrs R., 2s; Mrs D., 2s 61; Mrs M'G., 2s 6d; Mrs P., 3s; Mrs S., 2s 6d; Mrs R., 2s 6d; Mrs R., 2s; a Friend, 1s; Mrs K., 5s; Miss B., 1s; Mrs E. P. D., 2s 6d; Miss B., 2s 6d; Mrs R., 2s 6d; Mrs C., 2s 6d; Mrs K., 2s 6d; Mrs P., 1s; Mr B., 2s 6d; Mrs B., 2s 6d; Mrs R. R., 2s 6d; Mrs R. A., 1s; Mrs S., 1s; Mrs L., 2s 6d; Wr B., 2s 6d; Mrs B., 2s 6d; Mrs Mr. R., 2s; Mrs W. A. D., 5s; Mrs W., 2s; Mrs Dr M., 2s 6d; Miss P., 2s 6d; Mrs K., 2s 6d; Mrs J. D., 3s; a Friend, 1s; T. L., 4s; H. S., 2s; Miss C., 2s; J. T. H., 1s; W. F., 2s; Mrs Dr N., 2s 6d; Mrs M., 2s; Mrs B., 3s; Mrs J. C., 2s; Mrs M'L., 5s; Mrs R., 5s; Mrs H., 2s; a Friend, 2s 6d; Mrs G., 2s 6d; Mrs R., 1s 6d; Mrs C., 1s 6d; Mrs R., 6d; Mrs A., 2s 6d; Miss H., 2s 6d; Mrs F., 1s; Mrs W., 4s; Mrs M., 2s; D. F., 2s 6d; Mrs S., 1s 6d; J. F., 1s; Mrs Dr G., Bothwell, 2s 6d; Mrs M., R., 2s; Mrs S., 2s; Mrs P., 1s; Mrs P., Hamilton, 2s 6d; Mrs S., 1s; Mrs C., £l; Mrs S., 6d; Mrs S., 2s; Mrs H., 1s; Mrs M.D., 2s 6d; Mrs M.D., 2s 6d; Mrs S., 1s; Mrs D., 2s 6d; Mrs M.D., 2s 6d; Mrs S., 1s; Mrs B., 1s; Mrs B., 1s; Mrs B., 5s; H., 1s; Mrs M.D., 2s 6d; Mrs K., 1s; A. R., 1s; Mrs B., 1s; Mrs B., 2s od; Mrs B., 5s; Mrs H., 2s; Mrs R., 2s 6d; Mrs J. F., 2s; Mrs D., 1s; Mrs A. S., 2s 6d; Mrs J. G., 2s 6d; Mrs M., 2s; Mr Y., 2s 6d; Mrs T., 2s 6d; Mr S., 3s; Mrs A. S., 2s 6d; Mrs J. G., 2s 6d; Mrs M., 2s; Mr Y., 2s 6d; Mrs T., 2s 6d; Mr S., 3s; Mrs S., 6d; R. J., 2s 6d; A. Friend, 2s; Mrs D., 1s; Mr B., 1s; Mrs W., 5s; Mrs R., 2s; Mr L., 2s 6d. The above sums from Hamilton and neighbourhood, in all £20, were collected by Miss P., to take two girls to Canada. Mrs M., Edinburgh, £5; family missionary box, per A. C., Paisley, £1; Leith Parochial Board, per A. C. S., for emigration, £40; W. M., 2 sides of leather; Money of a deceased daughter, per R. L., 10s: Missionary box, per A. C. A., Edinburgh, 17s; Miss J. S.'s Sabbath Class, Saucher, Perth, 5s; Balance of fund for behoof of children in the Homes, per J. S. D. and W. C., Greenock, £74 7s 3d; Mrs S., a box of tea and 10s; Misses M'N., Langside, £1; Mrs G. G., £1; R. R., Noblehouse, 5s; T. L., Greenock, per J. R. B., £1; W. L., £1; A. R., for emigration, £10: B. A., Corstorphine, 10s; B. A.'s little sister, do., 1s; Misses R., Biggar, £1; Mrs W., 2s 6d; Mr W., 1s; Mrs B., 1s; Mrs J. W., 6d; Mrs M., 2s 6d; Miss C. W., 6d; Miss S., 1s; J. I., 2s; R. S., 1s; W. S., 1s; Mrs A., Stirling, 5s; Mrs M., 2s 6d; Mrs R., Musselburgh, 5s; Mr R., Edinburgh, 10s; Children attending E.P. School, Biggar, 11s and a box of useful clothing, per Misses R.; Kinnie, £1 and four pairs stockings; Quartette, Old Kilpatrick, 12 petticoats; a Member of Mr S.'s Bible Class, Milnathort. £2; "Chrissie," Paisley, 10s; 'In Memory of Willie," do., 10s; Misses A., Largs, 17 articles of clothing; found in boxes at Bridge of Weir, £3 12s 81d; two Friends, 5s; a Lady at noon meeting, 10s; a Gentleman at do., 10s, from a Little Girl, per Mrs O., Strathaven, 10s; W. E. S., Greenock, £2; A. F., for behoof of a family helped, per Mr K., £1 18s; "For Bethesda Home," 10s; R. L., Jun., Edinburgh, missionary box, 10s; J. R. T., Dundee, 2s 6d; Miss P., Hamilton, 16 articles of clothing and a doll; Anonymous, 12 petticoats and 4 pairs stockings; from Troon, a parcel of clothing; a Friend, Motherwell, £6; Miss M., £2; Pittenweem Parochial Board, to take a boy to Canada, £10; repaid by a girl sent to America, £3; T. K., to take a child to Canada, £10; H. B. C., Greenock, 6s; a Friend, per Miss S., Montrose, £1; Misses S., do., 5s; J. A. B. G., Braemar, 6 articles of clothing; Miss M., Stirling, 90 articles of clothing; N. G. M., 27 handkerchiefs; J. M'L., Guthrie, 12s 6d; Anonymous, 8 boys' caps; Miss L., a parcel of clothing; Miss B., a door mat; "A Master Mariner," Penarth Dock, Cardiff, £2; Misses A., East Pollokshields, 6 pairs stockings and 2 petticoats; D. M. S., for emigration, 16s; Miss M. S., Wick, £2; Miss C., 6 pairs stockings and 4 petticoats; W. C., Buckhaven, £3; a Friend of Glencairn Branch S.G.F.S., per Mrs M., 2 pairs stockings. The following donations have been sent in for S.G.F.S., per Mrs M., 2 pairs scockings. The ionowing donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission: — Anonymous, Airdrie postmark, 10s 6d; a Friend, 1s 6d; "A Mite for the Homeless Little Ones," 5s; a Friend, 12 buns; A. T. R. F. L., to give some poor children a dinner or supper, £1; Miss D., London, £5; J. C., Helensburgh, £1 1s; X., £5; Mrs W., 5s and periodicals; Mrs M'I., 1s and clothing; Mr M'P., 12 loaves; R. L. P., £1; found in boxes during January, £8 0s 4½d; J. B., Falkirk, £2; D. W., for girls, 17s 6d; Mr P., Alloa, £1; Mrs E., Edinburgh, £1; R. H., 18 loaves: "Scotland," Kirkcaldy, per The Christian Leader, 10s; Misses M., Edinburgh, £1; a Friend, for coals for the poor, £2; J. W., Haddington, £1; Mrs F., £1; A. S., £10; R. P. M'K., 2s; G. A. H., Weston-super-Mare, 5s. The following donations have been sent in for Orphan Homes Building Fund :- Garlieston S.S., per A. R., 16s 41; Mr R.'s

Children, 3s 8d; Kilbride Est. Ch. S.S., per M. W., 5s; Busby F. Ch. S.S., per A. L. G., 10s 4½d; Two Sisters, "in memory of A. D.," £20; Watten F. Ch. S.S., Caithness, per Miss A. G., £14 6d; N. Free Church S.S., Kirriemuir, per J. B., 15s; Kent Road U.P. Church Mission Committee, per J. B. £13s 9¼d; Martyrs Free Church S.S., Greenock, per R. M'C., £1 10s; North U.P. Church Y.M.C.F.A., Langholm, per W. W., 10s; Rattray Free Church S.S., Blairgowrie, per J. T., £1; South U.P. Church S.S., Galashiels, per J. S., Edinburgh, £1; Cullen U.P. Church S.S., per do., £1; Tarduf S.S., Linlithgow, per Mrs S., 10s; Aikenhead S.S., per J. G., £1 1s 6d; Hutchesontown U.P. Church S.S., £1 8s; Glenorchy S.S. Children, per Miss K. W., 7s; Friends, per do., £1 4s; Collection at Christmas Day Service in Kier Parish Church, per D. B. J., £4 8s 4d; Tollcross Free Church S.S., per H. S., 15s; Miss W., Edinburgh, £10: Gourock Congregational Union Church S.S., per Miss J. F., 10s; Miss C. £7; Milton of Campsie S.S., per G. M'A., £1 1s; Galashiels E U.S.S., per G. C., £1; Princes Street U.P. Church S.S., Kilmarnock, per J. D., £1 8s 6d; Baillieston U.P. Church S.S. per Mr B., £1; Storie Street Baptist Church S.S., Paisley, per A. L., £1; Baligrundle School Bible Class, Lismore, per Miss M'G., 6s; Newton Place U.P. Church S.S., per S.S. Union, 10s 1d; F. J. W., Lesmahagow, per do., 9s; Longmanhill, Banff, per do., 5s; St. Mary's Established Church S.S., per do. £1 6s 10d; Dunichan Free Church S.S., per do., 7s 6d; W. F. H. A., Auldgirth, £5.

20th February.-G. E. M. P., 10s; J. S., 4s; a Friend, Govan, £1; from Wigtown, £1; J. M., Moniave, for emigration, £5; C. B., Edinburgh, £5; Mrs F., Doune, seven pairs socks and three pairs mits; Miss W., Dundee, for emigration, £5; a Well-Wisher, South Queensferry, £3; Mrs C., Renfrew, £1; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 11 pairs stockings; Mrs R., three pairs stockings; a Friend, P., 12 boys' caps; six scholars in Tighnabruaich Free Church S.S., seven articles of clothing; P. G., for emigration, £5; Mrs B., Lochgoilhead, 10 pairs stockings and eight pairs cuffs; Lizzie G., Shawlands, for Girls' Home, 5s; J. T. B., Kirkintilloch, 6s; from Burntisland, £2; Mrs N. M., Inveraray, 10s; Miss C. F. M., Elgin, 12s; Mrs J. M. M., 10 semmits; Miss E. L.'s Bible Class, Edinburgh, 5s; Misses L., do., 5s; Miss M., Musselburgh, £3; L. I. G., 19 articles of clothing; Miss L., Lenzie, seven petticoats; "Wifie and Dick," Elic, 2s 6d; Mrs K., Cardonald, six pairs socks; Mrs W., Helensburgh, for emigration, £5; a Servant, A. D., 5s; M. D., Kilmarnock, 10s and seven pairs socks; J W., Airdrie, to take two chi'dren to Canada, £20; a Friend, Fortrose, £3; Dividend from Mrs A. J. Stewart's estate on legacy of £50, per R. Walker and Ingram, for emigration, £15 15s 11d; Mrs A., seven dozen night dresses and five dozen wincey dresses; Balance of proceeds of furniture, etc., for behoof of a family helped, £10 3s: Dunoon Parish Church S.S., per C. D, for emigration, £1; J. J., Paisley, eight boxes corn flour; Miss F. P., Alloa, 60 pairs stockings and clothing; P. K., Hamilton, £3; Mr R., 5s; Mr S., Edinburgh, 5s; children's box, 2s 6d; a Friend, 10s; A. B., to take five children to Canada, £50; S. C. S.. London, to take ten children to Canada, £100; Mrs C., an ulster: Mrs B., Crosshill, 12 pairs stockings and socks; from Partick, six pairs socks, dresses, hats, etc.: A C., Pai-ley, £2; Miss S., Hamilton, £1; Misses J. and M. D., Cardross, 6s; Mrs M., Monkton, £1: part of "the tenth" of G. M.'s first earnings, do., 10s; Miss N., £1; J. E., Bo'ness, £1; Katie and Beatrice, Falkland, 8s; a Friend, to take a child to Canada, £10; G. G. G., H. J. G., and J. S. G. G., for emigration, £5; children attending Free Church, Tighnabruaich, per N. U., 8s; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 1s 6d; J. G., for do., £5; W. M'B., Aros, 2s 6d; Miss M. B., Strathaven, 10s; M. H., Edinburgh, 2s: D. D., Colmonell. £2. The following donations have been sent in for (ity Home Refuge and Mission:—A Friend, 5s; G. P., 5s; G. P., 5s; G. G., M'Aslin Street, 5s; Mrs L., Alloa, 10s; part of a girl's first wages, 5s; a Friend, 42 loaves; Mrs J., Millerston, periodicals; J. B., Edinburgh, £2; a Friend, Gourock, per Miss M'C., £1; Miss M'C., do., 5s and periodicals; J. M'P., 78 pints milk; Miss C., 5s; Mrs G., Skipness, a box of apples; J. O. M., £1; Miss C., Uddingston, parcel of clothing; R. A. B., do.; Miss C., ten shawls; Dividend from Mrs A. J. Stewart's estate on legacy of £50, per R. Walker & Ingram, £15 15s 11d; per a Friend, Kelso, £4 15s 6d; "Namriap," Tollcross, £1; J. A. M'C., £2 2s; J. G., 2s 6d; S. C. S., London, £30; C. P., £1; Mrs B., Bothwell, a hamper of clothing; A. G., 5s; Mr and Mrs D. Falkirk, £1; W. B., 10s; Scone Parochial Board, per B. M K., £3 3s; R. H., 12 loaves; Mrs M'D., Hillhead, 5s; J. C., Millport, £1; Mrs M., three pairs socks and four handkerchiefs; Mr and Mrs C., £3. The following donations have been sent in for Orphan Homes Building Fund: -South Parish Church S.S., Aberdeen, per G. C., £2; Charlotte Chapel S.S., Edinburgh, per J. J., £1; Linthouse S.S., per J. P., £2 10s; John Street U.P. Church Juvenile Missionary Society, per J. B. M'L., £2; King Street Sabbath Evening School, per do., £1; Dunfermline Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per G. M., £1 19s 10d; Renfield Street U.P. Church S.S., per P. M., £1; Mr H.'s Bible Class, Free St. Mary's, Govan, 10s; Auchinloch S.S., per J. S., jun., 15s 7d; Bristo Place Baptist Church S.S. and Young Men's Bible Class, Edinburgh, £4 3s 10d; Rutherglen East Free Church S.S., 7s 6d; Baptist Church S.S., Branderburgh, £1; Lochgelly U.P. Church S.S., per J. S., Edinburgh, 17s; Inverkeithing U.P. Church S.S., per Miss C. M., £1; a Friend, £4; Motherwell Working Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per T. W., £2 10s; Cambridge Street Baptist Church S.S., per R. C. K., £1; East Kilbride Parish Church S.S., per J. P. T., £1; A. B.'s S.S., Anstruther, £1; Cathedral Square U.P. Church Juvenile Missionary Society, per Miss L., £1; Polmadie U.P.

Mission Meeting, per Mr B., £1 6s 7d; Alva Established Church S.S., per A. H., £2; Alva U.P. Church S.S., per J. B., £1 2s 11d.

6th March.-J. S., 2s; Mrs A. Partick, for emigration, £5; Mrs A., Cambuslang, £2; M. C., London, to take two children to Canada, £20; "A Govan Tradesman," being interest on deposit in Savings Bank, £1; "A Thankoffering to the Lord for mercies received," £1; per rail, six pairs stockings and 13 articles of clothing; Mrs. Mercies received. £1; per ran, six pairs stockings and 15 articles of clothing; Mrs. W. R. S., Dundee, five pairs stockings; Mrs. M., Invergarry, £1 and 12 pairs stockings and books; a few Friends, per Miss S., Leith, for emigration, £3; J. L. P., Carnforth, for do., £2; A. G., Aberdeen, £1: Miss F., Maybole, a parcel of wincey and calico; J. A., for emigration, £5: Miss R, £2; J. J., per W. C., Barrhead, 5s; a Friend, per the Editor of The Christian Leader, £1; Miss M, per A. C. B., Aberdeen, £1: M. R., per do., 5s; Miss M., per do., 4s; a Friend, per do., 1s; J. M., Wishaw, for emigration, 22; Miss D., Murrayfield, 10s; M. T. & Co., lot of hats; A. C. C., London, for emigration, £200: from Balfron, £1; F. H. M., Hillhead, 5s; Mrs R., in memory of a beloved daughter, £1; Miss M., Strathaven, £1; M. T. F., per C. O. S., less commission, 9s 9d; M. H., per do., £2 2s (half for emigration); W. J. F., per do., 10s 6d; M., "A Thankoffering to God for His goodness," £1; L. M. P., 5s; Mrs J., Elie, £1 and parcel of offering to God for His goodness, £1; L. M. F., 58; Mrs J., Elle, £1 and parcel of clothing; Miss F., Perth, for little sick ones, £1; from Crieff, 58; J. M. R., parcel of clothing; Mrs H., 10s; Mrs S., two semmits; C. S., £1 1s; Mrs F., Edinburgh, £1; J. F., Motherwell, for emigration, £5; C. A. S., 1000 copies of "Thy Saviour;" H. M., Shawlands, £1 1s; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 10 pairs stockings; J. S., Crosshill, £1; Miss R., Skelmorlie, 10; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 2s; Original Secession S.S., per R. B., Kirkintilloch, for invalids, £1; J. H., Kirkcaldy, for emigration, £5; Mrs J. H., for do., £5; J. H., to take a boy to Canada, £10; Miss A., Forfar, 4s; Charlie, 6d; Willie, 6d; W. L., Portobello, £1; Miss K., Helensburgh, for emigration, £5; A. K. B., for do., £50; Mrs M., Kirriemuir, four pairs stockings; Miss L., £1; Mr H., Langside, texts, etc. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—W. B., a parcel of clothing; A. M., £2; R. H., 18 loaves and 20 rolls; "Shop Hands," 14s 6d; Adelaide Place Church S.S., quantity of tea bread; Two Friends, 12s 6d; "Give and it shall be given unto you," £1 6s 3d; D. L., a quantity of dishes; found in boxes during February, £1 9s 8d; J. L., Grange Keith, £1; Mrs R., Hamilton, £2; first fruits of office salary of a young man, 5s; A. F., 2s 6d; J. J., Langbank, one bag of meal; a Friend, 43 loaves; Anonymous, four petticoats; a Friend in Helensburgh, £1 and six scarfs; W. G., Pollokshaws, £1; A. T. A., £5; A. T., Pollokshields, £1; W. J. G., £4; a Friend, 2s. The following donations have been sent in of-Allan Free Church S.S., per W. R., £1 28 9d; Crosshill Y.M.C.A., per J. M., 128 6d; Johnstone Free Mission S.S., per W. R., £1 128 9d; Crosshill Y.M.C.A., per J. M., 128 6d; Johnstone Free Mission S.S., per R. G., £1 10s; Alva Free Church S.S. Children, per R. M. I., £1 5s 6d; M. H., per C. O. S., £1 1s; a Servant of the Lord, being first instalment of £5000 to build the Church, £1000, Troon Children's Church, per J. H., £1 10s; Innellan Established Church S.S., per Miss K. T., £2; Muslin Street E.U. S.S., per W. S., £1; Mrs W., Milton of Campsie, £1 10s; Beauly S.S., per J. S., £1; St. George's-in-the-Fields S.S., per Mr O., £2; Lochee Baptist Church S.S., per J. H.,

20th March.—Mrs L., Alexandria, £2; C. F., for emigration, £1; Mrs G., Paisley, £1; Mr E., Aberdeen, for emigration, £5; Mrs E., do., £1; Mrs F.'s children and their Aunt, Partick, £1; J. S., 2s; J. M., Kilmalcolm, £2 is 10d; Mrs J., Shandon, £1; Mrs M., Largs, £5; Mrs C., do, £1; Miss W., 10s; Mrs R., 2s £6; Mrs A., £1; Mrs A. P., 5s; Mrs J. H. M., 2s; D. C., 2s 6d; Mrs F., 3s; N. J., 1s 6d; T. C., 10s; A. Y., 2s 6d; H. C., 2s 6d; Mrs S., 2s; Miss K., 3s; Mrs A., 2s; J. K. B., 2s 6d; Mr O., 5s; Mrs M., 10s; Mrs W., 6d; a Friend, 2s 6d; Mrs C., 2s; Miss C., 4s; Miss R., 2s; Mrs M'M., 5s; Mrs K., 2s; Miss B., 5s; Mrs W., 9d., Mrs M., 10s; a Friend, 1s; J. T. B., 5s; J. O., £1; Mrs J. B., 10s—the above sums from Largs were collected by Miss B.; Mrs B., Aberdeen, for emigration, £5; a few Young Ladies in Dunoon and Kirn, two parcels of clothing, per Miss P.; a Friend, Crieff, £1; Mrs L., Edinburgh, for emigration, £5; Mrs W., Aucheneck, for do., £10; Two Friends in Lossiemouth and Mount Vernon, 5 articles of clothing; W. J. M., 'Inasmuch,''10s; from Ballachulish, 14 articles of clothing, scrap books, etc., J. M., Aberfeldy, £1; W. C., for emigration, £10; A. P., Slateford, 10s; Miss E. C., Edinburgh, 24 articles of clothing; J. D., Arbroath, for emigration, £10; Miss A. M. Aberdeen, per A. C. B., for emigration, £10; Duror Band of Hope, per Miss A., 7s 6d; Miss M. J. B., Airdrie, 10s; a Friend of the Poor in the East of Scotland, for emigration, £10; J. P., for do., £5; D. M., Balloch, £1; part of the savings of a daughter "gone home," per W. M., Markinch, £1 5s; N. G. M., 3 dozen handkerchiefs; Miss M. C., parcel of brush and comb-bags and needle-books; Miss W., Dunlop, I piece dress stuff and 19 articles of clothing; Friends at Sandbank, per Miss W., a parcel of clothing; Mrs S., do., 5s; Mrs M., 2s; Miss B., 2s; Miss P., 2s 6d; Miss H., Coldstream, 11 articles of clothing; J. E. C. C., Westerham, for emigration, £50; W. M., for do., £5; Mrs P. S. H., Edinburgh, 51 articles of clothing; Mrs A., Aboyue, for emigr

Mrs R., £1; J. J., Edinburgh, for emigration, £5; Mr C., £1; H., a parcel of Christian Heralds; J. W., Tillicoultry, £2; Miss B., Pollokshields, 18 scarfs and four pairs stockings; W. & A. P., 20 dozen pairs stockings; Miss F., Edinburgh, 27 articles of clothing; W. R., Lockerbie, £1; Collected at religious meetings at Wellwood and Halbeath villages, near Dunfermline, 10s; Mrs M., Lasswade, four pairs socks; M. B., St. Boswells, 10s; The work party at Brodick, Arran, per Miss S, 50 articles of clothing; Miss M., £2; P. M., Calcutta, for emigration, £50; Mrs D., Uddingston, 5s; M. F. T., Edinburgh, to take a child to Canada, £10; Miss G.'s Bible Class in South Parish Church, Aberdeen, 30 articles of clothing; Miss B. M. M., Dollar, 2 dresses; H. D., Stirling, for emigration, £5; G. R., Dundee, for do., £5; Mrs C., Bothwell, 2 scrap books; Misses C., Edinburgh, Gourock, parcel of stockings; Miss C., 56thwell, 2 scrap books; Misses C., Edinburgh, for emigration, £30; D. M. S., for do., £13s 6d; Miss J. M. C., for do., £50; Miss M'C., Gourock, parcel of stockings; Miss C., 7 shirts; Three Friends, Edinburgh, per Miss T., 16s; Miss B., Dumfries, 2s 6d; Miss P., 2 dozen brush and comb bags; Mrs and Miss A., Edinburgh, 11 pairs stockings; J. O., 65 pairs stockings; a Liverpool Friend, per Mr. B., Irvine, 5s. The following donations have been sent in for the City Home Refuge and Mission: -a Friend, Irvine, 2s 6d; F. and G., £1; a Friend, Westbourne Terrace, £1 10s; Mr D., San Fernando, Trinidad, £1 5s; Miss R., Ardrossan, £1; F. & L , 2 rolls brawn; D. A., Hamilton, £1; Miss M'L., 2s 6d; Anonymous, per B. W. & B., writers, £1; Miss H., Melrose, £1; Mrs K., Lochranza, 5s; W. L. & Co., £3; Camphill U.P. Church S.S., quantity of tea bread; A. C., £1; Mrs M., Rothesay, £1; Mrs and Miss S., Leith, a parcel of clothing; Friends, to relieve the destitution, £2; Miss D., 2s 6d; a Friend, Blairgowrie, £1; D. L., dishes; A. M'N., £1; a Friend, Helensburgh, 10s; Mrs C., Stirling, 5s; J. R, Holytown, £4; Mrs C., Annan, £1; S. C., Ardentinny, 5s; G. B., London, £5; Two Friends in train, 4s; a Lady in train, 2s 6d; Mrs A., Gatehouse, 5s; C.M. box. per Mrs C., Hamilton, 2s 6d; Mrs H., Perth, £2; R. W., Pollokshields, £1 1s; Mrs C., Haddington, £2; D. M. F. W., Hawick, 2s 6d; J. W., Lochgoilhead, for destitute poor, 10s; M., a servant, do., 1s; Miss G., Helensburgh, 10s; Mrs P., do., 10s; J. T., jun., £1: a few Friends, 10s; Mrs B., Dunoon, eight pairs of stockings and clothing; a Friend, an ulster dress and piece of skirting; E. J., 14 boys' suits; N. K. D., parcel clothing; Anonymous, a parcel of clothing. The following donations have been sent in for Orphan Homes Building Fund :- Ashfield S S., Dunblane, per W. M'G., jun., £1 14s; Stevenson Street S.S. of the Free South Church, Paisley, per J. R. P., £1: Bible Class of St. James' Parish Church, Clydebank, per J. H. P., £2; Kilmalcolm Parish Church S.S., per W. K., £1 5s; Kinbuck S.S., Dunblane, per J. B. F., 10s 6d; St. Leonards' S.S. Perth, per J. L., £1; Closeburn Free Church S.S., 12s; Hawick Juvenile Mission, per J. S., £1 15s 3d; Free High Congregational S.S., Paisley, per W. D., £1 6s; Hamilton Free Church S.S., Port-Glasgow, per R. B. H., £1; Working Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per do., 10s 6d; a Friend of the Poor in the East of Scotland, £300; Kirn U.P. Church S.S., per E. G., 198 3d; C. C., Edinburgh, per D. & B., writers, £50; Hillhead Congregational Church, £2 0s 6d; Dennistoun U.P. Church Congregational S.S., per A. G. B., £4 8s 32d, Glentyan Lodge I.O.G.T., Kilbarchan, per H. R., 10s; Alexandria U.P. Church S.S., per W. R., £2; Free St. Stephen's S.S., per J. C., £2 0s 3d.

3rd April.—Mrs C., Broughton, a parcel of clothing; a Stirling friend, £3 and parcel of clothing; Mrs T., Alloa, 12 scarfs; Mrs S., Bedford, £1; Crown Terrace Baptist Church Ladies' Working Society, Aberdeen, 189 articles of clothing; W. & G., do., remnants; J. W., Halifax, 5s; Kilmalcolm U.P. Dorcas Society, 14 articles of clothing and piece of wincey; Mrs L., do., tracts, etc.; K. M., two pairs socks; M. R. W. H., two pairs stockings; Mr H., Aberdeen, a box of hats and sundries; C. P., three pairs socks and six scarfs; A. H., Annan, 10s; M. F., Brighton, for emigration, £10; Mrs D., for do., £10, also £2 for general work and five pairs stockings; Mrs C., London, £2 2s; Mr and Mrs S., 5s; J. B., Hamilton, three petticoats; Miss T., do., eight pairs stockings; D. S., Edinburgh, to take a child to Canada, £10; Mrs L., Castle-Douglas, two petticoats and three pairs stockings; Mrs J. B., Newby-Bridge, two pairs socks; H. B., 120 Bibles for boys going to Canada; a Crieff friend, £1; Mrs W. M., Partick, eight dresses; Mrs E., Largs, to take a girl to Canada, £10; Mrs P., Edinburgh, £1; A. W., Dunfermline, for emigration, £30; Mrs M., Wooler, for do., £10 and large box of clothing; D. M., Leith, £1 5s; Young Women's Union of Free St. Matthew's, 38 articles of clothing; Canmore Street Congregational Church Missionary Sewing Society, Dunfermline, 67 articles of clothing; Miss B., Dunoon, 60 shirts; J. M., Methven, £2; D. S., periodicals; J. C. A., 10s; A. D., six shirts and six petticoats; Mrs M., Bradford, 12 scarfs, 13 petticoats, and 20 bags; Mrs G., Port-Glasgow, four pairs stockings; Mrs L., Castle-Douglas, 2 pairs socks; Mrs P., Dunbar. £1; Mrs C., Edinburgh, 114 pairs socks and 128 pairs stockings; collected by Mrs D. M., Inveraray, £1 8s; Sewing Bee, per do., 24 articles of clothing; N. F., £2; Mrs G., periodicals; Mrs S., Old Kilpatrick, do.; A. D., Crosshill, for emigration, £2; Miss C., three shirts and one scarf; Bon-Accord Free Church Working Society, Aberdeen, per Miss D., 22 articles of clothing; J. L., a thankoffering for emigration, £10; J. O. M'L., Helensburgh, £1; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 6s 8d; Mrs J. B. and two young ladies, Irvine, four shirts and eight pairs socks and stockings; E. C., £2; Mrs L., Edinburgh, 10 articles of clothing; Mrs A., Wishaw, parcel of hoods, hats, laces, etc.; C. & Co., per Miss R., £2; Mrs W., per do., 2s 6d; Miss B., Stornoway, per do., 10s; Mrs G., Pollokshaws, 30 shirts and 30 night-dresses; P. R., Kelso, for emigration, £1; Mrs D., per Mrs L., Edinburgh, for do., £5; Strathblane Sewing

Meeting, per Misses G. S., 40 shirts, 15 pairs stockings, and four cravats; "A thank-offering for any sick ones," £2; Miss N., Haddington, for emigration, £20; Miss A., 21 brush and comb bags; Mrs W., 14 pairs socks; E. Parish Church S.S., Perth, for emigration, £3 13s; Misses H., 21 scarfs; J. S., for emigration, £10; Scotch Girls' emigration, £3 13s; Misses H., 21 scarrs; J. S., for emigration, £10; Scotch Girls' Friendly Society, Biggar, a large hamper of useful clothing. The following donations have been sent for City Home Refuge and Mission:—"Readers of the Christian, per Morgan & Scott, £12 5s; "Whip-money," 10s; M. A. B., £1 1s; Miss D., a bag of potatoes; Mrs S. and Mr M., parcel of clothing; Miss M., Johnstone, £2; T. J., three cwt. jam; W. M. M., Davidson's Mains, 7s 6d; M. P., Greenock, four pairs stockings; West Hillhead Forenoon Meeting, per W. C., 12s 6d; A. & J. C., Ayr, 5s: "a Friend." 90 rolls; T. K., two bags oatmeal; "For the Orphans," 7s 6d; an Evangelist, 3s; "Abbeygreen," Cambuslang, 3s; D. S., Edinburgh, £1 15s; R. E., Hawick, 10s; Mr M'N., one load dross; R. H., 20 loaves; "a Friend," Perth, £5; J. M'E., Cupar Fife, 10s; J. N., 10s; Mr S.'s family, £1; A. W., four dozen "extract of coffee and chicory:" 10s; J. N., 10s; Mr S.'s family, £1; A. W., four dozen "extract of coffee and chicory;" A. L., Skelmorlie, a parcel of clothing; Miss M., Dullatur, £1; J. F., Kirkcaldy, £2; a Friend, 14 loaves; Anonymous, two parcels of clothing; Mrs C., £3; "To keep the pot boiling," 5s; Found in boxes during March, 16s 4d. The following donations have been sent in for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Mearns Parish Church S.S., £1; Dumbarton Parish Church S.S., £1; Dumbarton Parish Church S.S., £1; Dumbarton Parish Church S.S., £2; All 10s; Hutchesontown Free Church Bible Class, per R. W., £1 3s 6d; Drumlemble S.S. children, Campbeltown, per D. C., £1 10s; Smith's Lane Mission S.S., Greenock, 16s 10d; Ivy Place U.P. Church S.S., Stranraer, per M. J., £2 5s; Miss G. B., a set of painted tiles for parlour grate of superintendent's house; W. R. P.'s adult Bible class, Chapelton, near Hamilton, 14s.

17th April.-J. S., Largs, for emigration, £100; W. M'N., Uddingston, for do,. £10; T. B. M., Edinburgh, £1; W. B., to take a boy to Carada, £10; Anonymous (Wishaw postmark), to take a boy or girl to Canada, £10; Mrs B., Callander, £5; W. C., £10; do. to take a girl to Canada, £10; F. H. R., for do., £10; Gogon, 1s; Mrs D., £1; Mrs R., 27 shirts; from Greenock, 12 pairs stockings; Miss W., Row, six articles of clothing; Queen Anne Street Church Mission S.S., one pair socks and two shirts; Mrs M., three pairs socks and three handkerchiefs; a Friend on the West Coast, for emigration, £15; "71," Aberdeen, 10s; from Helensburgh, six ties; Mrs A. and Mrs M., periodicals; collected by Misses G. S., Milngavie, to take a boy and girl to Canada, £20; R. T., Paisley, £1; E. W. S., London, for emigration, £10; D. S., for do., £5; Miss M., £2; Miss B., Keswick, £1; L. I. G., 13 articles of clothing; Miss M. M. F., Crieff, for emigration, £1; A. M., Largs, to take a girl to Canada, £10; Mrs R., Port-Glasgow, a large hamper of clothing: Mrs L., £1 and 11 articles of clothing; Mrs A., periodicals; Rossie Y.W.C.A., Inchture, 36 articles of underclothing; "His Steward," Bangor, £1 17s 8d; Mrs A., five dozen dresses and 17 petticoats; Mrs W., 10s; Upper Kilmalcolm S.S., 16s: Mrs W., Stirling, 24 petticoats; Mrs M., Edinburgh, for emigration, £1; Anonymous, 3 pairs socks; W. J. S., Kilmalcolm, a table; Sillycan S.S., Grange, Keith, 9s and 47 articles of clothing; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 14 pairs stockings; Wamphray Free Church S.S., Moffat, per R. M., 3s; Mrs F., Eskdalemuir, two pairs socks and two petticoats; Mrs P., Davington, 2s 6d; Mrs L., do., one pair socks; Miss M. A., do., two pairs socks; a few friends in Kirkcaldy, per Miss A. M., 118 articles of clothing; Mrs S., do., seven articles; Mrs T., Alloa, 29 articles; Mrs E., Largs, eight petticoats; J. M., Crosshill, three pairs socks; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 12s 6d; Miss S., Govanhill, for do., £5; W. I. W., a thankoffering, £1; Mrs J., Edinburgh, 24 articles of clothing; A. P., to take a girl to Canada, £10; Miss J. E. W., St Bees, for emigration, £25; Maybole children's meeting, 15s 6d; Mrs E., Portobello, six articles of clothing; Miss B., Rothesay, periodicals; Mrs J. J., Perth, 19 articles of clothing and cards; Strathblane Sewing Meeting, per Misses G. S., 117 articles of clothing. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Mrs K., New Kilpatrick, £2; Bowling S.S., per J. T., £1 18s; W. C., £10; Two Workers, £1; Mrs B., patrick, £2; howling S.S., per J. I., £1 los; W. C., £10; I wo Workers, £1, £15 h., parcel of clothing; a Friend, 28 loaves; J. S., Edinburgh, per W. M., £1; D. L., dishes; Mrs M., Pertobello, £1; A. B., a parcel of clothing; a Little Boy going to Canada, 3½d; Mrs G., Shipness, a hamper of vegetables; W. D., Edinburgh, £1; Miss C., Ibrox, £1; F. R. D., £1; M. G., East Kilbride, 5s; J. C., Bothwell, £1; a Worker, 5s; D. W., 15s; J. S., £1; Knox's S.S., Arbroath, per W. W., 5s; Mrs W. M. D., £1; Mrs M., Appin, £1; C. R., per A. C. B., Aberdeen, £2. The following donations have been sent in for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Finnieston Free Church Y.M. Bible Class, per A. A. B., £1 10s; York Place U. P. Church S.S., Perth. per J. D., £1 8s; Pollokshaws U.P. Church, per Glasgow S.S. Union, £2; Clelland Free Church Union, per do., 10s; the gift of the late Mrs Morgan of Morkend, Fifeshire, per Mrs B., Edinburgh, £70; Hallside U.P. Church S.S., Newton, per A. M., £3 5s 3d; Stirling Working Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per J. T., £1 5s 8d; Govanhill Established Church Bible Class, per Mr S., £3 16s; Kilcreggan Musical Association, per Mr C., £4 12s 6d; Wallacetown Established Church S.S., Ayr, per J. U., £1; Inveraray Free Church S.S., per M. M., 18s; Grangemouth U.P. Congregation, per J. 3., Edinburgh, 7s; Crossford U.P. Congregation, per do., £1; Alloa First U.P. Congregation, per do., £2.

1st May. - Mrs T. F. M., 56 pairs stockings and socks, 44 petticoats, one pair hassocks, two baskets, and odds and ends; T. S., Motherwell, 6s; G. M. K., Lochgoilhead, 10s; J. A. B., Paisley, to take a girl to Canada, £10; Mrs J., Lamlash, for

emigration, £1; Mrs M., 5s; Girls' Friendly Society, Dunfermline, per Mrs R., 60 articles of clothing; a Little Girl in Partick, 2s 6d; Mrs R., Callander, parcel of clothing, 61 articles; Miss C. F. P., Alloa, 100 pairs stockings; a Young Friend, Rutherglen, 5s; M. and L. H. for emigration, £40; a Friend, £1; a few Friends in Yetholm, per Miss T., £1; Miss J. B., New Rattray, for emigration, £2; Mary M'D.'s bank money, 5s 5½d; Anonymous, Perth postmark, £1; J. M., Greenock, £2 2s; H Brothers, for emigration, £5; G. H. S., Walsall, for emigration, £5; Lyon Street S.S. Society, per F. M'M., 8s; a Friend, Wishaw, for emigration, £5; A. W., Greenock, £1; Mr M'D., 5s; Miss C., 11 articles of clothing and magazines; Mrs S., Row, 25 articles of clothing; Isle of Man Industrial Home, per Mr T., for emigration, £200; W. P. A., Kilmalcolm, for emigration, £5; D. T. R., 10s; J. C. D., Galashiels, £1; a Friend, per D. S., for emigration, £12 10s; A. G., Johnstone, 15 articles of clothing; Mrs T., Innellan, 10s; Friends at Laurencekick, per J. C., £1 0s 6d; Sabbath School, per do., 11s 8d; Mr S., a quantity of pork; Mrs T. F. M., a doll's house; L. I. G., 22 articles of clothing; Forget-me-not Society, Kilmalcolm, per Miss C., £1 0s 0½d and 29 articles of clothing; Found in Boxes at Cottage H me, £4 19s 4d; Little Kitty R.'s Bank Money, 3s; a Friend, Kilmalcolm, two parcels of clothing. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Mrs K., two parcels clothing: Miss C., eight shawls; W. C., £1 10s; G. G., 2s 6d; a Friend, bread; Mrs T., three pairs stockings; Mrs W., Croydon, £1; Bent S.S., Lesmahagow, per T. D., 13s 8d; a Sympathiser. £1 2s 6d; one of the Lord's Servants 17s 6d; a Friend, a quantity of pork: A. O. E., magazines; W. S., Peterhead, 10s 6d; A. R., Prestonkirk, 5s; W. D. M., £1; Mrs P., 10s; D. W., 12s 6d; a Friend, 20 loaves; G. W. B., parcel of clothing; Miss H., Haddington, £1; R. H., 12 loaves; Mr T., Stirling, parcel of clothing and boots; R. and J. G., per C.O. Society, £1 0s 5d; a Friend, bread; Dalkeith Whitehill Mission, per A. H., 11s 6d; Milton S.S., Bowling, per Mr S., £1; Found in Boxes during April, £3 1s 1d. The following donations have been sent in for Orphan Homes Building Fund:-Mr D.'s Bible Class, Union Church, Lenzie, £1 1s; Free St. Mary's Sabbath Schools, Govan, per C. W. M., £2 3s 4d; Christian Work Society of E U.P. Church, Strathaven, per Mrs H., 12s; Claremont Street U.P. Church Mission S.S., per W. S., £1 12s 8d; Galashiels Parish Church S.M.C.F.A., per T. S., 10s; Shettleston Established Church, per Glasgow S.S. Union, £1 12s 5d; Springbank U.P. Church S.S., per J. G., £2; proceeds of Children's Bazaar at Windsor Quadrant, per Misses M.E., D., and M., £8 13s; Thorniewood Sabbath Forenoon Meeting of Uddingston U.P. Church, 8s 12d; Wellwood Branch of Dunfermline Boys' and Girls' Society, 18s.

15th May - Whip-money, 10s; Mrs M., Wishaw, parcel of clothing, print, etc.; a thankoffering from two Christians in Nottingham on the occasion of their marriage, £1; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 19s 6d; Mrs A., Aboyne, 12 nightdresses; Mrs F., Fearn, 3s; Mrs W., do., 2s 6d; Mrs R., Port-Glasgow, a hamper of clothing; Mrs A. S., London, £1; Crown Terrace Ladies Working Society, Aberdeen, 81 articles of clothing; R., for emigration, £2; Mrs K., hats; Mr and Mrs C. M. D., Nagpur, India, £1 10s; J. C., Irvine, 5s; a Drop of Sympathy from a Friend to help the girls going to Canada, £5: G. T., to take a child to Canada, £10; Mrs M'F., do., £10; Friends in Macduff, per J. F., do., £10; Mrs M'C., £1; balance of funeral society money for three children, £3; A. H. B., Comrie, parcel of clothing; collected by Mrs B., Largs, for emigration, £8; Mrs H., Girvan, for do., £1; Mrs M'M., for do., £1; proceeds of School Girls' Bazaar, per Miss M. S., Pollokshields, £2 14s 3d and a jacket; Mrs M., Ayr, to take two children to Canada, £20; collected by a little boy in Callander, per Miss R., 16s 6d; Miss H., Haddington. 26 articles of clothing and a piece of cotton; Mrs A., Uddingston, eight pairs stockings; Miss M., to take two children to Canada, £20; do., for general fund, £2; Anonymous, Glasgow postmark, 10s: Miss C., Ryde, to take two children to Canada, £20; T. R., Peebles, piece of tweed; J. S., Govanhill, 10s; Mrs W., Crosshill. 12 pairs stockings; R. L., Aberdeen, 4s in stamps; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 11 pairs stockings; Miss A. an | Friends, Stirling, 56 articles of clothing; Queen Anne Street Church Mission S S., Dunfermline, parcel of clothing for girls going to Canada; D. M. S., for emigration, £2 5s; Mrs C., Davidson's Mains, £1; collected by Miss F. D., Walkerburn, for emigration, £12 14s 5d; Parochial Board, Kelso, per G. A. T., for do., £10; J. H., Johnstone, for do., £5; J. P. B., for do., £10; Mrs M.N., 10s; Mrs S., Bridge-of-Weir, parcel of clothing, 28 articles; Mrs H., Bridge-of-Allan, a parcel of clothing; Mrs M'K., Edinburgh, £1. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Miss B., Ripon, £1; Mr T., quantity of old clothing; a Friend, parcel of do.; a Worker, 4s; M. R. & Sons, £5 18s 6d; a Friend, four dozen half loaves; G. A. H., Weston-super-Mare, 5s; The Willing Helpers' Society, £2 14s 6d and one book; a Friend in Helensburgh, £1 and seven bags; Mrs W., 54 and periodicals; a Worker, £1 13s 4d; J. F. D., 10s; W. P., Dublin, 10s; Hamilton E.U. Church S.S., per A. M., 5s; Dennis oun U.P. Church Minister's Bible Class, per C. O. M., £1 1s; W. M'B., Aros, Mull. 5s; E. A., Huntingdon, £1; "per parcel post," Paisley, two pairs boots; a Friend, 49 half loaves; a Friend, 32 do.; Mr M'F., 44 dozen loaves; Mr and Mrs J. A. A., £2; children of do., £1; Union S.S., Crieff, per C. R., 6s 6d. The following donations have been sent in for Orphan Homes Building Fund:-Free West Church S.S., 17s; St. Stephen's Free Church Senior Lads' Bible Class, per J. H., 7s 6d; Mrs J. A., Paisley, to build "the training ship on land," £2000; Miss A. S. F., Newcastle, last instalment for Montrose Home, £200; St. James' U.P. Church S.S., Paisley, per Mr T., £3; Dalziel Free Church S.S., Motherwell, £1; Kilmarnock Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per W. I., £2 4s 2d; A. T.'s Bible Class, Tullibody, 14s.

29th May .- Mrs M., New Kilpatrick, for emigration, £5; Mrs H., a parcel of clothing; Established Church S.S., Macduff, per J. C. B., for emigration, £5 0s 6d: H. B. & Co., to take two children to Canada, £20; J. K., £3; J. T., Kilmalcolm, for emigration, £12; Mrs T., do., for do., £5; A. T. T., for do., £5; collected by H. J., Moffat, £2; H. B., £10; Collection at Adelaide Place Baptist Church, £3 14s 10d; H. R., Edin burgh, for emigration, £10; Miss R., do., £2: Mrs J. P., to take a child to Canada, £10; Mrs L., in memory of George Francis W. L. L., a silver watch; Mrs L., eight pairs socks and one scarf; Miss H. F., Kilmarnock, five pairs stockings and one cap; Miss F., periodicals; Ibrox and Cardonald, 32 articles of clothing, per Mrs B.; a Servant, 10s; Miss H., Edinburgh, for emigration, £100; J. H., to take a child to Canada, £10; an Old Lady, 4 scarfs; Friends at Walkerburn, per Miss F. D., 141 articles of clothing; J. F., Millport, £1; W. Free Church Bible Class, Rothesay, per M. E. B., 12s; W. A., Forfar, £2; Miss A. A., £1; Miss H., Kelso, a parcel of clothing; Mrs G., Parkhill, £1; W. M., Montreux, Switzerland, £1; F. G., £1; H. B. L., "One who took an interest in the work," £1; Mr and Mrs N., Millport, £5; A. B., Ardrossan, six ulsters; Mrs F., Edinburgh, 16 articles of clothing; Mrs M'L., four pairs stockings and two shawls; R. C., Greenock, for emigration, £5; from the savings box of two little boys, do., 10s; K. E., Liverpool, £10; J. R., Loudon, a silver spoon; Mrs T., Edinburgh, six pairs socks; R. W., Bridge-of-Weir, two cows; Misses A., Tighnabruaich, £1; Mrs B., Portpatrick, 64 articles of clothing; from Kirkcudbright, a magic lantern; Mrs J. C., Langbank, £2; Mrs W. B., Mauchline, a box of clothing; per rail, 25 pairs of stockings, six pinafores, and four articles of clothing; a Well-wisher, 2s 6d; Mission School at Kinnoir, near Huntly, per D. S., 5s 11d; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 19s 6d; Mrs B., Helensburgh, £5; Girls' Sewing Class, Garelochhead, per Miss B. B., 16 articles of clothing; Crosslee S.S., 10s. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—"Give and it shall be given unto you," £1 12s 10d; a Friend, 2s; A. P., periodicals; Mrs A., parcel of clothing; Strathbungo Mission S.S., per G. B., £2 8s 7d; J. M.F., Partick, £2 2s; a Friend, 4 doz. loaves; from Balfron, £1; D. D., Dunblane, 2s; Mrs N., Rutherglen, £1: a Thankoffering, £1; H. J. M., Gourock, £1; Mrs S., Aberdeen, £5; Mrs G., Kettochside, £1; from Blairgowrie, 5s; Mrs H. C. D., Shettleston, £2; Mrs K., per Mr F., £1; Miss L. Covington, £1; Mrs H., do., 2s 6d; T. S., Motherwell, 6s; Mrs G., Hawick, £2; Little Willie, do., 3s 6d; Cambusnethan Christian Union, balance of funds, £3 14s 7½d; Two Friends, Wishaw, 10s; a Country Woman, 8s; from Ballinluig, 2s 6d: Mrs B., Bothwell, a hamper and box of clothing; J. K. & Co., per C. O. S., £1 5s; Mrs R. C. £1; J. C. E.'s Female Bible Class, Bell Street, Calton, 11s; Mrs P., Hamilton, £1. The following donations have been sent in for Orphan Homes Building Fund :- Sighthill Free Church S.S., £1 13s; Legacy of the late Miss Mary Jack, per J. M. & J. H. Robertson, writers, £50 6s 9d; a Friend, to build the Superintendent's House, £1000; an Old Friend, £1.

12th June.—D. M., Aberdeen, £4; Mrs J., Shandon, £1; collected at Mrs Sturrock's School for Young Ladies, £3 2s 6d; J. D., London, £7: a Working Man and his Wife, £2; "Quartette," Old Kilpatrick, £1 and six pairs of stockings; a few Scholars and Friends, per M. G., Montrose, £2 0s 9d; J. S., Arran, 10s; Park Lane S.S., Alloa, per A. M'G., 7s; J. O., £20; Miss A. M., Greenock, £5; Mrs G., Braemar, nine pairs stockings; J. H., do., two pairs; and Alexander, do., one pair; Mrs J. J., Cambuslang, two petiticoats and two pairs stockings; St Andrew Square U.P. Church S.S., Greenock, per W. W., £1 16s; a Lady Friend, per do., £2; a Lady Teacher, per do., 10s; a Little Girl, M. M., 6d; "a Lady in the West-End of Glasgow," £100; Uddingston Free Church S.S., per R. L., £4 3s 9d; Miss S. M., Kelso, £10; B. P. B., 6s 3d; J. F., Manchester, 10s; R. L., Aberdeen, 2s 6d; D. S., Edinburgh, parcel of left-off clothing; collected by Miss L. F. M., Wyndham, New Zealand, £4 10s; "Seven Children," West Kilbride, per J. Y., £5; Employes of Messrs B. & Co., left at Homes, Bridge-of-Weir, 10s; Mrs A. and Friends, Hillhead, parcel of clothing and seven scrap books; J. and M. A.'s missionary box, do., 4s; "Sunnyside," £1; a Friend, "as a thanksgiving for preservation from danger, to take a little girl to Canada," £10; Mrs R., Hamilton, £3; Mrs J., Helensburgh, 10s; Mrs L., £1; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 10 pairs stockings; R. S., Fraserburgh, 10s; D. M. S., for emigration, £2 7s; Sewing Meeting, per Miss F., £2 1s 10d; J. M'M., Langside, £2; A. S. P., Brechin, 5s; Mrs B., Aberdeen, £3; a Friend, do. per do., 2s; Mrs J. I., Dunfermline, 5s; "One who is interested in the work among poor children," £5; J. M., Edinburgh, "a thankoffering for restoration to health of a dear child," £5; Mrs G., Inverkeithing, small box of useful clothing; N. and I. B., Kilmaronock, 5s; Miss M., £2; F. M. R., £1; Miss T., Helensburgh, 5s; Miss M. C. R.'s counter box, Helensburgh, £1 5s; T. T. G., Leith, £3; "To help the little ones, in memory of," £1; J. C., lot of ca

per T. D., £5; Bridgegate Free Church S.S., per G. S., 11s 6d; B. B., three jackets and two vests; J. M. S., £5. The following have been sent in for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Regent Place Mission S.S., per P. L., £1 1s; Trinity Free Church S.S., per Mr. C., £2 4s 8d.

26th June.-Mr C., £1; "A Visitor at the Homes," £2: Miss C., Johnstone, 10s and a parcel of clothing; Trossachs Parish Church, per J. C. H, 15s; J. R., Paisley, four tins sweets; Mrs L., Campbeltown, 10s; Mrs M., do., 10s; Mrs C. C. G., do., 10s; Tour tins sweets; Mrs L., Campoeltown, 10s; Mrs M., do., 10s; Mrs C. C. G., do., 10s; Mrs C. M., do., 10s; Mrs M., 10s; Mrs M., 10s; Mrs R. C., 5s; Mrs W. M'N., 5s; Mrs D. C., 5s; Mrs D. C., 5s; W. H., jun., 2s 6d; Mrs B., 5s; Mrs W., 5s; Mrs S. G., 10s; Mrs G., 5s; Mrs H., 5s; Mrs R., 5s; Mrs C., 5s; Miss M., 3s; Mrs B., 5s; Mrs M.K., £1; Miss D., 3s; Mrs G., 5s; Mrs P., 10s; Mrs J. M., 5s; Mrs G., 10s; L. C., 5s 6d; Mr J. S., 10s; Mr M., 5s; Miss T., 5s; Mrs W. M'K., 5s; Mrs J. M'K., 5s; Mrs H., 2s 6d; Mrs M., 5s; Mrs M., 5s; Mrs H., 2s 6d; Mrs M., 5s; Mrs M., 5s; Mrs H., 2s 6d; Mrs M., 5s; Mrs M., 5s; Mrs H., 2s 6d; Mrs M., 5s; Mrs M., 5s; Mrs M., 5s; Mrs H., 2s 6d; Mrs M., 5s; I. M'K., 10s; Mr M., 2s 6d; Mrs M., 2s; Miss M., 2s; Miss C., 10s; Miss M'M. M'N., 5s; J. M'Q., 2s 6d; Mrs W. M., 5s; Mrs P. G., £1; a Friend, 2s 6d; Miss H., £1; Mrs B., 3s. The above sums from Campbeltown were collected by Miss M. and Miss P. Mrs R., 5s; "A Native of Bridge of Weir," a thankoffering, £1; T. S., Motherwell, 4s; an Old Worker's first day's drawings; 5s 23d; Miss M'C., Gourock, £1 2s 6d; "A Friend of Little Children," £5; Mrs M'L., two parcels of clothing; Galashiels Parochial Association, per P. T. G., £2; Mrs R., Callander, £5; Visitors to the Homes, £1; Two Ladies from Howwood, £5; Mr C., Kilmalcolm, £1; a Member of Alexandria Scripture Union, two pairs stockings; Mrs F., £1; Senior Lads' Bible Class in Wellington Palace Branch 58; Mrs F., do., 5s; Mr C., Largs, 7s 6d; Mrs J., do., 5s; Mrs C., Largs, 10s; Mrs H., Fairlie, 5s; Mrs F., do., 5s; Mr C., Largs, 7s 6d; Mrs J., do., 5s; Mrs C., do., 5s; Miss B., do., 1s; Mrs B., do., 5s; a Friend, do., 1s; Mrs M., do., 10s; Mrs R., do., 2s 6d; Miss M., do., 3s. The above sums from Largs and Fairlie were collected by Miss B. A. C., a basket of "parley;" J. M'G., Bowling, £1; "Part of the Lord's Tenth," £1; Miss C., Montrose, 15 pairs socks; Mrs S., Bridge of Weir, 12 pillowslips, remnants, etc.; "Nec Tamen Consumebatur," 17s 6d; J. W., the Lord's money, 5s; Mrs F., Edinburgh, £2; The Household in F.C. Manse, Lochgelly, £2 10s; J. G. O., for keep of Invalids' Home, £150; Mrs S. R. G., Largs, £5; Mrs J. W., Greenock, three knitted petticoats; a Frend in the Highlands, £1; Mr C., per Miss A., Aberdeen, £1; Mrs S., do., per do., 10s; Ella T., Cellardyke, 2s; Kilbarchan U.P. Church S.S., per A. M.C., £3; Maggie Munro's Money, 2s 3d; Miss T., Greenock, £4; Mrs S., per do., £5; Miss B., per do., £1; a Girls' Sewing Class in Cove, 23 articles of clothing and two yards trimming; a Friend, a parcel of print dresses; J. E. M'G., 5s; collected by Miss T. N., Moffat, £11 17s 6d: Elgin Place Church Congregational S.S., per J. R. B., £1; Mrs J. S., Kirkcaldy, 10s; D. M. S., for emigration, £2 5s. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—a Friend, 10s; Elphinstone T. A. Society, per Mr S., 8s 7d; a Friend, 26 loaves; do., 52 loaves; Mrs P., Stirling, 4s; a Friend, 13 loaves; Mrs B., six pairs socks; F. and L., 12lbs brawn; Mrs M., large parcel of useful clothing; a Friend, 27 loaves; Larbert Parochial Board, per A. S., £3; Mrs M'I., 2s and parcel of clothing; a Friend, 46 loaves; M. K., 12 pairs stockings. The following has been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Misses D., to build a cottage and provide turret clock and bells, in memory of a loved brother, £2000.

10th July.—Miss R., Kilmalcolm, £1; T. S., Motherwell, 2s; D. M., Aberdeen, £1; T. T., Helensburgh, £1; A. M., jun., eight pieces shirting; workmen on the new buildings at Bridge-of-Weir Homes, £2 5s; "His Steward," Wales, £5; found in boxes at Cottage Homes, £10 2s 6d; Cockpen F.C. Bible Class, per C. B., £1 6s; Cullen E C, S.S., Banffshire, per Miss A., £1; Mr and Mrs S., Johnstone, to take two children to Canada, £20; Mrs S., do., 12 pairs stockings; M. D. & Co., 356 writing desks; Miss W., Aberdeen, 6s; a Friend, per do., 6d; W. E. S., Greenock, £1; J. A., 10s; a Friend, per do., £2; Mrs S, Tottenham, £10 10s; Mrs H., Macduff, a Thankoffering for a little one restored to health, £5; Mrs B., Kilmalcolm, £4; Dudhope Free Church S.S., Dundee, per A. R., 17s 6d; Leith E.U. Church S.S., per J. C., £3 0s 6d; additional from do., 6s 2d; J. L. R., Edinburgh, 5s; Miss M., £2; two workers, £1; J. E. M., Kilmarnock, a birthday gift, 2s 6d; Mrs C., Stirling, £1; Mrs M., Moffat, a box of useful articles; legacy of the late Mis Agnes Loudon or Blair, Blairmore, per John Robertson, writer, less legacy duty, £360; Jeanie and A. J. H., Paisley, 5s; R. R., Hamilton, £5; a Young Lady, now deceased, per Miss M. B., 5s 6d; a Young Sister, per do., 4s; A. C., £2; a Gentleman at St. Enoch Station, £1; Cranstonhill U.P. Church Bible Class, per G. G. G., £1 10s; Mrs W. H., 8 petticoats; W. A., £1; York Place U.P. Church S.S., Perth, two months' collection, per J. D., £1 12s; J. S., Kilmarnock, £1; Mrs R.'s Bible Class of Young Servant Girls, Kirkcudbright, £1; Buckie U.P. Church S.S., per J. S., Edinburgh, 15s: "Help" for daily needs, 10s 6d; D. M. S., for emigration, £2 6s 3d; a Friend, Kilmalcolm, £2; Mrs D., Dumbarton, nine pairs stockings; a Friend, £4; "Sympathy," £10; "A. S. B.," £20; Mrs M'N., Kilmelfort, a box of useful clothing. The following donations have been sent for City Home Refuge and Mission:—From Gourock, a parcel of old clothing; Mrs B., 5s; Misses L., 3s; A. & R. S., three barrels oatmeal biscuits; J. M'K., lot of sandwiches; Mrs R., Toward, parcel of old clothing; H. L. W., periodicals; Baptist Church S.S., Cupar-Fife, per Miss C. R., 10s; Found in boxes during June, £1 1s 1½d; "The Lord's tenth," Ardrishaig, £1 11s; Anon, a parcel

of old clothing; Plantation U.P. Mission Bible Class, per J. E., 11s 3d; from Helensburgh, a parcel of clothing; A. W., a box of magazines and books; a Worker, 5s; Do., 3s; Mrs A., £50; H. S. B., £2; Miss G., Edinburgh, £1; H. H. M., parcel of clothing; a Friend, $2\frac{1}{2}$ doz. loaves and 4 doz. rolls; Mrs W., parcel of clothing; J. F., Greenlaw, £1; P. & T. B., £1. The following donations have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—S. J., Paisley, "for a brick in the proposed new buildings for the needy children of our land, £1; "A Servant of the Lord," being balance of £5000 to build the church, £4000.

24th July .- A junior Bible Class, Darvel, per Miss E., 4s; Mrs Y., a parcel of clothing; W. S., Edinburgh, for emigration, £1; Girls in Y.W.C.A. Home, Bridgeton, 10s; Queen's Park Parish Church Mission S.S., per T. P. M., £1 2s 2d; do. Congregational S.S., per do., £1 2s 72d; F. Anderston S.S. Society, £2 6s; collected by M.Y., Dowanhill, from fellow-servants and friends, 5s; R. W. H., £2 2s; D. & M. A. S., Rockhampton, Queensland, £1; a Christian Brother, Greenock, per C. M'K., 5s; Mrs S., 5s, and five pairs socks; Mrs K., Hillhead, a parcel of clothing; Lansdowne Mission S.S., £1 15s 8d; Mrs C., a few articles of clothing; "Dalhousie Street," £2; Mrs D., Dumbarton, £5; A. G., Canning Street, £1; a Friend, Guthrie, £1 10s; a Friend in Edinburgh, £1; Anonymous, from Stornoway, 10s; D. R. M., 5s; E. A., Klimarnock, £1; Miss D.'s counter box, Helensburgh, £6d; a Thankoffering from a Working Girl, £1; Jno. 21, 22 5s; a Rlind, Girl, 24, 1, D. (21), 24, 35; b. R. (21), 25 15; d. (21), Jno. 21, 22, 5s; a Blind Girl, 2s 6d; J. D., £15; a Wellwisher. a jersey suit and two shirts; "A Thankoffering to the Lord for blessings received," Kilmarnock, 10s; A. P. F. P., Alloa, £20; Mrs J. C., Catheart, £5; "Gratitude," Galashiels, per editor of The Christian Leader, £1; D. M. S., for emigration, £27s; Mrs D., Kilmarnock, 10s and six pairs socks; Bigh Parish Children's Church, Paisley, per C. B., jun., £2; Miss N. M., Cambuslang, 5s; J. S, Kilmarnock, £1; R. G., Montrose, 10s. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:-A Friend, 5s; Mrs W. H., 10s; R. L. A., quantity of tracts; D. and M. A. S., Rockhampton, Queensland, £1; Mrs J., Millerston, a quantity of clothing; Mrs H., 2s and parcel of clothing; R. S. M., Rutherglen, four parcels books; Mr O., 12 pairs stockings; a Friend, 34 half leaves; T. and F. B., £2; H. L. M'L., Kelvinside, +1; R. S. M., Rutherglen, a sewing machine, a watch, coins, etc. The following has been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:— Legacy of the late Mrs Mitchell, Pollokshields, to build "The Lochhead and Mitchell Home," per R. Walker & Ingram, £1600.

7th August,-T. S., Motherwell, 2s; W. S's Sabbath Evening Class, Balruddery, Dundee, 10s; Miss J. M'K. L.'s Bible Class in Victoria Place Baptist Church, Paisley, 13s; W. K., Holytown, 10s; J. K., Lenzie, £5; J. A., West Kilbride postmark, £2; "D. E.," £40; Miss L., Dundas, Canada, £20 7s; D. M'L., Aberdeen, £5; Mrs J. B., four pairs stockings; telegraph workers in G.P.O., Glasgow, 13s 8d; found in Boxes at Cottage Homes, £8 2s 6d; Mrs M'K., Bridge of Weir, clothing; Miss Q., £1; Mr D., Helensburgh, 10s; a Friend near Selkirk, per editor of The Christian Leader, 10s; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 10 pairs stockings; a Friend, Greenock, 10s; S. G., Dumfries, 1s; Mrs H., Carhan, 14 pairs stockings; Miss H., Coldstream, three pairs do.; Mrs S, £3; Mrs H., Banff, small box of clothing; "A Constant Reader at Denver of The Christian Leader, per the editor, £1; Little David G., Shawlands, 5s; G. A. H., Weston-super-Mare, 5s; D. M. S., for emigration, 17s 6d; Mrs I., 10s. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission :- The Fruits of a Servant's Mission Box, Hamilton, seven articles of clothing; Miss N., pamphlets; Miss C., Ibrox, £1; Shawlands Established Church Sunday School, per J. A., 16s; "Give and it shall be given unto you," £1 6s 10d; L. B. & Co., per C.O. Society, 10s 3d; M'C. & Co., per do., £2 0s 11d; a Friend, a quantity of bread; D. S., Bathgate, £2; Miss L., Lochgilphead, £1; from Appleby, six pairs cuffs; "For the Daily Needs," 2s 6d and four pairs stockings; found in Boxes during July, 6s 10½d; Mr S., two dozen pies; T. & P. B., £2; a Worker, 3s 4d; Mrs D., a sewing machine and parcel of clothing; Erskine U.P. Church Mission Mothers' Meeting, £1; J. R. C., Hamilton, 10s; Mrs M., Cononbridge, 4s. The following donations have been sent in for Orphan Homes' Building Func:—Miss F., Montrose, towards furnishing "Montrose" Home, £20; J. C. W., to furnish and complete "Overtoun" Home, £700.

21st August.—Stromness U.P. Church S.S., per J. S., Edinburgh, £1 10s; Sydney Place U.P. Church S.S. Society, per J. J., £1 17s; Miss M., £2; J. G., Newcas le, 10s; Dr R., London. £1; a Blind Lady, Edinburgh, 2s 6d; St. George's S.S. Association, Paisley, per N.B., 10s; a Friend, Buckhaven, 2s; a Friend of the Poor in the East of Scotland, £100; "a Follower of Jesus," 6s; A. L., Edinburgh, 10s; Mrs M., Chili, per Mrs R., Neilston. £20; A. J., Kirkcudbright, £1; Miss W., Huntly, £1; Mr C., Lenzie, a basket of gooseherries; proceeds of a little girl's bazaar at Ashfield, Millport, per C. B., Airdrie, 10s; Miss B.'s Sewing Meeting, Horsforth, six articles of clothing; Mrs W., Strachur, £10; "a Friend at Shrewsbury," per editor of Christian Leader, 10s; "a Comrie Friend," per W. H., 10s; W. M'B., Aros, 2s 6d; Rossie Y.W.C.A., per Mrs A., Inchture, 54 articles of clothing; C. S. A., Kirkintilloch, 5s; Mr M'O., Stirling, 2s 6d; Two Callander Friends," £2; J. S. H., £10; "An Invalid," Inverness, per ditor of Christian Leader, 2s; T. and P. B., £3; Mrs H., Helensburgh, £5; J. I., Dunfermline, 5s; Miss H., Broughton, 5s; a Friend, 2s; Mrs T., Dowanhill, 5s; Working Girls,

Leslie, Fife, 30 articles of clothing; H. S., Hamilton, £1; Miss M., Musselburgh, £4; Miss M'D., Dundee, 10s; "Five happy brothers and sisters," Cumbernauld, 7s 7d; Mrs L. a quantity of remnants; E. I., Burntisland, 10s; Queen's Cross Free Church S.S., Aberdeen, per J. W. J., £2 10s; H. B., Dunfermline, £10; W. E. S., £1 1s; Miss J. C., Sannox, £50; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 1s 6d; funeral money of E. H., per T. H., £5; "a Friend in Bo'ness," 5s; Mr T., Bridge-of-Weir, two baskets gooseberries. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—Parkhead Sabbath forenoon meeting, per W. B., £1 1s; "Blessed are the poor in Spirit," 2s 6d; Two Friends. 10s; "Amicus," £3; a Friend. 30 loaves and 45 rolls; J. C., Motherwell, £5; W. B., £3; Mrs M'C., 2s 6d; a Friend, 13 loaves; Holm Street S.S., in connection with St. Vincent Street U.P. Church, 10s; Mrs F., Lenzie, £3; a Friend, a parcel of old clothing; a Friend, 12½ loaves; Waterloo Street postmark, 2s 6d; a Friend, nine loaves; Mrs B.'s Mothers' Meeting, 11s; a Friend, 6½ loaves; Mrs M'N., Kilmelfort, £1 and box of clothing; P. F., Leith, £5.

4th September.—"J. F.," Motherwell, per editor of Christian Leader, 5s; M. S., Sandbank, 5s; Miss W., do., 5s; Chapelshade Free Church S.S., Dundee, per J. B., 10s 6d; T. E., Stirling, £2; J. S., Newmilns. 1s; A. M.'s Bible Class, Auchmill, 10s; Miss C., Milnathort, £25; a Friend, £15; East U. P. Church Minister's Bible Class, Strathaven, £1 7s; "In Memory of J. B. M'C.," Manchester, 10s; Dr T., London, £5; R. F., Strathaven, £7; D. M'L., Aberdeen, £5; Children's Mission Box, Hamilton, 5s; D. M., Hillhead, £2; D. M.'s Family, do., £1; W. B. H., Matlock Bridge, 10s 6d; G. R. M'N., Dundee, 5s; "Alick," 17s 6d; Mrs O. E., Cardross, £10; "C.," £1 5s 6d; Helensburgh Working Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per D. M., £3 6s 5d; a Wellwisher, E. B., Edinburgh, 10s; Found in Boxes at Bridge of Weir Homes, £8 4s 5d; "A Sincere Wellwisher," Kilbarchan postmark, £2; Miss S., Greenock, six hats; Misses L., Helensburgh, four dozen pairs stockings and clothing; Catheart Free Church S.S., £1 2s 6d; J. J., Auchterarder, 2s 6d; Mrs C., Arran, £40. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—a Friend, 10 loaves; per Mr M., from grandmother of a girl helped. £2; Mrs M'I., 1s and clothing; Miss R., hats, trimming, buttons, etc.; M. W., £5; R. J., £1; J. A., Leslie, 10s; In Memory of a Loved One gone home (Saltcoats postmark), 5s; W. W., 60 half qr. loaves; found in boxes during August, £1 2s 6d; M. G., 10s; Mr M., Rothiemay, £1; F. & L., one piece brawn; Mr M., 10 dozen scones and 3 loaves; a Worker, £1; Mrs H., a parcel of clothing; a Worker, 3s 4d; Mr W., 30 loaves and six dozen scones.

18th September. - Miss M., £2; W. F., £1; "One who is unable to be present at the thanksgiving," Mrs S., 15s; W. M'K., Elderslie, £10; Mrs G., Bothwell, a parcel of clothing; Miss A. M., Greenock, £1; from the Master's Treasury, £2; "Saved by not using Tobacco for one year," £3; "One who has seen the Homes and feels what a good work they are," £1; 'Found in a young man's pocket after his death," per Miss M'C., Gourock, 10s; Miss M'C., Gourock, 10s and a parcel of stockings, etc.; C. A., 10s; a Widow's Mite, Mrs M., 19s; Dr M., Kirriemuir, £1; Mrs M, do., five pairs of stockings; Sydney Place U.P. Church S.S. Society, per J. J., £1 6s; Mr L.'s children, Greenock, 10s; Two Friends, Wishaw, 10s; a Friend on the West Coast for expenses of Thanksgiving Day, £5; H. R., Edinburgh, for do., £5; Mrs D., for do., 10s; a Friend for do., £1; Mrs S. R. G., Largs, for do., £1; a Wellwisher, Johnstone, for do., £5; Found in Boxes and collection for expenses on "Thanksgiving Day," £64 10s 7½d; W. L., Paisley, £1; J. J., do., eight boxes corn flour; Mrs L., Castle-Douglas, a piece of homespun tweed; Middle Parish Mission Church and Sabbath Schools, Paisley, per E. H., £1 10s; "B.," £1; M. R., Kintyre, £1; "One who was present at thanksgiving services" (Hamilton postmark), £2; T. M., £5; Mrs C., per J. C., £5; Kirn U.P. Church Bible Class, per A. G., 9s; J. M., £1; R. and Mrs B., Broughton, £10; F. H. R., £5; Johnstone Free Church Young Men's Class, per J. B., £1 5s 2d; Sabbath School children, Paisley, per Misses M. and J. H., 10s; Dollar Free Church S.S., per J. A. G., £4 1s 3d; "Fines from Clarkfield, Partick," 15s 10½d; J. T. M., Stornoway, a gold ring and masonic badge; Miss B., £1; Pupils at Auchencraig, Kirn, per Miss C., 21 articles of clothing; Mrs H., Maryhill, £1; M. C., Loadon, £20; Mrs D., Shawlands, £1; Mrs D., Darbhotton 14 single of the Mrs Mrs Filiphore 12. Dumbarton, 14 pairs stockings; Miss M'M., Edinburgh, £2; Miss B., do., £1; a Young Man, Stewarton, 5s; C. C., Rothesay, £1; Miss R., Kilmalcolm, two hats; Newhills Dorcas Society, per Miss R., Aberdeen, 20 pairs stockings; A. D., a parcel of clothing; Mrs W., nine articles of clothing; a Young Invalid, Govan, three articles of clothing and some small books; collected by R. A. S., Linlithgow, £1 10s; a registered letter (Edinburgh postmark), a small jet brooch; a Friend, Bellahouston, 10s 6d; an Anonymous Friend, 10s; Stockwell Place Female Bible Class, £3 13s 2d. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission: —Glasgow Typographical Society, £2 2s; Mrs J., Skelmorlie, £1; D. G. F., Tullymet, £2s 6d; Family of Mr S., per J. C. S., £1; a Friend on the West Coast, £10; F. and L., one piece brawn; J. M'C., £2; A. P., a parcel of tea; J. H., a "Thankoffering to God for His goodness," £10; "a Wellwisher," South Queensferry, 18s; a Friend, per Miss R., Callander, £1; J. B., 5s; Mrs G., 1s; S. and L., quantity of buttons, trimmings, etc.; Misses K. and B., Melrose, 10s; J. E. D., Aberdeen, "In memory of Little Willie's birthday, 12th Sept.," £1; P. M., a few caps; Mrs F., 3s and parcel of stockings, scarfs, etc.; "Part of the Lord's Tenth,"

10s; a Friend, bread. The following has been sent in for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—J. C., £25.

2nd October.—Miss S., Gourock, 7 articles of clothing; a Friend, hats; Mrs M., Irvine, three pairs stockings; Miss G., parcel of clothing; Mrs M'I., parcel of cast-off clothing; Miss R., Sprouston, parcel of clothing—33 articles; J. W., £20; Mrs M., four pairs sacks; Mrs B. H., Callander, and friends, parcel of clothing—57 articles; W. M., Edinburgh, £1; Anonymous, "For Orphan Girls," £1; "For the orphans" Mount Florida, 5s; D. M. S., for emigration, £2 13s 6d; Miss F. P., Alloa, 80 pairs stockings and clothing; Mrs S., Kirkcaldy, parcel of clothing—17 articles; T. K., £20; Mrs L., Dundee, £5; Mrs N., Partick, £2 and 12 pairs stockings; T. F. M., Edinburgh, £10; Miss G. C., Montrose, 20 pairs socks; J. B., Arbroath, 3s; a Friend, Crieff, £1; Anderston U.P. Crurch Sabbath Forenoon Meeting, per J. H. S., £2 2s; J. M. P., £3; Mrs C., Biggar, £2 2s; D. M'A., £2; W. L., Portobello, £1; J. W. B., Bridge-of-Weir, two bags sugar; Mrs J. L., Kilmarnock, parcel of clothing—11 articles; a Friend, £1; a Servant, 2s 6d; G. F., Greenock, £1; J. W., 10s; collected at Children's Flower Service in connection with U.P. Church S.S., Darvel, per J. D. R., £2 5s; Mr and Mrs R., Croydon, £5; Clason Free Church S.S., Carmunnock, per J. W., 10s; Mrs M, Uddingston, 10s; Mission Workers of Bethany Hall, Bridgeton, £1 15s; a Birthday Gift, £1; Miss M., Johnstone, £2; Miss A., Beckenham, Kent, per Miss M, Campbeltown, 10s; Proceeds of work, per Miss W., Aberdeen, £1. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—S. F., London, 5s; Mr P., Alloa, £1; Mrs M., Helensburgh, 5s; a Friend from the country, 5s; Mrs W., 7s; Springbank U.P. Church Bible Class, per W. S., £1 10s; S. H. R. C., per Miss S., Ardrishaig, 17s; Bath Street U.P. Mission S.S., per R. A., 13s 2d; Miss C., £1; Mr A., £1; the late William Armour's estate, per James Alexander. writer, £20; a Friend, 20 half-loaves; Mrs M., Crosshill, parcel of old clothes; F. M., Paisley, £5 0s 6d; "a Birthday Thauksgiving," £1; Two Workers, £2; a Worker, 3s 4d; Fr

16th October.—A Worker, £1; Bellahouston Parish Church S.S., per P. W. W., 13s; "Two Friends," £10; Rothessy Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per A. H., £2; Anonymous. Dollar postmark, 10s; Mrs B, Bothwell, two hampers clothing (18 articles); Whitehill Juvenile Missionary Society and Band of Hope, per Miss J. L., Grange, Keith, 18 shirts and 18 pairs stockings; Mrs C., Paisley, £2; Miss A. C. G., Strathaven, £1; C. A. R., £10; W. Bros., quantity of rope, twine, etc., amounting to £1 16s 8d; Mrs R., Langbank, parcel of useful clothing and hats; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 12s; Busby U.P. Church S.S., per Mr C., £1 4s 6d; D. M., Balloch, £1; W. W. S., Norwich, 5s; J. P., Stranraer, £2; Mrs H., Kilmarnock, £5 5s; Mrs M°C., Hunter's Quay, nine pinafores and eight shirts; a Friend, per Mrs H., Macduff, £1 1s; Mrs H., do., £1 1s; "The Peter Brough Bequest Fund," per J. G., Paisley, £50; Miss S., Gourock, rags for Invalids' Home and a scrap book; J. A., "A thankoffering for the Lord's goodness," 5s; Miss B., a parcel of clothing and £1; Miss W., Sandbank, 18 hoods, 19 scarfs, petticoats, etc.; Miss M., £2; In stamps, Kilmarnock postmark, 2s 6d; J. D., Arbroath, £5; J. G. C., Paisley, £3; R. D., Ayr, £1; Misses S., Bellahouston, £50; Dr D., London, £6; "For Jesus' sake," Haddington, per editor Christian Leader, 5s; O. U., Shrewsbury, per do., 5s; a Little Girl, Dunfermline, 6d; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 11 pairs stockings; Miss A., Bridge-of-Allan, £2; Miss K., Houston, four pairs stockings; Miss D., Edinburgh, 2s 6d; Mrs J. R., Callander, 58 articles of clothing; Cambusnethan Free Church S.S., Wishaw, per J. S., £1 1s 6d; Miss H., Pitlochrie, £1; Miss C. M. A. S., do., per do., 10s; T. and P. B., £3; "Roh," £2; Y.M. Sabbath Evening Fellowship Meeting, Grangemouth, per H. M., 10s; Miss W., Stirling, £20; D. M. S., for emigration, £15; "Sarah," Greenock, 5s; Mrs L., Bridge-of-Allan, per J. H., £2. The following donations have been sent in for City Home Refuge and Mission:—A Worker, £1 13s 4d; C. A. R., £5; Lillyearn S.S.,

30th October.—Mrs and Miss A., Edinburgh, £2; Miss T., Hamilton, seven pairs stockings and one petticoat; Mrs C. 10s and six pairs stockings; C. L., Perth, £1; Little Lads' Meeting, Helensburgh, per Mrs M'K., 4s; T. S., Motherwell, 10s; a Friend. Prestwick, parcel of old clothes; "The Odd Minute Society," Forfar, per Mrs C., 4s 9d and parcel of clothing; Mrs D., parcel of useful odds and ends; F. M'L., Kilmarnock, 5s; collected at Gospel Service in connection with Railway Mission, Greenock, per

W. A., £1 15s 6d; Miss M., magazines; C. A. D., £2; F. J. H. B. W., 10s; Mrs L., Dundee, three pairs socks and three pairs stockings; C. S. B., £1; a Friend, four pairs stockings; E. M., Kilmarnock, 3s; J. S., do., six pairs stockings; Mr and Mrs G. H. S. G., Hawick, £1 11s 6d; Mrs M., £4; Miss G., West Kilbride, 10s; from "Sat," a birthday present, £10; G. S. & S., £50; J. K., £2; "Anonymous," £1; Whyte's Causeway Baptist Church Sabbath Schools, Kirkcaldy. per Mrs S., £2 4s 8d; Mrs T. F. M., 36 pairs stockings, etc., made by members of Y. W. C. A., Stepps; per Mrs B., useful box of clothing; Mrs B., Stepps, per do., 5s; Mrs. B., Kirkcudbright, £1; a Friend, Kirn, slates, etc.; Mr Y., 10s; J. A. B., Paisley, £10; "Part of Children's Harvest Wages," Laurencekirk post mark, 5s; Miss E. K. Laugbank, 28 pots jam; Mrs T., Alloa, 12 scarfs; Mrs M'N., Kilmelfort, 10s 6d and parcel of clothing; A. C., Grangemouth, 10s; Miss L., Lenzie, £1 and parcel of clothing mrs M., 6 pairs socks; C. T. C., Dunoon, £5; Miss F., Elinburgh, 36 articles of clothing and 4 pictures on cloth; Mr A., near Bridge-of-Weir, 2 bags potatoes; J. N., Greenock, small parcel of underclothing; J. R. A., 5s; two servants, per Miss T., Yetholm, 1 pair stockings and 1 petiticoat; J. G. M., £1; Crieff Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per J. K., 8s 8½d; "Found Money," 9s; Miss F., Montrose, 28 articles of clothing and 12 text cards; Mrs B., Milton of Campsie, £5; "Friends," Yetholm, per Miss T., 2s; R. B., Aberystwith, £2; "Per parcel post," Perth, small parcel of underclothing; D. M. S., for emigration, £1 14s; A. D., Crosshill, £6; "A Friend in Jesus, to help to feed the little ones," 7s; left for the Homes by Alexander Forrester, one of our boys now "gone home," for Canadian work, £103 7s; found in boxes at Cottage Homes, £8 11s 4d; R. S., Fraserburgh, 1 barrel fish and 1 box herring. A Lady Friend, "£2; "A Working Lad," 2s 6d; "a Friend," £1; Mrs P., 10s; "A Lady Friend," £2; "A Working Lad," 2s 6d; "a Friend," four quartern loaves; G. S. & S., £

GLASGOW WAIFS AT SUPPER.

From EVENING NEWS, 13th Jan., 1886.

Between seven and ten o'clock last night there were fewer waifs in the streets of the city of Glasgow than there will be on any other evening during the year, for eleven hundred news-boys and girls, shoeblacks, match, pipe, and vesuvian vendors, singers, and beggars supped together. Gathered from all quarters of the city, they more than filled the spacious Great Western Hall, Wellington Street, and beyond question formed the most remarkable of the assemblages that that building has yet witnessed. Hitherto Mr. and Mrs. Quarrier, in connection with the Orphan Home Mission, have given this annual tea and supper in the James Morrison Street Hall, but increasing numbers necessitated the change. The guests did not dress for the occasion, a good many of them did not wash, but coming direct from their evening labour, appeared fully arrayed in the rags and dirt which close communion with the streets never fails to give. The majority of them were early upon the scene, and by seven o'clock, the hour fixed for the commencement of the proceedings, the hall was crowded; evidently the "swarry" had proved itself an effectual attraction. The news-boy, who could hardly be mistaken even among so many owing to the more than ordinarily precocious cuteness which seems to manifest itself in the visage of every little retailer of the "wars, murders, and suicides," was well represented. The provision once to the fore, havor was pretty speedily created therein. Buns disappeared as if by magic, mouths small to look at manifested consumptive faculties of a most exhaustive character; the babel of tongues, which no effort could previously subdue, was completely overcome by the munching of cake and biscuits, the drinking of tea, and the clatter of dishes.

The eating and the drinking came to a close, and having expressed their gratification by a loud hurrah, the audience settled themselves down to listen to a few words from their friend Mr. Quarrier, to hear songs and recitations, and to gaze upon the wonderful productions of the magic lantern. Mr. Quarrier talked pleasantly to them, wished them a Happy New Year, and they with one voice returned the compliment. About 300 held up their hands in response to a call for those who were fatherless, and 40 or 50 showed in a similar manner that they had no mothers. Each member of the audience, in leaving the hall, became the possessor of two sausage rolls and an orange, a substantial conclusion to an evening of genuine enjoyment.

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-This balance is for Emigration Work, and is not available for general expenses.

Grasoow, 10th November, 1886.— I have audited the Books containing the Intromissions of Mr. Quarrier for year ending 30th October, 1886, in connection with the Orphan-Hornes of Sociland and Destitute Children's Emigration Homes, compared the relative Voucher, 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 One Pound Four Shillings and Fourpence Thanks, and the sum of Three Hundred and Fourteen Pounds Twelve Shillings and Fourpence Thanks, and the sum of Three Hundred and Fourteen Pounds Twelve Shillings and Fourpence Thanks.

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connection with the City Orphan Pounds Nineteen Shillings and JAMES HUTTON, C.A. GLASGOW, 19th November, 1886.—I have audited the Books containing the Intromissions for year ending 30th October, 1886, in Home, Refuge, and Mission. compared the Vouchers, and find all correct, closing with a balance due to Mr. Quarrier of Four Tenpence, and the sum of One Hundred and Forty-cight Pounds Fifteen Shillings and Eightpence in Bank.

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entirely absorbed by contracts already entered into but not completed. This balance is

GLABGOW, 10th November, 1866.—I beg to certify that the sum on hand and in Bank on 30th October, 1886, at the credit of the Building Account of the "Orphan Cottage Homes" amounts, as stated above, to Seven Thousand Two Hundred and Eleven Pounds Ten Shillings and One Penny Farthing.

JAMES HUTTON, C.A.

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CITY HOME REFUGE AND MISSION.



THE above house still holds its place as one of the most useful agencies of our country in the help it affords to the sin-tossed, homeless, and perishing ones of our land. We have not space at our disposal in this Narrative to warrant our enlarging on any of the numerous branches of work carried on under its roof, but would briefly touch on some of these Every child admitted to the Homes at Bridge-of-Weir first passes through this one, which is thus the receiving house for all; and as the whole case of each of these has to be thoroughly investigated before being taken in, a very large amount of work has thus been gone through. In addition to those received we have had under our consideration hundreds of others who were not suitable for admission, and to whom advice and help has been given according to their need. All this, along with the labour of managing such a large house with its many inmates, is no easy burden to carry, and nothing but love for Christ and the perishing around could enable myself and co-workers in the Home to bear up under it from day to day. The interference of the would-be friends of the children whom we seek to rescue is a cause of much annoyance to us from time to time. It is no uncommon thing for us to be assailed by the drunken relatives, who with oaths and curses, dreadful to hear, try what they can do to trouble us. Though often cast down we still press on in the work the Lord has called us to, in "rescuing the perishing, caring for the dying, and telling of Jesus the mighty to save."

WORKING BOYS' HOME.

During the past year about 100 young lads have had the shelter of this branch of our work. Some of these have gone into lodgings on their own account, having sufficient wages to maintain themselves; others have left, and there are at present 61 in the house. These are apprenticed to trades such as joiners, printers, ironworkers, painters, etc., in different places in the city. Their wages, 3s. 6d., 5s., or 10s. a week, or whateverthey may be, are given up to us, and each boy receives 1d. off every shilling he earns for pocket-money, while we provide them with clothing.

food, and all other necessaries. We seek to make the house "home" to them, and are very grateful to God that so many lads who would otherwise be without control and in circumstances from which it would be almost impossible to rise into an honest life, are thus brought under Christian influence and training.

YOUNG WOMEN'S TEMPORARY HOME.

Through this department of our work we have been able in the past year to help about 70 of a very needy class of young women, who but for the timely aid would have gone astray. We sometimes wonder that more of this class do not seek the benefits of the Home, and take this opportunity of repeating that we are always ready to take in any virtuous young women, from 14 to 25 years of age, who are out of employment, and are willing to be trained for service. After trial, and when we think them fit, we procure situations for them. A suitable outfit is also provided, and thus we give them a fresh start in life. 34 have been placed out during the past year, and there are 25 still in the Home.

THE CHILDREN'S NIGHT REFUGE

Is another branch of the work, and our doors are open at any time of the day or night to receive children found sleeping out, begging, or deserted. Since the starting of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children there have not been so many children brought to our Night Refuge as in former years. This agency is really doing a good work in our midst, and we hope in the future it will be even more useful than in the past. More legal power is much needed to control effectively the children of the streets, and we would fain hope that the Magistrates of our City will soon arise and get such, and so remove the disgrace that at present exists.

EVANGELISTIC AND MISSION WORK.

This is one of the most important branches of work that is carried on in connection with the City Home. Besides the regular visitation of the district and lodging houses by our staff of voluntary helpers in the Mission, many other visits are paid to the sick and dying from time to time, when opportunity is afforded of pointing them to "the Lamb of God who taketh away the sin of the world," and also of giving temporary aid, which in many cases is very much needed. Tens of thousands of tracts are also distributed yearly, so that in these ways the Gospel is carried to a large portion of our non-church-going community. Gospel meetings have been conducted in our hall on Sabbath and Wednesday evenings, also Sabbath Morning Meetings for children, and at different times during the year we have had weeks of special services with evangelists. In November and December Richard Weaver was with us for four weeks; in January, Major Penn and Mr. Cairns, of South America, for a fortnight; and later on John Thomson, of Cockenzie; from which services many have been brought out of darkness into God's marvellous light. Towards the end of the year, Charles Cook, of Hyde Park, London, and F. E. Marsh, of London also, were with us, and their labours were also blessed to the ingathering of precious souls. The "good seed of the kingdom" has been sown at many other times and in many different ways, the results of which eternity alone will tell.

SUMMARY OF THE YEAR'S WORK.

CITY ORPHAN HOME.—On 1st November, 1885, we had 71 boys and 27 girls in the Home, and these numbers have been augmented during the year by 296 boys and 222 girls, thus giving a total of 616 cases, disposed of as follows:—

Boys.—228 sent to the Cottage Homes, Bridge-of-Weir; 2 to Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children; 30 left and went to lodgings, etc.; 1 died; 2 absconded with wages; 2 were dismissed; and 41 were returned to friends in different parts of the kingdom, such as Liverpool, Belfast, Sligo, Douglas, Middlesborough, Edinburgh, Airdrie, Maybole, Paisley, Greenock, Stranraer—leaving 61 in the Home.

GIRLS.—139 sent to Cottage Homes, Bridge-of-Weir; 34 were placed in service; 7 were adopted; 2 to Hospital; 9 left; 33 were sent to their relatives in various places,

and 25 are still in the Home.

ORPHAN Homes of Scotland, Bridge-of-Weir.—The year commenced with 367 children; 367 new cases have been received from City Home, giving a total of 734 disposed of as follows: Sent to Canada, 209; ran away, 1; died, 14; adopted, 2; returned to friends, 31; to City Home, 1; to service, 2; leaving at present in the Homes, 474.

During the year we have permanently helped 841 children, and in the same time temporary assistance has been given to 142 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 983 who have passed through the Homes.

Besides these, about 100 young women and lads were given a night's shelter and food in the Model Lodging House till we investigated their cases. While this has greatly increased our lodging-house cases it has diminished our casual numbers.

During the year 850 homeless, friendless wanderers were provided with a night's shelter in the model lodging-houses, and in many cases with food. Through the kindness of friends 41 lines for Infirmaries and 41 for Convalescent Homes were got for those in sickness or delicate health. 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.

Over 200 evangelistic meetings have been held, with audiences of from 100 to 4000, in our own and other halls. Thousands of tracts have been distributed and many 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.

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, £5954 19s. 8d.; for the City Home Refuge and Mission, including £954 0s. 9½d. earned by boys, £2,117 14s. 5½d.; and for Orphan Homes of Scotland Building Fund, £15,252 19s. 8d.—

the total amount for all purposes being £23,325 13s. 9\d., 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 require 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 expenses for maintenance amount to about £30 a day, or £930 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 money to build more cottages to house the little ones. Bethesda, our Invalids' Home at Bridge-of-Weir, has been fully occupied through the whole of the year, and, as there have been a number of our older boys ill with consumption and other diseases, we feel the want of a house where such could be separated from the others. £2,000 will build one, and we think some of the Lord's children may wish to do this piece of service for Him. Money for more school accommodation and road making, etc., at Bridge-of-Weir is also needed, for all of which we look to the Lord whose is the silver and the gold. 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. £230 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, £2,000 or more will be needed for the passages and outfits of the children, so that our wants are great. For the 560 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 us 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 and all 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 Sabbathschool superintendents, teachers, and scholars; to ladies who have made up garments 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 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."

3n Memoriam.

During the year just closed many of our valued helpers and friends have been removed from their earthly labours here to the heavenly service above. They have done their part in life's battle, and now "they rest from their labours and their works do follow them," while we miss their Christian sympathy and help.

The first of these was Mrs. John Groom, of Hampstead, Loudon, who for many years was a constant giver to the work. In November, 1884, just about twelve months before her death, she sent £100 she had intended leaving to the Homes in her will, but decided to be her own executor, and give as far as she could during her lifetime. We shall miss the cheering messages she so frequently sent, but we know the change to her is great gain. May the bereaved husband be sustained and comforted.

On the 8th of December, 1885, Rev. William Dunn, of Cardross, passed away. His help to the work in our hands, as well as his labours for the Master in the ministry, have left behind much fruit and grateful remembrance of his devotion and self-sacrifice. We pray that the dear home circle will be comforted in knowing that his labour has not been "in vain in the Lord."

Miss Ewing, of Hillhead, another of our helpers, was called "home" on the 6th of February last. Although often weak and suffering in body, she was "strong in faith, giving glory to God" and helping on His work by many deeds of kindness done and words of comfort and cheer spoken. She was a "succourer of many and of myself also."

Rev. John Monteith, of Glencairn, was taken suddenly away to his rest and reward on 20th February. He was much beloved for his works' sake, as well as for his own. May his sorrowing widow and friends be consoled by the thought that he will be remembered by what he has done.

On July 4th, Mr. David Ross, of Pollokshields, passed away. He was a quiet, unassuming man, but one who in many ways sought to serve the Master, and now he rests from his labours.

Mr. John Colville, of Campbeltown, who died in July also, was an occasional giver to the work. We could have wished him to be spared longer amongst us, but the Lord had need of him for service above.

September 25th will be a day long memorable in the history of our city and country through the sad accident that took place on Loch Fyne side. Among those suddenly cut down there was our dear friend Mr. Matthew Waddell. He was one of the excellent of the earth, who sought to serve the Lord with a devotion that knew no tiring. We have known him for many years as the widow's friend and the orphan's helper. His last gift to the work was just a month before his death, when he also remembered our own needs We pray that God will watch over his widow and family and direct them in every step of their way for His glory.

Mr. James Hamilton, of Johnstone, who died on the 12th of October, was for many years a constant giver to the work. He interested himself in quite a number of needy cases, and felt it a great privilege and joy to minister to their needs, as well as to other little ones under our care. In his will he has also remembered the work by leaving a legacy of £1000, payable in May, 1888. May his widow realise the abiding presence of Him who has promised to be a Husband to the widow.

Mrs. Tweeddale, of Helensburgh, whose kind gifts and words have cheered us from time to time in the past, has also been called "home."

Mr. Andrew Galbraith, of Johnstone Castle, and Mr. William Crombie, of Royal Bank, Glasgow, both kind friends to the work, were removed during the year. They too will be remembered by what they have done.

Towards the close of our year Mrs. James Campbell, of Claremont Gardens, passed away to her rest and reward. Her last gift to the work in our hands was sent just a month before she died. She was ripe for the change, and now enjoys the rest that remaineth "to the people of God."

Among such a large circle of friends, there are very probably many others of whose departure we have not heard. We pray that the God of all comfort and consolation may guide, uphold, and strengthen each dear relative and friend left behind, and may they and we be followers of them "who through faith and patience," are now inheriting the promises.

CONCLUSION.

We close the records of another year with thankful hearts for all the Lord has permitted us to do for Him in the work among His little ones. We are very grateful also to all our generous helpers whose kind gifts in money, clothing, provisions, etc., have supplied our needs, and we feel sure they will rejoice with us in being permitted to lessen the sufferings of the needy perishing ones of our land as well as to give a deeper tone of moral and spiritual power to thousands of others. The sad and distressing tales of suffering that we have had to deal with in connection with the work are such that in many instances they are not fit to be printed, and we have only touched the surface in the Narrative just closed. There is many a day's work at the City Home among the poor and needy which, if recorded in detail, would more than fill the volume that we now send forth. Our object in writing has not been to excite sympathy but to state facts that will show in some measure what God has done through the sympathy and co-operation of His children who seek to honour Him with their means as well as work. We believe those who realise their obligations to the Lord, have only to know of the REAL destitution among the needy and to the amount of their ability they are willing to help. It may be that some fail in helping at the time they should, but God overrules their want of prompt action by sending others to do it for Him. The increasing numbers of needy ones who keep applying from day to day is a sure evidence to us that we should be more earnest in the year to come, and we believe there is no field of Christian benevolence which yields so much abiding fruit as that bestowed on the orphan and destitute children of our country. The national character of the work may be seen from the fact that we have children in the Homes from the far north, south, east, and west of Scotland, the majority of course being from Glasgow and the west. The Homes at present erected are, we believe, worthy of the "Land of the Bible," and as we are anxious to see them even more so we should rejoice if some of the Lord's stewards in Edinburgh, Perth, Dundee, Stirling, and other places that are not yet represented in the group, as well as "Scotchmen abroad," would give a house, and thus get their city associated with the National Homes of Scotland. To all who love the children and wish to see the pauperism and crime of our country lessened we would say, there is no better way of doing so than in helping the widows, fatherless, and orphans out of their affliction and distress. The work in Canada continues to be as efficiently carried on by our fellow-worker, Miss Bilbrough, and her helpers as in former years. We are glad to be still able to say that of all the children we have sent out to Canada 95 per cent. continue to do well. We wish we could say the same of the thousands we have helped at home, and hence our anxiety to extend this branch of our work. The £24,000 required for additional buildings, the money for the emigration expenses, and the £2,000 for additional accommodation on the other side, as well as the £10,000 required for maintenance we would seek to roll over upon the Lord, who in the past hath done "exceeding abundantly" above all that we have asked or thought. As to our needs for the right sort of workers, which are not the least, and our own for wisdom, strength, and all other things, we look to Him also, and would say in the language of the good old Book-"Brethren, pray for us." To our covenant-keeping God we give all the

honour of the past year's work, and to Him shall be the glory of the coming one, for He alone is worthy. The great privilege of serving Him here is ours, and it remains with each one of us "to do with our might what our hands find to do," so that when our labours are ended here we may receive from the Master His "Well done, good and faithful servant; because thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many."

We close with the following lines-

There's no time for idle scorning,
While the days are going by;
Let your face be like the morning,
While the days are going by:
Oh, the world is full of sighs,
Full of sad and weeping eyes;
Help your fallen brother rise,
While the days are going by!

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.

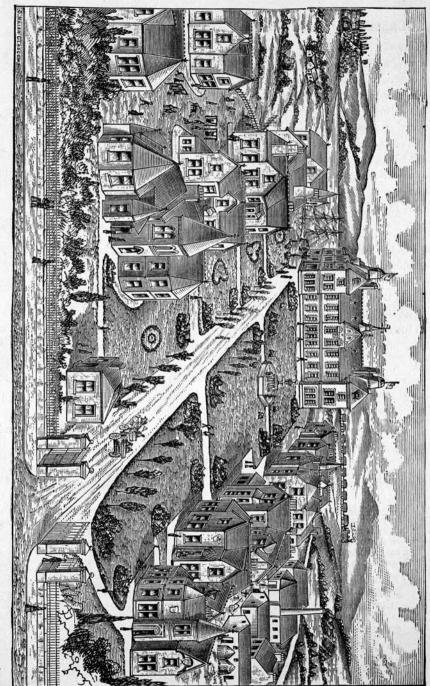
"I give to William Quarrier, Glasgow, or such other person or persons as shall, when this legacy shall become payable, be the director or directors of the Orphan Homes, Glasgow, and Bridge-of-Weir, the sum of \pounds :, to be paid out of such part of my personal estate as shall be legally applicable 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."

As we have resolved to give up our dwelling house at 318 St. Vincent Street, to prevent mistakes and delay, all letters in the future relating to the Homes should be addressed to me, at City Home, 13 James Morrison 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. Donations in Money and Clothing may also be left at Mr. D. J. Findlay's, 255 Argyle Street. Clothing, provisions, etc., may also 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.

CITY Home, 13 James Morrison Street, Glasgow, 1st November, 1886.



CLASSES OF CHILDREN ADMITTED INTO THE HOMES.

ORPHAM HOMES OF SCOTLAND BRIDGE-OF-WEIR, RENFREWSHIRE, for orphan boys and girls deprived of both parents, children of widows, or others without any one to care for them, from 1 to 14 years of age, from any part of the country.

Destitution is the title for admission, and there is no subscriber's line or voting paper required.

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

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

The superintendent or matron 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 for inspection, 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,

BRIDGE-OF-WEIR, RENFREWSHIRE, now comprise the following 25 Buildings :-

- 1. CENTRAL BUILDING, in which are Hall, School-rooms, accommodation for Teachers, etc.
- 2. "Broadfield Home."
- "Glasgow Home."
- 4. "Dalry Home."

What is that in thine hand?"-Exodus

- 5. "Dumbartonshire Home"
- 6. "Ebenezer Home."
- 7. "Washington Home." 8. "Aberdeen Home."
- 9. "Greenock Home."
- 10. "Anderston Home."
- 11. "Paisley Home."
- 12. "Cessnock Home." 13. "Mizpah Home."
- 14. "Leven Home."
- 15. "Overtoun Home."
- 16. "Montrose Home."
- 17. "Mitchell Lochhead Home.
- 18. "Allan Dick Memorial Home."
- 19. Gatehouse and Mortuary.
- 20. "BETHESDA HOME," for Invalid (Incurable) Children.
- 21. "FERGUSLIE OFFICES," comprising Steam Washing-house and Laundry, Workshops, Bakehouses, etc.
- 22. "STORES," including Stable, Coach-house, Byre, Greenhouse, etc.
- 23. "CHURCH AND CLASS ROOMS."
- 24. "JAMES ARTHUR" training ship on land.
- 25. "SUPERINTENDENT'S HOUSE."