

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

A NARRATIVE OF FACTS  
RELATIVE TO WORK DONE FOR CHRIST,  
IN CONNECTION WITH THE  
ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND,  
DESTITUTE CHILDREN'S EMIGRATION HOMES,  
AND  
CITY HOME AND MISSION, GLASGOW,  
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## NARRATIVE OF FACTS. 1890.

DEAR FELLOW-HELPERS,—Another year of blessed service for the Master has just closed, and in reviewing the way by which the Lord has brought us, and all that has been accomplished, our hearts are filled with gratitude and praise, and we are led with the Psalmist to say, "The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad." He has done great things not only for the 690 children we began the year with, and whom we have been privileged to care for, but in enabling us to rescue and gather in 452 more needy ones, besides helping and advising thousands of others who have come seeking our aid. Not only has the Lord done great things for us in the helping of these, but also by spiritual blessing given, in the salvation of precious souls. Great things have been done for us also in the new buildings given throughout the course of the year, in the sympathy extended, in the needed workers sent, and wisdom, grace, and strength given, and in the daily supplies which we have received with a constancy and sufficiency that have been marvellous in our eyes. Although at some periods of the year fear and doubt arose as to how ends would be met, the Lord has always come to our aid through His children, and we do magnify Him to-day, realising most surely that He hath done all things well. That there should be such a work done without trials and disappointments would be too much to hope for in human beings like ourselves, but the Lord has given grace to overcome them, and therefore we glory in the trouble, knowing that tribulation worketh patience, and patience, experience, and experience, hope.

In view of all the trials of the year, notwithstanding they were bitter at the time, we feel now as though we could not have wanted one of them, for through the sanctifying grace of the Lord they have become blessings to us, and we trust will enable us to do His work better in the days that are to come. Among the trials of the way have been the removal of many of our givers from their earthly labours here to the higher service above, leaving us poorer for the absence of their sympathy and help but heaven richer for their presence there.

We have had much cause for thankfulness during the year for the general good health of our large family, for although a number have been taken from us to the better land above, nearly all of these came in, as it were, to die with us, giving us the blessed privilege for a little while of ministering to the Lord in them. Before their removal from us we had assurance of their preparedness for the mansions on high, so that some of the givers to the work as well as the little ones who received of their bounty, are now having fellowship together before Him who hath loved both, and washed them in His precious blood.

The money sent in during the year has kept coming wonderfully



constant, day by day and month by month, teaching us that our Father knoweth what things we have need of before we ask for them. It will be remembered that we began the year on Nov. 1, 1889, with a balance of £621 2s. 8d. on hand, a little over a fortnight's provision, and although two or three times in the course of the year we have been down to our last pound, yet by the goodness of our covenant-keeping God, we were able to close each month with our balance on the right side of the ledger, and the year ended with just a little less on hand than we commenced it with. Our own personal and family needs have also been met from day to day in a way not common to man (through special gifts sent in), and which has led us to praise our Heavenly Father for the fulfilment of all He caused us to hope for.

But for the continual supplies sent day by day and month by month for the needs of our large family of orphan children, there would have been deficiency now: it is not the balance at the close of the year we look to, however small, for you will remember that at the beginning of 1888 we had only 11s. 4d. on hand, and yet that small balance was no sign to us that God had forgotten to be gracious but rather a reason that we should depend more on Him, and not on any money we may have in the bank. It has been a matter of wonder to us many a time how you, my dear fellow-helpers, have been guided in giving, so that there has been no overplus nor yet lack throughout the year, leading us to praise our Heavenly Father from day to day.

During the past year there have been sent in for all purposes £18,682 0s. 6½d., and large quantities of clothing and provisions; and in the same time 452 children, from a few months old to 18 years of age, from different parts of the country have been admitted, which, added to the 690 we began the year with, makes a total of 1,142 who have passed through the Homes during the past twelve months. These fatherless (and about half of them motherless also) children have come from all parts of the country and from among all classes, such as sailors, soldiers, and civilians in almost every social position in life, whose circumstances were so altered that they required a helping hand stretched out to succour them in their hour of need. It is a matter worthy of note that no destitute, fatherless child has ever been refused admittance to the Homes, and each one has been received without any regard to the circumstances that their parents had been in, and also dealt with as we would deal with our own were they in like distress. We try to act the father and mother's part towards them, and know no difference between the child of the once rich man and that of the poor one. God is the Father of the fatherless, and believing this, we seek to labour as His servants on behalf of His little ones.

In addition to the children dealt with in the Homes, 482 homeless, friendless wanderers have been provided with a night's shelter in the Model Lodging-house, and in many cases with food; besides thousands of other needy ones helped with advice, etc. Then there has been the Gospel work carried on at the City Home Hall by our missionary and evangelists, to which the Lord has added His benediction. For the sake of those who do not know the nature of the 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 any one for money, nor do we send out collectors, nor go out to give lectures or get money, or resort to bazaars or entertainments for the purpose of raising it. The

work is the Lord's, and we commit *everything* to Him in prayer, believing that He will supply through His children what we require, and hitherto this has never failed us. Eight years ago I was led, after much prayer and thought, to give up the remaining part of my business, and devote my whole time to the work, my wife and family assisting me. Year by year since then our Heavenly Father has sent gifts to a special fund (apart from any of the funds belonging to the Homes) which has hitherto been sufficient to meet the needs of my family and myself.

The work of the Homes 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, act from the high motive of not letting their left hand know what their right hand does. That friends may know somewhat of our daily work, and of the joy and sorrow, trial and blessing which come to us, we give the following details of the Lord's dealings with us during the past year, praying that through them the Master may be glorified, and His children encouraged by the record of His faithfulness.

*Nov. 1, 1889.*—We are again brought to the beginning of another financial year—the 19th of our trust in the Lord, for all the needs of the Homes, and the 26th of our work among poor children. As we enter it we rest anew on the Lord's promise: "Certainly I will be with thee; I will not fail thee, fear not, neither be dismayed." £10 from an old donor in Glasgow; £1 from Edinburgh; 5s. "for Fairknowe;" 2s. 6d. from Coatbridge, and some clothing, books, bread, etc., are the earnest of the New-Year gifts. We begin with a balance on hand of £621 2s. 8d. a little over a fortnight's provision. We feel very thankful to our Heavenly Father for all the blessings of the past year, and look to Him to make the new one on which we have entered more fruitful than any former one.

*Nov. 2.*—186 rolls from a friend in Glasgow; 10s. from two in Edinburgh; 10s. from Govan, "as a small help to the good work in which you are engaged in rescuing the perishing children in our midst, with the hope and prayer that God's blessing may attend you more and more in the future as it has done in the past;" some useful clothing from Bonnybridge; £2 1s. from Sabbath Schools in Kilm and Glasgow; and £3 13s. 8d., with the following letter from Birkenhead are our gifts to-day:—"Nine little school girls having a wish to help the poor children under your care have employed their spare minutes in working small articles for sale, and on Wednesday last asked their friends to come and buy. The enclosed result they send you for the little ones' benefit, with many good wishes." One of our rescued girls in Canada writes us to-day:—

DEAR FRIEND,—I suppose you are thinking I have forgotten you and Mrs. Quarrier, and Miss Fox and all the rest, but I have not. I have often said to myself I must write to you, but never got at it till now, so I will try and give you all the news. Now, Mr. Quarrier, I hope if you are spared to come again, you and Mrs. Quarrier, that you will come to see us. You know you promised to come. I was just thinking how long it was since I came to Canada, and, just think, it will be six years next June if I am spared to see it. I suppose Bridge-of-Weir is nothing like what it used to be at all, all the old friends gone nearly. Please remember me to Mr. and Mrs. M'Murray of No. 8, and if Lizzie M'Phail is in the Homes yet please give her my love and best wishes, and tell her I have not forgotten her, when she and I used to be in No. 7 together. Barbara and I are going up to Fairknowe Home to spend New-Year's Day, if we are spared till then. I am trying to serve God better every day. Sometimes I meet with disappointments and temptations, and

Satan whispers "Yield," but a little talk with Jesus sets things right. What a comfort to know that we have a Friend in all our trials and troubles who is always willing to aid us if we only ask Him. God is a Father to the fatherless, and He has proved one to me. No more at present, but love from Barbara and Jennie. I remain, as ever, one of your loving girls,  
JENNIE.

Nov. 4.—Was at Dundee for services yesterday (Sabbath), and had the privilege of speaking three times for the Master to large audiences. We trust the message will be blessed to the strengthening of the faith of the Lord's children and the conversion of the unsaved. Mr. John Thomson, of Cockenzie, commenced a fortnight's mission services at the City Home Hall yesterday, and we are looking for much blessing to follow his labours there.

Nov. 6.—Yesterday we took in a family of four orphans, three boys of 10, 8, and 5 and a girl of 13. Their mother died on the 7th of last month, and their father passed away at the end of the same week after only six days' illness, and there are no friends able to help them. £1 sent yesterday, with the following touching letter, will keep this family of four for a week:—

DEAR SIR,—This is from a happy little boy of seven years old, who, on being told that he had some money of "his very own" in the bank, at once asked for £1 to give to help to make some poor little boys happy; so please accept for your Orphan Homes the enclosed postal order for 20s. from  
BERTIE.

To-day a kind friend in Dundee sends £20, asking us to take £5 of it for our own needs, "with earnest prayers for a blessing on your work. Another in Fortrose sends £5, half for our own use; one in Sanquhar, 2s. 6d., "as a thankoffering to God on baby's first birthday;" a little girl in Coupar-Angus £1, "collected for your little boys;" an old donor, Glasgow, £20, "praying that the Master whom you serve may long continue to give you good health and strength to carry it on to His glory"; and "A Working Man" 5s. These, with some useful clothing, bread, scones, etc., are our gifts for the day.

Nov. 9.—The Lord often uses the weak and suffering ones who are laid aside from active service to minister in many ways to His little ones under our care, and we feel sure they will in no wise lose their reward. To-day an invalid in Aberdeen, whose kind sympathy and help have often cheered us, writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Although I have been silent long, still I have not been forgetting you and your great work. I have very great pleasure in forwarding £3 for the benefit of your Homes—9s. 6d. of it I collected from friends; the balance is the proceeds of my own work. My health is much worse, still I am surrounded with mercies innumerable. I want for nothing this world can afford me, and I have a most faithful attendant to look after me, so I must not murmur. Oh for more patience and resignation to our Heavenly Father's will! With loving sympathy with you in your labour of love.

10s. "for the bairns" from Cairngorm, and £3 from Glasgow also reached us to-day.

Nov. 11.—From Glasgow, Dumbarton, Johnstone, Dalry, Errol, Alva, and Dollar, £17 12s., and some clothing have come; also two bags potatoes by rail from an unknown giver. 7s. of the money came from Johnstone, being "unclaimed expenses in connection with special services;" 20s. from Dumbarton, "praying that your work among the little ones may be a great blessing to them, and that the blessed Master may give you a blessing in your own soul;" and a parcel of clothing from a class of girls in connection with the S.G.F.S., Alva, "who devote one night each month to mission work."

Nov. 14.—Among other sums received yesterday, £1 came from a friend in Dundee, who says, "I, the sender, am a worker in the Mission in connection with which you addressed a meeting in the Kinnaid Hall the other Sabbath, and on reading your report of last year I was brought into much sympathy with you in your work amongst destitute children, so that I was constrained to forward you this small sum in order to help on the good work." In going out to tell of the Lord's dealings in connection with the work under our care, we are desirous that Scotland should know that there are now National Homes where her orphan and fatherless children can be sheltered and cared for, and also that the faith of the Lord's children should be strengthened in hearing of His goodness to the work He is doing in our midst. We never go out to speak for money, nor do we take collections at meetings, but just leave the Lord to move His children's hearts as He will. We are thankful for this token of blessing, and feel sure there will be more to follow. To-day, 3 needy little ones were added to our number, a brother and sister of six and three years, whose father died in 1886 after a few days' illness, and their mother is at present out of employment and home; and the other, a poor wee girl of 3 years, barefooted, and with hardly a rag to cover her. The mother has been sleeping on stairs, etc., for some time past, and the child is in much need of care and nourishment. A number of varied gifts have reached us, among which are 5 boxes haddocks, from a friend in Fraserburgh; £3 3s. "from the Master's Treasury, Grangemouth—a third of it for our own needs; £5 from an aged donor in Aberdeen; £1 10s. from three friends in Greenock; 5s. from Edinburgh, "out of the Lord's portion," 2s. of it for personal use; £30 from a friend in Glasgow, and a quantity useful cast-off clothing from Bothwell.

Nov. 15.—We had the privilege of receiving a fatherless boy of 7 from Dundee to-day. The father died of consumption four years ago, and the mother is now in the poorhouse hospital ill with the same trouble. From Edinburgh, Freuchie, Glasgow, Ironbrae, Alloa, Montrose, and Gourrock, £10 13s. (£3 of it for personal needs) and quantity clothing, bread, etc., have come, for all of which, and the many expressions of kind sympathy, we praise our loving Heavenly Father.

Nov. 18.—From different quarters £17 12s. 6d. have come to-day, and five needy ones have been taken in, each with its own sad tale of distress and suffering.

Nov. 20.—Our Eighteenth Annual Meeting was held to-day in the Christian Institute at 2 o'clock, when there was a large attendance of friends whose presence and kind words greatly cheered and strengthened us in going forth to the work of the untired year. In the evening we had a very pleasant meeting in the church at Bridge-of-Weir with the children, they having had a special tea beforehand. A number of gifts have gladdened our hearts, among which are 10s. "As a thank-offering from a servant," Greenock; 5s., "Out of the money boxes of three little children, Edinburgh, who wish to help others to get as good a dinner some day as they themselves get;" 10s., "Proceeds of little girls' sale of work;" and £11, £4 of it for our own needs, from a friend in Dundee who says, "We heard a good account from Mr. Baller of your Mr. Horne in the China Inland Mission. May God fit many more of your boys and girls to be His messengers with the Gospel to heathen lands. If the boys read books and have a library, J. G. Paton's books, I think, should be amongst the number. His perils and success in



the New Hebrides are not only interesting, but the blessings he received through faith in the Lord Jesus are helpful to believers who read of them." The young friend spoken of is one of our boys whom we sent out to Canada in 1875, and who was led to give himself up to the Lord for mission work in China, and for the past year has been labouring there. Others also of our number in Canada are desirous of entering the mission field and the ministry, and to hear of this from one and another from time to time is most encouraging to us. The injunction is "Cast thy bread upon the waters for thou shalt find it after many days," so we go on sowing the seed from day to day, believing that it will spring up and bring forth fruit even though it be "after many days."

Nov. 22.—Yesterday from our old friend "Nemo," we received £10; 2s. 6d., "A wee girl's thankoffering for a little sister given;" £10 10s. from a friend in Glasgow; 2s. 6d. as a "tithe;" quantity useful and fancy articles from Lenzie and Liverpool; parcel of bulbs from Glasgow; £3 15s. from others in Bellingham, Hamilton, Glasgow, and Bridge-of-Weir; and £10 from Greenock with the following letter: "It is with very much pleasure that I enclose cheque on London for £10 towards your work for God among the children. The donation is from money entrusted to us by a dear sister who is now in the King's presence, and at her request we are using it "for the extension of Christ's Kingdom." To-day we have received £18 10s. from different parts of the country, 10s. of it being "a portion of what used to go to help a dear dead friend in loving memory of her," and £5 from an invalid. One of our rescued little ones sent out to Canada in May last, sends us the following letter. She and another girl about the same age are in one home and seem to be very happy and contented:—

DEAR SIR,—I now take the pleasure of writing these few lines to let you know I am well, hoping that these few lines may find you enjoying the same blessing. I like my home, and the people that I live with are very kind to me. I have plenty of things to eat—lots of apples and plums. I get plenty to eat and drink. I hadn't all these nice things to eat in the Home; and I go to the school, and we have a very nice teacher, too; and I go to church and to Sunday School, too. I have five brothers and one sister. I am very glad that I have come to Canada. I like this place well. My brothers are very kind to me, and they give me a drive nearly every day. Minnie wrote to her grandfather, and I wrote to my mother nearly three months ago, and we haven't got any answer yet, and I would have written to you sooner, but we were waiting for an answer from them. I would be very glad if you can tell me what is the matter with them. "Other foundation can no man lay than is laid, which is Jesus Christ" (1 Cor. iii. 11). I think this is all for this time, so Good-bye. Please write soon. With love from

AGGIE.

Nov. 23.—£3 12s. 5d. from a friend in Wales was very cheering to-day. He writes:—

DEAR CHRISTIAN BROTHER,—It is a long time since I had the pleasure of sending you any practical assistance to *His* work, and now I enclose cheque £3 12s. 5d., of which take 20s. for your own personal wants, and residue for maintenance of orphans. Enter same as through "ONE OF HIS STEWARDS." Cause of seeming neglect or forgetfulness of you as *His* faithful worker has *not* been from the want of blessings from the Lord, for *He* has wonderfully sustained me, and has given into my hands much of *His* store. But I have expended £50 to £60 in bringing out 25,000 Welsh edition of "Conscience and System in the Stewardship of Money," at 1d. each, but 3d. each for quantities. My object in bringing this out and debiting the expense (nett) against the Lord, I consider I am doing duty to *Him* in endeavouring to teach others the blessings of "systematic giving," and I consider it is as much *His* work as it is to care for "the orphans," "the widows," "the poor," etc., etc. I may say that about 15,000 have already gone into circulation, and only ten or twelve weeks out of press.

We fully endorse these sentiments of our friend, and believe that if systematic giving were more practised by the Christian Church at large, there would be no need of resorting to any questionable means of raising money for the carrying on of the Lord's work, and in so doing blessing would redound to themselves. £3 and four barrels herring from other sources were most acceptable gifts for our large family.

Nov. 26.—The needy ones keep coming from day to day, and yesterday two orphan boys from Crieff, with no one able to keep them were added to our number, and to day, five children from Glasgow, oldest, 11, youngest, 2, were admitted. Their father died only last week of consumption, and the mother is at present very ill (has since died in Poorhouse). The family were in a most wretched condition and have suffered great privation and want. We do feel it a blessed privilege to be able to succour such needy little ones as these. Among our gifts for the day are, £1, "the first month's salary" of a young friend; £2, "a marriage offering to the Lord;" £1 from India; £1, as "a thank offering;" 5s. from "an orphan who feels sensible that the Lord has cared for her;" £1 (5s. of it for our own needs) from one poor in this world's goods, "with the prayer that you may be long spared to labour in the vineyard and have the joy of seeing much spiritual good;" and £1 15s. from Glasgow, Dunoon, and Helensburgh, with the following cheering letters. A friend in Glasgow writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—My husband and I wish to thank you for the Report and Occasional Papers you send us so regularly, although we have not been able to send you much for some time. My husband has had a nervous shock, and is quite unfit for business, his memory being very much impaired; but he has had, and still has, a great interest in your work. We enclose £1, to be used as you think best. The marvellous way in which your wants are supplied leads us to thank God and take courage. Perhaps you may have heard at the time that my husband was brought, or came somehow to your Home in James Morrison Street, on the night on which the Queen visited Glasgow. We got parted in the crowd. It seems all like a terrible nightmare. I called upon the Lord in my distress, and He heard my cry. "He shall give His angels charge concerning him," came to my heart with power, and two of your boys were sent home with him. Of course we called next day to thank those who had been His messengers in our time of need, and I recall it to-night with thankfulness. My husband had tried long before that to help your little ones, and they in his time of need helped him. I cannot tell you how it touched me. The Lord bless you and yours, and may the pleasure of the Lord prosper in your hand. Would you pray for us that our faith may be strengthened and my husband restored, if the Lord will.

Another in Dunoon:—

MY DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Many kind thanks to you for your very encouraging Report sent me last week. In reading it over, I could not help saying, "with God all things are possible." The enclosed is 5s. in stamps; I only wish it could be pounds instead of shillings. God bless and cheer you on in this, His own work. The record of all is on high.

And an old donor, Helensburgh:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Thanks for the Report you sent. I enclose postal order for 10s. It is very small, but I am getting old and not so able to work for my daily bread; but I thank the Lord that He gives me strength to do it at my time of life. It is a pity but some people of influence would set a movement a going to have an Helensburgh Home. I trust the Lord will put it into the heart of some to do it. It is grieving to think that so much is spent on worldly gratification, and so hard to raise money for the Lord's work. I remain yours, in sympathy with the orphans.

Nov. 29.—Many gifts and kind words of cheer have reached us these three days past, filling our hearts with thankfulness to our Heavenly Father, who never suffers us to lack any needed thing. A friend in Hawick writes:—

DEAR SIR,—I herewith enclose £2 for your children's needs—a mite; but on

looking over your last Report I see the Lord has moved many hearts for their mite, and some out of their poverty have ministered to their necessities. He will provide without making them burdensome to any. The mind of the liberal cherisheth liberal things, and the soul of the liberal shall be made fat.

An unknown friend sends £20 anonymously; another, 10s., being a widow's mite for Servants' Cottage; another in Matlock Bridge £1, "in memory of my good mother"; "A Home girl," £1; "An Ayrshire lass and her guidman," 5s.; another unknown one, £1 "for the bairns," with the words, "God bless them," and "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least of these ye did it unto Me"; one in Wigton, 5s., "in memory of a dear husband and for Jesus' sake"; two friends, Guthrie, 15s., half of it for emigration; another in Crieff, £2 1s., who says, "Your new Report really strengthens one's heart in God; truly it is with you, 'Go on and prosper, the Lord is with you.'" A Scotch friend in Wimbeldon writes: "Thanks for your most interesting account of the work; may you long be spared to carry it on. I enclose a cheque for £6 (one for yourself, five for your work). With every good wish for you and your great family of 'little ones.'" A kind helper, who for many years past has interested others in the work, in sending £4 from a friend, says: "I hope to get other friends to subscribe as usual, and as soon as I collect the money I will forward it. I am sorry many of my best friends and oldest contributors have been removed by death—amongst others, my dear husband—during the past year; but the Lord will not suffer His work of love and mercy carried on by you and your helpers to lack the means of support. He will raise up others to help you, who, by their prayers, sympathy, and money will encourage you to go on hopefully and cheerfully in His service." We do realise this to be true from time to time, that when old helpers are gathered home the Lord raises up others to fill their places in the helping of the work under our care. May the Lord Himself comfort and support each bereaved heart mourning the loss of dear ones with the thought that it is only for "a little while." Another friend, sending 20s. and 15 pairs stockings, writes:

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I send you a few pairs of stockings, along with a pound, to help a very little your large family. I take very great pleasure in doing the stockings for your little ones, and I do hope Mrs. Quarrier and yourself may be long spared to do such a noble Christian work.

"A Well-wisher," Glasgow, says—"Please accept this one pound for Jesus' sake, the savings of a working girl. Just use it for what you think is most needful. Hoping the Lord will bless your work more and more;" and a donor in Edinburgh sends the following letter:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I was glad to receive your Report, which reminded me at once of a duty and a privilege, and I now have the pleasure of enclosing two pounds for your blessed cause. I was at a Juvenile Missionary Soiree in Nicolson Street the other night, where a small sum was voted for your work. There was a magic lantern exhibition that night, and the thought suggested itself, "Why not have a few slides illustrative of Mr. Quarrier's Homes?" I think it would tend to increase the public interest in your labours if a few scenes could be produced from the Bridge-of-Weir, and perhaps also a view of Fairknowe. I do not know what the cost of producing slides would be, but I have a friend in that way, of whom I intend making enquiry. Perhaps some of our clever, large-hearted Glasgow folk could manage it, but if not, I will keep it in view if you approve of the idea. Trusting your own soul is abundantly watered, while you so richly water the souls of others.

Nov. 30.—One of our girls in Canada writes us this week:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I was very glad to get your letter, and to know that things were getting on so well. I was wearying every day for a letter from you. I had just been thinking of you all and the old country the day I got the letter. I see by it your good work is still prospering under the hand of the Lord. When I look

back to our voyage across the great waters, how the Lord brought us safely across, and is still caring for us, I just thank Him. We could never have reached this side if the Lord had not been with us. I guess that all our vacant places are filled up. The little orphans will be filling the nests that we left. I hope they enjoy the good of the Homes as we did, for we often talked over them on our voyage. I often think that I did not do as well as I might have done when at home. Dear sir, I am well pleased with my place—it is quite a home. The people are just like a father and mother. I would not exchange my place for any other in Canada. I go to church morning and evening with either the master or mistress, then I go to Sunday School in the afternoon, and I see Jeanie L., one of the Home girls there. She is getting a big girl, and is liking her home. I also saw a lot of Mrs. M'Murray's girls when I was in Brockville. Robina and I keep corresponding. She is in Williamstown; that is a long way from here. If all is well at the New Year, we are both going on a visit to Fairknowe. Dear friend, I would like to have you and Mrs. Quarrier's picture and the rest of your family, if it would be convenient. I see some of the girls at Fairknowe have got them, and I would like to have them too. I hope you are coming out with the girls next year. If I know you are coming I will go to Brockville and see you. My master's mother is going to take a big girl from the Home next summer when they come out. I am going to tell Mrs. Burges to keep one for her. The girl that comes will have a good home. I will be able to see her often, for it's just a few doors from our shop. She says she wished she had a girl like me, so she is going to take one from the Home. Canada is a good place, and steady girls can soon get along. I feel very thankful for all the kindness and benefits I received at the Homes. I know the good of them all now. I will be glad to have another letter from you when you get time. I hope the little ones in Bethesda are keeping well. I will now close with kind love and best respects to Mrs. Quarrier and all your family, not forgetting yourself. May the Lord bless you all and the work He has given you to do. "There are lonely hearts to cherish while the days are going by." I also send my respects to Miss Fox, Mr. Lang, Mr. and Mrs. Paterson, and all the rest that I know, hoping they are all well.—From your girl, K. W.

Dec. 4.—A friend in Arbroath sends £15 yesterday, and says—"Please take £10 for your work, and £5 for the wants of yourself and family. I am glad to see that you are still prospering in your work of love. It is a good investment, and makes quick returns." From Belfast, Kirkcaldy, Leslie, Kirriemuir, Paisley, Langbank, Dollar, Bannockburn, Fort-William, Bridge-of-Weir, Summerhill, £36 8s., a box of soap, and some clothing reached us, thus amply supplying the day's needs. A family of three fatherless children from Ayr were added to our number to-day, also a working lad of 17, at present out of employment and not very strong. A friend in Bonnybridge, from where we took four orphan children last week, writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I feel deeply the Lord's goodness in laying it upon your heart to receive into your Homes, not only the three younger, but the older boy. In this I have realised the promise, "Before they call I will answer, and while they are yet speaking I will hear." Truly, God's watchful tender care in everything and at all times is far, far more than we are able to express. May it not be, dear brother in Jesus, that as those who are "risen with Christ," we enter too little, dipping our feet, as it were, in the margin instead of plunging right into swimming, so to speak, in the ocean of truth, as to the present and future disclosed in God's all-comprehensive promise—"My God shall supply all your needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus."

Being in straits, I cry, Lord, make a way,  
Open a door for me, help me, I pray!  
Gold Thou hast, endless store,  
Strength all I want, and more.  
All hearts are in Thy hand,  
Lord, look, and give command.

Yes, yes. He answers our prayers, how often not according to our stinted faith, but "exceeding abundantly above what it would enter into our hearts to conceive." May the Lord increasingly and abundantly bless you in your most marvellous work for the orphans in the future as He has done in the past. Please accept of the enclosed £5—£1 for yourself, the other £4 for your Homes, to be used as you think best, and you will greatly favour me by receiving it as from an anonymous giver. It is but as



a drop in the bucket, but it is given most heartily, and from one who feels unworthy of this high and glorious privilege of contributing to such a most Christ-like work. The Lord cheer, and strengthen, and support, and lift upon you more and more the light of His own glorious reconciled countenance.

Among other sums received (in all £26 16s. 6d.), 2s. 6d. came from Falkirk as a thankoffering, with Numbers vi. 24-26; 3s. from Irvine, wishing it were more; £1 from Boncath, Wales, in memory of a friend, herself a donor to the work, lately gathered home; £1 from Burmah; and £1 from Strathaven, "in memory of a beloved father." A friend, in sending 27 articles of clothing from the Scotch Girls' Friendly Society, Glenluce, writes:—

DEAR SIR,—I send off to-day a parcel containing 6 small shirts, 9 chemises, 1 night gown, 2 pairs babies' drawers, and some socks and stockings for your children, made by the girls of the S.G.F.S. here. I fear some of the work is far from perfect, but I trust the workers will improve both in skill and liberality. We follow your work—which is work done *for us*—with earnest and prayerful interest, and trust that an ever deepening blessing will be on it from the dear Master whose little ones you save.

We are very thankful to the many friends throughout the country who help us in making clothing for our large family, and feel sure their labour in this way is not in vain in the Lord. Among other letters from Canada this week we give the following:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I write these few lines to let you know that I am keeping well, hoping this will find you the same. You must forgive me for not writing sooner. You will be surprised to hear that I am in the town, and my little sister within 8 miles. She has a nice home, and is growing to be a big, strong girl. She comes often in to see me, and L. C. is quite near. I go to see her often, and she has got a very nice home. I think that Fairknowe is a very pretty place, and they are all well up at the Home. Please write as soon as you can, and let me know how you are all getting on. Tell Mrs. Quarrier and Miss Quarrier and Mr. Frank I send my love; and please tell Miss Fox to write as soon as she can, and show this letter to her. Please tell me all the news when you write. I have never heard from my mother since I came out, and I would like to hear very much about her. If you see her please tell her that we have both got very good homes and very nice people. The name of the person that Maggie is with is Mrs. F., and I was out staying with her in the summer time for a week, and I thought it was a lovely place, and she seemed to be so happy. Tell Miss Turner that I send my best love to her, and I hope she is well. I think it would take a long time to name all the names that I would like to write. It would take me nearly all night. I must never forget the love and kindness that were shown to me when I was in the Homes. Dear Mr. Quarrier, I would like to have your likeness and Mrs. Quarrier's. I think I will soon have to draw to a close, as it is nearly nine o'clock, and I am going to school. I like Canada very much, and I know how to be a good girl is to trust in the Lord and He will help me to be good and true. "When the poor and needy seek water and there is none, and their tongue faileth for thirst, I the Lord will hear them, I the God of Israel will not forsake them." Goodnight to all, and God bless you. E. E.

Dec. 7.—Two old Glasgow friends, now in Folkestone, who paid for the passage and outfit of a boy to Canada last year, wrote us yesterday—"We enclose 10s. for anything you need most in your large family of orphans. We had a nice letter from A. M. in May. He seems very happy and grateful for being sent out. With best wishes for continued success in your undertaking, as also for the health of yourself and Mrs. Quarrier." To-day "Four Little Girls," Edinburgh, send £7 as their Christmas offering; and from Grangemouth, Stirling, Ballater, Edinburgh, Kirkcaldy, Girvan, Aberdeen, Kincardine-on-Forth, Guildford, Millport, Ellon, and Glasgow, £14 13s. 3d., one bag of meal and two of potatoes have come,

also a Christmas gift for each of our invalid children in Bethesda. Two friends in Aberdeen write:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Please find enclosed P.O. for five shillings from my wife and myself as a contribution to your Christ-like work. We are reading your Annual Report with much pleasure, and feel sure that the Lord will continue to send the means for support of His own work. I am sending away to a friend the Report you sent me, and shall be obliged by your sending me another copy, which will be a sufficient acknowledgment of this letter and its contents.

One in Ellon:—

DEAR SIR,—I received your Annual Report, and I thank you for it. Really it does one's soul good to find how the Lord has led you all these years. Like an old preacher, after reading your Report, I "thank God and take courage." I trust you will observe my change of address. Since last I wrote you I have got a sharer of my joys and sorrows, and have now a home of my own. I enclose a very small donation to your funds. May you realise the truth of Ps. xxxii. 10, latter clause of verse.

And among the sums sent 10s. came from Kincardine-on-Forth, "The Contents of Lizzie's Money-box," with the words—"The Lord of us hath mindful been, and He will bless us still;" and 6s. from Stirling, collected by a kind helper there.

Dec. 9.—In all parts of the country the Lord's children are led to minister to the needs of the little ones under our care. To-day a friend in Stornoway sends 5s. and a parcel of periodicals, and says—"I should like to send much more, but the Lord can enlarge the cruse of oil to feed the thousands. May He do it, is my prayer." Another in Nairn, sending 10s. for our own use, and 10s. from a friend for the work, writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Thanks very much for your "Narrative of Facts" and Report. I do feel a very great interest in your work. I hope you may not be troubled with the Roman Catholics in the same way as Dr. Barnardo—he has much anxiety with his poor children. I trust our laws may be changed in regard to giving wicked mothers a charge over their children after they have given them up to any institution like yours. May the Lord think good to leave you for many, many years at the head of the Homes, and bless you much in your work, and oh, may you get many, many precious souls as your hire! Working with and for Jesus is great gain in itself, and the reward unspeakable bliss.

We have had a good deal of trouble from the Romish priests, and at present they have us in Court in connection with two cases of little ones we received when no one else would do so. In our dealing with the needy who come to us from day to day we seek to be impartial and to rescue those who are perishing for lack of any to lend them a helping hand, without regard to class, sect, or bigoted notions.

Dec. 14.—From Glasgow, Alloa, Berwick-on-Tweed, Ramsgate, Edinburgh, Coatbridge, Taynuilt, Windygates, Tobermory, Greenock, Fort-William, Helensburgh, and Crosslee, £86 16s. 6d. have come with many kind words of cheer gladdening our hearts and encouraging us to go forward amid the trials and difficulties of the way.

Dec. 17.—Yesterday three new members were added to our family, and to-day a family of three—a boy and girl of 11 (twins) and a boy of 9—from Fraserburgh have been admitted. Their father died about nine years ago and the mother has had a hard struggle since, and is now in delicate health and quite unfit to support her children. £100 from Paisley was a most acceptable gift for our Building Fund, and from many other sources £40 1s. 4d. have come, £10 of it from Callander "To emigrate a boy in memory of a dearly loved son," and £2 2s. from Halifax, "A thankoffering for the Lord's mercy in recovering from a severe illness;" "Three sisters, Partick," send 14 pairs socks and stockings; a friend, Johnstone, "Being work of a sewing-class of village girls," 20 articles clothing; and from other

friends in Rothesay, Strathmiglo, Kelso, Montrose, Crieff, and Ringford, parcels of clothing have also come. Truly our Father knoweth what things we have need of and does supply from day to day. A friend, Kirkmuirhill, in sending £1 writes:—

DEAR SIR,—I have just finished reading your yearly Report with pleasure and profit, humbled at the little faith I have in my great Heavenly Father, for when the donations continued to be few and small I began to be sorry and afraid; but when they came in good sums my whole heart said, "Praise the Lord." And is it not just like our Heavenly Father to feed and clothe the bairns, for each of them are indeed in His sight of much more value than many sparrows and lilies. May the Lord, above all things, by the riches of His grace, clothe them with His robe of righteousness, and so make them children of the heavenly home, there to praise Him through all eternity, is my heart's desire. With pleasure I enclose my mite of £1.

Dec. 19.—One of our sailor lads sent forth to sea, along with another boy from our Training Ship at Bridge-of-Weir, writes us to day from San Francisco:—

DEAR SIR,—I write you these few lines to let you know that we are both enjoying good health, and hoping you and your family are the same. I got your letter the night we arrived, and the news was very welcome to me about the Homes and the *James Arthur*. But I never got a letter from the *James Arthur*, though I expected one at the least. I suppose when I come back I won't be able to recognise the Homes again, there will be so many new buildings. But as soon as I arrive in the old country again I will come straight down and see you. I don't know what port we are going to yet, but I heard the skipper saying the wheat we have got on board is too good to send to the Continent, so that he thinks we will either be going straight to Liverpool, or to Queenstown, or Falmouth for orders. But I have not told you anything of the passage we had. I don't think it would be so nice as going to Canada. We had it pretty rough off the Horn for you know it was the middle of winter when we got so far down, and I can tell you it was colder than I have ever felt it down at the Homes. We had about a month of this, then we had a fine breeze that took us into fine weather. But I forgot to tell you that we caught six sharks, and I was trying to get the jaw bones of one of them to bring home for a curiosity, but the men had always taken them. But I will try and get one on the passage home. I could have brought a Cape pigeon, but they can't live in warm weather, so I would have had to kill it, but I could not think on doing that. We have left Frisco and gone farther up the river, and it is a very beautiful country. But I must draw my letter to a close, wishing you all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year, for I will be out at sea when these happy times come round.—Yours truly,

P. M.K.

One of our number, a boy of 12, was taken from our midst to-day. Not strong when he came to us with a little sister some months ago, he, along with a few others in one of the cottages, took enteric fever, and his strength was not sufficient to carry him through. We have had rather a trying time with this trouble for some weeks past, but feel sure it is one of the "all things" that are working for our good.

Dec. 21.—In the midst of trials and discouragements by the way, such letters as the following are very encouraging. A friend in Darvel writes:—

DEAR SIR,—It gives me very great pleasure to be able to send my mite for the "bairns." Many thanks for your Annual Report. In it we see a wonderful confirmation of the promises of God's Word. Your faith must be often sorely tried in the carrying on of this great work. "What time your heart is overwhelmed and in perplexity," there is still this promise which shines out like a bright star to guide you on, "Let not your heart be troubled, lo, I am with you." I see from the newspapers that the priests give you a good deal of annoyance through some of the children's parents. It is a thousand pities this should be. Why should the children suffer for the whim of those and others as well, who seem to think that nothing is done right but through them or their denomination. Thank God, Jesus has no denomination that He works in or through, but those of a right spirit and a contrite heart. I have a very great desire to visit the bairns at the Homes. Being a factory worker I don't get many holidays, but will do my best during the coming summer to find a day to

accomplish this desirable end. I enclose £4 5s., 10s. for your own use, balance for the bairns, as you see best; 5s. from wee Jessie and Maggie for the New Year treat to the street children.

and one of our girls placed out in service from our Young Women's Home in the city:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I have now been more than a year in my place, and I feel so grateful for the way in which you have helped me that I have made up my mind to give you a Christmas present of 10s., and wish you a very hearty Christmas, and many happy New Years may you see.—Yours very gratefully, C. D.

We heard of the decision of Sheriff to-day in regard to the cases which have been in court, and they are so far in our favour, for which we praise God.

Dec. 23.—Our hearts were gladdened to-day by receiving the promise of another cottage as a Christmas gift, from a Scotchman. It is to be built in memory of a beloved brother and sister gone home, and to be called the "Lincoln and Garfield Home." We do praise our loving Father for this renewed token of His interest in the work, and coming at this time when we have been passing through extra trials, it has greatly cheered and strengthened us in going forward in service for the Master. £100 from a new donor, and a number of other gifts, among which were 732 booklets from Alloa, as Xmas Cards for our big family; £1 4s. and quantity clothing, toys, sweets, etc., from a little girls' sewing party, Perth—£1 of it being "pocket savings of one of the little workers now gone home;" 200 Xmas cards from Callander "for your little ones;" and quantity clothing from Y.W.C.A. Meeting in Rossie.

Dec. 27.—Our hearts are filled with thankfulness for the hundreds of gifts from old and young, rich and poor all over the country which have reached us these days past, and the language of our hearts and mouths is, "Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless His holy name." Eight little girls, from 8 to 13 years of age, Inveraray, write:—

DEAR SIR,—We have been collecting a little money for a Christmas gift, and the amount collected is £1 16s. 1d. When we bought the Postal Order we had the sum of £1 14s. 7d., and afterwards we received the sum of 1s. 6d., and this made it altogether £1 16s. 1d. Our Club is made up of eight little girls, and we have called ourselves the Sunbeam Club. Wishing you and all the little boys and girls a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

One of our girls in the Homes, unable to walk without the use of crutches, sends 2s. 6d., and says:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Please accept this mite as a token of gratitude. I do thank God that I am in a good home. I don't know where I might have been if it had not been for you. "One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after, that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in His temple."—Yours affectionately, A. M'G.

A friend, Broughty-Ferry, sends £20 "in memory of 'one of these,' to train some of His little ones as missionary seamen, wishing you God-speed in your noble effort." A friend in Callander, where I spoke at a meeting recently, writes:—

MY DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—The enclosed 3s. has been handed to me by a "Poor Woman" who was at your meeting last Monday, and was so touched by what she heard that she has felt constrained to send you this, and wishes it were more. By same post I send a small parcel which another village woman asks me to send you. Words cannot express how happy we were to have you here. With every kind Christian wish of the season to all.

"A widow in Bridge-of-Allan, who was not able to go to hear your address, but has read your Report with great interest," sends 5s.; "Don and



Sinclair," Tullymet, 15s.; an unknown friend, Dunblane, £5, "as a thankoffering to God for His great mercy and bountiful goodness to me;" "an aged disciple," Hamilton, 10s., and another, 3s.; a little girl, 2 years and 5 months old, sends "her 'bawbees' (5s.) to buy 'pieces' for the poor wee boys and girls that haven't any papas and mammas;" a friend, Helensburgh, £1, with the words, "they brought him no presents—this touched me yesterday;" "Katie, Nora, and Willie," 10s., a small Christmas gift; "Chrissy," Newport-on-Tay, 5s., contents of her savings bank; a nurse, £5, and 10s. for our own use, from the nursery; an old donor, Glasgow, a phaeton and horse, which belonged to "an invalid brother now gone home;" three little girls, Ardrishaig, a bag of potatoes; and several other young friends, gifts of money, sweets, toys, fruit, etc. A friend, Chryston, writes:—

DEAR SIR,—I was seeing your Homes at Bridge-of-Weir, and the thought that struck me most was, what wonders have been wrought by faith. Truly it is grand. This is £1, a thank-offering for all God's goodness to us through the year, and 10s. from our children, to be used as you think best.

Another in Glasgow:—

DEAR MRS. QUARRIER,—We have had much pleasure in sending you off to-day 36 print dresses, 37 petticoats, lot of dolls, scrapbooks, toys, etc., and parcel of periodicals. Some of the gifts this year have come from very unexpected persons. One of the donations of money came from an afflicted Christian in Kirkintilloch, who, I know, could ill spare the money, humanly speaking. Another is from a suffering Christian, but who had the great joy, to her, of seeing the Homes, and since then has told many of them. She also is poor, yet rich in Him. The stockings have been a year on the needles, being the first pair of a little girl who, after being at the Homes, wanted to do something. Five shillings for toys was sent from a friend from America who encouraged us to launch out on "faith" more than a year ago. To me now the meeting is far more interesting, it being just wonderful to notice how our Father supplies all its needs when no one but Himself is asked. How sweet to trust Him in everything! I think I must tell you that the "Red Riding Hood" dolly is partly the work of the wife of one of our Christian doctors, who has been an invalid for a number of years, and who did it in bed. Other dolls and scrapbooks were done by sick friends too. With very best wishes for the unknown future. "Goodness and mercy shall follow you all the days."

These friends commenced a sewing meeting some years ago, holding it one evening a week after their own work was over for the day, we providing them with material. Now they supply this also, and are able to send even more than before. Thus the Lord honours those who put their trust in Him.

Dec. 28.—We received a letter to-night intimating to us that the trustees of the late Michael Rowan intend building a cottage in memory of him, giving £1,500 for this purpose out of the residue of his estate. We do magnify the Lord for this new gift, another token to us of His interest in the work under our care. He hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad.

Jan. 1, 1890.—Another year gone and a new one entered on. The goodness of our covenant-keeping God in the past leads us anew to cast ourselves on His care, feeling confident that no good thing will be withheld. On opening our letters this morning the first one contained three stamps, following were other larger sums. The Lord has the hearts of all in His keeping, and whether it be by great or small gifts we know our needs will be supplied. He accepts "according to that a man hath," and we feel sure the unknown donor's gift of 3d. will not lose its reward if given for His sake.

"New-Year's Day" was held at the Bridge-of-Weir Homes among our

large family of 800, those from the City Home joining us there. The following cutting from *North British Daily Mail* of 4th inst., will give friends some idea of how the day was spent:—

#### BRIDGE-OF-WEIR—GALA DAY AT THE ORPHAN HOMES.

A correspondent writes:—On New-Year's Day, along with the City Home children, we went to Bridge-of-Weir to see the usual treat at Mr. Quarrier's Orphan Homes. No one can possibly have a true conception of the magnitude and importance of the work being done here who has not personally visited the Homes and seen the children. The training given is excellent, and the children are made to feel that they in reality are at "home." When all over the country sounds of rejoicing are heard, it was but natural that God should send the means to the work at Bridge-of-Weir to provide a day of pleasure for the children. On our arrival we found the workers and friends just sitting down to dinner in the large schoolroom. This hall, we are informed, is now much too small for the work to be done, and Mr. Quarrier is hoping that a larger school may soon be provided. After dinner we proceeded to the church, where were two large Christmas trees, laden with presents for children and teachers. Chatting with some of the workers, we found that on that morning also each person in the Homes had got a present in his or her stocking, with a booklet, kindly provided by a friend of the work. What a sea of happy faces was there, as the huge trees were dismantled! What joy, and what a sound of beating of drums, playing of fifes and dulcimers, etc. Then we went to the football field, where we saw a match played between the Boys of the Homes at Bridge-of-Weir and the boys from the City Home. The superior weight of the city boys was of considerable help to them, and they managed to win a hard-fought battle by 4 goals to 3. But the chief event of the day was the annual soiree in the church in the evening, when the programme was wholly sustained by the children. Recitations, songs, duets, part-songs, dialogues, and other pieces, were all contributed, most of the children engaged showing powers of no mean order. It would be invidious to mention any names, but we might just say that one of the songs was sung by a choir of infants, their ages being from 3 to 5 years. The conductor was a boy 5 years of age, and it was wonderful to see how he kept time with his rod, marking the pauses and silent parts with great precision. A perfect thunder of applause greeted him at the conclusion of the piece. Mr. Quarrier addressed a few words to all, urging each one to be more earnest and more trustful in the New Year than in the old one. There was a supply of fruit provided at the close for all, and one of the happiest days that we have spent came to an end.

One of our sailor boys (away about two years) spent the day with us. He is getting on well and likes the sea, and we do trust he will be made a blessing to those he comes in contact with. We were glad to welcome him home after his first voyage, and he too was pleased to be with us. One of our Canadian boys also, home for a time, spent the day with us.

Jan. 6.—Yesterday, £100 for emigration was an acceptable gift, and reminding us that the time for preparation for the sending forth of another band to Canada will soon be here. To-day, from various sources, £19 4s. have come, 12s. 6d. of it from Stornoway, as "a New-Year Thanksgiving from our boys;" £1 14s. from a few spoolers in Anchor Mills, Paisley; 15s., as "Little ones' New-Year's offering;" 3s. 6d. from "a working woman" for Servants' Cottage, and 7 pairs stockings from her also for the bairns; and 15s. from "4 girls at Genoch." A large quantity of clothing from Alloa and other quarters was also useful and acceptable. The following letter from one of our boys sent out to Canada in 1880, and who is now settled in the ministry, was very cheering to us:—

DEAR FRIENDS,—I am sorry that I have been so long a time in writing to you, but when I tell you I have not been home for five weeks you will perhaps excuse me. It is not because I did not want to hear from you, but it was the lack of time. I have been five weeks pleading almost night and day with sinners to forsake sin and turn to God and live. The Lord has blessed my special efforts, though feeble, with about thirty souls, who have come out on the side of God and right. I am now engaged in revival work in this place. The Baptist brother and I have joined together in the work, and I trust we will be blessed in our efforts. Pray with

us and for us, and we will be held up by each other to a throne of grace. I will not be able to write as I would like to, as I have a 16-miles drive ahead of me, and I must be off before long. I would like to see your reports of this year's work. I received a number of presents this year, and the best of all was the fur coat, for as I drive a great many miles in a week, and it being cold sometimes, I feel the need of it. As yet we have had no real cold weather, no snow nor mud, but nice hard roads and warm weather most of the time. I thank you for the papers, and send all you can spare, for I know I have much to learn yet. You ask me if I had a full concordance, and if I would like a volume of sermons. I would be very much pleased to receive it. I have not a concordance, and if you have one to spare I would like it too. I don't want to beg, but I want help. God bless you in your work all this coming year.—Your boy,

WILLIE.

Jan. 9.—The needy ones keep coming, and yesterday, three boys of 13, 9, and 3 were taken in; two of them of one family, whose father, a carter, died some years ago. The mother, by keeping a small shop, has managed to struggle on for a time, but last December she too was taken away. There are no friends able to help, and we are glad to have the privilege of receiving them, and so save the boys from going to the poorhouse. To-day two little girls of 7 and 5 were admitted. Their father, who was a seaman in the navy, is dead; and the mother, who tries to earn a living by sewing, cannot keep them longer, and is thankful to have them taken by us. From Helensburgh, Alloa, Kilbarchan, Dunblane, Crieff, Edinburgh, Greenock, Rothesay, Bridge-of-Allan, Perth, Coatbridge, Aberdeen, Newbattle, Whitburn, Dalbeattie, Paisley, Carnoustie, Irvine, Bournemouth, Stenhouse, and Glasgow, £68 5s. 6½d. have come accompanied by many kind words of cheer and encouragement.

Jan. 11.—From many parts of the world and in various ways our needs are supplied from day to day. Rev. Dr. Stuart, Dunedin, N.Z., writing us this week, says:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I am glad to be the hand of friends of mine in this beautiful Dunedin in conveying to you the enclosed draft for £12. I am quite sure they will follow this gift by another. I intended to have sent a pound as my own little gift, but I failed to get a post office order in good time. I trust to send it by the next mail for home. I have often spoken of your Orphan Homes since my return. I made them the subject of a late clerical discourse in the church. I trust the blessing of God descends on you and yours like the dew. I will be glad to get a copy of your annual report. The Lord bless you in your divine work. And so Dr. Somerville who spoke so pleasantly on the occasion of the dedication of the houses has been called away. I received two papers—his speech in the Established Assembly and his sermon on the death of Dr. H. Bonar—addressed in his own hand, a fortnight after his death.

A rescued one of our family in Canada sends a dollar (4s. 2d.) to help some other needy one; a friend who visited the Homes recently along with some young people who have been interesting themselves in our little ones sends £25, and says:—

DEAR SIR,—I cannot tell you how much we all enjoyed our visit to the Homes, and how impressed the young folks were at what they saw there. With regard to the other matter I would much prefer you did not mention any name, but put the small amount in your accounts as the "Lord's portion."

another in Bridge-of-Allan, £1 and 3s. 6d.—"Two little ones' pennies for Mr. Quarrier's poor children;" a new donor writes:—

DEAR SIR,—Please to send some of your small books to the above address, giving an account of the homes. My wife and I send you our contribution towards the continuance of your good work. Your work, carried on in simple faith in God, believing that it is His work, and that He will not fail you, is one of the strongest proofs to my mind that the whole story of the Bible is not a fable. If every one, even in England alone, were to put in practice what he professes as a Christian, and what the Bible plainly teaches, "the poor would not cease out of the land," but there

would not be a man, woman or child suffering from want of food or clothing. You seem to avoid, and no doubt rightly so, all advertising; but a mere statement of the facts of the power of prayer, and faith in God, now and then, in one of the so-called religious papers, as put in practice by you, might act as a sort of "eye opener" to the public in the midst of the jargon and deluge of nonsense that is retailed to them week by week. With our united wishes for a happy New Year.

and another in Wigan:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Having been ill a long time, I was sent to Biggar for bracing air, and while there had the pleasure of hearing your interesting account of the Children's City, of which I was an inmate some time. I am a saleswoman in a pastry cook and confectioner's shop, and received my first salary this week, and I have great pleasure in passing £1 of it on to you for your work among God's little ones, and in grateful thanks to our Father, who has graciously spared me to begin work again, although not better yet. What a nice name for the home of those little ones. Your faith helped me very much, and I resolved that when able to work again my first earnings should be sent to you and the Hospital here. I have got one of your reports for this last year, but would you kindly send me another or two? I shall hope (D.V.) to be able to do more for you in the coming time. With best wishes and prayers that all may be well with you and yours.

240 articles of very useful clothing from a sewing meeting held by kind helpers in Aberdeen, some from a Sabbath Class there also, and other gifts of money, bread, etc., have been sent us to-day, so that we can truly say "our cup runneth over."

Jan. 15.—Last night we gave our Annual Treat to the Street Children (£100 for which was sent by a friend recently) in the National Halls, when upwards of 1,600 responded to our invitation. At the close of the meeting 16 boys and one girl remained behind, desirous of being taken into the Homes. Some of these have been admitted, and the cases of others are being inquired into. Three cripples and some now too old for us to do anything with we had to refuse. We tried to rescue them years ago, but they chose to remain on the streets, and are now fast swelling the criminal ranks, and are likely to be a perpetual burden to the community. So much for the negligence of our magistrates in dealing with the question of street supervision. When will they arise and seek to remedy this great evil? The following account, which appeared in the *Glasgow Evening News* to-night, will give friends some idea of this large and motley gathering:—

#### STREET CHILDREN AT TEA AND SUPPER.

Having early in the season accepted the Lord Provost and Magistrates' invitation to what has been immortalised as the "Corporation Crush," and on that memorable occasion squeezed into the marble halls of our municipality, and rubbed shoulders with merchant princes and princesses, with ward committee-men and their better halves, and wriggled out again in a battered condition; and having so many weeks ago made use of the invitation to the Art Club's fancy dress ball, at which the wealth and beauty of the city and country round were so lavishly displayed, a *News* man bethought himself last night that he had graduated with sufficient distinction in matters social to have earned the right to take tea with the aristocracy of the streets. In this case, as in the others, invitations were issued—with this difference, that the tickets were free and in the name of Mr. and Mrs. Quarrier—to the city's news boys and girls, shoeblacks, match, pipe, and vesuvian sellers, street singers, and beggars. These

#### GUESTS REQUIRED LITTLE PREPARATION.

The first of the fifteen hundred tickets, distributed through the various newspaper publishing offices, were not given out till Saturday night, and they were taken up in a trice. Last night the streets were cold and cheerless, as the rain fell pitilessly in torrents and the wind blew furiously, but the elemental war was little heeded by the two thousand guests, old and young, who were ultimately accommodated in the National Halls, Main Street. Mr. Quarrier has the reputation of being "a man of faith;" he may also claim the badge of bravery. To stand single-handed on a plat-



form armed only with a policeman's call and keep two thousand of the city's waifs in order is no ordinary feat. On entering shortly before seven the din was appalling, and would have done credit to a boiler shed in the busy season, but Mr. Quarrier looked on and good-naturedly smiled, a large placard placed beside him showing that he viewed the inrush and babel with satisfaction, as it bore on one side the words, "Welcome to Our Annual New-Year Treat." But seven o'clock has come, and he deftly turns the card, exhibiting these words, "Please to keep quiet." A blast from a fog-horn could scarcely have been heard at the further end of the hall, but gradually it dawned on the owners of empty stomachs that quietness would be followed by a service of eatables and tea as the noise subsided. If it be true that

#### HUNGER IS THE BEST SAUCE,

a seller of that condiment could have set up in the wholesale line last night could the children have bartered their sauce for hard cash. The bread and buns disappeared in a twinkling. As the ragamuffins eat we have time to look at the finished product of Mr. Quarrier's work, as exemplified by the band of boys and girls who have come from the homes at Bridge-of-Weir to entertain the company. What a contrast they present to the children below! Rosy cheeks and smooth, clean skin instead of pallid, dirty faces, soft glossy hair instead of a matted mass, and bright intelligent looks instead of sullen expressions. But Mr. Quarrier has a speech to make, and he tells how a kind friend in Dumbarton had sent the £100 required for the treat; how his heart went out to the boys and girls of the streets, hunted about as they frequently were by the police, friendless and homeless. Then he offers to become as far as possible a father to the fatherless, and invites all in trouble to make him their friend. Next he reads a resolution in the name of the news boys and girls, etc., calling upon the Lord Provost and Magistrates to make arrangements for their better supervision. The resolution is carried by acclamation, and

#### A CHORUS OF "YESES"

goes up as Mr. Quarrier asks them if they would like to have stations at which they could sell their papers and matches without interference. The speech over, the chairman's next demand is that he may be able to hear a "peen" drop, as the choir is about to begin. There is no lack of entertaining items on the programme—solos, duets, trios, and quartettes, recitations, and dialogues, to the number of fifty or thereby, are cleverly given by the boys and girls from the Homes, and the deafening applause with which several of the pieces were received resembled the roar of a cataract. Not the least enjoyable item was a song composed in the hall by Mr. King, the musical master, and sung to the tune of "A hundred pipers an' a' an' a'," the chorus being taken up by the company. In this way the hours sped on till ten was reached, when a warm and tasty supper was served, a book and Christmas card given to each, and a blessing asked on the entire entertainment. There are some people old-fashioned enough to believe that it is more blessed to give than to receive, and verily they have their reward.

Jan. 16.—Amidst our work for the Master from day to day we feel cheered and strengthened in knowing that very many of the Lord's children daily remember us in prayer. A friend sending 3s., "a mite towards the support of your large family," says "You can rest assured your Homes are continually in my prayers for a blessing from Him who has said 'Leave your fatherless children to Me.' Trusting Mrs. Quarrier and family all keep well, and that you yourself realise much of the Master's presence." Another sending £3, writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Accept the small sum enclosed for the dear Saviour's sake. As I gave you nothing last year, the mite is doubled this year. If I cannot give you much, thank God I can pray for you and your work, which I do twice daily. May the dear Lord spare you long to carry on the good work of rescuing the perishing. Isa. xxv. 1.

One in Perth sends 56 articles of clothing worked by herself and Bible-class, and says, "It has done us all good to help in this way, and we have been trying to do it for Jesus' sake, believing that if done to the least of these His brethren, we have done it unto Him. We pray for you, dear Mr. Quarrier, that you may long be spared to work for the Master on earth and

at last hear His blessed voice saying unto you, 'Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.' With our united best wishes for you and Mrs. Quarrier." A friend, Helensburgh, sends 10s. from "Mercy and Hopeful;" another in Blairgowrie whose aged father has recently been gathered home, sends 17s. 6d. from herself and friends and says, "May your hands be strengthened and your heart encouraged this New-Year for all you have to do for the King, The Lord of Hosts." "A little friend," Ballinluig, in sending 16s., says:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—It is very kind of you to devote your life to the work in which you are now engaged. I am sure God will bless you for it. I have been trying to do something to help you, and have contributed 16s. for your Homes. I am only 13 years of age, but if I am spared to become a man I mean to do something for Jesus. "Inasmuch as ye do it unto one of these little ones ye do it unto Me."

Another in Bo'ness sends some cuffs from "Little Nelly," also 10s. for our own use, and some clothing from herself and friends; and one whose kind sympathy has oftentimes encouraged us, writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Will you accept the accompanying 10s. as a small gift from me, to be used for your own requirements? I have been somewhat seriously ill, and would like to express my thankfulness to my Heavenly Father for His bountiful supply of all my need, by doing a little in that way for His servant. It is no news to you that God is good, but you will "magnify the Lord with me" when I tell you I have had a very delightful experience of His love to both body and soul in my late illness; and I cannot resist the impulse to tell my Christian friends of it, and say, "Let us exalt His name together." I gave thanks with you when I heard of money being sent to build two additional cottages. May He who sent that speedily send the £2,000 required to build the hospital for older lads, and all else that is needed for the carrying on of His own work. "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you."

Jan. 18.—From Hamilton, Elgin, Culhorn, Clydebank, Lenzie, Hawick, and Ryde, Isle of Wight, £18 12s. 9d., have come to-day, and the following cheering letters from two of our bairns on the other side of the Atlantic:—

MY DEAR GOOD KIND MR. QUARRIER,—I hope you do not think me an ungrateful girl for not writing to you in the past years. I can never be thankful enough to you next to my Heavenly Father for what you have done for me. I can safely say there is not one day passes without my thoughts going home to the dear Cottage Homes and the dear kind friends. I would like to have wings to fly and be with you all once more. Accept many, many thanks, for your kindness in sending me your New-Year's Letter, also the beautiful books and card. I liked them very much. Dr. K. has already told you that I am with him, so then I need not tell you what a good place I am in as you were here yourself. I like them both very much, they are very kind to me. I received a beautiful Christmas present from each of them which I intend showing you when you come this year. I have learned a great many things since I came out here, for I was on a farm for a year and a-half, and I have been in town here over a year, so I can do the work on a farm and in a private house too. I visited my brother Hiram in September and found him well. He has a good home; they are both Christian people, I could not wish to have him in a better. He has lots of work to do, and to use his own words, "That's what will make a man of me." Mr. L., the gentleman he is with, is teaching him the blacksmith trade, as he always shoes their own horses. I enjoyed my visit greatly. I had to come by Smith's Falls to get back, so I thought I would call at Fairknowe. I was, you may be sure, received and welcomed home. It was so refreshing to be back with the dear old faces once more, and the first night I cried for very joy; I was there three days. Mrs. Burges has the same motherly way and winning smile. After I got home Mrs. K. went to Fairknowe. She was in Brockville three days, and was greatly pleased with the Home. I am also very glad to tell you that I am now hearing from my sister. I did not have her address before I left Scotland, but dear Mrs. M'Fadzean gave it to her, so we write often to each other. And now, I must tell you what is uppermost in my heart, that the blessed Jesus is mine and I am His, that my name is written in the Book of Life. You will perhaps be surprised to hear

I was baptized, Oct. 10, that the body of sin might be destroyed, to walk in newness of life with Him. My text for this New Year is, "Certainly I will be with thee." "Thy shoes shall be iron and brass, and as thy days so shall thy strength be." With much love to you, Mrs. and Miss Quarrier, I am, dear sir, your ever grateful girl,  
N. T.

DEAR MR. and MRS. QUARRIER and MR. and MRS. M'MURRAY, in No. 4 Cottage, and Boys in No. 4 Cottage,—I write you this letter to let you know how I am getting along. I am glad to say we had a very pleasant voyage. I am now in a home about fourteen miles from Brockville, and my two brothers are quite near me. I am glad to hear that the great work is being carried on so well, and I hear that you have got up a lot of amusements for the boys. I am very happy in my new home, and I am learning farming pretty well. I can milk cows, drive horses, mow with the scythe, and rake with the horserake. They are all very kind to me. Mr. Burges was up to see me in haying. It is nice to be out in the fields making hay, and then when we come to the barn with the load we have a big long rod all over the barn, and a big thing called a hayfork, which, when stuck into the load of hay, and the horses hitched on to the rope, I start the horses up and go on driving, till Mr. C. pulls the rope, then the fork loosens its hold and the hay drops into the mow. I have worked all summer, and now in the winter I go to school. My brother Jack, at Mr. T.'s, hasn't started yet, but he is going to after Christmas. My little brother Jim don't go to the same school because he lives 18 miles away from where I live. I see my big brother Jack every week at Sunday school. In the spring time, when it is time to begin sugar making, we get out the sledge and hitch on the horses; then we go and tap the trees and drive in the spouts, then hang up the bucket, and the sap drops into the bucket; then we take it to the sugar shanty and put it in a pan till it boils into syrup or molasses. If we want to make maple sugar we have just to boil it till it crystalizes, then we pour it into tin dishes; then when it hardens it is maple sugar. At school I can keep at the head of the class all the time. We have killed our pigs and therefore have lots of pork. Now I must close. Give this letter to Mr. M'Murray, and tell him to read it to the boys. Yours very truly,  
A. G. H.

Jan. 24.—Yesterday and to-day we have received from various sources, in all, £31 18s. 3d., about one day's keep for our large and ever increasing family. Among the sums sent, 3s. 6d. came from Montrose, being money "gathered in pennies and halfpennies from a girls' school, and representing between 50 and 60 givers;" 6s. from "our family circle," Chapelhall, "Wishing you God speed;" 5s. from Kinross from "one whose heart is in all your labour of love," and 1s. from a friend; 15s. "savings of two young friends" and £1, "a New-Year's present received," from Bearsden; £1 from "a little family of eight, Pollokshields;" 5s. from "Willie, Jim, Andrew, and Mary;" and £1, "Mary's sovereign," which belonged to a little girl now gone home. An invalid, Dundee, sending a parcel of clothing, says:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I thank you very much for sending me, as usual, the Annual Report of the work during the past year. I have read it with the greatest pleasure. I have been confined to bed, for the most part, since the month of August last year, and have done these little things I now send principally in bed, but have enjoyed the doing of it very much, knowing that it was done for the Master, who has said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of these little ones, ye have done it unto Me." My husband is writing this for me. The doctor says that it will be a long time before I can be stronger. Wishing you every success in your noble work. and another in Glasgow writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Will you accept our little gift of 10s. from our Sunday Morning Breakfast Mission Box, the contents of which are the contributions of father, mother, and children. These are portioned out to various charities to which we give. A selection is made out of the many which come to our knowledge. We find it very difficult to select, all seem so good. Very many half-crowns are voted, but "the poor little children" my children pray for daily must have more. It may seem a small gift, but great blessings are asked that your work may be abundantly blessed. Praying that you may be long spared, and that the work of the Lord may prosper in your hands.

Jan. 29.—On opening our letters to-day we were greatly cheered to find in one a cheque for £1,000 from a new donor in Edinburgh, with the request that no name be known, but that the gift will be acknowledged as "In Memoriam." This unknown friend desires to remain so, and is one of the many secret givers to the Lord's cause whom He will reward openly. The money is to be used as we think best in connection with the work under our care. £20 from a Glasgow friend for emigration; £4 12s. 7d. from others in Aberdeen, Strathaven, and Glasgow; some clothing from Montrose and Larkhall, and a large quantity books from Glasgow are our other gifts to-day. To-night at our weekly evening meeting for the children, held in the church, two of our sailor boys going forth to sea on the morrow were specially commended to the care of our Heavenly Father. They both profess to be on the Lord's side and we earnestly pray that they may be kept looking to Jesus all the time, and so be true missionaries wherever they go.

Our numbers are increasing and applications to help the orphan and fatherless little ones come to us from day to day. Yesterday four were admitted, two of them fatherless boys from Ayr. Their mother, a decent Christian woman, is not strong, but since the father's death, five years ago, has struggled on as best she could to try and make ends meet. She got 4s. relief from the Parochial Board, but when her eldest girl was 13 1s. was taken off, and then another 1s. when next was at that age. She was then offered the house, but being a Christian woman, she says she would rather starve than enter it. The boys, although only 11 and 14, have been trying to earn something selling papers on the streets for two years, and as a result of that are now getting beyond the mother's control. The others received were an orphan lad of 16 and a girl the same age from Edinburgh, whose parents are both dead, and a widowed aunt who has a family of her own is unable to keep her. We hope to train her to be a useful servant, and so fit her to push her own way in life.

Jan. 31.—A large number of encouraging letters have reached us this month from our family across the sea, and out of these we give the following:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—As this is Christmas eve I want to tell you what I got off the Christmas tree. Santa Claus put on a prayer book for me and a little bag of candies. We had a happy time that night. I sang a song at it, and then after, Santa Claus came out with his bells and grey hair and grey whiskers. We are going over to Bella's for dinner. I get over there quite a lot. I go to school now; I started on the 2nd December. We get syrup from the maple trees, and we get maple sugar in April. I live on a farm. I used to milk four of the cows twice a day, but now they are all dry but three. I am near Bella and Willie and Bella W., that is a girl that used to live in No. 7 Cottage, and we are all in good homes. Dear Mr. Quarrier, I was so sorry when I heard that you lost some of them from your midst, but it was just what the Lord Jesus thought best; He knew who was ready. We don't know who will be next. We have got our Christmas holidays just now for two weeks. I hope Mrs. Quarrier is well. We have got a little baby boy and his name is Arthur. He is just five months of age; he is a good little baby boy; I think a lot about him. We are just putting his short dresses on him to-night to show him to papa; we had a laugh over them. I go to church every Sunday, and I went to Sunday school pretty nearly every Sunday. I only missed two all the while I went. Bella received your letter and was very glad to get it. I hope you had a merry Christmas. I must scribble this off in a hurry for we will soon be going to bed. Good night, God bless you. I am, your affectionate girl,  
B. M'K.

DEAR SIR,—It is a long time since I have written to you. I am very thankful to you for sending me these books and that letter, and now I am going to send you a letter. I had a very good Christmas. On the Christmas tree I got a mouth organ, a good stout knife, a box full of nuts, a necktie, and a little Testament from my



Sunday-school teacher. I commenced to go to school a month and a week ago, and now we are having a vacation of two weeks. My little colt is growing a good lot, and as soon as we have some snow we are going to hitch him up, and we're going to go out for a sleigh ride. My little cow is giving milk, and I have all the milk I can drink. We have four calves, and we have to feed them three times a day. We have 50 hens and roosters. We will soon have to go to making sugar again. I will have all I can eat. My brother and sister come to see me; they were here on Christmas. I am in the third book, and can do short division. The piece I spoke was about a boy stealing some custard; but he made a mistake. Instead of the custard it was mustard, so he swallowed the mustard, and I guess it made his mouth smart, for he howled and spluttered and blustered. I will tell you what I got in my stockings. I got a lot of candy and four big, nice apples. I have a dog, and his name is Jip, and he is a smart little dog. He can make the cows and pigs and sheep step around. I have a little cat. Her name is Mousy, and she is all for fun. She catches mice pretty near every day. We call her a tortoise-shell. We have got five pigs; two of them can jump a fence. Our hens lay eggs now. I go to Sunday school every Sunday. I get nice books and I get nice papers. I will tell you what I got in my stockings on New-Year's night. I got some walnuts and two other kinds of nuts, and two apples, and a lot of raisins. I was skating half a day. My little cow's name is Little Jessie. I go to the Methodist Church. I think Canada is a nice place. I don't think I'll want to go back to Scotland. I wear out my pants so much that I have to have pretty near three pairs in five or six months. H. G. is living about a mile from me. I see M. S. sometimes, and a lot of others whose names I don't know. We have no snow here now. I have to go a mile to school. I can ride a horse and it galloping. Please write to me again.—Yours truly, S. W.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I received your loving letter and books. I was looking forward to it for a long time. I am very much interested in the laundry. I am sure it will be very much improved. I would like very much to see it; also the gymnasium that is in the field. Kate W. was telling me that we had missed the best of it by coming out to Canada this year, and I think so too. We are having lovely weather just now. Our river is frozen, and there is good skating. We use the sleighs now. I sometimes drive home from church with the minister. I am in Mr. E.'s Sunday School class, and I have been at his house for tea three or four times now. I think they are very nice people. Dear Mr. Quarrier, I am sure you had a good time on Hallowe'en. I was wishing I could have been among you. I intended to have gone to Brockville at the New Year, but changed my mind, and I put all my money in the bank, which was 19 dollars. Mrs. M'B. thinks I have saved a lot. I am taking the advice you gave me that night on the ship. You said I was not to spend all my money on dress. Bella R. wishes me to remember her to you and Mrs. Quarrier. I was seeing her once, and I saw a boy out of No. 18, David M'M. He has charge of the church, and he took me all through it, and we were imagining it was our church at home. We were showing Bella where we all sat. She says she would like to come back to see the folk and the wonders we tell her about. Dear Mr. Quarrier, I would like very much if you could spare me one of your photos and Mrs. Quarrier's too. I will send you one of mine in the summer when I get them taken. I was very sorry when I heard that Mrs. Cleland was away. I wanted to write to her. I wrote to some of No. 2 girls, and they never answered my letter. Give my love to them and all the laundry girls. Mrs. Burges was telling me about all the changes. Miss M'Murray is now Mrs. Aikenhead, and Miss Gunn Mrs. Lang. Remember me to them. I heard M. H. was to be married the day after Christmas, and A. K. is married. I think the young men must be plentiful where they are. I hear from N. F. and K. W. pretty often. I got some presents from Mr. and Mrs. M'B. on Christmas morning, and I was alone all day, as they went to Martintown. I can play quite a lot of hymns now on the piano. And now I don't know what else to say, so I will close with love to Mrs. Quarrier, Miss Mary, Mr. Frank, and yourself.—I am, your loving girl, R. E.

Feb. 1.—Among our gifts to-day £20 came from a kind donor in Aberfeldy, who usually sends less at a time, but is able to increase it this year. We have placed it to emigration, for which we will require about £1,200 before the middle or end of next month. We look up for all that will be needed in money, as well as grace, wisdom, and patience. When friends fail we realise more and more the all-sufficient grace and strength of the Abiding One. £8 10s. from other sources have also come, 10s. of it

“given as last request of a friend now gathered home.” One of our own number, “Little Marjory,” from Bethesda, was taken to be with the Saviour to-day. She was not strong when she came to us, along with three brothers, about four years ago, still we thought she was improving; however, an attack of pneumonia coming on a few days ago was too much for the weak frame to stand, and now she has gone, and we feel a blank is left. She was dearly loved by those who nursed and cared for her, as well as by all who knew her, and will be greatly missed; but we know our loss is her gain. The Master had need of the sweet plant, and we can but say, “He hath done all things well.”

Feb. 3.—Only £8 10s. 4d. to day, and some clothing from an invalid, Edinburgh, and other friends. Amid difficulties and discouragements of the way kind words sent with these gifts have cheered and strengthened us in the work given us to do.

Feb. 6.—A friend, writing from Edinburgh yesterday, says:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—We have read the reports of your great undertaking of faith and prayer with intense interest, and have been doing what we can to interest friends by leading them about. Your work does not seem to be well known in Edinburgh, as it ought to be. We would feel obliged if you would send us a number more, as we have opportunities of distributing them amongst friends who are likely to be able to help your noble work. 2s. 6d. enclosed will help to pay for reports. I may add we have often had Dr. Barnardo's reports sent us, but never saw yours till my husband wrote for them. We ought to support our own Scotch children.

One in Aberdeenshire sending £1 from an anonymous giver, and 10s. from Gartly friends, 5s. of it for personal use, writes:—

MY DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—It has been delightful to note from the statements which have been recently appearing in the *Aberdeen Daily Free Press* that the Lord our Father in heaven has been putting it into the hearts of some to give largely for your work. May the year as it goes on be as full of such gifts as the early part of it has been. My wife and I remember with delight the visit we paid to Bridge-of-Weir in the year of the Glasgow Exhibition, when we had the privilege of meeting you. I often refer to your work when I am addressing people in church or elsewhere, endeavouring to urge them on and myself as well to more faith in our Heavenly Father. Would it be too much to ask you to kindly send me a message—no matter how brief it may be—which I could give my people as a personal word of exhortation from you to them? Sure I am that they would like it, and, by the blessing of the Lord, it might prove of much use to souls.

£1 7s. from Sabbath Schools in Irvine and Forfar; and £8 from Bridge-of-Allan, Edinburgh, Lenzie, Catrine, and Ecclefechan, £5 of it being “returned borrowed money,” are our other gifts for the day. One of our little adopted girls in Canada writes:—

MY DEAR FRIEND, MR. QUARRIER,—As one of your lambs I now sit down to write you a few lines to let you know how I am getting along. Pa, as I call him, was over to the States to see their friends over there, and he took me over with him, and sometimes they let me go and visit, and I can't say but what they like me. They tell the people how they like me. One day Mr. W. was here, and Ma told him she would not take his whole farm for me. I go to the Presbyterian Church and Sabbath school. Our minister's name is Mr. H., and I go to the public school every day. Our school is shut up now till we get a new teacher. I always pray to the Lord to keep me in a right way. We have got a nice span of horses, and when Pa goes out he lets me drive, and I can tell you I like it. I have never been any sick since I came here. I hope the Lord will keep us all well. I had a call from Mr. John Ross from the Home, and I received your kind Christmas and New-Year's letter. I take pleasure in reading them, and was glad to hear how your Homes are prospering. I ask an interest in all your prayers, and may the Lord keep me safe from all harm is my daily prayer. I guess I will close for this time, hoping to hear from you soon.—From your little NELLIE.

Feb. 8.—We were very much gladdened to-day by receiving a cheque for

£500 from the same friend in Edinburgh who sent £1000 on 29th ult., expressing a wish that both sums (in all £1500) might be used in building a cottage to be called the Edinburgh Home, and to be in memoriam of a dearly loved mother recently taken home. This dear friend has been used of the Lord to answer a long-standing prayer of ours—namely, that some of His stewards in Edinburgh might be led to build a Home in the national group at Bridge-of-Weir, and now that this desire has been fulfilled our hearts are filled with joy, and we do magnify the Lord who hath so abundantly blessed and guided us in the past. To-day, just before receiving the gift of the Edinburgh Home, we had an application from there asking if we could take two orphan boys, and many others from that city of the east have been privileged to help. A legacy of £250 and a number of smaller sums have also come to-day. "The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad." We are in much need of a Home for invalid boys (our Bethesda being for girls and little ones), also additional school accommodation, and feel sure that those needs also will be supplied.

During the past two weeks Gipsy Smith and his wife have been labouring in connection with our Mission work at the City Home Hall, and the services held nightly have been blessed to the salvation of not a few, and for this we also give thanks to God.

*Feb. 13.*—The cases brought before us these few days past have been both numerous and distressing, and as a sample of what we have to deal with we will give some details regarding those brought under our notice on Tuesday of this week:—

An application from a distance reached us asking if we would receive two boys, whose father—a fisherman—was drowned some time ago, leaving his widow with four children to support. We agreed to take the boys and others of the family if thought best. Took in an orphan girl of 15 from Troon, brought by a member of the Y.W.C.A. there, who found her begging on the streets and without a home. She was so far down that she had been threatening to end her days by drowning. Poor girl, she seems self-willed, but we trust, with the Lord's blessing, to be the means of leading her to a better life. A poor woman with a little girl of three years, but more like twelve months, called, wishing us to get her child adopted. She is able to walk though not to speak, but on looking at her we felt "wee Jeanie's" laughing little face would win the heart of almost anyone, and we have already found a home and kind friends to care for her. Another little girl of two, a bright, beautiful child, whose mother, though married, with three of a family, has gone wrong with this one, and is now separated from her husband. She thinks that if the little one could be adopted a reconciliation might be brought about. We hope to be able to help her in this way. A family of three children—two boys of eight and ten and a girl of twelve—were admitted, whose mother is dead and their father, in a dying state, is going into Poor-house Hospital. He has not been able to work since the end of last year, and this is indeed a sad, miserable case. A poor widow woman called with a delicate wee boy of six whom we got into the infirmary three weeks ago. He is much better now, and we promised to take him if the mother, who is at present out of work, cannot manage to struggle through. A lad of 16 who is desirous of going to Canada came through from Edinburgh to see us, and we agreed to give him a helping hand. Other cases were before us, some of whom got a night's lodging paid; others received temporary relief in the shape of meal, etc., or advice according to the varied circumstances of each.

The above details will give friends some idea of the great need that exists for the helping of the perishing little ones, and we believe they will esteem it a privilege to minister by gifts and prayers as we do to labour on behalf of "the least of these." We intend sending about 250 children to Canada this year, our boys' party at the end of March, and the girls early in May. For the needed means we look to the Lord, who in the past years has supplied all that we required for this branch of the work. During the past months we have received hundreds of letters and

reports from Canada, telling us of the good results there, and it is very cheering to know that the high percentage of 95 continue to do well. As the needy ones are gathered in from day to day, so also the increased means required is sent from far and near, filling our hearts with gladness and our lips with praise. Among the many gifts received these four days past, £20 came for emigration from an unknown friend "in memory of a dear one taken home;" £1 from two old donors, Lerwick; £10 0s. 6d. for emigration from Pittenweem, from where we took an orphan girl this week; £1, "a thankoffering for restored health," with the words, "He is faithful that promised;" a friend, Wick, £2; a poor young invalid girl now very ill, 3 pairs cuffs; "for the orphans, with Lillie's love," Perth, cuffs, handkerchiefs, etc.; young Girl's Sewing Class, Kilmalcolm, quantity stockings, etc.; "Alice, Willie, and Baby's Box, Grangemouth, 10s; £1, "a thankoffering to God from a hard working Sabbath-school teacher;" "a Working Man," Tighnabruach, 5s.; £5 from Lenzie with the following letter:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I enclose a cheque for £5, and I may say that I feel more real pleasure in giving you my small contribution than I have in aiding almost any other charitable object that I subscribe to. I may say I have taken an interest in your Homes for some time now, and I have visited them, and, from a business point of view, I have been greatly struck with the wonderful economy that seems to pervade the whole system of work carried on in your little village. It seems to me that that economy would be impossible but for the large amount of love that seems to be thrown into the work. Then from a higher point of view I think the field of research in trying to grasp the amount of moral and spiritual good resulting from your work is almost unlimited. It is quite possible to imagine the difference between a life lived amongst wretched surroundings, which nearly always includes crime with the poverty, and a life lived well and spent in a good home; but when one thinks of the countless influences for good or evil that one life has on others that come in contact with it, then the calculations get extremely complex, so that the little channel that is turned from an evil to a good course may, in God's grace, widen and deepen, and in a little time form itself into a great river that will roll on, ever increasing, until it reaches the shores of the Great Home above. I wish you success upon success.

10s. and some Christmas cards from "James and Sissy," Leith; £5 Hamilton postmark as "The Lord's Tithes;" 16 pair cuffs worked by two little girls of 9 and 7, Castle-Douglas; a parcel of mittens, etc., from a Sabbath school class of little girls, Kirkintilloch; 2s. from a thankful mother whose runaway boy we restored to her; and parcel clothing from some aged friends, Sandbank.

*Feb. 19.*—Yesterday we were cheered by the gift of £100 from a friend in the East of Scotland. It will pay for the passage and outfit of 10 boys to Canada, for which purpose we still require about £600 for the 130 we intend sending at the end of next month. To-day a number of cheering gifts have reached us, among which are £30 from an old donor, Glasgow (£20 of it to take a girl and boy to Canada), a legacy of £45, and £1 from friends who adopted one of our little ones five years ago, and who say "she is such a blessing." A "Servant girl," in sending £2 6s. 9d. for the Servants' Home, says: "I hope many hearts may be opened to give for it, and that it may soon be one of the number of the many beautiful homes at Bridge-of-Weir. I collected this small sum among a few friends." We have received a number of small sums for the purpose of building a cottage at Bridge-of-Weir to be called the "Servants' Home," and we trust that some friends may be led to take the matter up and carry it through. The following touching letter came from a young helper in Chryston:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I am the little boy that sent you ten shillings last year



when I was seven years old, and I shall soon be eight years, and I have sent you ten this year also, which I have gathered in my bank. I am very sorry I have not got down yet to see your boys and girls. I am thinking a great deal about the big ship, and I am wishing every day to get to see it. Mother and grandmother and auntie are saying they are all coming with me to see it. Father would like to come too, but he has lots of work to do. I am going to send my eldest brother in with the money; I know he will take it all right. I read some of the books you sent me. I liked to read the letters that your little boys and girls sent you after they had left your home and gone to another home. I think there are a good few among them who love Jesus: one thing I know, that Jesus loves them and cares for them. I hope these few shillings will be a little help to you. It is all I have to give till I am a big man, if I am spared till then. This is all I have got to say.—Your loving friend,

A. S. F.

*Feb. 22.*—Yesterday we took in five children, two of them little boys from Edinburgh, whose parents are both dead. A fellow-workman of the father's brought the case under our notice, and he is thankful to have them taken under our care, and so save them from the poorhouse. We hope to take others of the family as well, and in so doing be the means of keeping them together. The others received are orphans also, the mother long ailing, having only died this week. She was anxious that the children should be brought to us, and we esteem it a privilege to have been the means of soothing another mother's dying pillow, by promising to look after and care for her little ones when she had gone. Three applications by letter about children in Paisley, Castle Douglas, and Falkirk, also reached us yesterday, all of whom we hope to be able to help. Only £2 10s. to-day, and £7 2s. yesterday, have come. We need much more, and keep looking up.

*Feb. 28.*—Yesterday and to-day £83 8s. 1d. from friends in Alloa, Rome, London, Crieff, Prince Edward Island, and Glasgow; quantity clothing from young friends' sewing meeting and others; also a rocking-horse and some bread, all most acceptable gifts, have come. An old donor in Crieff, sending £2 “to feed the little orphans gathered into your Homes,” says—“God bless you in your labours amongst them, and may they not only live healthy, happy lives, but also Christian, so that they in turn may be blessings to others.” This is our daily prayer and earnest desire for each of the dear children the Lord has given us in charge, and from time to time we have had much encouragement in seeing and hearing of many coming out on the Lord's side and seeking to serve Him. As instances of this among our family in Canada, we give the following letters out of many others recently received:—

DEAR MR. AND MRS. QUARRIER,—I now sit down, by God's help, to answer your kind letter which I gladly received from you last spring. I was glad to hear that you were all well as it leaves me at present. I am still enjoying the smile of God day by day. Of course we know there are troubles and trials to contend with. Without trials in this world we would not be much. Praise God for the trials. I was reading your New Year letter and it was very interesting to me to hear how you were getting along with your great work, and may the Lord guide you in it. I feel for you and your care, for it is a great undertaking, but the Lord Jesus has said as you know, “it is more blessed to give than to receive.” I feel without Christ I could do nothing, for this world is full of snares and upsets, but it is true, as my Father did say, under the cloud there is sunshine. I suppose you want to know what I am doing for the Lord at present. I will try and explain as the Lord helps me. The Lord has called me in an unexpected way from the way that I thought. He has called me to go far away to the heathen and tell them of Jesus' love and what there is in Christ, and how He has suffered and bled and died and was crucified for them as well as for Canada. I am going to school next Monday to pass the entrance, if God will, and the Lord has opened up the way so far clearly. I am going to school, so that I may be able to gain the High School and work my way up. Pray for me as I need your prayers. I pray for you and your work in my weakness.

I hope you will send me your picture as I would like it very much. I had a very encouraging letter from Mr. Burges. This year is about to close, and how very little we have done for God, but if God permit another year to shine forth to me I mean to make it better than this. He leads me every day of my life. His sweetness and love to me are more than my tongue can express. I have anchored in Jesus now, to sail the wild seas no more. I was very sorry to hear that my school-master was dead. I believe he did his duty down here, although I did not appreciate him at the time, but I never forgot his words after I received the knowledge of my sins forgiven. If you come to Canada in the spring come and see me; don't forget. Yours for ever,

A. K.

DEAR FRIEND.—I now take the pleasure of writing you these few lines. I hope you are all well, as this leaves me at present, thank God for it, I have a good deal to thank God for. I suppose you heard that Mr. Meckle was here? I have been at all his meetings and I must say that I got good there, for I have decided for Jesus, and I am leading a happier life, and I mean to trust Him and Him only. I have been trying to save myself for a long time, but I have given myself to the Lord Jesus now and more than me. When I got the gift, I got anxious about others. Now, I will tell you who the next one is—J. T., and we have been trying and praying for B. M., but we have not succeeded yet. This is the last night of the meeting, and this may be her last chance. Jane and I have pleaded hard with her, but could not get her to stay till the after meeting. Dear Friend, will you pray for her that she may be led to the Saviour who did so much for her? And remember Jane and I in your prayers also. I am trying, with God's help, to do everything for the Lord. I wish I was near my brothers now, so I could speak to them, but I am praying for them. This place is just like home to me, and Mrs. M. like a mother. Now I must draw to a close. Love to all. I pray for you all every night and morning. God bless you all. “As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.” That is the text that led me to trust Jesus, I just believed and He did the rest.—Your loving girl,

C. M'D.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I take the pleasure of writing you these few lines to let you know that I am well, hoping you are the same. I got your New-Year's letter and your Christmas card, and was glad to know how you were getting along with the work in the Homes. I was converted on 6th January. All things are going well here. I am going to school, and I am in the third book. Annie was sick this week for a few days; I was sick this winter too, but I am all right now. We have two little children; they are dear pets. We have a new teacher. God has said, “Now is the day of salvation.” I will close my letter now, as I have no more to tell you. Good-bye all, from Eliza M'K. “Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.”

The friend with whom she is writes:—

DEAR FRIEND,—I hope you will pardon me for not writing to you before now, but I have had a great many trials these last two years—sickness and trouble—but I have learned to trust the Lord, and I praise Him for all He has done for me and mine. He has spared me to take care of my children. I have given everything up to Him, and I know He will take care of me and help me to do His will. We are all well at present. Eliza is going to school mostly all the time. She is grown to be quite a big girl, and she gave herself to the Lord about two weeks ago. There is a great change in her. I know she was truly converted to God. My only sister was converted, and one of my brothers. Haven't we reasons to praise the Lord for what He has done for us. I have two little boys of my own; they are dear little fellows, and are very fond of Eliza, and she of them. She is writing you a letter to send with this. We were delighted to get your letter, and will be pleased to see you at any time. Annie is well; she had a cold, but is better. Eliza had diphtheria this fall; we had the doctor for her as soon as we knew she was sick. My children did not take it. I have no more to tell you this time, so will close, hoping to be remembered in your prayers. “In the fear of the Lord is strong confidence, and His children shall have a place of refuge.”—I remain, yours sincerely, Mrs. H. M'K.

During the past month also we have had special blessing among the children in the Bridge-of-Weir Homes, and many have been brought to a knowledge of the truth, and are now rejoicing in the Saviour. The “good seed of the kingdom” is sown from week to week at our Sabbath and

Wednesday evening services, as well as in the cottages daily, and will, we feel sure spring up and bring forth fruit, although it may be "after many days."

*March 4.*—£260 from a Scotchman in London (£10 of it for our own needs), was a very welcome gift yesterday for emigration. £6 from Campbeltown (£2 of it for personal use), and £10 from Irvine and Langholm for emigration also; £1 with the words "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these;" a waggon of dross, some clothing, hats, etc., make up the gifts received. To-day six more boys have been paid for, leaving now about £170 required before the day of sailing on the 27th inst.

*March 8.*—Yesterday from various quarters we received £102 2s. 6d., £50 of it for emigration. £33 18s 5d. is the amount that has come to-day, £10 of it to take a boy to Canada. One of our sailor lads writes us from Queenstown:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I now take the pleasure of writing you these few lines to let you know that I am keeping well, hoping you are the same. I arrived in Queens-town on the 1st, and received your kind and welcome letter to-day. We had a very long passage from Java. We were 119 days, but we had fine weather until we got to the Cape of Good Hope, where we got a gale once or twice, and then we had no more until we got to the Western Islands, or the Azores, and then we had very cold, bad weather, but now that we have arrived home all safe we think no more of that. I only wait for the day when I shall be once more down at the Homes among my companions in the ship, although I suppose the most of them will be gone to sea. I have no more to say at present, but remain, yours very truly,  
J. D.

*March 10.*—£110 for emigration to-day, makes up the amount required for our boys' party. The Lord is faithful and never disappoints any who put their trust in Him. Seven children were admitted to-day, and two applications from Edinburgh to receive destitute little ones reached us. We are in need of increased accommodation, and were it not for the outlet that Canada affords we would be forced to refuse shelter to many an orphan and fatherless little one.

*March 14.*—A friend, who desires to remain unknown, sends £10, "in memoriam of a loved one gone home, for a boy's outfit and passage to Canada," and £10 "a thanksgiving, for a girl's outfit and passage." A number of other gifts have also come; the smallest, although perhaps not the least, being one pair of stockings from a servant girl, "not much, but given from the heart." We feel sure even this "cup of cold water" will not lose its reward.

*March 19.*—From different sources yesterday, £143 14s. 1d. gladdened our hearts; £100 of it from an old donor, Largs, where we have many kind helpers. How much we have to praise our Father for? He daily loadeth us with His benefits. An old "well-wisher" sends 25 pairs stockings and £2, trusting "the Lord may uphold you in your work as He has done in the past;" and a friend in New Deer sending £1, writes:—

MY DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I was glad to see by your pamphlet that the Lord has been blessing your work so much and supplying all your daily need, and that you have also had blessing among the children. Amid all the trouble and trials that have been around, so much sickness and death on every hand, you surely have much to praise the Lord for, that He was pleased to lay His hand gently on your large family. Enclosed is a small sum to help you in your work and labour, of love. He who has met all your need in the past will continue to do so, for His own name's sake.—Yours in Christian sympathy.

*March 25.*—Yesterday our old friend "Nemo" sent £5 for emigration. Another in Paisley £50 "for the Scottish Homes, to be used as you think

best;" one in Elgin, 10s., and says: "We who are at a distance cannot take part in your noble work, but we can sympathise with it and wish it well." Another in Dunedin, N.Z., £2 10s: one in Campbeltown, £10; and others £5 2s., 5s. of it "for Fairknowe," our Canadian home. To-day six orphan children, youngest 20 months and eldest 10 years, from Wales, were added to our gathered-in flock. We also laid to rest, in our little "God's acre," the body of one of our number who was called home three days ago. She was one of a family of six we took from Kirkcaldy some months ago. Their father and mother both died of consumption, and none of the children are strong. We have had the privilege of caring for this one for a little while here below, and now she knows what it is to be free from all pain, sin, and sorrow. £100 (£10 of it for our own needs) from an unknown friend in Edinburgh was a very acceptable gift to-day.

#### DEPARTURE OF OUR FIRST BAND TO CANADA THIS YEAR.

*March 28.*—We have been disappointed in not getting our boys' party off yesterday as we expected, as, owing to a strike among the dock labourers, the *Siberian*, by which they go, was not ready to sail until to-day. Having intimated our Farewell Meeting for yesterday, we had to take the boys to Glasgow specially for it. It was held in the Christian Institute at 12 o'clock, we joining the noon meeting for the purpose. There was a very large gathering of friends, and many kind words were spoken and prayers offered up for the out-going band. To-day, after a short service in the church and bidding goodbye to their old companions and friends, the party, numbering 121 well-trained healthy looking boys, left the Bridge-of-Weir Homes about 4.45 p.m. To save time and trouble we thought it better to take them to Greenock and get on board there, which we did about 7.30. After seeing them all comfortably settled in their new quarters, we bade them goodbye at 8 o'clock and left for home. The Messrs. Allan, with their usual thoughtfulness, provided excellent accommodation for the comfort of the children during the voyage, for which we feel very thankful. The party is in charge of Mr. A. Burges, our principal visitor in Canada, who came home for the purpose of taking the party out, and Mr. John Thomson, the fisherman evangelist. We feel very thankful for this, the 30th rescued band which we have sent forth to the good land across the seas. Quite a number of sums for emigration have reached us these days past, and we have about £600 on hand for our girls' party, which we hope to send early in May. £10 pays for the passage and outfit of one child, and we feel sure money cannot be better expended on behalf of destitute children than in thus transplanting them to the greater Scotland across the seas, where over 95 per cent. of the 3000 we have been privileged to care for and send out are doing well. A boy who went out two years ago writes us this week:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I write these few lines to let you know I am well, hoping this letter will find you the same, and your wife and family too. I received your letter on Christmas night and I read it to my papa and mamma, and it was nice. I am living very happy here but I can remember the old Homes where I used to live very happy. You can tell John G. I am well and I hope he is the same. Tell him to write me as soon as possible if he is in the Homes; he was in No. 7 Cottage when I left two years ago. Mr. and Mrs. Howatt keep No. 7. Tell them I have never forgotten them although far away, and that I send my love to them. You can take this letter to No. 7 Cottage if you please. I am well liked here; and we have nine head of cattle, three calves, 10 sheep, seven horses, and 40 hens, and I gather all the eggs and get a cent a dozen for doing so. We have had a peculiar disease, some called it *la grippe* and others called it the influenza, and it took quite a number to the realities of a never ending eternity. I have not had it yet, but there were not



many who missed it, and I thank the Lord that He has kept it away from me. I have given my heart to Jesus and mean to trust Him with all my heart, and I hope to meet you and all your big family in heaven, and I hope the Lord will send in the money to carry on the work to build more homes to bring all the street wanderers in to know the Lord and to put their trust in Him. I have got a bank and I am saving all my money. On Christmas morning my boots sat by the stove-oven and Santa Claus came down the pipe and put candies and a bank in my boots, so I went straight and got my pocket-book and put my money in it. I have not spent a copper since I came to this country, that's two years ago, and I mean to save it. Ma says she is going to give me one cent every dozen all summer for the eggs I gather. I was driving the 10-horse power to-day as we were sawing wood. Papa died 6th of Dec., 1889. I can now rake and load. One day I was in my bedroom making my bed and ma came up when I was making my bed and said she would not believe that I made it if she had not seen it, and she says I am very handy about the house, as I can wash dishes so soon, and I thank the Lord I can find good friends here. When I was reading the letter I got on Christmas I heard that the Lord had sent amusements for the children. I am glad to hear of it, and I hope the Lord will keep on sending blessings to the Homes. I am glad to hear that you have sent some boys from the *James Arthur*. I hope there will be more going out to be missionary seamen seeking to win souls to Jesus. Now I will close my letter as I have no more to say at present, wishing you all good-bye.—Yours truly,  
J. W.

Among gifts sent us this week, £2 came from Zutphen, Holland. The friend, in writing us, says—"It is part of a thankoffering for blessings, spiritual and temporal, received from our Heavenly Father. Wishing you God speed."

*April 4.*—A kind friend in Campbeltown writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Since last writing you I have felt that I should like to send a little further help to the good work for the Lord in which you are engaged, so enclose bank draft for £10, the amount required, I think, for the sending out of one boy to Canada. One reason—the reason—which leads me to ask you to appropriate the money to this purpose is, that besides the temporal benefit so plainly arising from the emigration scheme, there is such a direct spiritual personal dealing with the boys you send out, as well as with others under your care. I do not expect to have it in my power to help much in the future, but gladly send this *now*. To-day only is ours. I believe in being our own executors, as well as in systematic and proportionate giving. With kind regards, and praying that God may still further bless and prosper your work.

£2 5s. from Sabbath Schools in West Calder, Cardross, and Glasgow, and £12 7s. from other friends, £10 of it for emigration, make up the money received to-day; £31 17s. 7d. was the amount yesterday, £20 of it for emigration.

*April 7.*—One of our sailor boys home from his first voyage spent yesterday (Sabbath), among us at Bridge-of-Weir. He is getting on well and liking the sea life. We were cheered by hearing this, but much more when he told us that he was standing true to his colours, and was not ashamed to confess Christ. We do pray that he will be kept thus, and that his testimony will be blessed to all he comes in contact with. £3 and box of clothing, books, etc., from Hamilton; £2 "of Thine own;" £1 from an anonymous friend, as "a thankoffering for health granted, praying that the Lord may supply all your needs; 5s. "For Fairknowe," and 27 articles clothing from Glasgow, are all our gifts for the day.

*April 10.*—This forenoon we received word of the safe arrival of our boys' party at Halifax, after rather a long passage. We did rejoice, and the bells rang out to let our village know the good news. £27 3s. 9d. have come to-day, £2 5s. of it for emigration. An aged donor, Tillicoultry, in sending two guineas, says, "I wish it were a great deal more, but that is not in my power. I send it with warm Christian love and prayer that our loving Lord may continue richly to bless you in all your work for Him."

A girl sent out to Canada several years ago, and now married to one of our boys, writes us this week:—

DEAR FRIEND,—We received your welcome letter some time ago, and were very glad to get it. We are all well at present, hoping this may find you the same. We have very little snow this winter and quite a lot of rain. I suppose you are very busy getting the children ready to come to Canada. Girls are very scarce here. We are getting ready to move by ourselves next week, and if you come out this summer be sure and come to see us. We would like to have you come and see us very much. Mrs. Burges sent us a nice family Bible, and a nice lot of other things. The baby is well. Archie has been here ever since he came out in 1882, and he is going to work here another year. Mr. P. and he get along splendid. Mr. P. has a farm of 200 acres of land; it is a nice place to work, and is just like home to us. I expect I will be pretty lonesome when I get moved. We are getting along splendid, and are very happy. I thought you knew we were married, or I would have told you my name. I have been here over eight years; I came out to Canada in 1881. Do you ever hear anything of my half brother. He stayed with my mother till she died. Dear Mother! if she were only alive I would have her out with me right away, but I hope we may all meet in heaven, where there is no parting and all is love. Oh, won't it be joyful! I hope we may live so that we may gain heaven; it is a very little while to live here and a long time in the next world. Thank you very much for the little books; they are very nice—we like to read them. Archie has lived on the farm ever since he came out; he likes it here. He is a good husband; he neither drinks nor smokes nor uses tobacco in any form, and never swears. We have never broken our pledge, and we trust in God we never will. We are trying to live Christians. We have one cow and ten hens; we have our potatoes furnished, and garden, and berries, and currants, and wood, and house, and Archie gets 100 dollars a year, so, by being saving and taking care of things, we will do pretty well. I have been getting wages all this year. We have got all our furniture and everything ready to go housekeeping, and pretty nearly 100 dollars out at interest. We want to lay up some money every year, so when we grow old we will have enough to keep us, and now is the time to begin, while we are young. Archie is nineteen and I am only eighteen. This is a very pretty place here in summer. We will be very disappointed if you don't come, so please come and see us if you can. Give our love to all the girls and boys. Tell them we would like to see them all and hear them sing. Tell them to give their hearts to God and they never will be sorry for it. The Homes look very nice in the book; it looks like a little village itself. We have good health all the time; we don't have much doctor's bills to pay. We go to the Methodist Church, and are members of it. We have a smart preacher, and I like to hear him preach. He is going to go away this spring, and I am very sorry, still, we may get another just as good as he is. We think a lot of him. Our pictures are just like ourselves, and Garnet, our baby, looks just as he does when he is thinking. I guess I will close my letter now; I have written you a long letter. Please write soon. Good-bye.—Yours lovingly,  
A. W.

Two needy ones were added to our number yesterday, and two to-day, and others are seeking our help. A friend in Edinburgh writes:—

MY DEAR SIR,—It gives me much pleasure to send you a few pence from the children of South Morningside Free Church Sabbath School on behalf of your little ones. I have recommended both my teachers and children to get their parents to take them down and see you and yours, after which I am sure their sympathy will become practical. The Lord give us all hearts to bear one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ. With best wishes and prayers for you and yours.  
and another in Glasgow:—

DEAR SIR,—Being a stableman, I do not get many days to myself, but having got the 7th my wife and I thought we would like to see the place we had heard so much about, namely, the Homes, and I think it was the best and happiest sight we ever shall see till God gathers in His jewels. Hoping God will bless you and spare you to carry on your great work; please to take this 5s. to help it on; it is the first, but, God helping us, it will not be the last.

*April 16.*—A friend who adopted one of our little ones some time ago, called at the City Home to-day, bringing the child with her. She is getting on well, and seems to be very happy and contented, and we do trust she will grow up to be a blessing to the kind friends who are caring for her. £25 for

emigration from a "wellwisher," in Carnforth, who says, "As often as I remember in morning prayer when I say, 'give us this day our daily bread,' I mention your name and the Homes; pray for me,"—reached us yesterday; also £1 15s. from S. S., Leith; £1 from an old donor, Greenock; 10s. from "Alice, Willie, and Jessie's box, Grangemouth;" £1 10s. from two friends, Glasgow; sixty-seven articles clothing from a Sewing Society, Dunfermline, and a parcel from Helensburgh, with many kind expressions of interest in the work. To-day, from various sources, £52 16s. (£45 of it for emigration); thirty-one articles clothing from Sabbath School girls, Insch, and some from other friends have come.

*April 19.*—We have been much cheered to-day by receiving a cheque for £500 from a kind helper, who desires us to use it as we see best in the work under our care. The amount of the gift and the time it has come have greatly encouraged us and led us anew to praise our Heavenly Father for the generous sympathy of His children, who from time to time minister to the needs of the orphan and fatherless little ones given us to care for. We were requiring money for the enlargement of our Distributing Home in Canada, and the gift now received will enable us to do this piece of work during the coming summer. The donor of the gift is young in business, but from the first he has apportioned a part of his increase to the Lord's work in our hands. He is fulfilling the injunction, "Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase." We are still requiring £5,000 to build more school accommodation at Bridge-of-Weir; also £2,000 for an Invalid Home for older boys, and we believe these also will be sent at the right time. Yesterday a friend, sending 133 articles of useful clothing from helpers in Kirkcaldy, says: "Many of the workers have expressed their pleasure, and consider it an honour to have the opportunity of doing a little work in this way. A great deal of the knitting was done by God's poor ones. We give the wool, and they gladly do the knitting. . . . I may add that even in supplying the requirements of this small bundle God has sent just what was needed with an exactness that almost astonishes one;" and the following letter from Edinburgh greatly touched our hearts:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER.—Some time ago I had the pleasure of visiting your Homes. The account which I afterwards gave of my visit to my children interested them very much. We have a family missionary box, and we resolved to devote our weekly gatherings for a time to your Homes. When we started this box I gave each of the children so much a week to put into it. On reflection, however, I said to them that I thought it would be better if they *earned* what they put into the box,—so my eldest boy's work was to keep the sideboard tidy; my eldest girl's, to keep a cabinet inside and out in order; my second daughter's, to keep a table with its drawer, the mantel-piece, and other parts of the room tidy, etc. Each was also to keep his and her bedroom in order. I regret I cannot be at your meeting to-night, owing to other engagements. I enclose, however, the children's earnings, amounting to 18s. 9d. These are accompanied by their prayers for your Homes, as on Sabbath mornings when the box has been laid on the breakfast table we have asked God's blessing on your work. Four weeks past last Sabbath the Lord Jesus entered our home and took one of our little ones to Himself—our second daughter, to whom I have referred. The last thing she did was to drop her last earnings, amounting to 3s. 6d., into the box. She wasn't able to do it herself, but we guided her hand to the hole in the box and she dropped her pennies in. We continue to give our Aggie's pennies to the missionary box although she has gone from us.

Thus in many ways the Lord inclines the hearts of His children, young and old, rich and poor, feeble and strong, to minister to the needs of the little ones under our care.

*April 24.*—Yesterday an aged donor in Canada in sending us £20 "to help in building one of your cottages for these helpless ones," says:—

DEAR SIR,—I trust you and Mrs. Quarrier are quite well. There has been a

great amount of sickness here this winter. *La grippe* has been universal; never had so mild a winter, nor so many sick. Don't you think those epidemics have a voice in them to the nations of the earth, or it may be a precursor of something? The Lord reigns, and His children may rest quietly in His hands. What a loud call there is for help in the mission field; how rapidly they are pushing forward in the China Inland Mission.

Sabbath Schools and a Bible Class in Aberfeldy, Alloa, and Millport send £4 7s. 6d., and friends in Edinburgh and Glasgow, £17 10s., £17 of it for emigration. "A little worker for Jesus," Kirkintilloch, 1 pair stockings; a friend, Stevenston, as "first fruits of a sewing class," 12 articles clothing; an invalid, Edinburgh, parcel of useful knitted articles, etc.; and other friends in Glasgow and Edinburgh, a piece red flannel and some clothing, all useful gifts for our large and varied family. A friend on the West Coast, writing to-day, says:—

MY DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I have pleasure in enclosing £3<sup>0</sup>. Will you kindly apply £20 for what you may see most needed for the dear Christian work connected with your Homes, and £10 for your own use? With much prayer on behalf of the Homes and yourself.

Another in Leith, sending £2 12s. 6d collected from friends, writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I have very much pleasure in sending the enclosed, which I have collected from friends for your most noble work among the hundreds of needy ones. I am sure your faith must be often tried to have the wants of so many supplied. I often wonder if I had to trust for myself if I would have sufficient faith. But He has said, "Ask and it shall be given you," and we know His promises never have, and never will, fail. May the Lord sustain and cheer you on in your great work among the poor little ones.

10s. from Crieff with Deut. xxxi. 6; a child's crib from a Glasgow friend; £16 4s. from others in Uddingston, Coatbridge, Stranraer, Milton of Campsie, and London, £10 of it for emigration, and a quantity of clothing from an aged friend in Callander have come to us to-day.

*April 26.*—Many letters from Canada have reached us this month, and out of the number we give the following:—

DEAR SIR,—I received your welcome letter, and was glad to hear from you, and to know that I am still remembered in your Homes by you and Mrs. Quarrier, and all the kind friends, although I have neglected in not writing to you and Mrs. Quarrier as I should have done. I am glad to hear from you at any time; there is nothing pleases me more than to hear how you are getting along with your good work. There is a good deal of improvement made on the Homes since I left. I have made out 13 new Cottages, besides the new Church. The new Church is such a fine building; it sets off the place so well that I would hardly know it if I were to go to see it, it looks altogether different. So the Central Building is all used for the school now. There must be a good many children there now when you have so many Cottages, and they are all such fine buildings; and the new Home in Brockville is another fine house. It looks more like a palace than it does like an Orphans' Home, as they all do; and you are getting along so well, and always have everything that you need, and I hope that you always will, as the Lord sees fit to give it, for He is merciful to those who do His service. The Homes in Bridge-of-Weir must be pretty well filled up, and as I see by your letter that you are hoping to send a party of about 250 boys and girls in all to Canada this year, so I think that it is a great number of orphan children to send out and to place them in homes, but you will find about as many more waiting to get into the Homes after they are gone. It is a wonderful thing to think of all the orphan children that have been cared for by you and Mrs. Quarrier, and we should be very thankful to you and Mrs. Quarrier for your kindness to us, and for placing us in homes in Canada. It is a blessed thing that the kind friends in Canada are so willing to share their homes to the orphan children of Scotland to help you in any way they can. Now, I must tell you that Mr. Burges was to see me last winter, a year ago, and I did not know who he was, and I don't think that I ever saw him before, so it was hard for me to know him. I never thought of anyone coming to see me since you did not come yourself, but I was glad to see him for all that.



did not say much of anything to him, but the next time I see him I will know him better, and won't be afraid to speak to him. I would like to see you and Mrs. Quarrier at any time you may be around seeing any of the other children. I was sorry to hear of Mr. McConnell's death. I am sure there were a few sad days in the Homes, as there always are. I must tell you that Mr. M.P. is a well-doing farmer. He has about 350 acres of land, and he owns the whole of it. There is 19 head of cattle on the farm now, but he had between 40 and 50 when I went there first, but he is going into sheep raising now. We have 19 sheep, and 7 big pigs, and 12 horses, and about 80 hens, between geese and turkeys. We have lots of music every night; we have a piano and a fiddle. We have two large orchards on the farm, and we have all the apples that we want to have. There is no other fruit so plentiful as the apples where I am. I was to see my sisters a year ago this month, and they were to see me two weeks ago. I am the best off. I would like to get yours and Mrs. Quarrier's photos. If you will please send them to me I will be very thankful to you and Mrs. Quarrier, and will send you one of mine. Now, I must bring this letter to a close by sending my love to you and Mrs. Quarrier, and Miss Mary, and Mr. Frank.—I am, your sincere friend, L. S.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER.—I received your letter on the 12th of Feb. I hope you are well, as we are all well now. I must tell you that we all had *la grippe*. One of my little brothers was just about dying, but he is just well now. Mamma was very sick too, and I was very bad. I was in bed for three days. I am going to tell you all about Christmas. We had two Christmas trees. I got some very nice presents off them—one from my Sunday School class. Some of the bigger girls did not get such a nice present from their class. My little sister is well; she goes to school every day, and always asks me when will you come to see her. I have a little sister, Lillian, and three little brothers. We all go out to play, and we play till it is dark; and I have a little baby just two months old—she is my little darling. Now the trees are all getting tapped and we get plenty of maple syrup, as much as we want. Last summer I went to the Loyal League, and we met once a week; and then we got up an entertainment up in the woods, and we had such a pleasant time, and it was stopped all winter, but it has begun again. Mamma has got me a nice dress—a lady's dress could not be made nicer than it is—I will send you a piece of it; and Mary Ann has got a lovely coat. She is in a very nice home. You told me that there were a great many in Bethesda Home at present. Please tell Mrs. Duncan that I will write to her very soon, and Miss Murray also. Lillie sends some kisses to Mrs. Quarrier, and Mary Ann and I send some too. I go to Sunday School twice on Sunday. I think I have no more to say at present, but remain a loving friend, L. C.

A friend in Illinois, United States, sends £7 to-day "praying that God may abundantly bless and prosper you in your noble work;" one in Arbroath, 1s. 9d., and seven pairs socks from friends; and £3 2s. 6d. from others in Dunfermline and Glasgow, make up the amount received to-day. We are still requiring about £300 for the girls' party which is to sail on the 8th of next month, but as in the past years all our needs for this department of the work have been supplied before the days of sailing, we believe they will this time also.

April 30.—£75 for emigration; £1 "for daily needs," from Glasgow; £1, from Lerwick as "a thankoffering for partial recovery from sickness;" 4s. 6d., the savings of a grateful girl helped by us; 8s. from "children of a family belonging to Edinburgh" where we had the privilege of speaking recently; £1 19s. 2d., from Mission S. S.'s, Glasgow; £6 8s. 1½d. being money found in boxes during month, and a quantity of clothing, etc., from Rothiemay, Laurencekirk, and Crieff are to-day's gifts. Four new members were added to our number, a girl of 16 to our Young Women's Home, a working lad, and two little boys of 6 and 7 years. This is a busy and anxious time with us and we require great patience in dealing with the relatives of the children, many of whom are ungrateful for what has been done for them and stand in the light of their best interests. It is not always so, however, and we are encouraged from time to time by the thanks and gratitude of those we have been the means of assisting in their time of need.

May 3.—To-day we received from a friend in Argyleshire the joyous news of the promise of another cottage. The kind donor writes—"I am not going to give you my thankoffering of £20 for my dear husband's birthday at this time, but I am going to give you instead one of the seven still needed Homes which your heart so yearns for, and we will pray that every child who enters that Home may become a child of God, an heir of the many mansions which He has gone to prepare. I wished to tell you before you left to cheer you on your way." Words fail us to tell how much this gift has cheered our hearts and encouraged us in preparing to go forth with our girls' party to Canada on Thursday first. Our hearts are filled with joy, and we can but say—"Oh! give thanks unto the Lord of Lords, for He is good, for His mercy endureth for ever." We pray that the Lord will very richly bless and cheer the dear friends who have been led to minister in this way, and at the present time, to the work under our care, and may He give them the great joy of knowing, even in this life, that their prayers have been answered on behalf of the children who will be sheltered and cared for in this new Home. £173 15s. for emigration have come these three days past, 10s. of it from "A Wee Girl Helped" being specially cheering.

May 7.—Last night we held our farewell meeting with the party going to Canada, in the Church at the Bridge-of-Weir Homes, the children having a special tea in their cottages before the service. We expected to leave to-morrow, but have been much disappointed in getting word that the sailing of the ship is unavoidably delayed until the 9th. Having all our arrangements as to Farewell meeting in the city made, etc., this change is trying to our patience: but we seek to rest in the Lord, and believe all is for the best. Four children were taken in to-day and three yesterday. Many others are applying for help, and we will be glad of the vacant places which this party going forth will leave. We have now sufficient on hand to pay for each child going, and this calls for another note of praise to our faithful covenant-keeping God, who hath so abundantly blessed the work in the past. Among our gifts for the day 2s. 6d. from a friend, poor in this world's goods, who, according to her ability, and even beyond, has often ministered to our little ones, was specially touching. Her husband, who is well up in years, has only earned a small wage for a length of time, and is now unable for work. May our loving Master, who took notice of the "widow's mite," abundantly bless this servant of His, and supply all her need. The Lord's word is true, "He that giveth to the poor lendeth to the Lord, and that which he hath given He will repay him again."

#### OUR SECOND BAND OF CHILDREN TO CANADA THIS YEAR.

May 9.—Yesterday a Farewell Meeting to commend the outward bound to the care of our Heavenly Father, was held in the Christian Institute, at 11.30, when there was a large gathering of friends, whose hearty good wishes greatly cheered and strengthened us in going forth with this band. To-day the party numbering 128 girls and little boys (including eight girls and three boys from Isle of Man), sailed in the S.S. *Siberian*, about 2.30, in charge of Mrs. Quarrier and myself, accompanied by Miss Fox and Mrs. Campbell, an old helper who, with her husband, is now in charge of a Home in the Isle of Man. It is no easy matter for us to get away from the work here, but as the enlargement of our Home in Canada seems to necessitate my presence there this summer we decided to go with this party, and expect to be absent until the middle

or end of July. In going forth we were greatly cheered by hearing from the dear friend who last week promised the money for a cottage, that she would increase the sum and build a home for invalid incurable boys, the need of which we have long felt. This is another answered prayer, and our souls do magnify the Lord. Oh, for hearts to love and trust Him more and more as the days go by!

*May 15.*—Yesterday two orphan girls of 10 and 8 from Edinburgh were taken in, and to-day a boy and girl of 10 and 15 from Ayr, whose father died in 1888 of consumption, and mother of the same trouble only last week. She signed our agreement form giving her children over to our care a few days before her death, and being a Christian woman she felt cheered by knowing they would be provided for. One of our number, a little girl of 9, passed away to the better land to-night. She has been ill with consumption for some time, and although everything was done for her that could be, she has been taken, and we feel that for her it is well. She had trusted the Lord Jesus as her own Saviour, and before being called away was able to bear a bright testimony for Him. "An Orphan" in Paisley writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I send eight shillings; although I have not been able to subscribe to your work before, believe me I have an interest in it, being an orphan myself. My father died when I was seven years old, and mother fourteen months after him, and I was left the oldest of four. We have had a struggle, but the Lord has been very good to us. It is a year since I was converted. May God bless you and Mrs. Quarrier in your work, for it is a noble one, and may you both be long able to carry it on. The Lord will provide all things needful. I have long had the desire to see the Homes, but the way is not opened for me as yet, but I hope to see through them some day if it is the Lord's will. May God bless and prosper you in your work is the prayer of a sister in the Lord.

A friend, sending £10 10s. yesterday from Greenock, says—"I now send my Whitsunday offering for your work, together with that of my friends, and do rejoice with you for the hearts that the Lord has so wonderfully opened of late;" another in Stanley, Perthshire, forwards a parcel of clothing "made by two or three working girls, hoping the Lord may prosper you more and more in your good work;" a young friend, Crieff, sends 4d.; another, Paisley, 2s. 6d.; and from Dundee, Kelso, Alloa, Aberdeen, Ayr, Rutherglen, Paisley, Selkirk, Bowling, Annan, and Glasgow other friends have sent £24 6s. 9d., a parcel flower seeds and quantity clothing yesterday and to-day.

*May 21.*—To-night we received the welcome news of the arrival of our girls' party on the other side, and at our weekly evening meeting with the children we joined together in praising our Heavenly Father for His protecting care over this, another rescued band. Yesterday and to-day £16 4s. 6d. have reached us, 5s. of it part of the Lord's money from "Inasmuch," Edinburgh; £1 from "two sisters," Glasgow, "praying that you may continue to prosper, and asking an interest in your prayers;" 10s. from "a worm" and £10 from Wigton, with the following letter:—

DEAR FRIEND,—I believe this is the usual time when you send forth your band of young emigrants to their new homes across the Atlantic; and as I should like to send the passage money for another dear little girl, I enclose cheque for £10, hoping and trusting other Christian friends will continue to exercise self-denial of many needless expenses, and so have the means in their power of helping those whose lot in life is so much less favoured than theirs! May the dear Lord continue to bless the labours of thyself and family in the blessed work of rescuing the perishing is the prayer of thy sincere friend.

*May 26.*—Six children were added to our number to-day. Three of one

family from Edinburgh, oldest, 12, youngest, 14 months, whose father died of consumption three months before the baby was born, and mother is now ill with the same trouble, and about to go into the Infirmary. Two boys of 15 and 13, whose mother died 3 years ago, and their father was accidentally drowned at Millport only two days since. He was a careless man and given to drink, and although earning over 30s. a week he was living in lodgings and hardly above constant beggary, so that the boys have had a poor upbringing: £12 1s. from various quarters; 54 articles clothing from Y.W.C.A., Longforgan; a sewing machine from Glasgow; quantity thread and useful articles from two friends, Wishaw; some clothing and magazines from others in Blantyre; and parcel of Tam-o-Shanters, some bread, etc., have been sent to-day. 11s. of the money is the gift of a Glasgow servant for the Servants' Cottage.

*May 29.*—Yesterday we had a visit from one of our boys who has been in Canada for 10 years. He has done well, and is now married to one of our girls, and has a little one of his own. A friend in Edinburgh, who has been much afflicted and desires our prayers, sends £10. May he realise the supporting and comforting presence of the Master in the trials he is passing through, and be enabled to "rest in the Lord," knowing that all things are working for his good; another donor in Helensburgh sends 10s., collected on her shop counter; a young friend in England, 2s., with the following letter:—

DEAR SIR,—Will you accept of this little offering for your great work? It is the gift of one orphan to another and an acknowledgment of God's love for me. I have lately found in Him the Father and Friend I have long been seeking. As I read a report of your work I felt I wanted to help the family of which I am a member. May God's blessing rest on you is my prayer.

one in Leith forwards 15s. from a children's church, and a donor in Glasgow sends £1. Twelve bottles of malt extract and a quantity of clothing from Glasgow, and a Young Women's Meeting in Kelso were very useful and acceptable gifts also. To-day we were cheered by the gift of £100 from a donor in Edinburgh for emigration work, and a number of smaller sums have also come, among which are £2 from an anonymous friend, Darvel; and £1 and 12 pairs stockings from two helpers in Greenock. A Glasgow friend writes:—

MY DEAR SIR,—I have much pleasure in enclosing a cheque for £8 12s., which has been given by my pupils in weekly instalments for your Children's Home. With every wish that your work may continue to prosper and be blessed as it has been in the past.

Gifts such as this received from young people and children from time to time are very cheering to us. May they ever realise in their own experience that "it is more blessed to give than to receive."

*May 31.*—Among many letters to hand this month from our family in Canada we give the following:—

DEAR SIR,—I have not written you for a good long time now. I have neglected writing letters to any of my friends, but I will try to write oftener than I have. I was going to school all last winter; but we finished sugar-making about a month ago, and we are now busy at our spring work and cleaning up the door yards. It is pleasant to work on a farm, and get up early in the spring morning and hear the birds sing on every side of us. When I first came to Canada, in 1885, I was very lonesome, but now I do not wish to live in any other country. When I was in Bridge-of-Weir I was very happy in our cottage, No. 11, but when I was about to leave for Canada with the other boys it was very sorrowful to leave our native land, and leave all our friends behind us; but I have one Friend with me all the while, and that is Jesus. I can trust Him better than any other friend. The first place I loved the Lord was when I went to the Home, where His love was told. I cannot help but think how



Jesus died on the cross for us, and why we should not love Him. My brother Alex. does not live very far from me, and we both go to the same church and Sunday school every Sunday. I hope that you and your family are well. I have heard that there is a good deal of improvement made in Bridge-of-Weir since I left, and the Home in Brockville is improving. I hope that the Orphan Homes will never fail. You have done a good deal for me, and I pray every day that the Lord will help you with your work. I would like to visit the old country. I hope you will write soon, and tell me how you are getting on, and tell me about the old country. I am still with Mr. T., and I am doing well.—Yours truly, P. K.

DEAR FRIEND,—You will think me very careless in not writing before, but I wrote once and never got any answer. I hope you will forgive me this time. I will try and write a little oftener. Well, I am getting along very well, thank God, He guides me day by day. I see by the Christmas papers I got that the Home has been changed to Brockville. I guess they will think me a queer fellow in not writing before, but I keep putting it off all the time. Well, my dear friend, you are not only my friend, but my father and mother. If it had not been for you I don't know what would have become of me, God only knows; if it ever comes in my power to repay you, I will do it. Well, we have had a very muddy winter. It has been raining the biggest part of the time, and very little snow. I had *la grippe* for about two months, but have got nicely over it now. We started to plough on 9th of April, but the land is very wet yet. I don't think we will be able to sow for about two weeks yet. The boss says I have got to do all the sowing. We have 150 acres to sow; we work 300 acres altogether. He keeps three men all the time. I have hired here for a year for 160 dol., with washing and mending. There is on the place about 50 head of cattle, six thoroughbred sheep, one imported mare from Scotland, and seven other horses, and a big windmill for pumping water. We had about eight days' thrashing. I think if I am spared in health and strength, I will come over this fall, or a year from now, and stop three or four months through winter. I would like very much to get a picture of the Homes and of the ship. Does Peter Hislop live in Cessnock House yet or not? Please send me his address. I promised to write to him when I got back, but I have neglected him like all others. Please remember me to my old father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Halliwell. I promised to write to them, but have put it off. I am now beginning to think about home. I am very sorry to hear of Mr. McConnell's death. He was a genuine Scotchman, no mistake. Please remember me to Mr. and Mrs. Paterson, and to all who know me. I wrote to my brother when I got back, but he never answered me, so you are the only friends I have now. He had been drinking very heavily when I was over, and I tried to shame him out of it, and I think that is the reason he hasn't written. He said then he only wished he had taken the chance you offered him to go to Canada. There is no place like Canada for a poor man to get along and save a little for rainy days. I will now close with respects to all your family. I used to be message boy from Cessnock to your house at St. Vincent Street.—Yours truly,

J. S. M.

June 6.—£150 for Bethesda; £10 from "Nemo;" 5s., "a thank-offering," from mother of boys helped; £1 from an unknown friend; 7s. 6d. from S. S., Mauchlins; £3 from friends in Glasgow and Aberdeen; a rocking horse from another, and eight boxes herring and fish from Fraserburgh, reached us yesterday. £8 16s. 4d.—£1 of it "a thank-offering for the Lord's continued goodness;" 21 articles clothing from Friendly Girls' Society, Port-Glasgow; and box of rhubarb from Maryville, are to-day's gifts.

June 12.—Yesterday about 200 delegates from the Refuge and Reformatory Union of Great Britain and Ireland Convention, being held in Glasgow this week, visited the Homes at Bridge-of-Weir. After going round our village they had luncheon in the Hall at 1.30, and meetings at Church afterwards. All seemed to be pleased with their visit, and we trust the sight of what God has done through the voluntary gifts and work of His children, may be the means of blessing to them in their various spheres of labour in the time to come. £4 from two friends, Busby; £1 10s. from an unknown giver, Bothwell postmark; £1 from Strathaven, "praying God may bless you in your noble work;" £1 from

Rothsay; 10s. "a thankoffering for restored health;" and quantity clothing from Y. W. C. A., Johnstone, a Mission Sewing School, Ayr, and other friends, have come to-day.

June 16.—The following encouraging letter from one of our sailor lads reached us to-day:—

DEAR MR. AND MRS. QUARRIER,—I am afraid you will think I have forgotten you, but I do not think that is likely to happen. Since I last wrote you, with God's help, we have made the second smartest passage of all the vessels anchored here, and as we are only here for orders, I cannot tell you where we are going with the cargo; but it is possible we may go to Greenock, but more probable to the Baltic, and should we go anywhere near home you may be sure I will be very glad to pay you a visit. I am sorry I cannot tell you any more about Java, as the crew disobeyed the captain by bringing liquor aboard, and I am sorry to say they were fighting. I have now got one year of my time over, and a very pleasant year it has been, and I cannot but feel thankful to God and ask Him to guide and protect me during the next three years, and not only then, but while I am in this and the next world, as I find I need His care very much. I will now ask you to write and tell me if there are any more boys away to sea, as I should like to know the names of their ships, so as to visit them if I ever should come across them. I hope all the other boys that are left are keeping well and behaving themselves. Please tell me how the Homes and all the people are getting on, as they are too numerous to mention. I will now close, hoping this finds you and your family well, as it leaves all on board so. Please give my respects to Captain Aikenhead and Mr. and Mrs. Perry.—Yours affectionately,

R. B.

A very acceptable gift of £100 for daily needs from a donor in Glasgow, and £3 2s. 6d. from others, 6s. of it from "Children's Mite Box," have cheered us to-day.

June 21.—£4 14s. collected by a friend in Largs, and £4 17s. 6d. from others in Whitburn, Renfrew, Dundee, and Glasgow, have reached us, not sufficient for the day's needs, but showing that our Father is mindful of us.

June 26.—Yesterday we received £9 5s., 10s. of it from "A Worm;" £1 from Girls' Missionary Association, Greenock; 10s. from Belfast; and 10s. from an anonymous friend, Kilmarnock post mark, with the words—"Tis for Jesus' sake, he murmured low, I give it because He loves me so;" also a parcel of clothing all the way from Orkney, made by S. S. scholars and friends in the parish of Firth, and some from an unknown friend. To-day "Well-wisher" sends us a sack of flour; and other friends in Annan, Larkhall, and Glasgow, £2 18s. We look up for more, and feel sure the Lord, who knoweth what things we have need of, will not suffer us to lack any good thing.

June 30.—There are no gifts more cheering to us than those we receive from time to time from Sabbath Schools, and other children and young people throughout the country. To-day a friend in Ballachulish writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I am sending to-day, a small parcel of work done by the children and young people of Duror, belonging to the Y.W.C.A. and Band of Hope. I also enclose cheque for £2 1s., subscribed by the young people, and friends in the district. I am very sorry we are so late of sending our work this year, and that they have not been able to do more, for they take an increasing interest in your good work. With many heartfelt prayers that God may continue to bless you and your children more and more.

A girl helped, Greenock, sends 2s. as part of her earnings; two children, Bridge-of-Weir, 10s.; and Bible classes in Millerhill and Glasgow, £1 5s. 6d. As showing the interest that is being awakened among the children under our care, we give the following letter received from Edinburgh some time ago:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I have now the great pleasure of enclosing my cheque for £9, the amount collected in the Sabbath Schools connected with Newington U.P.

Church during the past quarter, to be devoted towards your work among the orphans. It has been personally a great pleasure to me to read up about your work in order to interest the children in what they were collecting for, and besides the fact that it is the largest collection our schools have made for any one Scheme, I have come across many indications that the cause of the orphan and the fatherless had touched the heart. I have again to thank you for letting me have your lantern slides, which were very interesting indeed. On the Sabbath morning after I had shown the pictures a wee fellow, "the only son of his mother and she a widow," came to his teacher and said: "This is a shilling for Mr. Quarrier's orphans, and mind it's out of my very own bank." The same little chap managed to save another shilling before the quarter was finished. I also got some of the girls to make some little things which I trust may be very useful. Finally I must thank you very much indeed for the visit you paid us the other week. I thoroughly enjoyed your most interesting account and was only sorry that being our Edinburgh Easter holiday time there were not more to hear it. I trust, however, it has not been without result. With kindest regards and earnest prayers for success in your work.

A large quantity of stationery to the value of £40 from donors in Glasgow; £11 7s. 1d. found in boxes; 10s. with Psalm cxv. 1.; "Inasmuch," £1; £1 from an old Helensburgh donor; and £1 from Sanquhar, with the following letter, and some leaflets for distribution are our other gifts for the day:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—My husband is a tailor and clothier. Last November we were very much impressed by reports sent to us from different Orphan Homes, and felt sorry we were able to do so little in helping on that glorious work among the little ones. We just laid it all before our loving Father in heaven, and He led us to put past one penny for every measure taken since then. He has increased and prospered our business ever since. We enclose £1, being part of the money collected in that way. Please use it for the benefit of those dear little ones, in whichever way you think best. May the dear Lord encourage and strengthen you in the work to which He has called you, and may your reward be in the winning of many precious souls for the glory of our loving Saviour.

July 2.—To-day "Alick" sends £2; a Glasgow friend, £50 for City Home; another who gives a regular portion from his business to the work in our hands, £4; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s.; an unknown friend, Uddingston post mark, 10s.; Y.W.C.A., Perth, 20 articles clothing and 2 scrap books; and friends in Cowlares, 70 straw hats. Thus our needs for two more days are supplied. Quite a number of needy little ones have been admitted during the past week, and the vacant places left by the party gone to Canada are getting filled up again. Yesterday we received a family of 4 boys, 13, 12, and twins of 11 years, from Newhaven. Their father, who was a farm manager, died 9 years ago, and the mother last month. After selling furniture, etc., and paying debts there was little left, and as there are no relatives able to keep the boys, friends interested are very grateful to have them sheltered and cared for by us.

July 9.—Yesterday £15 11s., quantity of bread and crate vegetables from Hawick, Troon, New Monkland, Paisley, Naples, Skipness, and Glasgow, reached us, £12 of it from a friend in Hawick, who writes:—

DEAR SIR,—I am enclosing a cheque for £12, which please devote to the emigration of one of your destitute children; I should prefer that it was a little girl. The money belonged to my daughter, aged 15, who was suddenly called to enter her heavenly home about three months ago, and I think I cannot do better with it than entrust it to you for this purpose. Wishing you continued success in your work.

We pray that these sorrowing friends may be comforted and upheld in this their hour of trial. The money which has been sent will rescue and fit out for Canada one needy little one, so that by this act of service the memory

of their loved one gone home will be perpetuated. One of our boys sent out to Canada this year writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I now take the pleasure of writing you these few lines to let you know that I am always keeping well, hoping to find you the same, and to let you know that I have got a place, and I thank God that I have got a very nice place, and it is beautifully situated. There is another Scotch boy in the same place too, and the friends I am with are very nice people and very kind to me. They just treat me like their own son, and I pray God that the rest of the boys and girls may get places like me. The other boy is out here four years in July, and his name is J. W. M., and I like him very well, and he likes me also. I just came here about the middle of April, and my brother is just about thirty miles from me. And when I was coming here Mr. Burges and Mr. Thomson came to Ottawa with me, and took me through some of the streets there, and through the Parliamentary buildings, and showed me the library and many other things, and then took me through the Fisheries Exhibition and showed me all kinds of fish. I will look back to the Homes, and especially Cessnock Cottage, and may God bless the father and mother of that cottage, for they were very kind to me. My earnest prayer is that God will make the Homes to the rest of the children a blessing as well as to me, for they have been a great blessing to me. There is also a little girl out of No 2 Cottage about two miles and a half away, and her name is J. H. There is also another boy about three miles from me of the name of A. K., who came out about eleven years ago, and I see him at the church every Sabbath. I may also tell you that I attend the church and Sabbath school regularly. If you please would you send me my mother's address if you know it. Remember me to Mrs. A. when you see her, and also give my respects to the mothers and fathers and the children. And now I must close with respects from Johnnie and all the family. May God bless and strengthen you for your work that He has called you for. Yours truly, A. S.

To-day we have received £2,000 for the Invalid Boys' Home; £5, £2 10s. of it for our own needs, from a friend in Melbourne who has prospered in business and wishes to give to the Lord a portion of his increase; £1 7s. 6d. from two anonymous friends; £1 1s. from a Bible-class; 5s. from Kirkcaldy; and 10s. from a friend in Glasgow, who says, "I could wish the sum were much larger, but, after all, stewards can only give what is entrusted to them, and I am sure the Lord will send in all you need by the hands of His own children from time to time."

July 14.—Only £6 13s. 3d. have been sent to-day, 5s. 9d. of it "compound interest," from a Greenock friend, who says, "I wish it were a great deal more, and hope it will be some day. With every good wish for you and yours," £3 from "a family circle," Wishaw; and £2 13s. 6d. from Sabbath schools and Bible-classes.

July 17.—£10 18s. 3d. to hand yesterday, 5s. of it from "an old woman for the orphans;" to-day we have received 5s. from an anonymous friend, Kirkintilloch postmark; and £25 from one in Edinburgh "not often able to help in this way owing to other claims, but who has much pleasure in finding that she can ask Mr. Quarrier to use the enclosed sum for his Christ-like work, and she sends it with much prayer and sympathy."

July 21.—One of our boys who left us for sea in January writes us to-day:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I now take the pleasure of writing you my little story of my adventure on the great and mighty ocean. To begin with—after leaving Liverpool we had the pilot and the tug boat up to Holyhead, then we were to start our new life on the ocean. I got washed about and was very poorly for a short time, but it soon all passed away and I was not long till I got into the way of seafaring life. We had what you could call a very fair passage. When I was about a month from Liverpool I was asked to help the steward in the cabin, and so I did not like to refuse; therefore I got 5s. a month more from the steward's wages. I like the work very well, but I don't like the captain's ways sometimes, but I just have to put up with it all till better days shall come. Dear sir, we arrived in Brisbane on the 2nd of June, 1890, at one o'clock. As we came up the river we saw beautiful farms and



manufactories on the river's banks. We are getting on well with our cargo, and I suppose will not be long till we leave Brisbane for Newcastle and then to the West coast of America. Dear Mr. Quarrier, I hope you are all well as it leaves John and me at present. Dear Mr. Quarrier, I am very glad to know that your boys have arrived in Canada, and I expect the girls have arrived also by this time. It was very hard to own Christ when I first went, but God gave me strength, and I started and said my prayers and studied my Bible from the first night, and I hope that by God's help I will be able to go on rejoicing in Him as my Saviour and my Friend. May God bless the orphans and all that are in the Homes. I hope your wife and your family are all well. I remain yours truly,  
J. A.

*July 23.*—Machine spoolers and winders, Paisley, send £1; "An Helensburgh friend," 2s.; and two in Dunfermline and Paisley, £1 10s. Seven articles clothing, "a mite" from a widow in Huntly, who says, "I expected to get some people to join with me to make a lot of things, but have been disappointed in this. I lived a good many years in Glasgow, so I understand the great need. I have always been very much interested in your work, and see the reports of it sometimes;" and some scones, clothing, etc., have also come. We are requiring much more, and would rest anew on the promise so often tried and found true in the past, "My God shall supply all your need."

*July 26.*—Got home from Canada this morning, and received a right royal reception from the dear children and friends at Bridge-of-Weir. We are very thankful for the goodness and watchful care of our Heavenly Father over us in all our journeyings by sea and land, and also to the work and workers at home during our two and a-half months' absence. While in Canada we saw quite a number of our children placed out in former years, and I had also the pleasure of visiting the North-West, going over the Rocky Mountains, and as far as Vancouver Island. For many years past I have had a strong desire to undertake this journey, with a view to the future interests of the work, and the way being clear this summer I was able to do so. Only £2 16s. 6d., some remnants dress material, bread, scones, and a few trinkets to be sold have come to-day, and 5s. yesterday. £1 for emigration work from "Margaret, a servant," Paisley, with Eph. i. 3, cheered us on our return, and as we begin to gather in another band of needy little ones.

*July 31.*—During the past three days we have taken in nine children, two of them from Inverness, and one, a girl of 13, suffering from an incurable disease, to our "Bethesda." From various sources £80 16s. 11d. have come to-day, and we are hoping to close the month's accounts with a small balance on hand.

*Aug 5.*—Yesterday we received £19 19s. 10d.—2s. 6d. of it from "a grateful girl," £4 for Emigration from an old Glasgow donor, and £1 13s. 4d., "a thankoffering for deliverance," also a quantity of strawberries and gooseberries, clothing, hats, etc. To-day £15 15s. 7d. have come—10s. from two friends, Dundee, who say, "Feeling we have been greatly blessed in all things, we are desirous of helping those in less favoured circumstances;" £5 from Helensburgh—£1 of it for our own needs; and £5 from a friend on the East Coast, with the following letter:—

MY DEAR SIR,—Ever since the death of my dear wife a few months ago, I have been anxious to send you a sum to help in your good work. She took a deep interest in all that concerned your noble institution, and had health permitted I know she would have done more. She once had the pleasure of meeting you with me about 15 months ago, and ever since thought much of and spoke about your self-denying efforts on behalf of the poor children. She, however, after 6 years of suffering, was removed from this earthly scene and from the life she lived by faith on Jesus. I have no doubt she is with Him to-day, enjoying the blessed communion of all His

people, and joining with them in singing the song of Moses and the Lamb. I send the enclosed £5 as a memorial of her, and leave it to yourself to put it in the best way you please. She has gone home, and my desire is to think of her "at home," while I would place this sum in your hands as I know she would have been pleased to do it had she been spared a little longer. I hope to have the pleasure of sending you a like sum before the year is out, if well. I think this is a better way of doing than erecting any costly tombstone, which is generally meant for show. I trust you will be supported and strengthened, and spared long to do such God-like work as you have been doing in the past; and might I ask your sympathy and prayers in my loneliness and grief, although I strive to say, "The will of the Lord be done."

We deeply sympathise with our dear friend in this severe trial, and do pray that our God, "the God of all comfort," will uphold and strengthen him. We think there can be no better way of perpetuating the memory of loved ones gone home than by thus being the means of helping and blessing the needy.

*Aug. 9.*—Many cases of poor and suffering ones have been brought under our notice this week, and among the number received are two boys of 10 and 5 from Edinburgh, whose father, ill for some time, died in November last. The mother, who is a most deserving Christian woman, is a book-follower to trade, and has struggled on with these two, a girl of 14, a boy of 12 (both going messages), and a child of 5; a fatherless girl of 10, sister to two boys taken recently, whose mother is in great destitution, and is out of shelter and home; two working lads of 15 and 17 in need of a helping hand; and an orphan girl of 15 from Bankfoot. 10s. from a donor in Orkney, who says, "Having been later than usual in sending on my subscription, I have doubled it, so I hope you will be a gainer and I no loser;" and £3 from Hamilton are all we have received to-day. We were able to close last month's accounts with the balance on the right side, but have little on hand now. We seek to look above the difficulties, and roll each burden and care on our loving Father who careth for us.

*Aug. 15.*—Still there is not much money coming, and our family keeps increasing from day to day. This week we have taken in nine and helped others with food, lodgings, advice, etc. A very sad case we took in was that of two little ones of 3 and 6 years, whose father, not a well-doing man, was taken to the Police Office the worse of drink some days ago, and in the morning was found dead, having been suffocated, it is supposed, by tobacco, a bit of which was found in his mouth. The mother is houseless, and the poor wee things look sadly neglected. What a privilege it is to be the means of rescuing such as these from lives of misery and wretchedness.

*Aug. 19.*—Yesterday we received £11 10s., £1 of it from Dundee, from the widow of a kind helper for many years, who was taken home in October last; and a quantity of fruit and bread. £9 and some clothing and bread are this day's gifts. One of our girls sent to Canada 10 years ago called to see us to-day. She and a younger brother, sent at the same time, are getting on well, and are much respected and loved by their adopted parents in Canada. This visit cheered us in the midst of discouragements by the way, as also did the following letter from Lanark, and other kind words of cheer from friends:—

DEAR SIR,—I have long had a wish to give you a little help for your good work, and now enclose cheque for two pounds. It is but a small sum, but I give it with prayer, that the good Lord may greatly bless your labours amongst the poor, destitute little ones. Commending you and your work to Him who says, "Inasmuch," etc.

*Aug. 23.*—£20 1s. 11½d., £5 of it anonymously from "Orphan's Friend;" some clothing, bread, and a box of flowers, fruit, and books for

our invalids in Bethesda, reached us yesterday. To-day from Whiting Bay, Glasgow, Ayr, and Bridge-of-Weir, £4 10s. have come.

*Aug. 26.*—Among other cases dealt with at the City Home this afternoon, we took in a boy and girl of 8 and 7, whose father, a marine fisherman, died in Norway two years ago. The mother came to Glasgow, expecting an aunt to help her, but all she could do was to get her some cleaning. She has now lost her house, and is left without any home, and has also a delicate baby of 18 months to provide for. £9 13s. 11d., 5s. of it from "A Shore Labourer, Aberdeen;" 12s. from Broughty Ferry, "A memoriam gift of baby lent for three months, and now gone home;" and £6 1s. 11d., proceeds of sale of work held by four girls at Busby, have reached us to-day. A child's invalid chair, which belonged to a dear one now gone home, sent by friends in Greenock to-day also, is a very acceptable gift for our Bethesda.

*Aug. 30.*—We have received from various sources yesterday and to-day £141 0s. 9½d. (£10 of it "in memory of a bright, beautiful, but brief life" to take a boy to Canada), which will enable us to square this month's accounts with our balance on the right side of the ledger, as it has ever been in the past. During the last two months we have sometimes been reduced to our last pound, but have never been suffered to lack the daily supply, and in this we see very clearly the protecting and watchful care of our Father in heaven, who takes notice of even the sparrows when they fall to the ground, counts the very hairs of our head, and feeds the fowls of the air from day to day. How much more are we better than they! Oh, for hearts to trust in our Father's love and care more implicitly in the time to come! One of our rescued girls in Canada writes this month. She sent home recently for a widowed sister and her little one, and has been able to pay their expenses in going out:—

DEAR FRIEND,—Mary and her daughter arrived here all safe and well on Thursday night. If you knew the load that is taken off my heart, and how happy I feel, you would be repaid for the trouble you have had. She looks better than I expected her to look. We have got two or three places for her already, but have not decided yet where she will go. Of course she will stay here until she gets rested, then she will know better what to do. Andrew has come over to spend the day with us. I am going to school now and working for my board. I would like very much to get a good education, but I am afraid it is going to be hard pulling to get it, it takes so much to keep me in clothes; but I think when Mary pays me back what she owes me, I will be able to go for a year steady anyway. I will try and improve the time as best I can. The one desire and aim of my life is to go and tell the Gospel. I believe, if it is God's will for me to be a missionary, He will open the way for me. Since I first received Christ in Bridge-of-Weir my desire has been to bring others to Him, and I know that if I don't be a witness for Him here, I can't be in heathen lands. All that I ask of you now is to pray for me, that God will give me strength and courage to go on. Enclosed you will find 20 dollars; the rest I will send you as soon as possible. Mary wishes to be remembered, and is much indebted to you for your kindness to her and her little girl.—Your loving girl, L. H.

*Sept. 3.*—For some weeks past we have been busy preparing for this our Biennial Thanksgiving Day at the Bridge-of-Weir Homes. It was somewhat wet during the day but notwithstanding this, a very large number of friends gathered with us to give united thanks to God for all He has done for the work during the past two years, and to dedicate by prayer eight new buildings given since our last Thanksgiving Day. A meeting for prayer was held at 10 o'clock; at 1.45 the "Thanksgiving Service" took place; at 3.45 a communion service; and at 6 o'clock a meeting for the children and friends. Our hearts are full of praise and gratitude to our Heavenly Father for all the loving kindness of the day, and

we feel much cheered and strengthened to go forward in the work given us to do, by the presence and kind words of encouragement of so many friends, and also by the letters received from those not able to be with us. "Oh, that men would praise the Lord for His goodness and for His wonderful works to the children of men!" The collections of the day will be sufficient to meet expenses, and for this also we are thankful. From the national character of the Homes and the help given to the country at large in the orphan and fatherless children received from all parts of the land, we thought it advisable to invite the Provosts and Magistrates of our large cities and towns to our Biennial Thanksgiving. A few responded with hearty goodwill, but many who should have come did not; however, we were gladdened by the presence of many other friends who, at some trouble and inconvenience to themselves, came to wish us God-speed in the work among the needy little ones committed to our care. Among the sums sent yesterday and to-day, 5s. 4d., the first earnings of a boy helped, and £50 legacy of a young friend belonging to Edinburgh, being money earned and saved by him, were specially cheering to us. The following account of our "Thanksgiving Day," and leader which appeared in the *N. B. D. Mail* of 4th inst., will be interesting to friends:—

#### THANKSGIVING DAY AT BRIDGE-OF-WEIR ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND.

There was yesterday at the Orphan Homes of Scotland a "Thanksgiving" in connection with the dedication of eight new buildings. A numerous company left St. Enoch Station, per a special train, near noon, and were joined by friends at Paisley. At Bridge-of-Weir they were conveyed in brakes and omnibuses to the Homes, Mr. Quarrier receiving his guests at the entrance, who then dispersed themselves to inspect the various departments of the great establishment. Those who had gone earlier attended a prayer meeting at ten, saw the children dining in the cottages between twelve and one, and in the following hour play in the park on the right bank of the Gryffe, and the sailor boys unfurl the sails on the land-ship. The weather had cleared up beautifully, and as the visitors walked about they must have been thankful that the children lived in and breathed such fresh and invigorating air. At two o'clock a dedication meeting was held in the fine church, about a thousand persons occupying every available seat. Provost Yellowlees, of Stirling, at a minute's notice, consented to take the chair. On the platform were also Mr. W. Quarrier, Revs. Mr. Alison, Kilbarchan; Robert Brown, Brompton; Mr. M'Phail, Hopekirk; R. Hood, Glasgow; A. Andrew, Glasgow; Howie Wylie, of *Christian Leader*, Glasgow; Alex. M'Cutcheon, Crosshill; J. U. Mitchell, Glasgow; R. S. Bowie, Motherwell; David Lowe, Glasgow; Dr. Henderson, Paisley; Mr. Jeffrey, Pollokshields; and Mr. M'Lean, Glasgow; ex-Ballie James M'Farlane, Provost Ferguson, Ayr; and Messrs. R. Bryden, architect, Glasgow; Alex. Thomson, Bridge-of-Weir; John Wilson, Dunoon; James Martin, Carlisle; R. Westlands, Wm. C. Coghill, and Miss Macpherson.

Mr. BRYDEN intimated apologies from Lord Provosts of Glasgow, Edinburgh, Aberdeen, and Perth; Provosts of Inverness, Greenock, and Dunfermline; Professor Calderwood; Rev. Drs. Bonar, Cumming, Marshall Lang, Fergus Ferguson, Wallace, Boyd, Wilson (Edinburgh), and Whyte (Edinburgh); Revs. J. E. Somerville, Gavin Tait (Paisley), James Fyfe (Kilmalcolm), James Wells, Sir Wm. Collins, Sir James King, Messrs. J. C. White, A. Cameron Corbett, M.P.; James Campbell, Tullichewan; W. A. Campbell, John Macfarlane, Stirling; L. Talbot Crosbie, Chas. A. Rose, Wm. Sloan, Alex. Sloan, and Wm. Lightbody.

Provost YELLOWLEES said that although numerous apologies had been received it was gratifying so many friends had come to form that large congregation and gladden the heart of their esteemed and devoted friend by their presence. He did not need to speak of the nature of the work. It was Christ-like. A short time ago he became acquainted with a painful case in London. A gentleman who was once prosperous became so reduced in means and health that he had to be taken to a public hospital. But the consumption with which he was afflicted was so offensive that he was told he must leave. He (the Provost) then discovered that there was in London perhaps the most Christ-like of all its institutions—a hospital supported by the Mildmay friends for those rejected by other hospitals. The same idea was at the basis of the work



in the Homes, for the recommendation of the boys and girls admitted was that they were desolate, neglected and needy. The friends who had inspected the Homes must have been altogether gratified by the way in which the work was carried on. Their hearts must have been stirred to see so many otherwise doomed to a life of neglect and sin, and perhaps early death, rescued by Mr. Quarrier, and trained up for bright, happy and useful lives here, and fitted, so far as human instrumentality could, for the happier and perfect life hereafter. (Applause.) The first proceeding was the dedication of the Ferguslie offices, costing £2,000, and the poultry farm, costing £1,000.

Rev. DAVID LOWE said they were called upon to thank God in prayer for the great liberality displayed in the gift of the Ferguslie offices and the poultry farm. There was an example of this in olden times. King David when his palace was finished dedicated it to the Lord, and when a greater palace was built—the Temple—it also was dedicated to the Lord. Mr. Lowe then led the meeting in the dedicatory prayer.

Provost YELLOWLEES said the next Homes to be dedicated were the Kintyre and Marshall Homes, each costing £2,000.

Rev. Mr. ALISON, of Kilbarchan, delivered the dedicatory prayer.

Provost YELLOWLEES said the good of this noble work was by no means confined to the orphan children who were the immediate recipients. There was not a Christian believer who knew the work carried on in the Homes, but knew that it was wholly supported by direct answers to prayer, and knew he was indebted to Mr. Quarrier for the illustration that our Father in Heaven had a daily care of all His children. (Applause.) He thought they should join in thanking Mr. Quarrier, and expressing their indebtedness for his being, under Providence, the means of strengthening their faith in a prayer-hearing and prayer-answering God. (Applause.)

Mr. WM. QUARRIER said the best thanks he could receive was their presence, which he prized as much as their thanks. He was grateful that, despite the untoward weather, so many had found their way to the Homes. The Lord was with them that day. None sought His blessing but would get it. He was also glad that the Provost of the ancient town of Stirling had come to countenance their national work; but he regretted the Provost of Edinburgh had not turned up, and that the Glasgow magistrates were not represented. Of all the cities that should have been well represented it was Glasgow. But he understood the Provosts of Kilmarnock, Ayr, and Dundee were present. Well, God had been specially blessing the Homes during the last two years in the matter of stone and lime. Already four buildings had been set aside by prayer; other four were yet to be dedicated—in all eight, representing £16,000. If other things done were included, the amount would be £18,000. He was there to thank God for these gifts from the east, west, north, and south. Some of the donors he did not know; but he did know that Jesus knew them, and that He would reward them some day openly, if not in the presence of men, in the presence of His angels for their generous sympathy to the orphans of our land. During these two years there had been about 900 children admitted, or 450 each year, and that number added to the 700 with which the years began, gave a total of 1,100 children dealt with annually. The poultry farm given by a number of friends was a house to nurse 1,000 hens and chickens. Of course some of the old hens would in course of time go into the pot. Then during the past two years there had been 500 of these children sent to Canada. The feeding of the children just meant nine tons of flour per month baked into bread. Then there were two and a half tons of oatmeal, and he did not know how many tons of potatoes and groceries. If they saw the children when they were first in the homes and after they had been there a while they would not know them. Indeed, he did not know them himself, so great was the change caused by good food and good lodgment. He was a sanitarian as well as a spiritual Christian, believing in good houses, substantial and wholesome food, and the body kept clean. He was also anxious that every child should know and feel that God was his Father and the Provider of his daily bread; that it was not Mr. Quarrier nor those who gave the money, but that it all came from Him who was the Father of the fatherless, the Husband of the widow, and the stay of all who put their trust in Him. He felt he was a servant in the Lord's House just as their servants were in their households. He felt he had gone to the market-place, and been hired by the Lord, who said unto him, "Come into my vineyard; whatever is right I shall give thee." In weakness and fear he entered upon the work, thinking he could do nothing; but the Lord had helped and blessed his work all through these twenty-six years, and he was there that day to say, "He will bless us still." (Applause.) To God did he want them to give all the glory, and he asked them to worship Him for having touched the hearts

of the men and women who had given the money to found and carry on the Homes. In a word, he was there to say that Jesus had done all things well. People were misled who imagined that the Homes received children whose fathers were alive. Such children were the last taken in. The first received were those who had been deprived of father and mother, the second were the children of widows, and the third the children of invalids, who were considered as good as dead. Where were they got? During the last week, or ten days for instance, there was a widow whose husband was a sailor lost at sea. She had a baby of two years, another child of five, and a third of seven. The infant appeared to be dying on its mother's breast. She was without a roof, having fought a fight for two years and failed. She could not pay her rent, and was without home or friends. So he took the two, promising to receive the third if she could not manage. Whenever he could prevent a child from becoming a pauper he was there to do it, from one end of Scotland to the other. Then there was the case of the family of a compositor, whose wife died eighteen months ago. The poor man, through trouble and stress, disappeared, and was found drowned; some said he had done it himself. Thus the children were left fatherless and motherless. Another case was that of a wee girl who was now safe. He was not satisfied unless upon every day some child was brought to Jesus, that He might touch and bless it, and cause it to rise up and serve Him. Where did they get the money? It came as they needed it. The month before last he had only a few shillings over after clearing up the four weeks' account. He did not go to Stirling and say to the Provost, "You had better lend me money," nor did he go to the Lord Provost of Glasgow and say, "You are a rich man, will you not help us?" He went rather to the Lord Jesus, and said, "Unless you come to our help we will be in debt," which they never had been. He said, "Lord, give us money to finish up the month." He did not want a big account in the bank, for he preferred to draw from the bank of the Lord. So, from Dunfermline there came a cheque for £30 from one who did not know they were in straits. It came and helped to finish up the month and leave a balance on the right side. God had never permitted His servant to lack daily bread. His wonder was that millionaires should see the Homes from the railway carriages and know nothing about them, nor send them anything. He did not complain that people in Inverness and other distant towns should not know the Homes, but he did complain that so many of his fellow-citizens well able had done nothing. Why, it was only a few upon whom God had conferred the great honour of putting it into their hearts to help His poor orphans in the Homes of Scotland. He and those who had worked with him would never be content till they had gathered home every poor, neglected orphan in the land, and when they gave their account they would say, "Here am I and the children whom Thou hast given me."

Rev. Mr. GREEN, in a very impressive prayer, dedicated the two houses "Edinburgh," "Lincoln and Garfield," to the service of the Lord.

Miss M'PHEKSON said she would sail on the 18th September, and spend her first winter amongst the 5160 round their Homes in Ontario. She would also go to the north-west and examine the land. If there were any farmers or commercial men present she wished them to examine the sample ears of wheat in her hand. The hardness of that wheat was such that the London bakers were eager to have it, it made such excellent flour and bread. What a subject for congratulation it was that the children sent out to Canada would be the instruments of raising wheat in excellence, similar to that now before them. In that land Jack was as good as his master, and it was just the place whither the children of these Homes should be sent. In Chicago two years ago she saw the great importance of that wheat. Her friends took her to see the "Wheat Pit." The men looked like madmen, so great was the noise and confusion. She never heard the like of it in any part of London. During one half hour one man made millions of dollars through his speculations in wheat. Well, the orphan boys went to that land and raised that wheat. Each young man could possess 160 acres. The climate was fine and the soil prairie land without stones. In the Far West there were 250,000,000 acres ready for people to go and occupy them. In one part two thousand acres were divided in eighty acre lots, and young men had only to pay £10 down to enter into possession. Canadians were delighted to receive the children and make them good citizens. (Applause.) Glasgow boys turned out excellent men—men with great grip, tenderness, and modesty. As already stated, the Canadians delighted in them, and she hoped that many would go thither from these Homes.

The Rev. Mr. Andrew, in prayer, dedicated the two Homes the "Michael Rowan Home" and the Home for Invalid Boys, and the proceedings concluded by the Rev. Mr. Morton pronouncing the benediction. The Communion was afterwards dispensed—the Rev. Mr. Hood presiding.

Leading article from the *North British Daily Mail*, Sept. 4, 1890:—

“THE SCOTTISH ORPHAN HOMES.

“Yesterday’s dedication of eight new homes at Bridge-of-Weir marks another step in the noble work originated and conducted by Mr. Quarrier. The work is unique, and its value is beyond computation. Alone and unaided, with no association, no committee to back him, Mr. Quarrier has designed and directed the whole scheme of rescue, extending its scope from year to year, planning its operations on this side of the Atlantic and on the other, and arranging all its multitudinous details. Those who have not visited the Homes can form but a faint idea of the amount of labour which has been expended, or the splendid capacity for organisation which has been employed, not only in gathering in the orphan and destitute children, and in educating, feeding, and clothing them, but in building a small town for their accommodation, with its workshops, bakery, stores, hospital, school, and church, in governing all with wisdom, kindness, and never-flagging energy, and in conveying the shiploads of young emigrants to Canada, finding suitable places for their employment, and watching over their welfare there. It is altogether a wonderful work in the service of God and of man, and the secret of its success is not to be found alone in Mr. Quarrier’s remarkable faculty for administration, but in his unshakable faith in the Divine guardianship of his undertaking, and the devotion of his whole being to its accomplishment. Mr. Quarrier has asked for nothing from the public but the mere pounds, shillings, and pence, which by his labour he can transform into rescued lives, happy hearts, and honest citizens. The public have trusted him, and he has justified their trust. In twenty years he has received about £200,000, an average of £10,000 a year, which is equal to a rate of 1d. in the £1 in Glasgow over all those years. The rates in this city and elsewhere have been saved to that extent by Mr. Quarrier’s work, for the thousands of waifs and strays he has taken from the streets and closes would have become chargeable as paupers, and many of them would inevitably have swelled the ranks of the criminal classes. The children have been collected from all parts of Scotland, for the work is thoroughly national in design and in actual scope. Probably, however, Glasgow has most largely benefited; and it is therefore very strange that no official representative of the Corporation was present at yesterday’s interesting ceremony. An invitation was sent to the Lord Provost, Magistrates, and Town Council of Glasgow, as to those of other towns. The representatives of several towns readily accepted the invitation, but the Corporation of this city passed it by as quite beneath their notice. There is need for explanation. With regard to the large amount of money which has passed through Mr. Quarrier’s hands, it may be remarked as deserving of notice that none of it has been squandered in making a show or a noise—in advertising, puffing, pamphlets, the postage of publications to all and sundry, the perambulation of the country with bands, or any other of the quack-like means employed by some more pretentious institutions. The money has gone straight into the actual work and been used in the most economical manner, and not far short of half of it is in permanent use in the shape of the land and buildings required for the carrying on of this grand and beneficent enterprise. We trust that Mr. Quarrier will long be spared to see his work continue to prosper in his hands. Every good man and every good woman will wish him God speed.”

Sept. 6.—Yesterday from Bridge-of-Weir, Edinburgh, Cellardyke,

Arbroath, Milton of Campsie, Kilmelfort, Berwick, Haddington, and Glasgow, we have received £42 7s., and £7 for our own needs; also some clothing and stockings, and a knitting machine as “A thanksgiving offering for the Lord’s loving-kindness to one of His little ones,” with the words—“Not one thing hath failed.” Among the sums sent 2s. came from “Mary, Willie, Sarah, and George,” Edinburgh post mark; 5s., “A little girl’s own money for the wee orphans;” £1, “Inasmuch;” £5, “In memory of a dear friend;” and 5s. from “Bertie, Jessie, and Kirkwood, out of their own money-box.” To-day £17 2s. have come.

Sept. 9.—Numerous applications to help the needy little ones keep coming to us, and yesterday 16 children, from 17 months to 15 years (the largest number admitted in any one day since the work commenced) were received. Among these are three children of 15, 13, and 8, whose father, an engineer, died about six years ago of consumption, and mother in July last. There are no relatives able to help, and we have had the privilege of saving them from entering the poorhouse. Other three of 11, 5, and 17 months, whose father and mother died quite recently within a month of each other. Six of a family, oldest 12, youngest 4, whose father, a hairdresser, died about two years ago, and the mother (who keeps a younger child) is unable to struggle on any longer with this heavy burden. The others taken were three fatherless boys of 12, 10, and 7, from Edinburgh, whose mother has still a younger one of 3 to support; and an orphan working lad of 18 in need of a helping hand. It is a great matter of thankfulness to us that we are thus privileged from day to day to rescue and shelter so many who, but for the home thus provided, must have gone to the poorhouse, and so been chargeable on the rates of our country. We also rejoice that we are able to receive whole families of children who have none to care for them, and in so doing seek to preserve family life as much as possible. £13 12s. 2d., a quantity of clothing from Callander, and some meat, bread, etc., have reached us yesterday and to-day, £1 of it from Canada, with the following letter:—

DEAR SIR,—For some years past I have seen occasional references to your work in connection with the Orphan Homes of Scotland, but I had little conception of its extent, as well as of the Christian system on which it is conducted. Quite recently a copy of your “Narrative of Facts” for the year ending last October came under my notice, and the reading of it gave me great pleasure as well as a desire to aid you in the noble work which the Master has entrusted to your supervision. I suppose that there are none of your boys located around Montreal, at least I have not heard of any; but I am sure that there is ample room, and a hearty welcome to the homes of respectable Canadian farmers for all the boys you can send us, with the religious training which I am sure you impart to them at the Bridge-of-Weir, as they will make a most welcome addition to our rural population. I enclose you £1, post-office order, and would like that you would send me a number of copies of your “Narratives,” so that I might distribute them among friends in the country, where they would be likely to create an interest in your good work, which, by the way, I consider to be one of the best practical proofs of the truths of the Christian religion. As I am the agricultural editor of a paper which circulates largely among the farming community of Canada, I will endeavour to put in a good word for your cause whenever occasion will arise. Wishing you continued success in your work for our common Lord and Master Jesus Christ.

Sept. 12.—A very acceptable gift of £120 cheered us yesterday, being “payment in advance of subscription of £12 a year for the next 10 years;” and among other gifts received £5 came from Wales for our own needs, and £2 0s. 6d. from there also, with the following letter:—

Last week I wrote to a few friends asking for subscriptions in aid of our National Bisteddfod, stating that weather was unsettled, and that we were afraid of the



financial prospects, to which some responded. The weather was a perfect success. We were honoured with two visits of the Queen of Roumania, who brought her hundreds of visitors to town and to the Eisteddfod. Inasmuch as I had not handed over the sums received, I wrote to each subscriber stating the facts, and asked their permission to hand over their donations or subscriptions to the Orphan Homes of Scotland, to which they have all responded but one, giving hearty consent. I now have the pleasure of enclosing 40s. 6d.

5s. "for Fairknowe," 10s. "in Memoriam," Perth; 2s. 6d. from Alexandria, "wishing it were more;" £5, "found money 40 years ago;" £2 1s. from Glasgow, and £25 anonymously, will fully meet our needs for to-day. Four children were admitted yesterday, and the same number to-day.

Sept. 16.—We were much cheered by receiving £35 2s. 6d. from Dunedin, N. Z., to-day, sent by Rev. Dr. Stuart, who says:—

MY DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I have pleasure in transmitting a draft for £35 2s. 6d. for the Orphan Homes of Scotland. I am little more than the hand of friends here in whom the Spirit of God has stirred up an interest in the orphans of old Scotland. The money is the proceeds of two lectures—one by Dr. Black, Professor of Chemistry, and the other by Professor Gilray—both of the university, at which I presided. I read the Annual Report you sent with interest, and intend to make it the text of a catechetical sermon. I distributed the others. The Lord prosper your institution more and more. I received much profit and pleasure from the attention I gave during my visit to the education of the blind in the common school—the religious work carried on by Mr. Ross of the Cowcaddens, and his fellow-workers in the Wynd churches on the same lines—and the Orphan Homes of Scotland—I have made them again and again the subject of catechetical discourses. The Lord prosper you in your great and truly divine work. With regards to Mrs. Quarrier. Thus, from far off and near, our daily needs are supplied.

Sept. 20.—A number of cheering gifts have reached us these days past, amongst which are £2 from "Dalhousie Street," from an unknown friend, who says, "I like this signature best, as it was when you lived there I gave you my first £1, and I have been able for some years past to double it through my Heavenly Father's goodness. I have never been to see your Homes nor work, but trust I yet may;" 4s., "a mite," from Lothianburn "with prayer, and wishing it were more;" £5 from an invalid friend, Fortrose; £10 Anonymously, "for the Master;" £2 from Washington, U. S.; £1 from "one in sympathy," Edinburgh; £1 from Govan, "wishing you God-speed;" £5 each from two Glasgow donors, with best wishes and earnest prayers; £2 10s. from another, and 10s. for our own needs; 10s. for the Servants' Cottage; 54 tablecloths from Dunfermline; £50 from "Alick," £2 10s. of it for personal use; £5, being "part of pay-day from voyage round the world; and smallest, although we believe not the least gift, 1s. as a "mite" from a poor widow belonging to Fraserburgh, whose 3 children are with us. A friend belonging to the North of Scotland wrote us yesterday, asking if we had children of professional men under our care. We were glad to be able to say that we received all classes of fatherless and orphan children who have no friends able to keep them. It is a matter of regret to us from time to time to hear the expressions, "waifs" and "strays" and "city arabs," used so often in speaking of the children of the poor, as if they were inferior to those of the rich. True philanthropy should know no difference and, so far as we are concerned in the work in our hands, we are determined that there shall be no difference. We have under our care children, whose parents (now dead), were once in good positions; others whose parents though poor have been honest; and also those whose parents were not what they ought to have been; still we know no difference among the children, and

as God declares Himself to be the Father of the fatherless, we desire to be His servants in loving and blessing such.

Sept. 23.—£125, being part payment of two legacies for Bethesda and the general work of the Homes, gladdened us yesterday, and is most acceptable at this time. How much cause we have to praise our heavenly Father, who, "according to His riches," sends our needed supplies from day to day! A parcel of clothing from "The Willing Helpers' Society," Uddingston, "with all kindest wishes for the Lord's destitute little ones, our little brothers and sisters," reached us to-day, also, £1 from a children's meeting, Portsoy, "only a mite, but it is given willingly and with a prayer to God for great blessing on your work;" 5s. from senior pupils in school at New Monkland, "who are going to try and send you something once a fortnight;" a quantity of text cards from Sabbath School teacher and scholars, Galashiels; £10 from Kilmalcolm, £1 of it for our own needs; quantity hats from Wishaw; and from other friends, £1 10s., some bread, scones, etc.

Sept. 29.—£24 13s. 6d. from Portobello, Blantyre, Leith, and Glasgow have come to-day, also a gold ring to be sold for the good of the work, and some clothing.

Oct. 2.—We are now entered on the last month of the 19th financial year of the work, and of our trust in the Lord for all the needs of the Homes, and we look to Him to give wisdom and strength for all that lies before us in these coming days, and also to enable us to close the year with the balance on the right side. To-day we have received £5 from Stirling, in memoriam of a husband taken home 1st Oct. of last year; £20 from Dunfermline; £9 9s. 10d. from Gorebridge; 4s. part earnings of a girl helped: two gifts of 10s. from Ardrishaig and Fenwick; £1 from Perth; £1 14s. 6d. from Sabbath School, Glasgow, and £4 from a friend interested in a girl we admitted last week, but who was taken out since by a party who had brought her up, and whose name she bears. He now regrets doing so, as the girl has found out her mother, who is not well-doing, and has returned to her. Our friend writes, "What short-sighted people the men of this world are! Merely to gratify a selfish desire, a worldly man imperils the happiness of others, and forfeits the prospect of being amply rewarded at some future time for his trouble; for this girl, what she will be if left with her mother, and what she might have been if left with you, are two as opposite extremes as it is possible to conceive."

Oct. 8.—£38 1s. 2½d., and £2 10s. for our own use, reached us yesterday, and to-day £17 5s. have come, £1 10s. of it "a thankoffering from two old friends for 46 years of happy married life." Six children were added to our number, and one yesterday. Two of these were in the Homes before, but after being about seven months with us were taken out by the mother, who is now sorry for having done so. The boys were very anxious to come back again, and we trust they will get on well, and in time be a comfort and help to their mother. We find it is nearly always the case, that when relatives remove their children from the Homes, they in a short time regret doing so, and many a time have we been asked to receive them back again.

Oct. 11.—To-day about 100 delegates from the Sabbath School Convention, being held in Glasgow this week, visited the Homes at Bridge-of-Weir. After being shown round our village, and some refreshment being partaken of, all our family gathered in the church, when the children sang some hymns and a few of the little ones repeated their memory text for

the Sabbath, etc. Rev. Dr. Phillips, who has been a missionary for many years in India, gave a short address, and also sang two verses of Indian hymns to the children. The friends seemed much pleased with all they saw, and we are sure they will return to their spheres of labour thanking God for the manifestation of His love among the children, and for the privilege they have enjoyed of seeing all that He has done for us in this beautiful spot amid the Renfrewshire hills. Among gifts which have reached us this week, £2 came from Queensland with cheering words of sympathy; £1 from Wales as first-fruits, being prize gained on horse and foal; 10s. and three pairs stockings from "Mizpah;" £3 from an old donor, Dunoon; £1 1s from a friend, who says, "I do think the fulcrum or leverage that moves Christian effort, such as yours, is the sanctified prayers of God's people. Material resources are only the shell; the prayers of God's saints are the life, the soul, the spirit." £10 each from two donors, Glasgow, and a quantity remnants and some stockings; 17s. 6d. as "whip money;" and £1 12s. 6d. from a well-wisher, with the following letter:—

MY DEAR SIR,—For the past ten years or so I have been a third-class season ticket-holder between the city and one of its suburbs. I am glad to say that I now feel in such a position as would warrant my taking out a first-class ticket; but the thought occurred to me, Why should I indulge in this luxury, when so many of my fellow-creatures are in want and destitution? Since I began business I have systematically devoted a tithe of all I earned to the Lord, but I find that, as the habit grows on me, I get to look upon it as no hardship or self-denial, but, on the contrary, come to regard it as a matter of course. Well, I thought, here is an opportunity in which, by continuing to travel third, and charging myself with first-class fare, I might practise a little of that self-denial which our Lord urges upon us. It is therefore with very great pleasure that I hand you enclosed the sum of £1 12s. 6d., being the difference between the two tickets. Wishing you all success in the great work you are carrying on in this city.

Would that this self-sacrificing spirit were more practised by the Lord's children at large, and by so doing our lives would become more like the Master's, "who, though He was rich, yet for our sakes became poor."

Oct. 13.—One of our fathers, Mr. Hugh Rose, of Leven Home, who, with his wife, has been with us for about 2½ years, passed away to his rest and reward this morning. He has not been strong for many years, and suffered much from time to time with bronchial asthma. He was a very conscientious and faithful worker, and respected by all with whom he came in contact, and we feel that although gone from our midst here he yet speaketh. We trust his removal may be life to some souls in our village, and more especially in the Cottage Home where he so faithfully sought to sow the "seed of the Kingdom" from day to day. Only £2 13s. 6½d., quantity useful and fancy articles from a kind friend in Lenzie, and 12 pairs stockings from another in Glasgow have come to-day. £1 8s. 6½d. of the money is from a Sabbath School Missionary Society, Greenock, 10s. of it "sent home by two lads who are now working in the States;" 5s. from "three little girls' missionary box;" and £1 from a donor, Kilmarnock. Six children have been added to our number, and one of our sailor lads left us to-day to join another who went last week. We will follow them with our prayers, earnestly desiring that they may be blessed and made a blessing in the future voyage of life.

Oct. 20.—On Saturday and yesterday (Sabbath) I had the privilege of speaking for the Master in Dunfermline at four different services, and do trust that the telling out of the Lord's goodness to the work in our hands will be blessed to the strengthening of the faith of His children. From

many quarters and in different ways our needs have been met during the past few days, £236 11s. 2½d. having come, and a quantity of clothing, etc. £4 16s. 8½d. of the money was from our children at the Bridge-of-Weir Homes, being part of their missionary collections given to help their poorer brothers and sisters. £46 16s. 8½d. in all have been collected during the year, and the rest of it they divided as follows:—£5 to Kolar Mission in India, £10 to China Inland Mission, £18 to three Missions in Africa, £5 to the Fresh Air Fortnight Scheme, and £2 each to the Royal and Western Infirmarys. To-day three orphan children, a girl of 9 and two boys of 11 and 12, one of them suffering from hip-joint disease, were admitted, and other needy ones are applying.

Oct. 25.—To-day we were called upon to lay to rest the body of one of our number, dear Jeannie Morrison, who died of consumption two days ago. She has suffered much and long, and although she will be missed, we are glad for her sake that she is now free from pain and sickness. She loved the Saviour, and had no fear of death, but rather wearied for Jesus to come and take her. A little while before she passed away she said to the nurse who was beside her bed, "Am I dying?" and on being told that Jesus was coming soon for her, she said, "Oh, I wish He'd come quick!" These removals from time to time are trying to us, but we cannot but rejoice that for a little while we have had the joy and privilege of ministering to these His suffering little ones. Many gifts, with encouraging words of sympathy and cheer, have reached us these four days past, among which were £10 each from two unknown friends in Gourock and Aberdeen; £100 from a new donor; £50 from an old one; a barrel of apples and £1 10s. from Skipness; 6s. from a helper in Arbroath; parcels of clothing from various friends, amongst which 17 scarfs from an anonymous giver came in most acceptably and called for a special note of praise, as we had given out our last one the same day they were received; a quantity bread from a friend who often helps in this way; 6s. from grandmother of family helped; and some gifts from Sunday schools, etc., in Aberdeen, Ayr and Glasgow. A friend in Bristol writes:—"Dear Sir, one of your little books—'A Day at the Children's City'—was recently put into my hand in a railway carriage by a young woman who had been a worker amongst your 'children,' and was on her way to the well-known Homes of George Müller. I had not heard of your Homes before, but I have been much interested in your happy work, and am pleased to send you the enclosed 'Orphan's mite' for the little ones. May the Lord bless you richly and encourage you much in your work of faith and labour of love. With Christian regard." To-day we have received £1,000 to complete our Invalid Boys' Home; £60 from an old donor; £1 from Pitlochry, "in memory of a beloved sister gone home;" 5s. "for the bairnies, from an old disciple;" £1 from Sunday school, Bonhill; £3 collected at children's service, Lockerbie; and, from two Glasgow friends, 10s., and quantity scones, etc. Applications to help needy little ones have come yesterday and to-day from Edinburgh, Ayr, Dundee, Dunfermline and Errol. The friend who writes from Ayr, where we have taken many children, has been very anxious for some time past to have their town represented by a cottage among the number at Bridge-of-Weir, and has been seeking to interest friends towards this end with so much success, that about half the money required has been collected, and the rest she expects will soon be on hand. This news has greatly cheered us to-day amid trials and disappointments by the way.

Oct. 30.—Yesterday we received £2 5s. in three anonymous sums; £1



from two old helpers, Lerwick, with the words, "And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish Thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish Thou it;" £1 12s. from S.S. in Glasgow; and 10s. from a friend there also. To-night (our weekly workers' prayer meeting being to-morrow) our family had their annual treat in honour of Hallowe'en. The feast of "champed" potatoes, with their mysterious ingredients; the ducking for and eating of apples, of which we had received a liberal supply from Fairknowe; the cracking of nuts, and the illuminated procession with Chinese lanterns, "howked" turnips (on which the boys have been expending their artistic faculties for some days past), through the grounds, were enjoyed to the full, after which all gathered in the church, where a happy evening was spent in singing, reciting, etc., closing with united family worship. The little invalids in Bethesda, although not able to join the rest of the number outside, were not forgotten, but had their entertainments in the house, which they enjoyed to the full, one of them, "Our Wee Jamie," who has been confined to bed for 18 months, and is just waiting for his change, being greatly delighted that he, too, had a lantern lit, and was able to hold it up at the window when the grand procession was passing by. £7 7s. 6d., a quantity books as prizes for our children's best-kept gardens during the year, and which we hope to distribute at the evening gathering on our annual meeting day, a quantity of herring, a barrow cover, and some books and clothing for use among the little ones, are our gifts for to-day. Among the sums sent 1s. came from a little boy, Glasgow; 5s. 6d. from S.S. in Rait; and £1 from Auchterarder, with the following touching letter:—

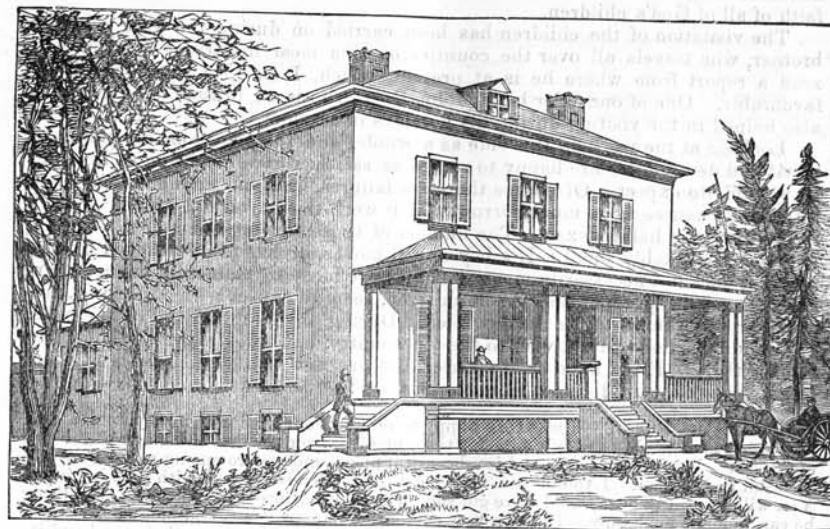
DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Enclosed I hope you will find postal order for 20s. It is part of our darling boy's money who left us for "the Better Land" on 13th. He was only lent to brighten our home for five and a half months, but to leave a happy remembrance behind him, and I trust be the means of drawing us nearer our Heavenly Father, who doeth all things wisely and well, though the blank and the loss of our pet is felt very keenly. His father and I send the money for the use of the many children under your care.

An application asking us to receive three fatherless children from Motherwell, whose mother is not strong, reached us to-day. Another from Edinburgh, about two little boys, came two days ago, and the cry of many other perishing ones is sounding in our ears. Oh! that we may be able to help hundreds more in the coming year.

Oct. 31.—In looking back over all the way the Lord has led us during this, the 19th financial year of the Homes, and the 26th of our work among poor children, which closes to-day, our hearts are filled with thanksgiving for all the marvellous loving kindness and tender mercy which have followed us through each day, week, and month, and we can truly say, "Not one thing hath failed of all the good things the Lord hath promised, but all have come to pass, and not one thing hath failed thereof." It is not that there have been no trials and disappointments during the year that we thus speak, for they have been many and severe; but in and through all these we have been able to rest in the Lord and know assuredly that all things are working for our good. Once more our balance is on the right side, and for the untried year upon which we are just entering, we would rest anew on the abiding promise of our unchanging Lord, "My God, shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus."

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ONTARIO, 22nd October, 1890.

DEAR FRIENDS,—With head and hands fully occupied time flies apace, and it almost seems as if its relentless current had swept us on through this year more rapidly than ever. There have been dark turnings, and clouds have overspread the sky, but our loving Father has dispelled the gloom, and caused our hearts to praise Him. We desire to unite with you in extolling the Rock of our salvation for proving a provider and protector; and in asking for keener perception, greater power and more perseverance in performing our work for the Master during the coming year.

Ere last year's letter was placed in your hands we had our Hallowe'en treat, the enjoyment of which was enhanced by happy memories of those spent at the Homes in Scotland, and the pleasing fact that we were still represented there by a small consignment of Fairknowe apples. A large number of boys and girls took a holiday at the New Year to renew our and each other's acquaintance. About a hundred spent New-Year's Day with us at Fairknowe, and many kind friends remembered us with suitable gifts—including 5 turkeys. Dismantling the Christmas tree proved a very important part of the proceedings as usual, and all seemed highly pleased with their gifts. The evening was very pleasantly taken up by recitations, singing, short addresses, etc., by the young people and friends. Our fine new hall will be completed in good time to enable us to entertain a still larger gathering this coming New Year. Before the snow was quite gone 122 boys had reached us in charge of my brother—who went home in February for them—and our old and esteemed friend, Mr. John Thomson of Cockenzie. Through detention of trains the party did not get to Brockville until after 10 o'clock on Saturday night, but so determined were the kind Christian friends to practically demonstrate their interest in the young strangers, that it was nearly the midnight hour ere they got away from the Victoria Hall after the royal feast prepared by them had been done ample justice to. Soon the happy band were dispersed amongst the many waiting applicants, and we were ready for the party

of 128 girls and little boys, brought out by Mr. and Mrs. Quarrier, Miss Fox, and Mrs. Campbell in May. Of the latter we have still a few with us, there being less demand for the little boys.

Mr. Quarrier's addresses in Brockville churches and other places he visited attracted large audiences, and we believe stimulated many, and increased the faith of all of God's children.

The visitation of the children has been carried on during the year, and my brother, who travels all over the counties on this most important mission, will send a report from where he is at present, which, I am glad to know will be favourable. One of our older boys, John Ross, who is at present studying, has also helped in the visiting during his holidays in summer.

Looking at the work on this side as a whole, and judging from all points of merit and demerit, we are happy to record as satisfactory a condition as it would be possible to expect. Of course there are failures, and one erring one amongst a thousand causes us as much sorrow as if it were the proverbial "black sheep" in the family of half a dozen. The number of those turning out badly, however, is really remarkably small. If a boy or girl moves, or has to be removed from a place, it does not necessarily mean that they are most to blame, for many, hearing such good reports of the Scotch children, seem to expect perfection itself, and are therefore liable to be disappointed. During the year several of the older boys and girls have paid a visit to the old country, but few, if any, would care to remain there. Eight have been married and are now settled in homes of their own. The following letter is from one of them:—

DEAR MRS. BURGESS,—I was very happy to receive your kind note to-day (which was forwarded to me). We are only here for three months, from the first of June until the end of August. Prince Edward Island is a beautiful place, and we are among relations of my husband and mother. I thank you very much for remembering me with such kindness. You will be glad to hear that I have got such a good kind husband, who does everything he can to make me happy. I have a very comfortable happy home, and mother lives with us. We will be happy to see you, or any of the friends from the Home that may be visiting. I wrote to Mr. Quarrier about three months ago, but have not received an answer. I have a small donation to send to the Homes, but will wait until I hear again from you. My husband, mother, and myself send kind regards to you, your husband, and Mr. A. Burgess.—Your sincere friend,  
A. F.

Six have been called from earth's scenes and service, but in each case they gave clear testimony to the cleansing power of the precious blood, and "Fell asleep in Jesus," rejoicing in His love.

Many of the boys and girls have been making excellent progress with their studies, and some are rapidly fitting themselves for teaching and the higher professions. A boy who came out in 1884 writes:—

DEAR FRIEND,—It is now quite a time since I wrote you to let you know how I am getting along. The last letter I think you received from me was telling you how I had passed the entrance examination. Well, after I had passed (which was in July), I worked on till Christmas, and then started to the High School and kept going there till July. I then hired for seven weeks, at 1 dol. a day. Last Monday I started going to school again, and will continue till Christmas; and if I can I will go on all next year and try for a teacher's certificate. One of my school teachers wanted me to try this year, but as it is so hard now to pass I thought I would stay another year and lay down a better foundation. I have only been six months at the High school, and during that time another boy and I have gone as far as the majority of the school have gone in ten months. When I told Mr. Q. that I would stay another year, he enquired what business I intended to follow, and when I told him I thought I would be a doctor or a lawyer, he agreed with me, saying, that it was not a good thing to go too fast. The last four months I had taken Latin up, and this term I intend taking French with it, etc. I would like you to write and let me know how you are all getting along, for although I do not write very often, I always remember the Home and all connected with it, and never forget that I am a home boy myself; and when I write I am glad I have such friends to write to. I am grateful to God that He has given me such good health and a mind with which to make my way in the world; and I trust in a few years to be able to show my gratitude by helping some helpless ones. Be sure when you are writing to me to let me know how you are all getting on. I have not written to Mr. Quarrier for a long time, but I intend writing soon. I now send my best wishes to Mrs. Burgess, Mr. Quarrier, his family, and all in the Home. If there is any person going around visiting the boys this Fall, I would like that he would call and see me.—Yours very truly,  
J. S. S.

A boy who came out in 1886 writes:—

DEAR FRIENDS,—I now take the pleasure of writing you and forwarding you the agreement between Mr. J. and myself. I am getting along at school real well. Mr. C. has gone to Iowa, U.S., and I had not time to return your letter. I am not forgetting you, for I often think of you although I don't write much, for I am too busy studying. Excuse this note and I will write soon again. I am getting along first-rate in my new place.—Yours truly,  
J. M'D. M.

Another who came out in 1883 writes:—

MR. BURGESS—DEAR SIR,—I was very glad when I received your letter shortly after I wrote to you. I suppose you will soon have another party of boys out from Scotland, and I have been trying to prepare homes for some of them. There have been three of Mr. R.'s relatives asking for boys and girls, and I think they would be fine homes, etc. I got a letter from J. M'D., and he told me he was getting on well, and that he had given his heart to the Saviour, and that he intended being a missionary with me, as I used to ask him when we were together. I hope to do good work for the Master and willingly will become a missionary if possible. Will you please tell me does the Home send out missionaries or not? I belong to the Methodist Church here, etc.—Yours sincerely,  
R. M'L.

A letter from one already in charge of a church will be read with interest:—

DEAR FRIEND,—I am more than ever led to believe you are a true friend to your boys, although they may act as if they had forgotten you and past kindnesses. You seem to remember them as your own with a special care over them, and with a deep interest in their welfare. I will assure you that the reason I have not written to you personally is not because I had forgotten you and what you had done for me by Divine help, but carelessness is the only excuse I have to offer with shame. I have thought of you many a time since I came to Canada, and prayed for God's blessing on the great and grand work He had given you charge over, and that all your wants might be supplied by His bountiful hand, and that those thousands who have been helped like myself might prove a blessing to the cause of God and a credit to you. For my part, I am very glad I came under your care, for had I been in my native land until this time I fear I should not have been where and what I am spiritually. God has been very good to me; as I retrace my steps I can see where all things have worked together for my good, although ignorant of it at the time. I have been over a year in the Ministry, and some precious souls have been brought to a saving knowledge of the truth as it is in Christ Jesus since I came here, and all this I praise God for, for He used me, praise His name. I see your old ship is riding on, as we Methodists sometimes call our work the Methodist ship. So I say the Quarrier ship is still going on toward success, and all hail to her. I am very thankful to you for all the blessings received from you in the shape of papers and books. I look upon the present field of labour as a teacher for the foreign field (China or Africa), and I want to make the best use of it possible. I will close by wishing you all a successful year in your work. Remember me to Mrs. Quarrier and your family, Mr. Burgess and wife.—Your ever sincere boy,  
W. H. C.

The assurance that a good many have decided for Christ has been a source of solid comfort and joy to us and, we doubt not, of blessing to others as well as themselves. We can say with the Apostle, "We have no greater joy than that our children walk in the truth."

We had been praying for £500 to put up an addition to the Home, and were greatly cheered when we heard that a friend in Scotland had sent in that amount. It was deemed expedient to erect a larger wing than first arranged, and we believe the balance will be sent in good time to finish the work. The new part is of stone, with Mansard galvanized iron roof, and comprises a dining room 29 by 39 feet, large enough to accommodate a whole party on their arrival; a lavatory 24 by 9 feet; store room and lobby on first floor, with three large and two small bed rooms upstairs. In the cellar there is ample room for storing the children's boxes, etc., and for the heating furnace, which the kind friend who gave us our cooking range has promised to provide. Looking after the large garden and new building ourselves has added to our usual work considerably. We were glad to be able to send twenty-five barrels of apples to the children and friends at Bridge-of-Weir, and still have enough for our own large family, as well as a good supply of vegetables. A few more samples of the hundreds of letters received from the children and those who have them will give information at first hand, and they must be looked at as simply the ordinary run of those we get. From children we will give them of those who came out on various years, showing what they think of their homes and the country after years of experience, as well as their first impressions of them:—



DEAR FRIEND,—I write a few lines to let you know that I arrived safe at my new home. The little time that I have been in it I like it very well. I thank you very much for sending me here, for I could not have wished to have been in a better one. I am now writing home to my aunt and grandmother, and when Mr. E. told me he was writing to you, I said I would send a few lines.—Yours lovingly,  
M. C. (1890.)

DEAR SIR,—I send you this letter to let you know that I am very happy here, and hope you are all getting on well, and that Mr. Quarrier and family are well, etc.

J. K. (1890.)

MR. QUARRIER—DEAR SIR,—I am well pleased with my home, am contented and happy. I get plenty to eat, sleep on a feather bed, and have not much to do. I am going to school on 1st of May.

J. B. (1890.)

DEAR SIR,—I now take the pleasure of writing to you to let you know that I am getting along very well out here indeed, and hope to do so all along. Since I have come out I have learned to do a great many things on the farm. Dear Sir, I would like very much if you would kindly let me know where J. M'N. is, as he and I were great friends. I would like to know how he is getting along and I am sure he would like to know how I am getting on too. I would like also to know how the work is getting on at the Home, as I hope it will keep on as it has been doing. I am very thankful to both you and Mr. Quarrier and all connected with the home work for sending me out here, and I trust that it will prosper more and more.—Yours ever truly,  
A. R. T. (1889.)

DEAR MRS. BURGESS,—Please excuse me for not writing before, but I like my new home well, better than I did in Picton. The farm agrees with me, and I am getting fleshy. I go to Sunday school and church regularly. Mrs. W. says if I continue a good girl she will let me go to school some. I have got so that I can milk good, and I like to milk and hunt eggs, and eat them too. Mrs. W. is teaching me to cook. I wish Mr. Quarrier could come and see me. Give my love to the girls, I wish they may all get as good homes.—Yours lovingly,  
K. A. (1887.)

MY DEAR MRS. BURGESS,—I received the photo you sent me on the 25th, and I like it splendid; some of the faces were quite familiar. You would hardly know Willie, he has grown such a big boy. Charlie and I have not grown very much taller, but we got quite fat after we came here. We are all well at present. I was expecting Willie upon Saturday, but it rained so he did not come. We are all going to try and get our pictures taken, and you will get one. . . . Our Sunday school class got theirs taken in January to give to our teacher. There were eight of us, and we all like her very much. Maggie G. is in the same class. Maggie goes to the Methodist Church, and I go to the Presbyterian. About two years ago our folks wanted me to go to the Bible class, but I like Sunday school better, our teacher explains everything so nice, and you can ask any question you like in the class when you would not like to do it in the Bible class. . . .

I have been a member in full communion for over three years. M. G. is a communicant of the Methodist Church, and her sister Janet goes to the same church and to the Presbyterian S.S. . . .

I have got photos of Mr. Quarrier and Mrs. Quarrier, and like them splendid. I will be in my place four years in June. How time does fly. Oh, may we all be prepared for Christ's coming. He may come at any hour. I belong to a society called the Christian Endeavour Society. It is very nice. We study the Bible, ask any question, or read any passage we like. . . . There are a great many of them in Canada. Have you got one in Brockville? Willie can drive very well now, and I expect to go out with him soon to see Charlie. Give my love to all who remember me, and accept a large share for yourself and Mr. Burgess. I would like your photos if you have them.—Yours truly,  
J. C. H. (1886.)

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I write you these few lines to let you know that I am well, hoping this will find you the same. I would like to know very much if you have heard anything of my mother yet, as I am very anxious, and have not heard for a long time. I am expecting a letter from my brother Samuel, and would like to be able to tell him about her. . . . May God bless and prosper you in all your work is the prayer of your loving friend,  
R. A. (1877.)

DEAR MR. AND MRS. BURGESS,—I received the picture you sent me last Saturday. Please thank Mr. Douglas for it. He came to see me last Summer, and I enjoyed his visit very much. I remember you and Mr. Burgess very well, and often think I would like to see you both again. I was down to B. for a visit to Maggie S. this Spring, and we both decided to visit you this Summer, but had to give up the idea meantime. I think I may have my picture taken soon, and if so I will send you one. I should much like to have both of yours. I am still with Mrs. M., and have been here seven years this month. I have been getting 4 dols. a month for a while, but have not been able to save much yet. My brother is living in the United States, and is well. I have never regretted coming to this country. I have plenty kind friends here. We have been having grand revival services here, and a number have been converted, and I among the rest have decided for Jesus. I have to watch and pray for grace and patience to overcome temptation. With God's help I will try and live a more faithful and truer life than I ever have before. God has been very kind to me in placing me where I am. With love,  
BELLA M'C. (1883.)

It is equally satisfactory to have such letters as the following from the people they are with:

Please excuse delay in writing, as I have not been very well since Bella came. We like her very much. She wants to get her Uncle George and her sister Maggie's addresses, if Mr. Quarrier would be so good as send them out. I enclose a few lines for her little brother whom she left at the home. We do not know anyone near who would take one so young. Bella has been down twice to see her little sister Katie, and Katie is to be up to see her next Saturday. B. asked me what I was going to write about her, and I asked her what she wished me to tell you, and she said, "Oh, tell them I would not like to leave here now," and I may say she seems very happy and contented. I hope if I am spared I may be a true mother to her. Bella told us that Mr. Burgess promised to come to see her soon, and she talks so affectionately of any one who has been kind to her, that we will all be glad to see any friends that take an interest in her.—With best respects,  
Mrs. J. C.

DEAR MR. BURGESS,—The children (J. and M.) are getting along very well so far, and we like them well. We did not send them to school yet, but they will go after vacation, for it is the place for them for a while yet. There is not much help in them, but John is learning to milk a little. They are healthy children, and have not had a moment's sickness since they came. They would like you to send their sister's address. They have not learned much Gaelic yet, but join in sending love.—Yours,  
D. D. M'C.

MR. BURGESS—DEAR SIR,—J. Y., who has been with us for five years, thinks he would like sailing and quit the farm, so he will be at Fairknowe next Friday. He will start from Fairknowe to commence his new work, and if you can get him a situation on any boat he will be pleased. You need have no hesitancy whatever in recommending him as a good, truthful, trustworthy boy, capable of doing heavy work, and one who will not slight his work. We would trust him with any sum of money and feel perfectly safe. In the five years he has been with us we never knew him to betray trust once. He has nearly 100 dols. of his own money. We feel an especial interest in John and hope he may be successful in his new occupation, as he has been looking forward to the time when he could go sailing ever since he has been with us.—Respectfully yours,  
G. R. H.

We will not take up space with more of this class, but the manner in which our Scotch children are appreciated may be seen from the style of application so frequently sent to us:—

MRS. BURGESS—DEAR MADAM,—I wish to know if you have in your Home a little girl about 12 or 13, etc. . . . I teach school, and my sister teaches music. . . . I have often seen the one Mrs. Rutherford has, and like her, and wish to get a good, smart one like her. . . .  
M. L.

MRS. BURGESS—MADAM,—Mrs. B., our next door neighbour, has a girl from your home, and seems much pleased with her. My daughter, Mrs. S., of Montreal, would like to get one, etc., etc.  
Mrs. T. A.

MR. BURGESS—DEAR SIR,—Mrs. K. wanted me to go to Brockville when she was getting her little girl, and since she has proved so satisfactory I would like to have a similar one. . . .  
A. L.

DEAR SIR,—I am very pleased with the appearance of the boy you sent to Mr. J. S. of Lochaber, and reports concerning him are very satisfactory. In fact, I only wish he were with me. Have you a similar boy? etc., etc.  
(Rev.) H. A. W.

DEAR SIR,—I write to apply for another of your boys, about 10 years old. We have reared one for the last six years, and he is now too big to do such chores as bringing the cattle from pasture, etc.  
A. S.

A pleasing feature is that those who have been helped show a desire to help others, and during the year 23 subscriptions, amounting to 32 dols., have been received from our children, while others have taken little ones into their homes. In closing, we desire again to record our deep sense of gratitude to all those who have strengthened our hands and cheered our hearts in the work, and for the rare treats, hearty welcomes, and loving words of counsel to the children. We ask the continued prayers of God's people at home and here on behalf of those young lives, so fraught with importance to the community at large; and that all who have the smallest share in acting on God's behalf for His little ones may be made increasingly faithful and zealous while their opportunities last, knowing that "God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love," and with best wishes for the work at home and all connected with it, in which Mrs. Burgess and our fellow-workers here join. Yours in His service,  
JAMES BURGESS.

*Report from Mr. A. BURGESS, one of our Visitors among the Children in Canada.*

DEAR MR. QUARRIER.—Before beginning a fresh visiting tour among the children in Western Ontario I will give you a brief review of my year's work. I visited in the northern and western portions of Leeds before going to Scotland, and since my return I have been through a large district in the Eastern counties, and also through Carleton County and some districts west. In some districts I found boys and girls who came out 10 or 12 years ago still in their first homes. When told you had been in Canada there was general lamentation at having missed seeing you, but they look forward hopefully to seeing you at the end of other two years, and say, "Surely he will come to see me next time." I always find the children happy to see me and to do the honours of the house. Great care is taken to place the children in homes where they will have a good Christian training. An account of my last day's visiting, as a fair sample of the whole, will be interesting:—

W. M., '81, is now a tall, strong, young man. He works in the woods in winter, but always returns to his old home in summer. He smokes, but is otherwise a steady young fellow, and bears a very good name in the neighbourhood. S. L., '90, is in a home where there is a baby, of which she is very fond. She is very happy in her home and much liked. Is about a mile from school, and will go in winter, but meanwhile studies at home. A. M. L., '89, has a splendid home in a minister's family. She is thoughtless at times, but is on the whole a very good girl and a splendid worker. Is near her sister and sees her every Sunday. A. A., '82, a well grown boy who bears an excellent character. He has been a good deal troubled with rheumatism. G. S., '87, still in his first home, and is well liked. Is strong and healthy, and can drive a team almost as well as his master. Is going soon to see his brother. Very good scholar, and much sought after at tea meetings, etc. J. and M. W., '84, are in the same home. Neither of them is very strong, but they are very well liked, and are contented and happy in their home. N. L., '90,—Rather wild, but his master says he is a very good boy, willing and good-natured. He is to send a few dollars to his mother as a Christmas present. M. and J. M. C., '90, are in the same home, and say they like Canada far better than Scotland. Their master has no family, and his mother who lives with him, has taken a great fancy for John, and when I called was busy making some clothes for him. M. C., '84, went to the city to her sister, but soon returned, and has now a splendid home. She is a fine smart girl, and well grown. R. A., '84, has been nearly six years in his present home, where he is a great favourite. His master has several daughters but no sons, and Robert is becoming very useful and takes a son's place. He sees his brother often. R. R., '85, only returned to this neighbourhood about a month ago. He is small for his age but is evidently smart, as he gets very good wages. Every one in this country has to work, and boys and girls on a farm always find enough of chores to keep them busy. There is no use of any one coming here who has not made up his mind to do his best and cheerfully to put up with any little annoyances that may fall to his lot. Any boy or girl who comes in that spirit, will, with God's blessing make a comfortable living, and can lay something past for a rainy day. My time, and the space at your disposal, forbid me entering more fully into detail, suffice it to say that judging from my actual knowledge of the condition of the children in Canada, I am safe—as happy—in pronouncing the work in a very prosperous state. Any unprejudiced person placed in possession of the facts could not but be amazed at the very few cases where boys or girls turn out badly. This can only be accounted for by the excellent training and careful selection of those sent out here by you—the latter is generally looked upon as a distinguishing feature of your work, where our children are known, and it will be to the interest of the work that this should continue a marked characteristic. There are opponents of child immigration in Canada, but no better argument can be used against them, than the introduction of well-trained, healthy Scotch children, and the ever-increasing demand for them, because of the good name they bear all over the province. I will close this hurried report by joining your large family out here in asking God's blessing on your noble rescue work, and all who are in any way associated with you in it.—Yours faithfully,

ALEX. BURGESS.

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

November 9.—"For Fairknowe," 5s; A. D., £10; Mrs B., quantity used clothing; Miss M. N., do.; R. M., Edinburgh, £1; a Friend, 15 loaves and 76 biscuits; W. C. C., Crieff, box old books; Mr R., 186 rolls; Coatbridge, 2s 6d; Mrs and Miss J., Edinburgh, 10s; "Proceeds of Sale of Work of 9 Little School Girls," per Mrs M., Birkenhead, £3 13s 8d; G. W., 10s; Misses J. and M. D., Bonnybridge, 60 articles clothing; J. S., parcel odds and ends; D. M. S., for emigration, £4; Anon., parcel used clothing, etc.; Miss P., Kirkcubright, 10s; a Friend, Dundee, £1; Do., 1s; Do., 10s; Do., 1s; Do., 6s; "Alice, Willie, and Baby's Box," Grangemouth, 15s; a Friend, Dundee, 10s; "Three Dundee Girls," 2s 6d; Mrs M., Kirriemuir, 3 pairs socks; H. and H., 39 loaves; Mrs R., Hamilton, £2; Mrs C., Cathcart, £2 2s; "A Happy Little Boy, 7 years old," Stirling, £1; A. H. M., Dundee, £15; Collected by "Lizzie S.," Coupar-Angus, £1; Mrs P., 3s and parcel used clothing; "A Thankoffering to God on Baby's First Birthday," Mrs G., Sanquhar, 2s 6d; W. M., parcel magazines, etc.; Kilbirnie, do.; J. T., Bonhill, 5s; Miss D., Fortrose, £2 10s; Largs, parcel used clothing; Mr D., 45 loaves and 67 scones; R. M., £20; Mrs R., Langbank, box used clothing; Anon., parcel books; J. A. D., London, £6; a Friend, North Berwick, £5; Forfar, 3 pairs stockings; Mrs A., £60; J. D. W., Tarves, 5s; a Friend, 18 loaves; Ladies' Missionary Sewing Society, Cammore Street Congregational Church, Dunfermline, £5; R. J., 10s; J. M. Irvine, £1; "A Friend in Elgin," £10; Mrs W. M., £1. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Bethany Congregational Church S.S., per J. S., £1; Kilm U.P. Church Sabbath School, per E. G., £1 1s; Langside Free Church S.S. Society, per J. C., £2 19s 1d; Free Church S.S. and Bible Class, Stanley, Perth, per A. M. N., £1 10s; Mount Florida U.P. Church S.S. Society, per W. M. L., jun., Cathcart, £1 16s 0½d; legacy of the late Mr. Robert Lochore, Lenzie, per R. and J. M. Hill, Brown, & Co., less duty, £2, £18; Cathcart U.P. Church S.S., per M. B., £1 14s 1d.

November 23.—"For the Bairns," Cairngorm, 10s; P. M. H., £2; Mrs M. K., £1; proceeds of work done and sold by Miss W., Aberdeen, £2 10s 7d; Friends, per do., 9s 5d; "Unclaimed expenses in connection with special services," Johnstone, 7s; L. P., Dalry postmark, £1 5s; J. E. R., 5s; Miss B., Dollar, 6 pairs stockings; W. S., Dumbarton, £1; J. W. O., £10; Miss A. P., Errol, £4; Alva Scotch Girls' Friendly Society, per Miss W., 19 articles clothing; Miss J. W., 5s; per rail, 2 bags potatoes; Miss A. C. A., 10s; Mrs H., Edinburgh, £2; H. & H., basket bread; Mrs and W. G., £2 10s; "A Worm," 10s; Miss M., 10s; Anon., parcel used clothing; Mrs L., Grangemouth, £1; J. K., Dundee, £1; A Young Friend in the North of Scotland, £1 1s; a Friend, 41 loaves; C. C., East of Glasgow, parcel used clothing; Mr and Mrs S. W., Liverpool, £1; S., Wishaw, parcel clothing; Proceeds of Furniture sold on behalf of children helped, per D. L. F., Kirkcaldy, £7; Mrs and Miss J., Barrhead, £1; "From the Master's Treasury," Grangemouth, £2 2s; Mrs C., Langbank, £1; a Friend, Ayr, £1; R. S., Fraserburgh, 5 boxes haddocks; Miss M. and Miss G., Greenock, £1; Mrs M., do., 10s; Mrs B., Aberdeen, £5; Mrs B., Bothwell, quantity cast-off clothing; Misses B., £1; Parish Church Bible Class, Alexandria, per J. M. C. M. L., £1; J. W., £30; R. R., Hamilton, £5; Mr S., Bowling, £1; Miss T., Edinburgh, 3s; Graham Charity Cup, East-End (football competition), per W. W. O., £5; Mrs G., Edinburgh, £3 and 12 pairs stockings; Miss S., Gourock, 9 pairs do; Friends at Hillside, Montrose, per Miss F., 5 articles clothing and 12 New Testaments; Y. W. C. A., Freuchie, per Miss R., 10s; a Friend, 126 rolls and 2 loaves; Miss F. P., Alloa, 80 pairs stockings and 60 articles clothing; Incorporation of Maltmen, per A. M. N., £3 3s; Mrs A., Lanark, £2; Mrs M., Portobello, £1; J. A., Alloa, £2; Miss C. S. B., £2; Mrs B., 5s; Misses A., Tighnabruich, £1; Mrs J., Skelmorlie, £1; J. J., £2; W. C., Rothesay, £1; J. B., £1; Railway Mission Members, Greenock, per W. A., £5; "Two Little Girls, A. and B. D.," 5s; Mrs W., Edinburgh, £5 and 11 articles of clothing; Mrs F., Logie, 5s; Mrs P., Hamilton, £5; M. B., Forres, box of odds and ends; "An Orphan to the Orphans," 2s 6d; a Friend, 16 loaves; Mrs B., Dundee, £2; Anon., 5 pairs stockings and socks; Miss H., Bridge-of-Allan, £2 16s; found in box on lobby table, per do., 5s 3d; Miss M., parcel used clothing; Miss B., £1; Mrs S., 5s and 8 Tam o' Shanters; Mrs M., £2; M. & L. H., £40; Mrs C., Hamilton, "A Thankoffering," 6s; Mrs A., Crieff, £2; Mrs M., £1; additional from 9 school girls' sale of work, Birkenhead, per G. M., £1; Mr M. K., Newcastle-on-Tyne, parcel remnants cloth; "Out of money boxes of three little children," Edinburgh, per D. N. C., 5s; Mr and Mrs W. S., Dundee, £6; Miss M. S., do., £1; "A Thankoffering from a Servant," Greenock, 10s; Friends in Tynemouth, per Mrs D., box of clothing; Mrs D., do., brace-let to be sold; Mrs S., Cathcart, parcel used clothing; R. B., £30; Mrs T., £1; Miss K.,



10s; Mrs L., £1; Mrs A., £1 10s; little girls' sale of work, per do., 10s; A Friend at meeting, £2; A Friend, 16 loaves and 47 rolls; do., waterproof, rug and pair shoes; "Two Friends, E. and C.," £4; Mrs S., Lenzie, £1; "A Thankoffering from a little girl," 2s 6d; For Fairknowe, 5s; A. and M.A., parcel bulbs, etc.; "A Tithe," 2s 6d; H. A. R., £10 10s; "Nemo," £10; "For the Extension of Christ's Kingdom," £10; Mrs J. H., £1; Misses M.L., Hamilton, £1; Mrs T. F. M., Lenzie, quantity useful articles clothing, toys, etc.; Mrs and Miss E. M., Seacombe, Liverpool, per do., 21 scarfs and 4 pairs cuffs; B. H. K., £1; Mr A., Bellingham, per J. R. W., 10s; C. C., Greenock, £5; J. E., M.G., "In loving memory of a dear friend," 10s; Anon., 5s; Dr L., Appin, £1; D. T. S., £5; Miss M., Kirkcaldy, 10s; Mrs T., do., 10s; R. G., Cathcart, 5s; Mr D., 17 loaves; Mrs R., parcel used clothing; D. B., Gourcock, 10s; Mrs G., parcel useful clothing; M.N. and S., £5. The following have been sent in for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—S.S. Class, 10s; part collections Bible Class, Stepps Road, per H. W., 14s 5½d; First Free Church S.S., Thurso, per H. S., 10s; Free St. John's Congregational S.S., Leith, per J. P., £2 8s; London Road U.P. Church Bible Class, Edinburgh, per D. R. K., £1; Free Church Bible Class, Stevenston, per Mrs L., 10s; Nicolson Street U.P. Church S.S., Edinburgh, per T. N. F., £1; Mearns Parish Church S.S., per Dr R., £1; Ironbrae Preaching Station, Craigdam congregation, per J. S., £1; Junior Bible Class Henderson Memorial Church, per J. S., 10s; Galashiels Parish Church Fellowship Guild, per J. M., 10s.

December 7—Mrs M'C., Ayr, per Mrs M'L., 10s; Children, per do., 5s; Mrs R., Saltcoats, £1; "Through one of His stewards, Wales, £2 12s 5d; R.S., Fraserburgh, 4 barrels herring; J. and S. S., 5s; Mrs B., £1; Grangemouth postmark, 2s 6d; Glasgow do., £1; Perth do., £5; Mr E., Kelso, £1; M. G., Wishaw, £2; Mrs D., Perth, £2; C. F. K., Brechin, £1; do., for Christmas treat, £1; A. C., Ardrossan, 2s 6d; N. L., Ayr, 5s; A. P. B., Kilmarnock, £10; J. A., Dunoon, 5s; J. R. W., Bellingham, £1; Mr and Mrs C., do., 10s; "First month's salary," D. C. J., £1; Mrs M. Polton, £1; Mrs J. K., Eyelth, India, per do., £1; Mrs D., Helensburgh, 10s; Mrs M'E., £1; J. J., £4; Mr and Mrs B., £1; Miss J. B., Linlithgow, £4; W. and E. D. and C. M.A., Rothesay, £2; Miss C., £2; Mrs W., 3 pairs socks, etc.; "A Marriage offering to the Lord," £2; a Friend, 25 loaves and 8 scones; Mrs M.K., Uddingston, 10s; "A Thank-offering," £1; Mrs and Misses R., Blantyre, 7 articles clothing, etc; W. L., 4s; Milnathort postmark, 5s; Anon., £20; J. S. W., 5s; H. A. D., Edinburgh, 5s; "Nil," Oban, £1; Mrs C., 4s 6d; E. M., £1; Miss B., Perth, £1; Mrs G., Carmunnock, "a Thankoffering," £1; Mrs J. T., £1; Mrs G., Hawick, £2; Mrs L., Wimbledon, £5; P. W. H., £10; A. B., Ayr, £1; Mrs F., Doune, £1; R. K., Hamilton, £1; Miss I. J. B., Galashiels, 5s 2d; Miss F., Crieff, £1; do., for Needy ones at City Home, £1; F. L., Paisley, £2; W. G., Tillicoultry, £1; W. B. H., Matlock Bridge, £1 1s; "An Ayrshire lass and her guidman," per J. R., Dunoon, £1; "In memory of a dear husband," Mrs B., Wigtown, 5s; J. A., Helensburgh, £1; "For the bairns," £1; A. C., £1; Mrs S., Douglas, 10s; Mrs S., Kirkcaldy, £10; J. M.L., Guthrie, 7s 6d; do., for Emigration, 7s 6d; G. B., Edinburgh, £2; Mrs J. M., Dunfermline, £2; Miss R., Ardrossan, £1; Miss M. S., Aberdeen, per A. C. B., 5s; Mrs M., Alexandria, £5; Miss H., Pitlochry, £1; A Servant and Joiner, per do., 2s; A. T., Bridge-of-Weir, quantity prize books; Miss C. M. A. S., per do., 10s; Per Rail, 16 articles clothing; H. R., Dunlop, £1; "A Home girl," 10s; A Friend, 10 loaves and 80 biscuits; J. L., 11lbs tin of oat flour for the babies at Bridge-of-Weir; Miss T., Jedburgh, 6 pairs socks; Mrs G., Lockerbie, piece calico; "Savings of a Working Girl for Jesus' sake," £1; Mr and Mrs A. C., Montrose, 10s; Edinburgh postmark, 5s; A Well-wisher, Stirling, 5s; Mrs N. M., Ealing, 10s; P. M., 9 boys' caps; Mrs F., Paisley, 13 articles clothing; Miss F., Edinburgh, 37 do., and a Bible and Testament; Mrs C., some old hats; M. M'C., £1 and 15 pairs stockings; Legacy of the late Mrs Muir, per R. K., Pollokshields, £5; Miss S., Hamilton, £1; Mrs S., Uddingston, £1; Collection at Lecture, Downhill Literary Society, per T. M.D., £1 1s; Miss J., Milnathort, £1; Misses W., Thornhill, Dumfriesshire, £2; Mrs M. Wooler, to take a boy to Canada, £10; A Friend, per Mrs H., £4; D. B., £2; Collections at Children's Mission Services, Edinburgh, per C. W. H., 8s 5d; "The Widow's Mite," Mrs S., do., 10s; "A Thank-offering," Darvel, per J. D. R., £2; R. F., Strathaven, £5; Miss D., for New Year's treat, £1; T. F. M., £5; J. A. D. M., Paisley, 2 bags corn flour; Mrs M'C., Larkhall, 8s; "For the Orphans," Stewarton, 10s; Mrs M. I., Prestonkirk, 10s; D. M., Balloch, by Alyth, £1; P. R., Kelso, £2; J. S., Edinburgh, £20; Mrs A., Alloa, 10s; Miss W., Edinburgh, £10; Collection in Free High Church, Inverness, per A. F., £19 10s; F. H. R., £20; Found in Boxes City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes during November, £9 13s 1½; Miss A., Paisley, "A Thankoffering for preserved life of a sister," 10s; Spoolers' Pennies, do., £1 1s 6d; "A Worm," 10s; B. N., Paisley, "in fulfilment of a vow for deliverance from threatened danger," £5; Mrs G., Dollar, £1; J. A. G., do., £1; A. H., £5; "Of Thine Own," £2; "For Fairknowe," 5s; J. N., £30; "For Jesus' Sake," Kilmarnock, 5s; L. P., St. Boswells, £1; J. D. G., £10; Mrs S., Gourcock, £1 1s; Anonymously, £5; W. C. C., Crieff, 10s; W. W. S., Norwich, 5s; W. A. W., Dolphinton, £1; A. F. W., 5s; Kelso, 8 articles clothing; Mrs N., Dunoon, £5; Mr W., do., £1; Mrs J., Hamper vegetables; A. H., Annan, used overcoat; Miss

M'C., £2; J. A. A., £5; E. and J. P., 10s; Mrs R., Langbank, parcel used clothing; Miss K., do., for New Year's treat, £5; R. H. and Children, Paisley, £4 4s; Mrs D. L., Kirkcaldy, £1; T. W. L., Leslie, £1; "Orphan, in memory of a beloved father recently taken home," 2s 6d; Dr M., Kirriemuir, £1; J. D., Arbroath, £10; W. R., Belfast, 10s; G. B., Summerhill, by Aberdeen, 3s 6d; D. R., Paisley, £20; "A Thank-offering," 13s; "A Grateful Heart," £1; "A Well-wisher," Dollar, £1; Mr H., jun., 5s; Miss W. and Miss B., Bannockburn, 36 articles clothing; Mrs M., Fort-William, box of soap; H. S., Dalry, 10s; Y. W. C. A., Montrose, per Miss M., 10s; J. R., 5s; Musselburgh postmark, for Children's Night Refuge, £1; "A Thankoffering," Falkirk, 2s 6d; Mrs R. C., £1; T. N., Bargeddie, £1; "In Memory of a beloved father," £1; V. W., Largs, a sofa blanket; P. R., Alloa, parcel illustrated papers; Miss S., Ayr, 15 articles clothing, and 3 remnants tweed; Mrs A., parcel used clothing; W. G., Perth, 7s; Miss R., Skelmorlie, 10s; Mrs L., 2s 6d; Mrs W., £1 1s; Misses M. and A. C., £1; S. W., Irvine, 3s; Mrs M., Stirling, 6s; S. G. F. S., Glenluce, per Mrs W., 27 articles clothing; B. L., Boncath, Wales, "in memory of a friend," 7s 6d; "An Anonymous Giver," Bonnybridge, £4; Mrs S., Burmah, £1; Mr F., Lenzie, £3; D. L., £5; T. M. B. P., Hamilton, £1; Mrs K., do., per do., £1; Miss B., do., per do., 10s; "A small offering for Jesus' sake," silver bracelet to be sold; "For some orphan's Christmas," Oban postmark, 2s 6d; Mrs W., Aboyne, 6 articles clothing; Miss C. T. and Miss L., Kilmarnock, 59 articles clothing, etc.; Miss F., £1; Miss R., £1; Mrs W., Dolphinton, £1; J. F. L., Paisley, £1; A. B., Dollar postmark, 5s; E. A. P. S., Rothesay, 22 articles clothing; T. C., British Columbia, £2 0s 6d; M. and L. K., 10s; Glasgow postmark, 7 scarfs; "Three little friends," Bothwell, 3s 6d; Mrs J. and Mrs L., Edinburgh, £2; Miss M. B., Helensburgh, £1; Mrs T., Ayr, £1 1s; Mr and Mrs R., Folkestone, 10s; Mrs M., Crieff, £5; Miss W., Brechin, £2; J. and S. S., Paisley, £2 10s; Mrs H. A., Stranraer, 5s; J. K., Ballinluig, 5s; H. and H., two dozen loaves and some small bread; Bothwell, parcel used clothing; Mrs S., Houston, 6 pairs stockings. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Free St. Mark's Forenoon Meeting, 5s 1d; Torry Free Church S. S., by Aberdeen, per A. C., Jun., 10s; Free St. Clement's Congregational and Mission S. Schools, Aberdeen, per A. T., £1 19s 3d; "A Widow's Mite," for servants' cottage, £1; Minister's B. Class, Free Parish Congregation, Rothesay, per J. R. T., 15s; London Road U. P. Church S. S., £2; Legacy of the late George Rough, Dundee, per John D. Bruce, £50; East U.P. Church S.S., Strathaven, per G. M., £1 10s; Camphill U. P. Church Missionary Society, per Mr S., £5; Helensburgh U. P. Church Y. M. Bible Class, per J. P., 11s 4d; St. Paul's Parish S. Schools, per D. W., £2; Williamsburgh Branch Abbey S.S., Paisley, per Mrs G., £1 12s; Pollokshields F. Church S.S., per W. M'Q., £3; "A Nurse," for servants' cottage, 10s; Partick F. High Church S. Schools, per W. K., £1 5s; Crossford U.P. Church S.S., Lanark, per W. W., £1.

December 21.—Mrs C., Barrhead, £1; Mrs G., Edinburgh, £2; collected by Mrs R., Stirling, 6s; "Four Little J.s," Edinburgh, £7; A. J. K., do., for Christmas treat, 2s 6d; Miss M. M., Ballater, 2s 6d; Mrs K., £4; J. W., Kirkcaldy, £1; D. D., Givan, £2; J. B., jun., Ellon, 2s 3d; A. & S. W., Aberdeen, 5s; Contents of Lizzie's money box, Kincardine-on-Forth, 10s; Mrs B., Millport, 2 bags potatoes and 1 meal; Miss M. and Mrs G. M., Christmas article for each child in Bethesda; Miss H., Guildford, £3; Mrs D. T., Perth, £1; Mrs G., Edinburgh, 10s; J. S., Abington, 5 bags potatoes; Mrs T., Nairn, 10s; H. M., Crieff, £1; Misses B., Bothwell, 7s; Mr N., Edinburgh, £3; W. N., Hamilton, £1; Mrs W., per do., 5s; M. J. F., Stornoway, 5s and parcel periodicals; a Friend per P. M., Greenock, £2; J. M., Edinburgh, £5; Perth, parcel leaflets; J. R., Abington, 5 bags potatoes; Executors of late J. W., Ayr, £7; J. & G. M., Leith, box of soap; K. S., Helensburgh, 7 articles clothing; J. S., Shawlands, parcel collars, ties and gloves; D. T. S., £10; Mrs S., Helensburgh, £3; D. R., Dundee, 10s 6d; D. M. S., for emigration, £4; W. G. M., £1; "Anonymous, Linlithgow," £1; A. A. R., Edinburgh, £5; Mrs A., Belfast, £1; "An Anonymous Friend," Edinburgh, £30; Mrs A. P. F. P., Alloa, for New Year's Treat, £40; Cathcart Street Mission, per W. G. M., £1 2s 6d; Mrs D., £2; A. A., £1; Anon., parcel cast-off clothing; Mrs H. M., Banff, £1; Mrs K., Bridge-of-Allan, £5 and 23 articles of clothing and some remnants cloth; Misses C., Edinburgh, 47 articles clothing; St. K., 7 do.; J. G. O., towards the keep of Bethesda, £150; Miss C., 10s; a Friend, per do., 10s; J. O., 44 pairs hose; R. S., Fraserburgh, £1; a Friend, parcel used clothing, etc.; Mrs M., Renfrew, £1; a Friend, Storeyburn, 10s; Mrs L. T., Lanark, £2; Mrs S., Melrose, £1; P. B. J., £2; Mrs L., Huntly, 35 articles clothing, etc.; Mrs C., Helensburgh, £10; Mrs S., Edinburgh, box clothing; Anonymously, £5; Mrs D. O., Neilson, 15 pairs stockings; W. M., Dunfermline, for emigration, £45; Mrs W., Kirriemuir, 11 articles clothing; a Friend, Cambuslang, 6s; Mrs K., Arbroath, 10s; B. R. F., per Mrs F., £1; P. M'K., Wigtown, 10s; Mrs J. W., Greenock, £1; collected from Friends by Mrs H., £15; Mrs D., Alva, 10 pairs stockings; Miss L., parcel clothing; "In memory of two little ones," Mrs H., Macduff, £5; "In dear memory of J. F. H.," Mrs H., Banff, £2; "A Christmas offering," Mr and Mrs M., £5; G. D. F., Dundee, 2s 6d; Miss H., Aberdeen, 6 pairs socks, etc.; "Three little girls," Dundee, per Mrs M. S., 2s 6d; Mrs P., Galashiels, £5; B. S., Lossiemouth, parcel clothing; "A well wisher," E. M.,

Pittenweem, £1; L. P., Dalry, £1; a Friend, Blairmore, £1; J. H. S., £1; "Three Friends, Edinburgh," per T. Y. M., £1; Miss W., Dunoon, £2; Mrs K., Lochranza, 6s.; Miss D., Stewarton, £1 5s.; Mrs M.L. and Friends, Oban, £6 1s 6d and 18 articles clothing; J. K., Lenzie, £5; A. M., Greenock, £1; Miss C. E. Leslie, 10s; Mrs M.N., Braemar, £1; Mrs L., do., 5s; Mrs D. C., do., 2s 6d; a Friend, do., 1s 6d; D. M., do., 2s 6d; Mr and Mrs L., do., 3s; W. G., do., 2s; A. M.N., do., 5s; a Friend, do., 3s 11d. The above sums from Braemar were collected by T. H. Miss E., for New Year's Treat, 10s; Mrs M., Rothsay, £1; D. A., £5; a Friend, Crossford, Lanark, £3; A. J. K., £10; Miss M. M., Alloa, 10s; Miss T., Berwick-on-Tweed, 5s; Miss M., Ramsgate, per do., 5s; Mr P., Edinburgh, per do., 10s; Coatbridge, 2s 6d; Taynult, £10; Mrs M.K., Edinburgh, 5s; Mrs B., do., £5; Miss L., Windygates, £1; Miss M., Alloa, £5; W. M.B., Tobermory, 2s 6d; M. C., Greenock, £1; Miss T., do., £5; do., for New Year's Treat, £1; a Friend, per do., 5s; J. B., £1; Mrs C., Motherwell, sweets toys, etc., for Christmas; for Fairknowe, 5s; W. A., Ayr, £4; Mrs S., £5; Mrs J. B., Newby Bridge, £3; "A thank offering," Johnstone postmark, 10s; Y.W.C.A., Strathmiglo, Fife, per Miss M. M. T., 17 articles clothing, etc.; a Friend, 188 rolls and 19 loaves; Mrs J. H. S., parcel used clothing; W. M. & Co., quarter-barrel herring; Mothers' Meeting, per Mrs A., 10s 6d; Downhill U.P. Church Mission, per J. S., £2 2s; Mrs C. G., £100; Mr and Mrs C., Creetown, £1; Mr and Mrs J. S., Helensburgh, £1; C. M., Duns, 10s; "Through one of His Stewards," Wales, £2 3s 7d; Misses S., Johnstone, part work of girls' sewing class, 20 articles clothing; Mrs R., Callander, £5; Miss R., do., £3 10s; Mrs F., Kent Road, £2; Maggie and Harriet, do., 9s; C. G., Rothsay, 6 articles clothing; Three Sisters, Partick, 14 pairs socks and stockings; A. B. C., Strathmiglo, 4 articles clothing; Misses H., Kelso, 19 do.; Mrs B., Montrose, 7s; Mrs R., do., 2 pairs stockings; a Friend in train, 2s; H. B., Port Erroll, 10s; a Sympathiser, Hamilton, 10s; D. R. M., £1; Mrs M., Crieff, £1; J. R., Ayr, 10s; Mrs G., Crieff, £1 and 3 articles clothing; Employees of Dalzell Steel and Iron Works, per N. C., £2 1s 10d; "In Memory of a Dearly Loved Son," Mrs B. H., Callander, to emigrate a boy, £10; Mrs J. C., Annan, £1; Mrs A., Ayr, £1; a Well-wisher, 5s; B. P. H., £1; Mrs B., Irvine, 5s; J. B., Lancaster, 5s; G. G., Ayr, £1; J. K., £4; Rita, £1; Mr and Mrs J. W., Halifax, £2 2s; C. J., Kirkcubright, 2s 6d, and Christmas Cards; Miss M.C., Ringford, 7 articles clothing; Mrs R., 2s; per post, magazines; a Friend, Montrose, 10s; "The School House, Glamis," box Christmas cards; "A Freen" and Well-wisher," toys, cards, etc.; J. P., Biggar, £3; Miss S., 12 pairs stockings; J. W., Kirkmuirhill, £1; J. D. B., £5; a Friend, 80 rolls and 28 loaves; Miss B., Langholm, 5s; R. R., Noblehouse, 10s; S.G.F.S., Callander, per Miss R., 263 articles clothing, Christmas gifts, etc.; Miss G., London, 5s; E. A., Kilmarnock, £1; Mr and Mrs W. H., Fairlie, £2; Miss H.W. and S.S. Class, Leslie, 10 articles clothing; Mrs B., parcel used do.; Mrs T., 30 pairs stockings; S. P., Wigton, Cumberland, £1; "Ghatka, Edinburgh, rather than buy Christmas Cards," 5s 6d; M. O., Beith, 10s; Mrs M., Carno, Wales, £1; Wigtown, £1; R. and J. M.C., £5 13s; J. H., £5; "A Christmas offering, G., Dunfermline," £1; "A Stirling Friend," £10; "Jenny's Bawbees to buy pieces for the poor wee boys and girls," 5s; Mr and Mrs M. S., Dundee, 10s; J. J., London, £25; "A Thankoffering," J. O., Alloa, 5s; Mrs M., Giffnock, 12 articles clothing; Annan Independent S.S., Scholars and Teachers, per Mrs C., 37 articles clothing and scrap book; Mrs N., Bowling, 12 do.; H. and H., quantity bread; J. J., 4 pairs heat conductors; employees of J. M. & Co., £1; "Robert, Marion, John, and Francis," Edinburgh, bought with saved pennies, 2 boxes toys; Mr F., £2; Craigmore postmark, parcel clothing, toys, etc.; Mrs M., Cardross, parcel books; T. S., Ayr, 2 bags oatmeal; J. W. B., Bridge-of-Weir, 1 bag sugar; A Friend, Irvine, £1; J. G. and J. S. G., do., £1 1s; "Annie's Pennies," do., 5s; "Wee Maggie and Annie's Pennies," do., 5s; "Matthew's Pennies," do., 5s; L. W., do., 3s; Effie and Mary's pennies, do., for wee boys," 4s; "In Memory of Alex.," do., 6s; J. and S. M., do., toys; J. R., do., 5 small articles; M. & J. W., do., 12 mufflers. Above sums, etc., from Irvine, were sent by J. W. Mrs M. S., Prestwick, 6 pairs stockings; J. R. A., a quantity Christmas cards, articles for trees, etc.; R. O., £1 6s; A Friend, 103 rolls and 53 loaves; Mrs J. F., Strathaven, 4 articles clothing; F. S., quantity Graphics; Mrs J. L., Kilmarnock, 14 articles clothing; "A Home Girl," 10s; do., 10s; Mrs P. S., Kilmartin, 63 articles clothing, etc., and 3 pieces dress material; Mrs S., Whiting Bay, 10s; Miss A., Motherwell, 10s; A Friend, Tighnabruich, postmark 2s 6d; U.P. Congregation, Stromness, per W. R., £2; Mrs L., Nairn, £1; "His Will," Wishaw postmark, 4s; W. M., Markinch, 10s; Mrs G., Perth, 10s; A. G., Dalkeith, 10s; J. L. P., Carnforth, £1; H. P., London, 10s; Mrs H., £4; "A Thankoffering," Mrs T., Bournemouth, 10s; collected by the Sunbeam Club, consisting of eight little girls, Inveraray, £1 16s 1d; J. A. B., Paisley, £10; J. H., Darvel, £3 10s; "Wee Jessie and Maggie," do. for street children's treat, 5s; Mrs K., New Kilpatrick, £2; Mrs M., for New Year's treat, £5. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund—Grangemouth U.P. Church Bible Class, per J. S., Edinburgh, 5s; Logiealmond F.C. S.S., per J. P., 10s; A. P. F. P., Alloa, £100; F.C. S.S., Fort-William, per D. M.L., 10s; Helensburgh U.P. S.S., per T. R., £1 16s; J. C., Fort-William, £50; Crosslee S.S., per Mr J., 10s 6d; Y.W.B.C., Newington U.P. Church, Edinburgh, per J. O., 17s; Union S.S. Ednam, Kelso, per A. M., 18s; Bellfield S.S., Lesmahagow, per

J. W., 10s; J. and P. C., Paisley, £100; Free High Church Bible Class, Airdrie, per J. W., jun., £1 10s; Drumclog S.S. Class, per T. H. and M. T., 8s; Cleland F.C.S.S., per R. M., 10s; East Campbell Street Junior Y.M.B.C., per G. C. O., 5s; Sydney Place U.P. Church S.S. Society, per G. C., £3 7s 3d; Mr T. and class, Busby Free Church, per J. C. M.P., 12s 10d; E.U.S.S., Tillicoultry, per D. D., 18s; "A Glasgow Servant and Friends," for Servants' Cottage, £1 7s.

January 6.—Mrs M., £1; Miss M. H., Aberdeen, 5s, and 11 pairs socks; Mrs S., Renfrew, £1; "One whose faith has been strengthened by reading Report," Stirling postmark, 2s 6d; Longforgan Y.W.C.A., per Mrs A., 142 articles clothing, toys, sweets, etc., for Christmas trees; Anonymously, parcel used clothing; Mrs S., for Young Women's Shelter, 5s; Mrs J., Lamlash, per J. B. S., £1; Miss J. S., Helensburgh, 10s; "In loving remembrance of a dear daughter, Mrs T., Broomhouse, 2s 6d; D. D. S., £1; W. S., 10s; Mrs M., £2 and toys; Miss H., Hamilton, 3s; "An aged disciple," do., per do., 10s; "A small offering out of the Lord's Box," G. M., Dundee, 5s; Mrs F., Edinburgh, £2 2s; "A brand plucked from the burning," Port-Glasgow postmark, £1; C. F., per editor *Christian Leader*, £2; Mr and Mrs A. P. F. P., Alloa, 732 booklets for Christmas; J. R. A., 5s; Children, per Mrs T., box toys; Rossie Y.W.C.A., per Mrs A., Longforgan, 37 articles clothing; Mrs H., Helensburgh, 12 pairs socks; P. L., £1; J. T., £3; Two Friends, per J. M., Edinburgh, 10s; Miss M. C., Ladybank, 1s 6d; Mr H., London, 2s; "Little Girls' Sewing Party," Perth, per Mrs S., 4s, and quantity clothing, toys, sweets, cards, etc.; pocket savings of one of the little workers now gone home, per do., £1; Craill, parcel magazines; Mrs W., cards, etc., for Bethesda, K. E. B., Callander, 200 Christmas cards for little ones; Mrs R. C., senr., Alloa, 15 yards flannel; M. & M. S., Ayr, 23 articles clothing; Anonymous, 12 do.; Miss W., £2; Kelso, 41 articles clothing and quantity cards; Mrs M., 5s; A Friend, Grangemouth, £1 10s; R. T., £1; a Friend, Tighnabruich postmark, 4s; E. R., Edinburgh, 12 articles clothing; Mrs C., do., 6 do.; a Christian Friend, Ceres, Fife, per Miss A. M., 10s; do., 3s; Misses M., Helensburgh, £1; Misses M., pictures, magazines, etc., for Bethesda; R. C. K., £100; Roseneath, 14 articles clothing; Miss I., Edinburgh, 5s; Miss E. W., Leith, 7s 6d; Mrs C., Castle-Douglas, £1; Mrs M., Crieff, for Christmas treat, 5s; a Friend, £5; Miss J., Milnathort, 27 articles clothing and Christmas cards; Miss H., Kelso, 5 articles clothing and Christmas cards; R. H., corned meat; Newby Bridge, 4 pairs stockings; U.P. Ladies' Sewing Society, Stewarton, per Miss A., 92 articles clothing; Mrs D., Greenock, 20 pairs socks; Assurance, Saltcoats postmark, £1; Miss M. A., 10s; a Friend, Inverkeithing postmark, 3s; Miss E., Uddington, 10s; Miss N. J. T., Selkirk, 7 articles clothing; Miss P., Kirkcubright, 10s; Mrs L., 10s; Mrs H., Auldirth, £3; Children, Paisley, for Christmas treat, per W. E. B., 3s; Mrs J., Langholm, 4s 6d and 23 articles clothing; an Old Home Girl, £1 2s 6d; J. S., £1; made by Little Children, Auldirth, per Mrs O., 10 articles clothing; a Friend, Kirkmuirhill, 10s; Mrs M. S., Prestwick, 7s 6d; Children's Pennies, J. B. L. P., 1s 5d; T. T., Helensburgh, £1; Miss J. S., Brechin, 10s; Home Box, per J. & J. B., Croy, 10s; Mrs J. M.Q., Mauchline, £5; J. G., Edinburgh, £1; "From the Nursery," per M. C., £3 10s; a Guard, 5s; Balfour postmark, £1; a Friend, Cambuslang, for toys, etc., £3 and Christmas tree; "Katie, Nora, and Willie," 10s; Misses G., Roseneath, £5; "A Home Girl as a Token of Gratitude," 2s 6d; "A Thank-offering," 10s; Glasgow postmark, 14 articles clothing; "A Loving Friend," Matt. xxv. 40, 18 do.; Mrs G. and M. P., £1 and box cards; G. C., a goose; "Janey Hannah and Sophy," Cardross, quantity toys, sweets, and oranges; "Three Little Girls," per J. M., Ardishaig, bag potatoes; Miss M., toys, etc., for trees; Mrs D. A., do.; Mr and Mrs W., Edinburgh, £1; Miss K., Aberdeen, 2s 6d; P. D. M., Falkirk, 10s; H. S., 10s; Miss B., Croydon, quantity books, etc.; Mrs W. S., Uddington, books, clothing, scrap albums, etc.; W. L., New Cathcart, £1; D. S., Edinburgh, £1; D. M. S., phaeton and horse; "Don and Sinclair," Tullymet, 15s; Mrs G., do., 10s; Mrs C., Stirling, per J. G., £1; J. D., £1; Miss M. M., Windermere, £1; R. L., 10s; Stranraer postmark, 5s; "In Memory of one of these to help in training some of His little ones to be Missionary Seamen," Broughty-Ferry postmark, £20; "A Thank-offering," J. M., Dunblane, £5; "A Widow," Bridge-of-Allan, 5s; a Friend, Callander, per Miss R., 3s; Mrs F., per do., parcel of clothing; a few Girls and Friends, Leith Walk Public School, Edinburgh, per J. D. M., 11s; Mrs T., Canada, £1; Mr G., Kilmacolm, model ship; A. C., Kilbarchan, two cheeses; Chrissy, contents of savings bank, Newport-on-Tay, 5s; Kidderminster postmark, 2s 6d; a Christmas Thank-offering, Blackford, 5s; Jenny, Maggie, and Jamie, Moniaive, parcel clothing and cards; Jack, Ella, and Bertie's Christmas Box, per R. C., Motherwell, 10s; P. B., £1 8s; Mrs I., for Treat, 10s; Mr C., for do., 5s; Mrs D., 2s 6d; R. M.N. & Co., chest tea; Girls in Greenock Academy, per C. M.L., 13s; Mrs R., Greenock, 10s; "Children of the Manse," Fortrose, per C. F., 5s; M. G., 15s; "An Orphan," a Thank-offering, 5s; Mr and Mrs C. B. A., £2; D. M., Polmont, £5; a Friend, Cambuslang, £5; J. M. S., Windermere, £20; a Friend, for Street Children's Treat, £100; A. W., jun., £3 3s; D. H., £1; A. M., 10s; D. M., Edinburgh, 5s; C. M., do., 2s 6d; N. M., do., 2s 6d; M. M., Cambuslang, 5s; Mrs A., Tillicoultry, £1; W. J. B., North Shields, £5 5s; Twechar Gospel Temperance Society, per W. C., 11s; A. & Co., £10; Mrs M.K., 10s; Mrs C., 5s; G. L., £3; J. B., Selkirk,



5s and parcel cards; Mrs C., 2 dresses; Annan, parcel used clothing; Young People's Sewing Meeting, per Miss F., 38 dresses, 37 articles underclothing, lot of dolls, toys, scrap-books, magazines, etc.; Work of a Little Girl, per do., 1 pair stockings; Misses C., per Charity Organisation Society, £2; T. S. & Co., per do., £22s; Mrs R. C., sen., Alloa, £1; A. R. S., Windermere, £10; T. F. M., large quantity stationery, fancy articles, etc.; a Friend, 10s; "A Thank-offering," Mrs B., Chryston, £1; Children, do., 10s; Mrs D., Dumbarton, £6; J. B., Helensburgh, £5; Friends, Skipness, per A. M'Q., 8 bags potatoes; R. & W. S., Carlisle, £5; Mrs M. C., 10s; Mrs S., 10s and 15 articles clothing; two quilts, etc.; Mrs P., Dunbar, £1; Mrs T., Millport, £1; W. R., Sellkirk, £5; Mrs R., do., 18 articles clothing; J. W. & Son, £5; a Friend, Forbes, 3s; A. R., £1; Well-Wisher, Grangemouth, for treat, 5s; In Memory of Baby's Gift, 19th August, 1887, 10s; J. R., Collace, 3s; W. S. G., Uddingston, £1; Mr and Mrs M., London, £5 5s; W. W. Helensburgh, £1; A. & S. W., Aberdeen, 5s; J. S., Barrellton, Ireland, 5s; Mrs A. H., per do., 2s 6d; "One Who Asks Prayer," 1s; J. M'G. Ayr, £1; A. P., £2; J. J., Bridge-of-Weir, £1; Mrs G., Renfrew, £1; A. W., Greenock, £1; Mrs R., £1; F. & G., £3; "Box on Mantelpiece," Pollokshaws, 5s; Contents of Collection Box in Home S.S., per Mrs C., Paisley, 4s; Miss S., Skelmorlie, £10; Mrs S., Edinburgh, 10s; "A Tithe," 5s; M. S., London, 3 articles clothing and doll; Two Little Girls, Kirriemuir, £1; J. E. G., Kirm, £1; N. M'V., Dunoon, £3; G. B., Alexandria, £1; Mrs S., Aberdalgie, £1; Mrs W., do., £1; Two Little Girls, do., per Mrs S., 5s; Friends at the Manse, Maryburgh, per M. M., 5s; R. A. F., Bathgate, 5s; J. L. P. and Family, do., 5s; J. B., do., 2s 6d; A. B., do., 1s 6d; J. H., do., 1s; above sums from Bathgate, per H. P.; Mrs S., Dunoon, £1; W. C., Director's Fees, £2 15s 2d; Rothesay, 4 articles clothing; J. H., Greenock, 2s 6d; Mrs S., Nairn, £2; £2 15s 2d; Rothesay, 4 articles clothing; J. H., Greenock, 2s 6d; Mrs S., Nairn, £2; Mr and Mrs R. M., Saltcoats, £1; Contents of Fine Box, per do., 10s; Mrs J. S., toys, sweets, etc.; Two Little Boys, per Mrs M., Dumfries, parcel cuffs; Cottage Children, do., stockings, etc.; Work Party of do., 5s 9d; Friends, do., 3s; a Few Girls, Cambslang, per A. R., 3 parcels clothing, scrap-books, dolls, etc.; R. M. D., Old Meldrum, 10s; Friends, Bridge-of-Weir, 10s; Mrs T., parcel books; a Friend, parcel clothing, scrap-books, etc.; M., parcel do.; Mrs D., 12 articles do., and cards; a Friend, 2 dozen loaves and 43 scones; M. & A. B., 60 do. and 100 rolls, etc.; Mr A., 2,000 little books, parcel Bible almanacs, etc.; a Friend, Dunoon, 5s; J. C., 10s; Employees of Telegraph Department G.P.O., per S. A. J., £2; J. S., Lamslash postmark, for Outdoor Relief, 5s; M. B. and Friends, Sandhill, £2 10s; a Friend, to Help to Buy Turkeys for Children, £1; Mrs R., 5s; J. C., Paisley, for treat, 10s; Part of Fines, Employees Clyde Paper Works, £2 2s; Three Little Girls, Rutherglen, 1 copy "Adviser;" Gert-rude and Margaret's Saved Pennies, per Mrs A. G., Bridge-of-Allan, 10s 6d; J. W. I. W., £1 10s; Alice, Willie, and Baby's Box, Grangemouth, 10s; Mr and Mrs D. R., Oban, £5; Little Ones, Dunning, per Mrs L., 10s; W. B., London, £5; Mrs C., Comrie, £1; Friends, Lochgilphead, per M. C., £2 2s; J. H. W., Annan, 5s; L. R. I., 10s; Miss M., Lasswade, 10s; Miss T., Helensburgh, 5s; G. B., Eskbank, £1 and 6 pairs stockings; J. A., Hamilton, 1 pair gloves; G. S., £5; W. R., Paisley, 10s; J. W. R., Biggar, £1; Miss D., Aberdeen, 10s; "In Memory of our Dear Baby's Birth-day, 23rd December," Mrs S., £1; M. L., 10s; a Friend, Kilmarnock, per Mr W., £1; Mr and Mrs J. M., Dunoon, parcel clothing, etc.; "One of the Ransomed," Peebles, 5s; Collected from Friends by Miss I. B., Rothesay, £5; Mrs H., Falkirk, 18 articles clothing; H. P. H., £1; Mrs M'D., Motherwell, £1; J. M., Kirkintilloch, 10s; "T.", 7s 6d; W. P., £1 1s; Mrs D., Galashiels, £1; J. O., 10s; Miss H., Bridge-of-Allan, £2; Miss B., Helensburgh, £1 and 4 pairs stockings; "Thanks," £15; W. T., Peebles, for keep of a boy for a year, £12; R. T., 10s; G. H., 26 tea cakes; D. M'D., per W. C., Motherwell, 2s; Mr T., per do., 2s; W. C., do., 5s; Friends, do., 1s; A. H., Crief, £1; The Willing Helpers' Society, Maryville, box clothing and hats; a Few Hand-Spoolers, Anchor Mills, Paisley, per Miss A. B., £1 11s; Misses B., Dunoon, 21 articles clothing and 6 dolls; Mrs R., per do., 6 hats; Mrs T. F. M., Lenzie, 47 pairs stockings; Miss R., Grange, 4 articles clothing; S. & Y., 12 boxes preserves; Anon., cake; "Gauze Street," Paisley, 8 articles clothing; L. B., 5s; "B," Greenock, £5; Mrs C., £2; G. B., £5; Mr and Mrs Y., 10s; Mrs G. R., £1; Mrs J. R., 10s; Mrs H., Synnington, 10s; Mrs R. D., £5; "Children out of Christmas Gifts," per W. S., Helensburgh, 12s 6d; Mrs P. S., Johnstone, 5s; a Friend, Uplawmoor, 5s; "A Thank-offering," Broughty-Ferry, £1; Miss W., £1; Mrs P., Paisley, 10s; Mrs G., do., 6 caps; L., do., 3d; "A New-Year's Offering," Neil Street, do., 2s 6d; A. G. Y., Bridge-of-Allan, £2; Mr and Mrs H. P., £1; J. K., Crief, 13s; J. S., Kelso, 5s; W. D., £2; M. C. M., 10s; W. F., Larkhall, £1; J. G., £1; Mrs J. H. T., 5s; G. G., Aberdeen, £1; Mrs H., £2; S. P. & Co., 10s; Children, Kilmarnock, per A. R., 7s; Y. & Co., quantity sausages; H. and H., four-an-half dozens currant loaves; B. Brothers, thirty dozens do.; A. H., Bridge-of-Allan, parcel Christmas cards; Mrs L., Stirling, for treat, 2s 6d; R. Brothers, chest tea; J. D., 5s; C. J. D., Milnathort, 2s 6d; "Robert, Lizzie, and Jim," Greenock, 5s; Miss R. A., Montrose, 5s; Busby, 10s; J. E. M., Tarbert, £5; "Of Thine Own," £2; "For Fairknowe," 5s; R. W. R., 10s; "A Little Girl," Coat-bridge, 5s; J. C., £1; J. L. P., Leeds, 5s; W. B., Sons, & Co., £1 1s; G. C., Glenluce, £1; Mr and Mrs M. and Family, Paisley, 5s; P. M., £5; J. A., £1; "Family at Aberfoyle," £1 10s; J. D., Ayr, 10s; Mrs W., Bonnyrigg, £3; J. M., Banff, £3; "Anony-

mous, from sale of a pet sheep," 13s; J. A. M'H. and Little Boy and Girl, Neilston, £1 5s; W. B., £3; R. C., Bishopbriggs, £2 10s; Blackfriars' Branch G. F. B. R. Society, per Mr A., 3 bags bread; "Nellie C.," Dundee, £1; Mrs M'L., Tarbert, 5s; E. J. and H., 10s; Contents Collection Box, per T. M., Sailors' Home, Leith, £4; Mrs W., Milton of Campsie, £3; "One Rescued from the Streets," £4; Two Workers, 6s; R. A. S., Motherwell, 10s; W. R., Lockerbie, £1 10s; "Children at Ashgrove," Busby, £1; Mr H., Aberdeen, per A. C. B., 10s; "A New-Year's Offering," Dumbarton, 5s; Miss K., Lenzie, 5 pairs stockings; "A Poor Girl," Coatbridge, 6 articles clothing; R. C., Greenock, 24 do.; Anon., 3 parcels used do.; M. F., Wishaw, 7s and parcel clothing; "Dick and Wife," Elie, 6s; a Well-wisher, parcel used clothing; Glasgow postmark, 10s; A. G. Y., Edinburgh, £1; "New-Year's Offering," J. G. C., Crief, 2s 6d; Miss G., sen., Galashiels, 10s; W. & D. M., £3; "Willie, Regie, and Ernie," 7s 6d; Misses M., St Andrews, £1; Ayrshire Deaf and Dumb Mission, Kilmarnock, 12 lbs sweets; J. M'K., 5s and two remnants print (value 5s); Found in Boxes City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes during December, £1 9s 6d; Miss M'C., Glenluce, 5s 6d; Mrs C., Inverurie, 10s; Miss M. B., Keith, 2s 6d; J. C., Inveraray, £1 5s; "Children at a Family New-Year Party, Dumbarton," per N. M'L., £1 2s. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Dalziel U.P. Church S.S., Motherwell, per J. S., £1 15s; Mossgreen S.S., per J. C., 3s; S. S., Hamilton, per J. R. C., £1 5s; Jamestown Wesleyan Mission School, per A. M'G. H., 13s; U.P. Church S.S., Dunbar, per J. S., 10s; U.P. Church Bible Class, Kilmarnock, per H. I., £1 2s; Carlisle Parish Church, S.S., per J. G., £1 6s; Kilmaccolm Parish Church S.S., per J. C., £2; J. C. W., £100; Lawn Street Morning Children's Church, Paisley, per D. R., £2 2s 4d; Keills S.S., per A. F., Islay, £1 6s; First Free Church S.S., Blairgowrie, per L. F., £1; Johnstone Parish Church S.S., per R. B. S., £1 8s 3d; Clydebank Union Church S.S., per J. W., £1; a Friend, Dumbarton, £150; "Anchor," Paisley, £100; Bank St. U.P. Church, S.S., Kirriemuir, per J. M'N., 10s; Free South Ch., S.S., Blairgowrie, per W. A. F., £1 2s 6d; Bonhill Free Ch. S.S., per J. N., £1; Portland Rd. U.P. Ch. S.S., Kilmarnock, per J. H., £2; S. Parish Church, S.S., Greenock, per P. R. C., £1 14s; Bothwell U.P. Church, S.S., £1 1s 3d; Claremont Mission Bible Class, per Mr P., £1 6s; Calton Parish Church S.S. Association, per S. T., £1; Y.W.B. Class, per M. R., 6s; Clyde Street S.S., Port-Dundas, per J. E., £1 13s 4d; Pulteneytown Free Church S.S., Wick, per J. G., 15s; U.P. Church S.S., Largs, per J. M., £2; Graham's Road U.P. Church S.S., Falkirk, per J. S., £1; St Margaret's U.P. Church S.S. Society, Dunfermline, per H. B. G., £1; Preston Mission School, Markinch, per Miss M., 7s 6d; J. S. N., £100; Kilmahoy S.S., Offering of Little Ones, per H. E. B., Callander, 15s; Free West Church S.S., Perth, per J. M., £1 2s 9d; Dumbarton High Street Church S.S., per A. M., £4 2s 7d; North Strand Mission Hall S.S., Dublin, per H. B. D., £1 10s; Govanhill Established Church S.S., per A. B. R., £2 5s 8d; Barnard's Court Mission S.S., Greenock, per T. D., £1 0s 10d; Parkhead U.P. Church B.C., per J. D., £1; Class in Parish Church S.S., Kilbarchan, per J. B., 6s 6d; Bridge-of-Weir Parish Church S.S., per A. B. G., £3 2s 6d; U.P. Church S.S., Kilmaccolm, per J. E. F., £1 12s 1d; Whiting Bay Free Church S.S., per R. H., 13s; Finnart U.P. Church S.S., Greenock, per D. P., £1 12s; D. P., do., £1; Kilbride Church S.S., Auchgoyle, by Tighnabruich, per N. N., for 1888-89, 10s; Mission Box, Niddrie, Winchburg, per J. L., £1; Westmoreland Rel. Presbyterian Church S.S., Newcastle, per A. M., £1; Newstead S.S., Melrose, per J. N., £1 6s; D. M'L., London, £20; Strathbungo Parish Church S.S. Society, per R. C. M'L., £1 1s; West Free Church S.S., Port-Glasgow, per R. F., £1; Johnstone Y.M.C.A., Children's S. Morning Service, per A. T., £1; Y.M.C.A., do., 12s; St David's Bible Class, per T. A., 15s; St Clement's Parish Church S.S. Association, per H. R., 10s; Juvenile Mission Society, Morningside U.P. Church, Edinburgh, per R. R., £3; St Mark's Parish Church S.S., per J. L., 10s; Cedar Street Branch Y.W.C.A., per Miss B., 10s; Ardrossan U.P. Church S.S., per J. A., 13s 2d; W. P. A., £20.

January 18.—Mrs A., Melrose, £5; W. H., Greenock, £1; "Margaret, Rae, and May," Galashiels, 15s; Mrs S., sen., £1; Mrs S., Sandbank, 10s; J. C., Millport, £2; "A Member of the Mizpah Band," £1; D. M. S., for emigration, £4; Mrs U., Riddrie, 10s; "A Young Wife's Mantelpiece Box," 3s 6d; Anonymous, per Miss M., 5s and 1 piece druggist; Mrs A. D., Greenock, 1 pair stockings; Mrs T., Alloa, 25 articles clothing and parcel magazines; "Part of David's Savings," 10s and cards, etc.; Miss D., West Brighton, for emigration, £2; H. Bros., £5; M. E., Banchoy, £1; A. C. C., for emigration, £100; a Friend, per W. L., Greenock, 5s; Do., 2s; Beith postmark, 1s 3d; Johnstone do., 4 pairs stockings; A. M., Paisley, £2; "Four Girls at Genoch," 15s; "A New-Year's Thanksgiving from J. M.'s Boys," Stormoway, 12s 6d; W. M., Alloa, 5s; A. H. I., Innellan, 6s; a Friend, per Miss T., 37 articles clothing, etc.; Mrs D., Helensburgh, 10s; a few Spoolers in Anchor Mills, Paisley, per S. B., £1 14s; Mrs C., box used clothing; J. A. C., Bankfoot, £1; "Little One's New-Year Offering," per D. E. D., 15s; Miss T., Eyemouth, £1; W. L., £1; Mrs M'L., Bogton, 13 articles clothing; "A Working Woman," 7 pairs stockings; Miss F. P., Alloa, 199 articles clothing; Miss M'C., Gourrock, 10s, 6 pairs stockings and scrap book; a Friend, 28 loaves; A. M'F., Springburn, 10s; Mrs J. D., Dumbarton, £1; Mrs J. L., Dunfermline,

5s; Mrs R., Montrose, 10 articles clothing; Kinning Park Co-operative Society, Limited, per W. O., £1 3s; "First Fruits," Govan, 5s; Mr and Mrs J. C. T., London, £10; T. B., per R. C., Greenock, £1; E. M'L., per do., 2s; A. M'L., per do., 2s; E. M'L., per do., 1s; S. W. E., Edinburgh, £10; Mrs A. T., 6 pairs stockings and parcel ties; H. K. W., London, for emigration, £12; Miss D., Hawick, 5s; J. A., £1; Mrs M., Rumbling Bridge, £10; A. C., Auldgrith, £5; 2 Friends, Milnathort, £1 5s; Mrs S., 10s; J. P., 5s; "A Widow's Mite," £1; Anon., Glasgow, £1 6s; Mrs A. M.F., 5s; "A New-Year's Offering," £1; H. S. B. N., £1; Mrs M'C., Stranraer, £1; G. L. W., "A New-Year's Offering," £1; Mrs A. A., for City Home, £50; Friends in Dunedin, Cupar-Fife, 14 articles clothing; Mrs A. A., for City Home, £50; Friends in Dunedin, New Zealand, per Rev. Dr. Stuart, £12; S. and T., Pollokshields, 5s; Glasgow, 5s; Mrs G., Inellan, 2s 6d; P. P., Lochgilphead, £1; "Eric Vic," Cupar-Fife postmark, £1; Mrs W., Ballachulish, £1; Nairn postmark, 12 pairs socks; Miss H., Galashiels, 5s; Miss M. S., Strathaven, 5s; J. M'G., jun., Old Cumnock, 10s; Mrs L., Alloa, 10s; part proceeds Christmas Tree, per Miss L., £6; collected by J. G. M., Munloch, £1 1s; J. M.L., Oban, 7s 6d; C. P., £3; Mrs R., Holytown, £2; Mrs B., London, £2; J. K. A., 10s; Mrs J. M'L., Dumbarton, 5s; A. H., 5s; a Friend, 40 loaves; W. T., Stirling, parcel magazines; Crosshill, do., etc.; Mrs G., 7 pairs stockings; Canobie Branch Y.W.C.A., per Miss C., 89 articles clothing; 3 Members do., 3s 6d; F. B., £5; "Westbank," Helensburgh, 10s; per Rail, 20 magazines (Reaper); Mrs R., Alloa, £1; Kilbarchan Co-operative Society, per M. N., £1 1s; "For the poor whom we have with us always," parcel clothing, remnants cloth, etc.; Mrs W., Dunblane, £1; Mrs D., Crieff, £1; Miss H., Edinburgh, 15s; a Friend, Greenock, £3; A. S. N. B., £1; "Clan," Bridge-of-Allan, 2s; W. K. D., 10s; J. H., Perth, 10s; T. D., Coatbridge, £5; Mrs C., Edinburgh, £2; Misses M., do., for girls, £5; M. A. B., £1 1s; "Adam, David, Jessie, Maggie, Christine, and Bessie," per do., 3s 6d; D. Y., Brechin, 7s 6d; Miss Allan, £1; "Two Little Ones' Pennies," per do., 3s 6d; D. Y., Brechin, 7s 6d; Miss I. R., Paisley, £1; Largs, 5 articles clothing; "Two Boys," 3s; Miss S., 10s; D. B., jun., 10s; R. K., 5s; Mrs M. and Family, £10; a Friend, per H. L., 10s; Friends in Broughton, Peeblesshire, per Mrs C., 267 articles clothing; J. D. C., Bray, Ireland, £1; Misses M., Dundee, £1; Miss D., Yetholm, 39 articles clothing, etc.; "Wee Kilpatrick's," 10s; Mrs C., Blythswood, £5; R. M. G., Aberdeen, 10s; Mrs J. M'C., Stranraer, 10s; E. F. P., Bath, £1; Mrs D., Biggar, 11 articles clothing; Mrs F., St. Boswells, £1; United Co-operative Baking Society, Limited, Glasgow, per J. N. F., £1 1s; J. T., Haddington, 5s; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 12 pairs stockings; "For Fairknowe," 5s; Mrs T. F. M., Lenzie, 2 pairs stockings, etc.; Miss L., Bridge of Weir, parcel used clothing; M. F., Wigan, £1; Miss L. S., Montrose, 7s 6d; Friends at North Broadford, Aberdeen, per Miss M., 240 articles clothing; "Thankoffering," Paisley, £1; "Nettie's Savings," do., 2s 6d; J. G. M., Bothwell, 5s; Sewing Party, per Miss M. O., Aberdeen, 24 articles clothing; "A rescued one in Canada," 4s 2d; "A Nurse," Stewarton, 2s; "To help the little ones," Peebles postmark, £1; 2 Friends, Wishaw, quantity useful and fancy articles, thread, etc.; Mrs B., Greenock, 44 articles clothing, caps, collars, etc.; Thornhill, 10 pairs socks; J. M., Newton, £5; Mrs B., Selkirk, 10s; J. W., Kirkcaldy, £4 2s 6d; W. A. G., Walsall, £1; Part surplus of annual gathering St. Enoch Station Employees, per R. C., £1; Mrs S., Coatbridge, £5; Willing Helpers' Society, Uddingston, per Miss M. B., £3 18s; W. D., Faringdon, Berks, £5; G. G., Coatbridge, £5; D. M'L., Lennoxton, 10s; "One in sympathy," per W. L., Greenock, £1; A. O., Paisley, £1; Glasgow, 2s; Do., 1s; W. C., Thurso, 5s; Miss G., Hawick, 4 articles clothing; "An Orphan, being payment of small account," 3s; Shandon Mission Workers, Clydebank, for Bethesda, per J. O., £2 0s 8d; "For God's work," 10s; Mrs W. A., Dundee, £1; J. M., Edinburgh, £5; T. K., Ardrossan, £1; R. R., Port-Glasgow, £1; R. R., jun., do., 5s; J. R., do., 5s; A. R., do., 5s; W. R., do., 2s 6d; D. R., do., 2s 6d; P. S.'s Family, per P. A. S., £1 7s 3d; "P." parcel used clothing; C. and M., 7 articles clothing; Mrs B.'s Mothers' Meeting, 15s; Mrs M.N., 4s; Friend of Girl Helped, £3; J. B., 5s; Mrs S. and Family, Wishaw, £1 17s 6d; Edinburgh postmark, 3 articles clothing and some cards; N. H., Bridge-of-Allan, 3 pairs gloves and cuffs; Miss M., Huntly, 5s; J. M'K., 3s; Mrs P. F., Blairgowrie, 5s; Mrs M'K., do., 2s 6d; Mrs S., do., 2s; Miss A. S., do., 2s; Mrs P. C., do., 1s 6d; C. S., do., 1s; J. P., do., 1s; S. G., do., 2s 6d; above sums from Blairgowrie were sent by Miss S. G.; Mrs T. F. M., Lenzie, 48 pairs stockings; a Young Helper, E. M., Ballinluig, 16s; "Mercy and Hopeful," Helensburgh, per J. P. K., 10s; Mr B., Tanton, per Mrs M., Wooler, £1; W. G., Millerston, 1 bag oatmeal; D. H. A., parcel Graphics; a Friend, near Tarland, Aberdeen, 2s 6d; G. E. & Sons, £1 1s; Mrs L. H. B., Bo'ness, per Miss A. H., 10 jackets; "Little Nelly," Edinburgh, per do., 6 pairs cuffs, etc.; J. B., do., per do., 2 dozen handkerchiefs, etc.; Free St. Leonard's Senior Girls' Bible Class, Perth, per Mrs L., 58 articles clothing, etc.; "A Thankoffering," Mrs D., Paisley, £1; Gooroch, 5s; Miss R., Edinburgh, 7s 6d; "Two little girls, Jessie and Jean," per do., 2s 8d; Misses A. and M. W., do., £1; Mrs J. W., Greenock, 63 articles clothing; Miss R., Croydon, for emigration, £20; H. G. E., San Remo, £5; Mrs D., Swaffhaen, 10s; J. R., Port-Glasgow, £5; Mrs A. S., £1, and parcel magazines; "Little Bessie's pennies," 5s; A. M'K., Alexandria, quantity magazines, etc.; Mrs A. G., Bridge-of-Allan, parcel used clothing. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Langbank U.P. Church S.S., per A. B. D. A., £1 6s 6d;

Larkhall U.P. Church S.S., per D. B. B., £1; Crown Terrace Baptist Church S.S., Aberdeen, per A. G., £2; Queen's Park U.P. Church, per T. W., £5; Trinity Free Church S.S., per J. L. L., £4 14s 7d; D. M., Aberdeen, 10s; Parish Church S.S., Dollar, per W. M., £2; Slateford S.S., per G. R. K., Edinburgh, £2 5s; "A Working Woman," for servants' cottage, 3s 6d; Stonelaw S.S., Rutherglen, per J. M'C., £1; Mrs J. A., Paisley, £20; Peebles Parish Church Bible Class, per Mrs T., Innerleithen, 7s 6d; Mrs T., do., £5; Trossachs Parish Church, per J. C. H., £1 16s 6d; Motherwell U.P. Church S.S., per J. M'K., £1; Helensburgh Congregational S.S., per Miss R. L., £3 10s; Collection taken at Free Church Children's Treat, Bridge-of-Weir, on New-Year's morning, per G. L., £1 2s 6d; Long Wynd Baptist Church S.S., Dundee, per D. L., £1; Downvale Free Church Band of Hope, per G. S. K., 13s; Galashiels East U.P. Church S.S., per T. H., £2 5s; part proceeds of admission money to Royal Polytechnic during holidays, per J. A., £20; Free Middle Church S.S., Greenock, per J. A. M., £2 15s 9d; Clarkston Mission S.S., Airdrie, per R. M. G., 10s; Miss W. and Class, Hilltown F. Ch. S.S., Dundee, 10s 3d; Grantown Baptist Ch. S.S., per W. G., 15s; Wilson Hall Children's Ch., Paisley, per P. E., £1 4s 6d; J. H. C., Greenock, £20; Steeple Church, Dundee, per W. S. P., £6; Kirkintilloch Original Secession Ch. S.S., per J. D., £1; Tron Parish S.S. Society, per G. W., £1 1s; F.O. Newbattle S.S., per Miss M., Dalkeith, £2 1s 6d; a Friend, per do., 1s 6d; Lady Baillie's S.S., Whitburn, per J. B. C., £1; F.C.S.S., Dalbeattie, per J. A. P., 15s; Victoria Place Baptist Ch. Bible Class, Paisley, per Miss E. A. C., £2 1s 6d; Panbridge F.C. Scryne Mission S.S., per G. F., Carnoustie, 16s; West U.P. Ch. S.S., Irvine, per S. S., £1 1s; Mrs L. L., Bournemouth, £25; Stenhouse Mills S.S., per G. G., Edinburgh, £2 0s 0d; "The Lord's portion," £25; Dunnichen F.C.S.S., per H. S. D., 16s; Nungate Mission Children's Morning Meeting, per A. B., Haddington, 5s 8d; Titwood Estab. Ch. S.S., per J. S. D., £2; Dingwall F.C.S.S., per W. S., £1; Stewarton F. Ch. S.S., per D. J., 13s; Rockvilla Sab. Morning School, per W. H., £1; F. Ch. S.S., Tighnabruich, per G. W., 11s; Campbellfield Mission S.S., per A. H., £1 1s; Baptist Church S.S., Fraserburgh, per Mr B., £1 6s; Eastwood S.S., per Mr S., 9s 8d; Logiealmond U.P. Ch. S.S., per J. S., Edinburgh, 3s 6d; Crieff U.P. Ch. S.S., per do., £2 2s 6d; J. M. H., Tayinloan, £20; R. D., Ayr, £5; Westside S.S., Kilmalcolm, per Miss A. C. B., 13s; Cargill F. Church S.S., Coupar-Angus, per A. S., 10s; Motherwell Working Boys' and Girls' Rel. Society, per A. W., £2 4s; Collection at Xmas Service, Kier Parish Church, Thornhill, Dumfriesshire, per D. B. J., £4 6s 3d; Forfar Children's Ch., per W. C., £1 15s 1d; Ellon F.C.S.S., per W. F., 10s 8d; Pollokshaws Par. Ch. S.S., per J. S., £1; F.C. Mission S.S., Saltcoats, per Mr F., 13s 10d; Parish Ch. S.S., Port-Glasgow, per P. C., £2 2s; Tron Par. S.S. Society, Miss K.'s Bible Class, per Mr W., £1 9s; Mr B.'s Bible Class, Kilmarnock, £1 0s 7d; Garscadden Mission S.S., Duntocher, per H. M'L., £3 15s; Wesleyan S.S., Alexandria, per A. K., 7s; Lenzie Union Ch. S.S., per J. A., £3 3s; North Free Ch. S.S., Kirriemuir, per J. B., £1; Miss F., do., per do., 5s; Mr M.'s Y.M.'s Bible Class, Erskine S.S., Newcastle-on-Tyne, per W. E. P., £1 4s; Tarduff S.S., Linlithgow, per Mrs S., 8s 6d; Cathedral Square U.P. Ch. Juvenile Missionary Association, per W. M'K., £2; Woodlands Church Juvenile Missionary Society, per P. M'F., £2.

February 1.—"A Family Offering," Clydebank, per A. A., for Bethesda, 4s; Misses M'L., Hamilton, 6 articles clothing; Mrs B. S., Lenzie, £1; E. A. B., Hawick, £1; A. D. B., do., £1; Miss C., Ryde, Isle of Wight, £10; W. C. C., Crieff, 14s 6d; W. G., Ayr, 5s; Mrs P., Cleland, £1; C. D., £10; Mrs J. M. and family, Dunfermline, £1; "Firstfruits of a young man's increased earnings," Airdrie, 10s; Made by Small Sewing Class, Cove, per M. G. H., 27 articles clothing, hats, etc.; R. S., Fraserburgh, 11 boxes fish and two bottles cod oil; Employees of Gorbals Bell and Brass Foundry, per Mr F., 12s 3d; Engineers of Permanent Way Department, Caledonian Railway Company, per D. L., £2 1s; Glasgow Post Mark, 10s; A Friend, 3 bags potatoes; Auchterless Work Party, per Mrs D., Turfiff, 9 articles clothing; J. P. S., Strathaven, 7s 6d; M. W., 10s; "E. Family," 10s; A. B., £1; R. S., Lesmahagow, £1; Misses M., Aberdeen, per A. C. B., £1; A. T., Crieff, 2s 6d; A Friend, Kilmelfort, £5; "A Friend in Callander," £1; "Sunday Morning Breakfast Mission Box," per Mrs F., 10s; W. C., Rothesay, £3; Mrs M., £1; Mrs M'C., Larkhall, for Children's Night Refuge, 3s; "A Servant," a dress; A. C. B., £1; A. S., Edinburgh, 5s; T. S., Dunfermline, 5s; Mrs B. and Miss M'O., Greenock, three remnants tweed; "Ploughman," Kintyre, 2s; Mrs G. T., £1; balance of Tailors' Paper Fund, 6s; Mrs C., 2s 6d; Mrs H., Helensburgh, 9 pairs socks; Mrs M., Falkirk, 10s; Mrs T. G. M., Edinburgh, £5; "Family Circle," Chapelhall, per J. M'K., 6s; Mrs A. C., Kinross, 5s; a friend, per do., 1s; W. L. B., Dundee, 5s; Anon., 6 articles clothing; "A little family of eight," Pollokshields, £1; Employees of W. & P. M., Clutha Iron Works, per J. T., £2; Dumfries post mark, 6 pairs stockings; "Willie, Jim, Andrew, and Mary," West Kilbride post mark, 5s; R. M., 7s 6d; Mrs J. H., 6 pairs stockings; Mrs J., Dundee, 9 articles clothing; Mrs D., 25 do.; A. C., Paisley, £4; Miss M., Edinburgh, £2; Mrs W. S., 8 articles clothing; A. S., Greenock, £2; "Mary's Sovereign," £1; Mrs J. S., Stirling, 9 articles clothing; Anon., lot old hats; savings of A. and W. K., Bearsden, 15s; "A New Year's Present," N. J. and E. K., do., £1; made by friends, Langholm, per Mrs M., 46 articles clothing, etc.; Mrs M., do., 2s 6d;



J. M'C., Greenock, £5; J. S., £1; J. M'E., Cupar-Fife, 10s; friends, per Miss M'C. Gourcock, £1 2s 6d; A. K., Stalybridge, £10; Mrs P., 12 articles clothing, toys, etc.; a Friend, Troon, 6 do.; "Of Thine Own," £2; "For Fairknowe," 5s; "An Admirer of your work," Glasgow, £1; "Alice, Willie, and Baby's box," Grangemouth, 7s 6d; class of young girls, Baptist Church, Leslie, per B. C. L., 30 pairs stockings and socks; friends, per do., 21 articles clothing; Lansdowne Mission for Men and Women in Working Clothes, per J. D. K., £2 2s; a Lady in same meeting, per do., £5; J. A., £1, and parcel useful remnants, cloth, etc.; D. B. & Sons, £2 2s; "Guard M'M. and his bairns," Springburn, 11s 2d; R. N., Edinburgh, £5; G. B., Bridge-of-Allan, £1; A. R. W. G., £2; K. J. F., 10s and 6 articles clothing; D. S., Bathgate, £2; "Children's Tenthings," do., 10s 6d; R. A. L., Edinburgh, £1; Mrs M'L., Ayr, £2; Mrs L., Launde, Oakham, 10s; Mrs L., Helensburgh, £3 3s; left at Bridge-of-Weir Homes in threepenny pieces, 5s; Miss S., Montrose, 6 articles clothing; Two Pupils, do., 3 do.; Mrs D., 7s; J. B., Strathaven, £1; "For the Lord's work and sake," 5s; A. S., large quantity books; A. J. R., for emigration, £20; J. & S. S., Larkhall, parcel clothing, etc.; Anon., Greenock postmark, £1; found in Boxes City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes, during January, £2 17s 5d; Mrs T., Bridge-of-Weir, £2; Miss B. W., per Charity Organisation Society, £1; A. A. M., per do., £1; Miss A. A., Ecclefechan, £1; W. M'B., Coleford, Gloucester, 5s; Mrs A., Coatbridge, 4 articles clothing; D. M. S., for emigration, £4 10s; Mrs T. F. M., Lenzie, 11 woollen neckties, two shawls, and workbasket; J. M., jr., £1 10s; do., for Mission Fund, £1; Miss G.'s Bible Class, South Church, Aberdeen, 64 articles clothing and 7 books; Mr and Mrs R., Croydon, £5; R. B., £2. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Hamilton Free Church S.S., Port-Glasgow, per R. B. H., £2 12s 9d; a Friend, do., 10s; Elgin Parish Church S.S., per R. M., £2; Culhorn S.S., Stranraer, 6s; Kilmartin Free Church S.S., per A. M'A., 3s 3d; U.P. Church S.S., Alexandria, per D. M'K., £2 2s; Whitekirk School, Prestonkirk, per I. W., 14s 6d; Pollokshields U.P. Church S.S. Society, £6 4s 11d; Lockerbie Mission Hall S.S., per J. L., 10s; Congregational Church Bible Class, Stewarton, per G. P., £1; Pans S.S., Campbeltown, per D. M'L., 13s; Dunoon U.P. Church S.S., per R. A., £1; U.P. Church S.S., Lesmahagow, per M. C., £1; Miss M'L.'s Bible Class, Partick, £1 1s; Galston U.P. Church S.S., per D. J., £1 15s; Ferniegair S.S., Coatbridge, per J. W., jr., £1 1s; Lauchoppe Foundry Boys' Meeting, £1 6s; pennies and halfpence of girls, per Miss B. C., Montrose, 3s 6d; Broomhouse S.S., per R. T. L., £4 15s; Small S.S., Cairnryan, Stranraer, per Mrs J., 3s; Pollokshaws East Free Church S.S., per J. M'L., £1; Downhill Church Junior Missionary Association, per R. S., £1 7s 6d; Eglinton Street U.P. Church S.S. Society, per A. M., £1 2s 3d; Free English S.S., Stornoway, per D. S., £1; Infant Class, Grange Free Church S.S., Kilmarnock, per Miss M'C., £1 10s; Baptist Church S.S., Lossiemouth, per W. S., £1; Mill Street U.P. Church S.S., Montrose, per J. S., Edinburgh, £2; Downhill U.P. Church S.S., per A. L., £1 1s; E.U.S.S., Galashiels, per G. C., £1 5s; Chyrston Free Church S.S., per Mrs J. S., £1 6s 3d; Free Church S.S., Lossiemouth, per D. C., 12s 6d; Newton-on-Ayr Free Church S.S., per R. S., £1 8s 7d; Grove Street Institute Sabbath Evening School, per J. P., £1; Bearsden U.P. Church S.S., per A. W., jun., £1 11s 1d; Renton Millburn Free Church S.S., per J. M'L., 10s; Gourcock U.P. Church S.S., per Mr A., £1 2s 8d; Mr A., do., £1; Govan Free Church S.S., per T. M., 15s; Sunday School Children, per Mrs S., Aberdeen, 5s 7d; In Memoriam: towards building Edinburgh Home, £1,000; Hutchesontown U.P. Church S.S., £2; Friends, per A. D., for servants' cottage, 5s 4d; Wynd Free Church S.S. Society, per R. B., £1 12s; Y.M.B.C., Free Mid Mission, Greenock, per R. T., 15s; Miss L.'s Y.W.B.C., St Giles Street, Edinburgh, 5s; Misses L., do., 5s; Victoria Street U.P. Church Children's Forenoon Service, Dundee, per J. S., 10s; a Friend, for servants' cottage, 5s; Beaully S.S., per J. P., £1; First U.P. Church S.S., Alloa, per J. S., Edinburgh, £4 1s 2d; Macduff Established Church S.S., per J. M'M., £6.

February 15.—W. P., 10s; Carnoustie postmark, 5s; Mrs R., Bath, £2; Mrs M. and family, Lochgelly, £3; Miss C., Aberfeldy, for Emigration, £20; M. S., 5s; "Given as last request of James Shearer," per M. S., 10s; Grangemouth, parcel used clothing; Misses T., Edinburgh, parcel clothing, knitted articles, etc.; Mrs G. Orrell, 10s; a Friend, Ayr, per W. B., 2s; Mrs T., Torrington, £1 10s; G. C. S., Bo'ness, per Editor *Christian Leader*, £2; J. S., Balfour, 5s; Mrs P., Lanark, £1; Mr B., quantity pastry; J. M'C., £1; Christian Mission, Camlachie, per R. D., 5s; T. H., Campbeltown, 5 blankets, etc.; A. C., Dingwall, 2 parcels clothing and hats; J. L., Paisley, £1 10s; D. G., Aberdeen, 5s; an Aberdeen Labourer, per do., 5s; Mrs D., Helensburgh, 2s 6d and parcel periodicals; Mrs R., per Miss K., 10s; Dollar Y.W.C. Union, per Miss M. H., 12 pairs stockings, etc.; "A Thankoffering," 5s; Mrs A., 5s; contents of Missionary Box, Young Ladies' Seminary, Shawlands, per Miss L. D., 14s; Mr and Mrs R. M. W., Bothwell, for emigration, £25; "Valuation," 12s 6d; Miss C., £1; Miss T., Newmilns, 48 pairs stockings; U.P. Church S.S., Bridge-of-Allan, and friends, per J.M., 85 articles clothing, etc.; J. J. B., do., 10s; L. B., do., 3s; Mrs M'G., do., per Mr M., 1s; Mrs M., Slateford, 6 articles clothing; Mrs J. F. B., Edinburgh, 2s 6d; Mrs L., 10s, and 8 pairs stockings; T. F., £1; X. Dundee, 1s 6d; J. T., Bonhill, 5s; O. F., per Mrs S., Kincardine-on-Forth, 10s; "Lizzie," do., 2s 6d; J. J., £3; collected by Mrs R.,

Stirling, 10s; R. W. M., £10; Mrs A., Huntingdon, £5; A. C., £1; Mrs T., Bridge-of-Allan, £1; Miss A. B., Edinburgh, £1; An Anonymous Friend, per F. W. S., Gartly, £1; Gartly Friends, per do., 5s; "Returned borrowed money," T. F. M., £5; J. K., Catrine, 10s; a Friend, per Miss A. A., Ecclefechan, 10s; "For Fairknowe," 5s; "Two humble disciples," 15s; U.P. Church Dorcas Society, Kilmalcolm, per J. E. F., 13 articles clothing and remnants cloth; a Worker, £1; "From the late Mrs Stewart the orphan's friend, per Miss S., Kingussie, £2; T. K., for emigration, £20; Mrs W., Whitley-by-the-Sea, £1; M. S. S., Tynemouth, £1 1s; "The Lord's Money," do., £6; Mrs W., do., 2s 6d; Mrs Y., do., 2s 6d; "Allen" C., 2s 6d (above sums from Whitley and Tynemouth were sent by members of Tynemouth Congregational Church, per Mrs M.); Mrs S., 10s; Two Friends, 5s; Misses H., 19 articles clothing; Anon., quantity used stockings; "For the orphans," Kirkcudbright postmark, £5; Two workers, to help the helpless, £1; C. C. Tullymet, two pairs stockings; Miss D., Fortrose, to take a boy to Canada, £10; J. B., Edinburgh, £3; Mrs A., do., £1; D. L. O., and L. D., do., £10; T. F., Alexandria, £1; Mrs F., Perth, £1; Mrs B., 12 pairs socks; Mr and Mrs J. P. T., Lerwick, £1; Sewing Class of young girls, Kilmalcolm, per Mrs W., 19 pairs stockings and socks, clothing, periodicals, etc.; "For the orphans, with Lillie's love," per do., parcel cuffs, handkerchiefs, pinafores, etc.; G. F. S., 10s; J. R., Collace, parcel tracts; D. R., Baileston, 5s; "In memory of a dear one taken home," for emigration, £20; "Two workers, a thankoffering for restored health," £1; a Friend, Wick, £2; "a Sympathiser," Dunlop, £1; "A poor young invalid girl," per Mrs B., 3 pairs cuffs; Cairngorm, 14 ulsters, coats, etc.; Pittenweem Parochial Board, per Mr C., for emigration, £10 0s 6d; Friends, per J. J. T., Kinallie, Aberdeenshire, £3 4s 8d; Greenock postmark, £3; D. P. Lenzie, £5; F. E., Aberdeen, £5; Mrs F. E., do., £1; gathered among friends, by Miss R. G., Lockerbie, £1; W. A., Kilbirnie, £1; worked by two little girls of 9 and 7, Castle-Douglas, 16 pairs cuffs; "Alice, Willie, and Baby's Box, Grangemouth, 7s 6d; M. W., Largs, 6 pairs stockings; Miss C., 12 shawls; Mrs S., 12 knitted undersuits; "A hard-working Sabbath School teacher, a thank-offering to God," £1; Mrs R. M'L., Strathblane, £1; a Friend, £1; Mrs F., Edinburgh, £1 and 18 articles clothing; a Sabbath School class of little girls, U. P. Church, Kirkintilloch, per C. S. A., parcel cuffs, mitts, etc.; Mr M'G., Dundee, per J. H., £1; Coatbridge, 5s; J. M. R., Alloa, 10s; a Friend, Paisley, £2; Mrs R., Holytown, 2s; Mrs C., Renfrew, £1; H. P. Alexandria, 5s; Friends, Sandbank, 23 articles clothing; "The Lord's Tithes," Hamilton postmark, £5; Mrs T., 10s and parcel cast-off clothing; James and Sissy L., Leith, 10s., and packet Christmas cards; Misses A., Edinburgh, 10 pairs socks; J. S. & Son, Ardrossan, £5; W. R., Hamburg, £1; Mrs V., Birkenhead, 10s; A. M., 10s; "A Working Man," Tighnabruach, 5s; Mrs F., 5 pairs stockings; G. G. & Sons, Leicester, £2; Mrs S., Aberdalgie, Perth, 23 articles clothing and 10 yards tweed. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Kirkmuirhill U.P. Church S.S., per J. S., Edinburgh, £1 10s; Baptist Church S.S., Helensburgh, per W. T., 10s; Cullen Free Church S.S., per Editor *Christian Leader*, 5s; Scone U.P. Church S.S., per J. S., Edinburgh, 10s; Sir Michael Street Church Mission S.S., Greenock, per J. H., £1 3s 4d; Princes Street U.P. Church S.S., Kilmarnock, per J. R., £1 10s; Rattray Free Church S.S., Blairgowrie, per A. B., 15s; A. B., do., 2s 6d; North Leith Parish Church S.S., per J. M., £6 2s 2d; Govanhill U.P. Church, Polmadie Mission S. Morning Meeting, per A. B., £1; Congregation at Pomeroy, Umsinga, Natal, S. Africa, per J. D., of the Gordon Memorial Mission, £3; Cambuskenneth Abbey S.S., Stirling, per A. C., 14s; Old Monkland Parish Church S. S., per G. M., £1 10s; Bainsford Mission Schools, Falkirk, per J. A. and J. D., 10s; Flowerhill Parish Church S.S., Airdrie, per R. H., £1 11s 6d; Congregational S.S., Ayr Free Church, per H. C., 10s 6d; Fullarton Free Church S.S., Irvine, per J. S., £1; Lunnahhead S.S., Forfar, per J. M'D., 7s; Hazelbank S.S., Crossford, Lanark, 10s; Balgundrie S.S., Lismore, Oban, per D. M'L., 10s 6d; S. Forenoon Service, Coldswell Road, Crieff, per P. M., £1; Largs Free Church S.S., per J. K. B., £1; West U.P. Church S.S., Strathaven, per A. W., £4 2s 7d; Bible Class, do., per do., 10s; "In Memoriam," to build (along with £1000 given before) a cottage to be called the "Edinburgh Home," £500; representatives of the late Mr Ebenezer M'Alister, of Carboth Guthrie, Stirlingshire, per Birds, Aitken, & Co., writers, Glasgow, £250; Children's Missionary Box, Dunscore F. Church S.S., Auldirth, per J. M., 9s 1d; Whyte's Causeway Baptist Ch. S.S., Kirkcaldy, per Mrs L., £1 1s 6d; Auchinleck S.S., per J. S., Jun., £2 7s 10; Dreghorn Parish Church S.S., per Miss W., £1 10s; Troon Children's Church, per J. H., £3 15s; Blackfriars Parish Church S.S., per R. B., £1; East Kilbride Parish Church S.S., per J. H., 10s; Langside S.S. Society, per J. C., £3 2s 0d; Springbank U.P. Church S.S., per T. W. H., £1; Lauder U.P. Church S.S., per J. S., Edinburgh, £1 12s; St. Ninian's Free Church S.S., Leith, per R. P., 10s; Bristo Place Baptist Church S.S., Edinburgh, per A. S., £3 7s 5d; U.P. Church S.S. and B.C., Innellan, per W. H., £1; Dunoon Established Church S.S., per J. D., £2; South Parish S.S., Aberdeen, per G. C., £2; collected at Mission Meetings held at Oxbangs by Morningside U.P. Ch. Y.M.F.A., Edinburgh, per A. H. M'L., 17s 8d; a Scotchman, to build the "Lincoln and Garfield Home," £1,500.

March 1.—D. B., Paisley, 10s; M. P., 10s; Anon., 2s 1d; "In memory of an only

brother gone home," J. T., Lanark, 2s 6d; B. M., Edinburgh, £2 5s; Misses B.'s Women's Sewing Class, Horsforth, parcel clothing; Misses H., Egremont, Cheshire, per Mrs T. F. M., Lenzie, 8 articles clothing; "A Poor Widow," Greenlaw postmark, 12 pairs stockings; Mrs T. F. M., Lenzie, 10 knitted articles; "A tithe," 2s 6d; Miss B., Melrose, £1; Mrs G., Falkland, £2; Kirkintilloch, quantity hats, bonnets, etc.; Misses M., clothing, hats, etc.; J. R., Collace, leaflets; P. B., Dalmarock, £1; J. A., Helensburgh, £1; Mrs B., Greenock, 10s; Mrs R., Edinburgh, 5s; Mrs P., Otago, New Zealand, per W. S., 10s; Mrs S., do., per do., £1 10s; R. C., Ayr, £5; J. W. B., Warwick, £2; W. K., Holytown Junction, 5s; "Savings of a little boy 8 years old," A. S. F., Chryston, 10s; a Friend, 25 loaves; "Thankoffering for God's goodness," J. C. and C. C., 5s; a Member of Rose Street U.P. Church, Edinburgh, for Jesus' sake, £1; J. C. G., Port-William, 5s; Renfrew postmark, £1; a Friend, Alloa, for emigration, £100; A. H., Bridge-of-Allan, tracts, etc.; Miss L., Duns, 10s; Miss M. B. C., Newport-on-Tay, 5s; Pitlochry, per J. Y., 8s 6d; Mr and Mrs D., Leeds, £1; Mrs M., 10s and 8 pairs stockings; Dr and Mrs S., Newport, Fife, £1; J. Z. M., £2; M. D. G., £10; do., to take a boy to Canada, £10; do., to take a girl, £10; Misses S., Montrose, 22 articles clothing; Anon., 3s; A. M. R., per H. R., 10s; Mrs F. S., 8 articles clothing; Mrs I., Edinburgh, £1; Longforgan Y.W.C.A., per Mrs A., 36 articles clothing; W. C., 250 copies Pilgrim's Progress for children going to Canada; a Sister in Christ, A. B., Dundee, 2s 6d; D. B., Bridge-of-Allan, £1; Mrs F. and Mrs S., Montrose, 7 articles clothing and scrap book; E. A. M., 2s; Mrs N., £2 and 18 pairs stockings; Miss G. P., Kirkeudbright, 10s and 3 dresses; Mrs T., Paisley, £1; Mrs C. C., Wimbledon, £1; Gratitude, Paisley Station, 10s; the Lord's portion, £1 10s; Widow's mite, Millport, £1; Mrs M. and children, Moniaive, Thornhill, £1; for an orphan boy, Mrs H., 6 pairs socks; Misses J., Perth, 10s; Mrs and Misses J., do., 7 articles clothing; "Of Thine Own," £2; "For Fairknowe," 5s; "In Memory of A. L. B., 21st Feby.," for emigration, £20; C. T., parcel used clothing; Mrs R., Hamilton, 3 pairs socks; J. H., £1; Mrs A., Stichhill, 3 bags potatoes and 1s 8d; J. P., Airdrie, £3; "A Widow's Mite," do., 10s; J. B., £1; R. M., £2; Sabbath School Children, Balmuir, Guthrie, per J. M. L., 17s 4d; P. H. N., Aberdour, £15; Fort-William Branch S.G.F.S., per Miss S., 44 knitted articles; Mrs J., Shandon, £1; Mrs C., Caterham, £2 2s; M. M. C., Paisley, 6 pairs stockings; Evangelistic Choir, Irvine, per R. M., £1; Miss M., Stirling, 109 articles clothing; E. C., East Kilbride, £1; Miss C. C., quantity used clothing, 6 pairs stockings, and 2 dresses; H. B., 130 Bibles for Boys going to Canada; W. M. P., 37 loaves; Mrs M., £1; Mrs M. P., 10s; found in boxes City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes during Feby., £3 12s 1d; M. T. F., London, per Charity Organisation Society, £1 1s; Mrs M. M., parcel used clothing and rocking horse; W. S., Rome, for emigration, £1; A. P. F. P., Alloa, for do., £25; Miss M., Crieff, for do., £5; H. M., do., £2; Young Friends' Sewing Meeting, per Miss F., 27 dresses, etc.; J. M., Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, per Editor *Christian Leader*, 5s; a Friend, Alloa, for emigration, £30; D. H. A., for do., £10; D. C., £1; Mr N., parcel used clothing; Mr H., 7 loaves and some rolls. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Renfield Street U.P. Church S.S., per P. M., £1; Gillespie Church S.S., Dunfermline, per W. M., £2; U.P. Church B.C. and children, Airdrie, per J. P., £1; F. C. S., Lochgilphead, per C. M., £1 10s; Holm Street Mission S.S., per J. A. W., 8s; S.S., Otago, New Zealand, per W. S., £1; legacy of the late Mrs Margaret Donald, Kilmarnock, per Messrs Hamilton & Middlemas, £50, less duty, £5—£45; Govanhill U.P. Church S.S. Society, per J. S., £1; St George's-in-the-Field Parish Church S.S., per Mr V., £2; Mill Mission School, Wellwynd U.P. Church, Airdrie, per editor *Christian Leader*, 10s; collected among friends by B. E. for servants' cottage, £2 6s 9d; South U.P. Church, Galashiels, S.S., per W. B. T., £1; Strathaven Free Church S.S., per G. S., 10s; Heiton S.S., Kelso, per J. H., £1 11s; Workers, Thistle Street Children's Church, Kirkcaldy, per D. H., 12s; Wallacetown Free Church Mission S.S., Dundee, per A. L., 5s 6d; Regent Place U.P. Church S.S., per J. C. P., £1; Drumlenbo S.S., Campbelltown, per D. C., £1 3s 6d; Rockvilla Morning Mission School in connection with Shamrock Street U.P. Church, per W. R. C., £2; Juvenile Missionary Society, do., per do., £1.

**March 15.**—Mrs R., Barochan, 6 articles clothing; D. F. W., Edinburgh, £1; Mrs H., Maybole, £1 10s; Miss F., Edinburgh, 10s; do., for emigration, 5s; a Worker, 10s; Anon., 16 articles clothing; Two Workers, £1; Mrs M. M., Irvine, for emigration, £5; "One who believes in Proportionate Giving," Campbelltown, for do., £4; "A Scotchman in London," for do., £250; Mrs B., Langholm, for do., £5; "Inasmuch," etc., £1; Mrs B., 5 hats, etc.; Perth, parcel leaflets; J. A. L. & Co., waggon dress; collected by J. C. M., Bridge-of-Allan, £1 and 7 articles clothing; Mrs J. T., 3 pairs socks; balance sale of work Gourcock Congregational Church, per Mrs H. B., £2; A. C., Lochgilphead, £2 2s; Mr A., £1; H. B., Dunblane, 10s; "A Working Man," 5s; J. A. D., London, for emigration, £6; Mrs G., Kirn, £1 and 24 articles clothing; D. M. S., for emigration, £4; Mrs R. M. C., £2; a Friend, 19 loaves and some small bread; W. L. B., box used clothing; Miss O., Edinburgh, for emigration, £30 and 50 articles clothing; J. H., to take a boy to Canada, £10; G. R., Dunfermline, for do., £10; "Alice, Willie, and Baby's Box," Grangemouth, 7s 6d; G. L., Lockerbie, £1; J. W. T., London, for emigration, £5; A. R. S., Windermere, for do., £5; Mrs E., Edinburgh, £1; a Friend, Airdrie, 6 articles

clothing; Mrs T. F. M., Lenzie, 16 knitted articles, etc.; Christian Mission, Camlachie, per R. D., 5s; Mrs A., Hunter's Quay, 6 pairs shoes and 2 articles clothing; stipend for crop on farm belonging to Homes, amounting to £2, cancelled by J. M., Kilmaccolm; Friends in Biggar and Musselburgh, per Misses R., 52 articles clothing and parcel cards; R. S., Kilmarnock, 38 articles clothing; Mrs S., £1; J. B., 10s; "Bel and Joy," £2; Mr C., 7s 6d; P. O., Lochans, 5s; M. S., for emigration, £1; P. L. H., Kaffaria, Cape Colony, 5s; "For the Master," Johnstone postmark, for emigration, £10; Mrs M. L., 12 pairs stockings; A. A., Busby, £1 10s; Mrs S., 7 articles clothing; Friends from Airdrie, £2; T. B., Alloa, £1; Misses W. W., £1; Miss H. M., Irvine, for emigration, £10; Mrs R., Portmahomack, £2; W. C., for emigration, £10; Mrs P., Thurso, for do., 10s and 15 articles clothing; Anon., 10s; W. S., £5; H. K. L., Beith, £5; D. B. W., Leslie, Fife, 2s 6d; D. N., £1; Miss R., 10s; Mrs W., Stirling, £2; R. H., Kirkcaldy, £2; W. R., Perth, 10s; P. M., £10; Miss M. and Friends, Crieff, quantity clothing, hats, etc.; a Friend, 22 loaves; Miss C., Ryde, Isle of Wight, to take 2 children to Canada, £20 and 15 articles clothing; "Namriap," Tolleross, £1; J. F. P., Perth, for emigration, £10 10s; Mrs W., Biggar, 2s 6d; Miss R., Musselburgh, £1; R. N. R., Edinburgh, £1; Miss T., Musselburgh, 5s; Mrs A., Biggar, 7s; A. M., do., 2s 6d; Misses R., do., £2 3s—above sums from Biggar, Musselburgh, and Edinburgh were collected by Misses R., Biggar. Scottish Co-Operative Wholesale Society, Limited, £5; J. J., London, £12; do., to take 2 boys to Canada, £20; Mrs C., Edinburgh, 66 pairs stockings; Mrs M. L., do., 6 pairs do.; "St Quivox," £10; "M," Perth, per Editor *Christian Leader*, £2; Miss M., per A. C. B., Aberdeen, 4s; J. S., 7 ulsters, 18 pairs stockings, laces, etc.; Mrs J., Edinburgh, £5; J. O. M. L., Helensburgh, £2 and parcel periodicals; D. C., for emigration, £10; A. H. L., London, £1; Mrs C., sen., Alloa, 10s; a Friend, Rothsay, £1; do., Carlisle, 10s; W. A., to take a girl to Canada, £10; Greenock postmark, £2; Mrs D., Dumbarrow, 5 pairs stockings; a Friend, £5; "For Fairknowe," 5s; Miss E., Dundee, 10s; "From our First Baby," J. L., Dunfermline, 5s; made at sewing meeting and friends, Tullymet, per Mrs G., 51 articles clothing, etc.; Mrs S., Oban, 5s; "A Widow's Mite," Cambuslang, £2; G. S. and S., for emigration, £100; collected by Miss W., Bannockburn, £2; Mrs M., £1; Crieff, 3 articles clothing; E. O. L., London, 12 do.; Girvan, 2s 6d; Mrs J. F. B., Edinburgh, 6 scarfs; Mrs and Miss T. and Mrs F., do., for emigration, £10; Miss K., Helensburgh, for do., £5; L. G. B., St Boswell's, 10s; Miss B., Edinburgh, 9 articles clothing; Misses J., Milnathort, 6s do.; Mrs A., Banff, 10s; W. J. G., to take a boy to Canada, £10; A. M., £1; T. B., £1; J. H. Airdrie, £1 1s; Miss A., 25 articles clothing, etc.; "Sarah," Greenock, 10s; "A Widow's Mite," Oban, £1; Mrs R., Nairn, £5; Miss C. M., Bonchurch, Isle of Wight, £5; a Friend, 19 loaves; Anon., 2 pairs stockings; A. S., Motherwell, 7s 6d; H. R., Dunlop, £1; "For a wee orphan, named Jeanie, going to Canada," Lockerbie postmark, 1 dollar (4s 2d); Misses M., 3 hats, etc.; J. D., quantity gentlemen's used clothing; P. and J. E., Irvine, £1; Mr and Mrs W. M., West Kilbride, £1; Mrs A., sen., Renfrew, 10s; Mrs A., jun., do., £1; "T. F. M.," for emigration, £10; Mrs T. C. M. T., overcoat and parcel tracts; Mrs N., Bowling, £1 and 16 articles clothing; A. R. D., Ayr, 5s; J. R. A., 5s and quantity magazines, texts, trimmings, etc.; M. and L. H., 6 scarfs; Miss R., Cupar, parcel used clothing; Misses D., Tarbolton, £1; Miss G. W., Dundee, for emigration, £5; A. C., 10s; E. R., Edinburgh, 6 pairs socks; Miss G., do., do.; Miss S., Gourcock, 10s and 7 pairs stockings; Mrs S., Greenock, £1 5s and parcel clothing; J. T., Cockenzie, £2; W. T., do., £1; Miss J. T., do., £1; Mrs A. T., do., £1; M. P., Greenock, 3 pairs stockings; A. T. A., Alloa, £5; Mrs M., Hags, 5s and 1 pair stockings; Anon., 6 pairs do.; "In Memoriam of a Loved One gone Home," for a boy's outfit and passage to Canada, £10; "A Thanksgiving," for girl's do., £10; Mrs M. C., 10 pairs stockings; "A Servant," M. G., 1 pair do.; P. G., for emigration, £5; P. R., Kelso, for do., £2. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Free St Luke's Bible class, Broughty Ferry, per A. S., £1; Urquhart and Lhanbryde's S.S., Elgin, per Miss C. F. M., 7s 1d; Miss C. F. M.'s Bible class, do., 6s; C. F. M. and Friends, do., 6s 11d; Kirkwall U.P. Mission S.S., per J. F., £1 1s; Park Road S.S., Hamilton, per J. T., 5s; U.P. Church S.S., Milnathort, per A. C., 15s 6d; Lansdowne Mission S.S., Springbank, per R. P., £2 2s 7d; Free St Luke's S.S. Society, per J. P., 17s; Saltoats West U.P. Church S.S., per J. W., £1 2s; Camelon F.C. S.S., per G. B., 12s 6d; Free Middle Mission S.S., Greenock, per J. M. M., jun., £1 3s 6d; Plantation U.P. Church S.S. Association, per D. C., £2; Bridgeton F.C. Bible class, per H. O. P., 5s; Free North S.S., Stirling, per A. B., £1 10s; "A Scotchman in London," to furnish and complete the Kintyre Home, £302; Carstairs Junction S.S., per J. F., £3; Stonehaven F.C. S.S., per J. A., 10s; Free Ladyloan S.S., Arbroath, per W. S., £1 10s; Kingussie F.C. Sabbath School, per L. M., 10s; Old Kilpatrick F.C., S.S., per A. B., £1; Macduff F.C. S.S., per J. H., 14s 5d; Ladeside Mission S.S., Rothsay, per W. S., £1; Aberchirder U.P. Church S.S., per J. S., Edinburgh, 5s; Missionary Box, Ashfield S.S., Dunblane, per W. M. G., jun., £1 15s; St Leonard's F.C. S.S., Perth, per J. L. B., £1; Female Bible class, Finnieston, F.C., per A. A. B., 15s 6d; Lyon Street F.C. S.S., per M. M. K., 10s; Carstairs Village F.C. S.S., per J. B., £1; Abbey Close U.P. Church Mission S.S., Paisley, per R. C., £1; Monquhitter F.C. S.S., per W. S., 2s 6d; Lochee Baptist Church S.S., per J. P., £1; Factory Street S.S., Inverness, per J. H. D., 12s; Tollcross F.C. S.S., per R. L., 10s; George Street Central Children's Church, Paisley, per A. G., £2; Bent S.S., Lesmah-



gow, per T. D., 12s 10d; Alva Parish Church S.S., per A. H., £2; Muslin Street E.U. Church S.S., per Miss A., £1; Smith's Lane Mission S.S., Greenock, per A. M. W., 17s 6d; Allar's U.P. Church B.C., Hawick, per J. K., £1 15s; Stockwell F.C. S.S., Pollokshields, per J. S. M.A., £2 2s; Cavers Church S.S., Hawick, per G. B. S. W., 10s 6d; Arbriol F.C. S.S.'s, Arbroath, per E. T. V., 17s.

**March 29.**—Two Friends, Wishaw, for emigration, £1; Mr A. Leslie, Fife, 5s; Children, per L. T. C., 10s; Mrs M., Invergarry, £1 and 12 pairs stockings; Mrs E., Glengarry, per do., 5s; A Friend, Stewarton, £1 and 7 articles clothing; T. A., Edinburgh, £1; Mrs M., Bradford, quantity clothing; Mrs M., Largs, £5; Miss W., do., 10s; Mrs F., do., 2s 6d; Mrs J., do., 2s; Mrs A., do., £1; Mrs J. K., do., 2s 6d; Mrs A. K., do., 1s; Mrs F., do., 1s; Mrs J. R., do., 2s 6d; Mrs S., do., 2s; Mrs M., do., 10s; Miss K., do., 3s; Mrs A., do., 2s; Mrs P. M., do., 10s; Mrs C., do., 2s; Mrs P., do., 5s; Miss C., do., 4s; Mrs C., do., 2s 6d; Miss R., do., 2s; Miss C., 2s 6d; A. Y., do., 2s 6d; Mrs M., do., 10s; Mrs H. C., do., 2s; R. J., do., 1s 6d; Miss B., do., 2s 6d; Miss C., do., 10s; Mrs S., do., 2s; Mrs S., do., 2s 6d; Mrs J. J. O., do., £1. Above sums from Largs were collected by Miss B. Mrs A., 42 dresses; "Alick," £4; do., for emigration, £5; Mrs A., £5; H. and H., two baskets bread; J. F., jun., Johnstone, for emigration, £10; A. R., £10; Newton-on-Ayr Parochial Board, per A. L., £5; collected by Misses G. S., Milngavie, to take a boy to Canada, £10; "Through one of His Stewards," Wales, £1 15s 6d; Mrs L., Hamilton, for emigration £5; "Part savings of a daughter lately gathered home," per Mrs R., £1; Miss S., Wick, £2; Mrs M., £1; A. A., Paisley, 10s; Miss B., 6 hoods; Mrs A., Turf, 10s; Scotch Girls' Friendly Society, Biggar, per Miss S., £1 8s 3d, and 170 articles clothing, etc.; A Friend, do., 5s; do., 4s; do., Kilbucho, 3s; do., Covington, 2s; Bible Reading Box, do., 12s 9d; Work-Room Box, do., 7s; "A thankoffering for mercies," do., 10s; D. B., 1s 3d; "Sympathy," Lancashire, 10s; Mrs W., £2 and 25 pairs socks; C. T. C., Dunoon, £2; Miss S., Hamilton, £1; H. B. W., 15s; "Through one of His Stewards," Wales, £19 7s 10d; Mrs H., £1; J. S., Largs, for emigration, £100; J. C., Inveraray, 8 pairs stockings; J. P., Stratford, £5; do., to take a girl to Canada, £10; Miss B., Alexandria, 12 articles clothing; Mr and Mrs H. 6 bags potatoes; Mrs I., New Deer, £1; T. G., Kilmalcolm, parcel magazines; Miss M. P., Dunoon, 22 large boys' straw hats; Miss M., Helensburgh, 3 scarfs; Mrs S., Barrhead, parcel magazines, etc.; Largs, do.; "A thankoffering," Mrs N., Annan, 10s; Mrs M., Appin, £1; Mrs and Miss M., £1 7s 6d; "Trio, O. K.," £2 and 9 pairs stockings; A Friend, St Boswell's, £1; Mrs B., parcel books, etc.; Mrs T., Walkerburn, 10s; Strathblane Sewing Meeting, per Misses G. S., Milngavie, 193 articles clothing; Friends, 5 bags flour; W. N. B., £10; Mrs R., Hamilton, £1; "In memory of a beloved wife," W. B., Meikleour, Perth, £2; Mrs C., Edinburgh, 54 pairs stockings; Miss R. M'C., Stirling, £1; J. R., do., £5; Isle of Man Industrial Home, Douglas, per W. T., to take 11 boys to Canada, £110; J. S., Huntly, for emigration, £2; Mrs G., Largs, for do., £5; Lenzie, parcel used clothing; M. A., £1; Miss A., £4; A. H., Crieff, £1; Anon., 9 pairs stockings; Green-side Parish Church Work Party, Edinburgh, per Mrs L., 55 articles clothing; T. M., parcel used do.; H. M., do.; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie's Box," Grangemouth, 10s; A Friend, 14 loaves; Mr M., parcel magazines; A Friend, Wakefield, per Mrs M., Wooler, 3s; Village Girls' Work party, Kier Manse, Thornhill, per Mrs B. J., 40 articles clothing; Friends in the Parish, do., 28 pairs socks, etc.; Mr H., 31 loaves, etc.; Mrs A. and Misses S., Aberdeen, 27 articles clothing, etc.; "Ye did it unto Me," quantity used do.; Mrs J. F., Strathaven, 14 pinafores and some magazines; Mrs A., Largs, 10 articles clothing; "For Fairknowe," 5s; Miss W., parcel magazines; Mrs W. D., Dunedin, New Zealand, £2 10s; "Nemo," for emigration, £5; Trustees, Drummond Tract Enterprise, Stirling, per J. M., quantity tracts, etc.; "A Tithe," 2s; Miss W., Kendal, 5s; D. H., Campbelltown, £10; J. S., jun., Elgin, 10s; Two Friends, Wishaw, quantity useful articles, laces, etc.; Hamilton, magazines, etc.; G. R., Edinburgh, £2; G. M., Rothiemay, £2; Mrs T. C., Paisley, for emigration, £50; Miss S., Hamilton, pamphlets, etc.; Mrs I. W., 15s; W. L., £2; Mrs N., Stirling, tracts, etc.; Miss F., Kirkmichael, quantity clothing, comb bags, remnants cloth, etc.; late Miss H., per do., 12 articles clothing, Perth leaflets, etc.; M'N. and S., £2; Y.W.C.A., Kiermear, per Miss D., 27 articles clothing; J. M. M., £1; Paisley postmark, 7s 6d; Miss G., Stirling, 6 small shawls; made at women's sewing meeting, Village Hall, Row, per Mrs W., 77 articles clothing, etc.; B. O. B., for emigration, £25; Mrs M., Wooler, quantity clothing, hats, thread, etc.; Anon., magazines; Mr A., tracts, etc.; Mary, Willie, Sarah, and George, Edinburgh, 1s; Miss R. E. L., Lanark, 10s; Mrs R., 5s; Miss D., Cambuslang, 5s; J. M., Edinburgh, £4; Mrs H. M., Bridge-of-Allan, £1; A Friend, Greenock, 5s; G. F., Ayr, 5s; J. P. H., per Charity Organisation Society, £2 2s; W. J. F., per do., £1 1s; J. C., Milrig, per do., £1; J. C. A., per do., 10s; W. C., £20; do., for emigration £20; A Lady in Bath, per J. M'C. & Co., £1; do., for emigration £1; Miss A., Helensburgh, per do., 5s; Miss F. G. A., do., per do., 5s; Ladies' Working Fellowship Meeting, Crown Terrace Baptist Church, Aberdeen per Mrs C., 158 articles clothing; Miss G., £1 and parcel stockings, books, etc.; Mrs L., Montrose, 6 pinafores; R. S., Fraserburgh, for emigration £1; A Lady at Greenock Pier, £1. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Free St Stephen's S.S., per J.

M'H., £3; Woodlands U.P. Church Juvenile Mission, per M. P. T., £1; Regent Place U.P. Church Mission, S.S., Bell Street, per T. M'C., 14s 7d; Free Church S.S., Johnstone, per J. B., £1; Kinbuck S.S., Dunblane, per J. B. F., £1; Oban Free Church S.S., per A. B., 17s 6d; Original Secession Church Y.W. Sabbath Morning Meeting, Perth, per M. H. L., 15s; Dalziel Free Church S.S., Motherwell, per W. M'L., £1; Reformed Presbyterian Church S.S., Wishaw, per J. L., 11s 4d; Free Church S.S., Kilsyth, per W. M., £1; North Bute Free Church S.S., Port-Bannatyne, per P. G., 15s; Port Appin S.S., per A. M., 11s 4d; Alexandria U.P. Church Bible Class, per J. G., £1; A Friend, do., 10s; Free Church S.S., Tobermory, per J. S. L., £1; Queen Street Free Church S.S., Inverness, per D. M., 10s; Milton Parish Church S.S., per J. M'P., £1 10s 3d; Sabbath scholars and friends, Free Church, Caithness, per Miss A. G., 10s; Greenside Parish Mission School, Edinburgh, per A. H., £1 12s; Family Missionary Boxes, Stoneykirk, per G. P. R., £1 1s 6d; Dundee Boys' and Girls' Religious Association, per B. L. N., £11 18s 6d; Gourrock Boys' and Girls' Sabbath Forenoon Meeting, per D. M'K. B., 14s 4d; U.P. Church Bible Class, Airdrie, per J. P., 10s; Johnstone and Wamphray Free Church S.S., Moffat, per R. P., 5s; Miss S.'s Sabbath Class, New Mains of Urie, Stonehaven, 10s 6d; J. S., Edinburgh, £90; U.P. Church S.S., Alva, per J. B., £1; West Free Church S.S., Broughty Ferry, per P. G., £1 1s 9d; Free Church S.S., Yarrow, per M. C., 8s; Lockerbie U.P. Church S.S., per D. C., £1; Dumbarton Free North Church S.S., 10s; Linthouse S.S., per J. P., £2; Chalmers Free Church S.S., per J. M'C. & Co., 9s; Free St John's Church Mission S.S., Montrose, per G. K., 5s; Pollokshaws U.P. Church S.S., per G. W., £1.

**April 12.**—U.P. Congregation, Whitehill, Grange, per J. C., £1; Mrs S., St. Boswell's, 10s; a Friend, 4 dozen loaves; E. A. B., Hawick, 13 articles clothing; H. K., Edinburgh, £1; W. C., £1; "From Ayr," £2; J. A., Alloa, "Part of a Thank-offering," £3; Miss C., £7; Mrs M., £1; J. C., Paisley, 10s; "Part of a Thankoffering," Mrs M., Zutphen, Holland, £2; Mrs J. W. R., 29 scarfs; Mrs T., Alloa, 36 articles clothing, magazines, etc.; a Friend, Kilmelfort, child's saddle, hand sewing machine, clothing, etc.; found in Boxes, City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes during March, £1 18s 5d; a Friend, for emigration, £10; J. E. M., £2; Friends in Ibrox, per Mrs B., 23 articles clothing; Perth, parcel tracts; Anon., parcel used clothing; M. W., do.; A. A., Busby, magazines; T. C., Motherwell, £1; a Friend visiting Homes, £1; 2 Workers, £1; "Whip Money," 13s; Mrs B., Helensburgh, £1; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie's Box," Grangemouth, 10s; Mrs L., Old Kilpatrick, quantity tracts pictures, etc.; Misses B., Bothwell, 5s 6d; H. B., 120 Bibles for girls going to Canada; "A Worm," 10s; Mrs M'C., £1; D. M. S., for emigration, £4; J. N. P., Barrhead, 10s; Bothwell, 2 bedsteads and box toys; Mr S., 7s 6d; D. L., Newport, Dundee, £5; a Little Girl's birthday gift, £2 2s; Dollar postmark, for emigration, 5s; an offering from Port-Glasgow 9 children's ulsters and coats; A. C., £1; Miss J. B., Keswick, £1; J. D., Arbroath, for emigration, £10; Mrs M'K., Edinburgh, 5s and 3 pairs stockings; A. M., Largs, to take a girl to Canada, £10; "One of His stewards," Wales, £7 15s 7d; Misses B., 18 hoods; Mrs J. M'K., Gourrock, 4 pairs socks; J. M'K., £1; J. W. & Co., £1; Hawick postmark, 5s; E. B., Gartness, parcel used clothing; Crieff, do.; J. B., Campbelltown, to take a boy to Canada, £10; Mr I., for do., £10; Mrs R., 2s; relief refunded, £1 3s; Mrs E., Largs, for emigration, £10; for "Bethesda," Edinburgh postmark, £2; a Worker, 3s 4d; Miss C., Lockerbie, 16 articles clothing; Anon., parcel magazines; do., 19 articles clothing, etc.; Mr and Miss G., Hamilton, £3 and box clothing, picture books, toys, etc.; Mrs S., 27 articles clothing; "Of Thine own," £2; for "Fairknowe," 5s; A. F., a thankoffering for health granted, £1; a little fatherless girl, "Florie," Dundee, 2 pairs stockings; W. M'P., 25 loaves; Dunfermline, 10s; J. H., Hawick, 10s; in memory of Cousin Alick's birthday, Grangemouth, 15s; Mrs J. W., Stirling, 24 crochet petticoats; R. B., for emigration, £10; J. L. P., Carnforth, £1; Gallowgate Mission Free South Church, Aberdeen, per A. A., jun., 2s 11d; Mrs F. S., 16 articles clothing; Miss J. B., Liverpool, £1 10s; Mrs K., Lochgoilhead, 10s; do., for emigration, 10s; Mrs K., per Mr F., £1; Perth, parcel leaflets; J. W., Greenock, £5; Mrs H. and friends, Maybole, 5 pairs stockings; Mrs G. F. Elphinstone, Manitoba, 16s 8d; Mrs A., Wishaw, parcel clothing, hats, trimmings, etc.; R. C., Strathaven, 5 bags potatoes; Grangemouth, parcel used clothing; Fochabers Ladies' Sewing Meeting, per Miss D., 93 articles clothing, magazines, etc.; Mrs S., £1; Mr and Mrs W. A. H., 5s; Mrs T., Alloa, 3 pairs stockings; Miss F., Dundee, 48 pairs do.; R. G., set of bats and wickets; Mrs S., London, 10s; Anon., for emigration, £1 5s; Misses B. and Mrs W., Aberdeen, quantity new and used clothing; Workmen of Dalzell Steel and Iron Works, Motherwell, per Mr C., £3 8s 9d; Miss R. Lasswade, parcel used clothing; J. S., Dunfermline, £15; Mrs M., Monkton, £1; J. M., Methven, £3; Miss M. M. F., Crieff, for emigration, £1; Mrs R. W., Kilsyth, £1; Mrs D., Shettleston, £1; Mrs J. C., Montrose, per Miss F., 10s; W. K. D., for emigration, £1; W. S., Hamilton, 500 copies "Believers' Almanac," "Edith and Mabel," 5s; S. W., Dundee, £4; Mrs P., Tillicoultry, for emigration, £2 2s; Mrs I. W., 1 pair socks; J. M., Stirling, quantity text cards, tracts, etc. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—U.P. Church S.S., Kilbarchan, per A. M'C., £3; Stevenson Street Branch Free South Church, Paisley, per J. K. P., £1; Congregational S.S., Stewarton, per

D. W., £1; Free High Church S.S., Dundee, per A. S. F., £1 7s 8d; Rutherford F.C. Bible Class, Aberdeen, per J. R. L., £1; Milton S.S., near Bowling, per J. S., £1; Bible Class First U.P. Church Congregation, Strathaven, per J. S., Edinburgh, 16s 6d; Missionary Box Free S.S., Corstorphine, per J. R. O., £22s; Praise Meeting, Free Church, Yetholm, per N. M., £1 11s; Erskine Y.M.C.A., per J. C., Bishopton, 10s; Free South Church S.S., Peterhead, per G. F., jun., 10s; Langside Road U.P. Church S.S., per T. T. S., £1 11s 5d; Chapelton F.C.S.S., per A. M'G., Hamilton, 7s 6d; Rev. Mr P.'s Bible Class, F.C., Chapelton, 14s; Newton Place Juvenile Missionary Society, per A. S., £1; Downvale F.C.S.S., per D. S. R., 17s; Aitkenhead S.S., per Mr G., £1; West Calder F.C.S.S., per D. T., 8s; Cardross F.C.S.S., 17s; Hutchesontown U.P. Church Bible Class, 10s; Garmouth and Kingston S.S.s., per G. G., £1; South Morningside F.C.S.S., Edinburgh, per G. L. B., 10s; Bridgend U.P. Church Bible Class, Dumbarton, per Mr G., £1; Wallacetown Parish Church S.S., Ayr, per J. U., £1; Darvel Free Church S.S., per M. G. E., £1.

April 26.—Mrs C. H., Ayr, £5 0s 6d; R. W., £2; W. M., 24 loaves; "Saved by Grace," Dumbarton, 10s; J. F. N., Friockheim, 5s; Anon., parcel odd silks, etc.; "A Sympathiser," 1s; Miss M., Lanark, parcel remnants shirting, clothing, etc.; Mrs C., 5s; Miss E. H., Millport, for emigration, £5; Congregational Sewing Society, Dunfermline, per Mrs R., 67 articles clothing; A. M., Greenock, £1; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; J. F., Helensburgh, parcel used clothing; W. L., 10s; G. E. P., £1; Miss J. E. W., Carnforth, for emigration, £25; "Maggie and Jack," 8s 6d; W. W., Lenzie, parcel used clothing and books; "Wellwishing Friends," Caldwell, per J. C., 7s 6d; D. A. M. F., parcel used clothing; a Friend, 47 loaves; Misses H., Kelso, £2; W. D., Edinburgh, £5; M. and L. H., for emigration, £40; a Friend, Bonnybridge, for do., £5; Sabbath School Girls, Inch Free Church, per Miss N. S., 31 articles clothing; Young Friends' Sewing Meeting, per Miss F., 20 dresses, etc.; Mrs F., parcel periodicals; H. M'N., Uddingston, for emigration, £2; H. H., £1; Mr H., 36 loaves; W. C., for emigration, £2; Innerleithen Branch, S.G.F.S., per Mrs. T., 25 articles clothing and scrap book; Mary, Willie, Sarah, and George, Edinburgh, 1s; Mrs R., £5; a Friend, £1; W. O., £1; for Fairknowe, 5s; Anon., parcel magazines; Mr P., Alloa, to take a girl to Canada, £10; Muirkirk postmark, for emigration, 5s; a Friend, per Mrs T., Alloa, 6 articles clothing; Mrs G., Hawick, for emigration, £2; A. T., Edinburgh, 10s; "Children's earnings, Family Missionary Box, per W. B., Edinburgh, 18s 9d; Friends in Kirkcaldy, per Miss M., 133 articles clothing; A. G., Perth, £1; Friends, Edinburgh, per J. C., quantity magazines; Mrs T. C., Edinburgh, for Invalids' Home, £10; "A girl helper," 10s; Friends at North Broadford, Aberdeen, per Miss M., 151 articles clothing, hoods, etc.; a Friend, for emigration, £100; "In Memory of my mother," A. M., £2; "A Widow's Mite," £1; J. A., East Kilbride, 10s; "Nemo," parcel used clothing and books; Perth, parcel leaflets; Mrs C., London, box used clothing, etc.; Young Ladies' Sewing Meeting, Dundee, per Mrs N., 21 articles clothing; Miss D., for emigration, £20; Edinburgh, 7 articles clothing; Mr M'C., 17s; a Friend, Ayr, per W. B., 2s 6d; Mrs S., Stirling, 12 chest protectors; Mrs R. D., 1 piece flannel; H. R., Edinburgh, for emigration, £10; Miss R., do., for do., £2; Mrs R., Bridge-of-Allan, parcel clothing and remnant serge; "A Little worker for Jesus," J. C., Kirkintilloch, 1 pair stockings; Mr and Mrs J. M., Edinburgh, 10s; Miss P. S. H., do., 11 articles clothing; Miss F., do., 26 articles clothing, etc.; "Isa, Patrick," for emigration, £5; Sewing Class, F.C., Stevenston, per Mrs L., 12 articles clothing; Mrs G., parcel collars; Mrs M., Crieff, 10s; Mrs J. R., Callander, 57 articles clothing; collected from friends by Miss S., Leith, £2 12s 6d; M. W., child's crib; Mrs K., Milton of Campsie, £2; Mrs M., London, £1 2s; J. P., Stranraer, £2; J. N. T., for emigration, £10; D. S., Edinburgh, for do., £10 10s; A. C. T., 28 rubber stamps; "A Thankoffering for blessings received," Carlisle postmark, for emigration, £1; J. C., Jun., for do., 5s; "A Friend on the West Coast," for do., £20; Miss A., Dunoon, £1; Mrs M., £1. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Ivy Place U. P. C. S.S., Stranraer, per Mrs J., £2 5s; East F. C. S. S., Coatbridge, per J. B., £1 5s 6d; Trinity Hall S.S., Leith, per J. H., £1 15s; Minister's B.C., Grangemouth F. C., per G. W. C., 18s 6d; Juvenile Missionary Society, Hope Park U. P. C., Edinburgh, per Miss M. M., £1; Y.W.C.A., Collace, per Miss C. M., 10s; Bridgegate F.C.S.S., per Mr S., 12s; Claremont U.P. Church B.C., per W. D. S., £4 18s 2d; a Friend, for enlargement of Canadian Home, £400; Bowling Y.W.C.A., per E. B., £2 6s 6d; F.C.S.S., Ardeonaig, Aberfeldy, per J. M'G., 6s; Park Lane S.S., Alloa, per A. M'G., £1 13s 6d; Minister's B.C., U.P.C., Millport, per J. F., £2 8s; Miss L., Dundas, Canada, to help in building a cottage, £20; East F.C.B.C., Coatbridge, per W. D. C., £1 2s; Penicuik F.C.S.S., per Mr W., 16s 8d; Pleasance U.P.C.S.S., Edinburgh, per W. A. T., £1; F.C.S.S., Inveraray, per D. M'V., 18s; New Cumnock F.C. B. Class, per J. M., 10s.

May 10.—R. S., jun., Dunfermline, £2; J. S. L., Rockford, Illinois, £7; Glasgow postmark, 2s 6d; Miss W. W., parcel clothing, etc.; J. K., £1; D. R., Arbroath, 1s 9d; do., and friends, 7 pairs stockings; Two Ladies, Dennistoun, parcel clothing, etc.; Anon., 3 bed quilts; left by the late Miss I. D., Aberdeen, quantity used clothing; Miss

P. S. H., Edinburgh, 5 hoods; H. & H., quantity bread; Mrs I. M'G., Inverness, per D. M., £1; "A poor Glasgow mother," 1s; employees of W. & L., posting department, per P. C., £1 1s; Mrs M., Blantyre, 6 dolls, toys, etc.; Lily Band of Hope Choir, per R. C., 16s; Perth, parcel tracts; Newington U.P. Church S.S., Edinburgh, per J. C., £9; girls do., per do., 20 articles clothing; a Friend, £1; Friends, Crieff, per Misses C. C., 23 articles clothing and tennis net; Mr M., £1; Mr A., Dunblane, quantity clothing; "A Thankoffering for blessings received," 5s; a Friend, per J. Y., Darvel, 6s; Airdrie Free West Church B.C., per J. F., 17s; Gallowgate Branch Y.M.C.A., per Mr S., £1 4s; Proceeds of a children's sale of work held at Alton Villa, Paisley, per P. E., £1 6s; J. J., for emigration, £1; Children of a family belonging to Newington U.P. Church, Edinburgh, 8s; Rothiemay Sewing Club, per G. M., 15 articles clothing; G. M., do., 15 do. and remnant cloth; "Egae," Alexandria, for emigration, £1; J. H., to take a girl to Canada, £10; Mrs O., for do., £10; A. K. R., £1; Mr and Mrs J. P. T., Lerwick, £1; Residue of Estates of the late Mrs Jane Wilson, Hamilton, per J. C. Kay and Andrew Marshall, for emigration, £53 16s 10d; Y.W.C.A., Laurencekirk, per M. J. M., 13 articles clothing; Saved money of a girl helped, 4s 6d; Found in boxes City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes during April, £6 8s 1½d; S.G.F.S., Crieff, per Mrs M'E., quantity clothing; "Of Thine own," £2; "For Fairknowe," 5s; E. P., for do., 10s; Union U.P. Church B.C., Broughty Ferry, per L. D., £1; A. M., Houston, 6 pairs stockings; Mr O.'s Mission B.C., Aberdeen, 33 articles clothing; W. J., Wales, 2 kits butter; H. S., Hamilton, £1; Money found by a boy at the Bridge-of-Weir Homes, £1; G. T., to take a girl to Canada, £10; W. B., for do., £10; a Friend, Irvine, J. M., for emigration, £1; A. D., for do., £5; Miss D., Edinburgh, for do., £5; Female B.C., Free Middle Church, Paisley, per J. M., 10s; Mrs M'K., Campbeltown, £1; Mrs P. G., do., £1; Miss H., do., £1; Mrs B., do., £1; Mrs M., do., £1; D. G., do., £1; Mrs M'N., do., £1; Mrs C. G., do., £1; Mrs I. M'K., do., £1 5s; Mrs G., do., £1; Miss A., do., £1; Mrs R. C., do., £1; Mrs B., do., £1; Miss L., do., 10s; Miss D., do., 10s; Miss T., do., 10s; Mrs H., do., 10s; Mrs C. M'G., do., 10s; Mrs R., do., 10s; Mrs D. M., do., 10s; J. S., do., 10s; Mrs G., do., 10s; Mrs S. G., do., 10s; Mrs P., do., 10s; Miss B., do., 10s; J. M'P., do., 10s; Mrs D. H., do., 10s; D. M'G., do., 10s; a donation, do., 7s 6d; Mrs D. C., do., 5s; Mrs M'N., do., 5s; Mrs D. C., do., 5s; Mrs J. M'K., do., 5s; Mrs B., do., 5s; Miss M'G., do., 5s; Mrs D. M., do., 5s; Miss L., do., 5s; A. M., do., 5s; Miss C., do., 5s; Mrs M., Killeen, 5s; Miss M. P., Glasgow, 5s; a donation, Campbeltown, 5s; Mrs G., do., 5s; Mrs S. G., jun., do., 5s; L. C., do., 5s; Mrs M., do., 5s; Mrs C., do., 5s; Mrs J. M., do., 5s; Mrs W. M., do., 5s; J. R., do., 5s; Mrs W., do., 5s; Mrs C., do., 5s; Miss C., do., 5s; Mrs J. G., do., 4s; Mrs C., do., 4s; Miss M., do., 3s; Mrs W. B., do., 3s; Mrs M'G., do., 3s; Mrs T., do., 3s; Mrs H., do., 2s 6d; J. M'Q., do., 2s 6d; Miss M., do., 2s 6d; Mrs M., do., 2s 6d; J. M., do., 2s 6d; Mrs K., do., 2s 6d; Mr D., do., 2s 6d; P. L., do., 2s 6d; D. B., do., 2s 6d; Mrs M'G., do., 2s 6d; J. E., do., 2s 6d; Miss W., do., 2s 6d; J. C. M'G., do., 2s 6d; Mrs W., do., 2s 6d; Mr W., do., 2s 6d; A. C., do., 2s; Mrs M., do., 1s; a Friend, do., 2s, above sums from Campbeltown, &c., were collected by Miss C., per Miss M., for emigration; J. M., Greenock, for do., £1; Miss D., Aberdeen, 12 articles clothing; Mrs T., Bridge-of-Weir, parcel magazines; Anon., parcel used clothing; "Help," 10s 6d; Two Workers, £1; J. S. T. and J. T., for emigration, £50; Mrs M'G., Ayr, for do., £1; "From the Master's Treasury," Grangemouth, £2 2s; Miss D., Fortrose, to take a girl to Canada, £10; W. P. M., £2; W. W., Paisley, for emigration, £20; G. D. F. Edinburgh, £1; Darvel U.P. Church Bible Class, per J. C., £1 7s; Mrs W., 19 pairs stockings; Mrs A., Ayr, £1; "A wee girl helped," for emigration, 10s; Isle of Man Industrial Home, per W. T., to take 12 children to Canada, £120; Mrs F., Dundee, 8 articles clothing; Miss C. and Miss R., Cockburnspath, 15s; Mr H., quantity meat; sewing meeting, per Miss F., 3 articles clothing; Mrs F., magazines; J. W., Halifax, 7s 4d; Sandford U.P. Church S.S., magazines; Miss J., Milnathort, magazines; Anon., Kilmarnock postmark, for emigration, £10; collected by Misses G. S., Milngavie, for do., £7 10s; J. O., jun., Airdrie, £1; Mrs B. and members of Y.W.G. U.P. Church, Lochgelly, 30 pairs stockings; D. M. S., for emigration, £4; Hardgate Mission, Duntocher, per Mr Y., £2 1s; proceeds of sacred concert, Helensburgh Baptist Church, per J. H., £6 15s; Anon., Hillhead, £2; J. W. S., Langside, £1; J. N. S., Kirn, £5; J. F. L., Paisley, £2; J. B., for emigration, £10; Mrs B., Bothwell, hamper used clothing, etc.; J. C., Edinburgh, parcel magazines; P. M., Coldstream, 2s 6d; J. O., Alloa, 10s; a Friend, do., per Miss M. F., 10s; "A Worm," 10s; Mrs M'G., Dundee, £1; a Girl Helped, 2s; W. J. and Son, Leith, £5 5s; a Friend, parcel used clothing; Mrs M'G., 2s 6d; J. E. M'G., for emigration, 2s 6d; J. P. D., Helensburgh, £5 0s 6d; Mrs D., Perth, £2; Galashiels Parochial Association, per P. T. G., £3; Mr and Mrs M., High Blantyre, 10s; J. R., Ayr, 10s; a worker, 3s 4d; D. S., Edinburgh, 1 ton wheat meal; F. North Church Bible Class, Dumbarton, per J. C. B., 10s; Miss D., Fairlie, for emigration, 10s; J. D., Lenzie, £10; Mrs F., Ayr, £5; Miss M'G., Gourrock, 17 pairs stockings; J. T., Bonhill, 5s; G. F., Ayr, 5s; "For the Orphans," Glasgow postmark, £1; F. R. D., do., £1; D. P., Govanhill, £1; J. and J. B. Croy, 10s; "A Family Offering," J. W., Tillicoultry, £10 5s; Miss B., Croydon, quantity books; Miss D., 10s; F. and G., £3; "Ochertyre," 32 articles clothing, etc.; "In Memory of Cousin Alick, Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, £1; Mrs B., Campbeltown, 13 articles clothing, etc.; last work of Mrs M., do., per Miss M., 3 knitted articles; a Friend at farewell



meeting, £1; do., £3; do., £1; do., 3s; do., 10s; do., 4s 6d; do., £1; "Saved from tobacco," £3; Miss M. B., Helensburgh, £1; a Friend, Kirkmichael, Perthshire, 2s. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Kelvinside F.C. S. Evening School, per A. E. S., £2 1s 3d; Hillhead Baptist Church, Partick, and Port-Dundas Mission S.S.s, per H. W. B., £1 19s 2d; Uddingston F.C. S.S., per R. A. A., £3 18s 7d; Knox's F.C. S.S., Arbroath, per J. N., £1; F.C. S.S., Portsoy, per D. C. B., 15s; St James' U.P. Church S.S., Paisley, per F. G., £3; Kelvingrove U.P. Church S.S., per J. W., £2; Laureneckirk F.C. S.S., per J. C. S.; Friends, do., per do., 15s; Relief West U.P. Church B.C., Irvine, per N. M. J., 18s.

May 24.—A. B., Gartness, 1 piece tweed; "Kitchen Meeting," 10s; Mr and Mrs J. M'L., Guthrie, 5s; do. for Emigration, £1; M. & Co., quantity salt fish; Mrs T. F. M., Lenzie, 54 useful articles clothing, etc.; Busby F.C.B.C., per R. H., 9s; M. M., Craigmare, 10s; Mrs G., Largs, 14 articles clothing; M. G., Peebles, £1; Orwell F.C.Y.W. Guild, per Mrs S., 26 articles clothing; do. Bible Class, per do., 10s; Young Friends' Sewing Meeting in connection with Montrose E.U., Church, 54 articles clothing, etc., Kelso, 10 pairs socks; a Friend, at Meeting in Institute, 3s 6d; Anon., 2s 6d and parcel used clothing; Mr H., 7 sheep heads; R. M'G., jun., Moscow, per W. W. & Co., £2; a Girl helped, for Emigration, £3; J. W. B., Bridge-of-Weir, bag of sugar; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; Mrs W., some dishes etc.; Misses E. and H. S., Lesmahagow, £2; Lads' Morning Class, Free St Leonard's Church, Perth, per D. J., 5s; Children's Box and E. M'D., Uddingston, £1; North Woodside Branch Y.M.C.A. Morning Meeting, per D. U. O., £1; Mrs P. D., Hawick, box used clothing; Dunoon, quantity hats; "In Sweet Memory of 4th May, 1887," £2; Anon., 4 card cases, to be sold; Newhall Parish Church B.C., per A. P., £1; Mrs H. A., Auldgrith, £3; G. A. R., Greenock, £1; Mrs R., do., £1; Family, do., 10s; Mrs S. Perth, £1; B. E., Greenock, £3; Mrs A., Edinburgh, 18 articles clothing; Mrs D. S., Greenock, £5; Miss J. T., do., £4; Miss B., do., £1; Mrs T., do., 5s; Mrs K., do., 5s, above sums from Greenock, per Miss J. T.; G. D. F., Dundee, 5s; D. M., 50 pairs stockings; Mrs R., Rutherglen, parcel used clothing; W. H. E. C. C., Crieff, 4d; Wellpark Branch Y.W.C.A., per Miss G. K., 25 articles clothing; Parochial Board, Kelso, per G. A. T., for Emigration, £10; Ladies in Selkirk, per Mrs R., 38 articles clothing; J. F. and Family, Alloa, £4 15s; A. G. G., Aberdeen, 10s; J. M., Paisley, parcel flower seeds; Residue of Society Money of Mother of Children, received, per Mrs M'L., Ayr, £3; a Young Friend, Paisley, per T. M'M., 2s 6d; Anon., parcel knitting needles, etc.; Friends in Yetholm, per Miss J. T., £1; Mrs B., 12 pairs stockings; Pollokshields Athletic Club, per W. R. M., 1 gross used tennis balls; Made by a Few Working Girls, per Mrs T., Stanley, Perthshire, 19 articles clothing; Mrs J. B., Newby Bridge, £1; Misses A., Tighnabruich, £1; Sandbank postmark, £1; A. S., Paisley, 8s; D. B., £2; Mrs B., parcel odds and ends; North Bute Free Church Bible Class, per J. M'G., 10s; Free St. Andrews S.S., Kirkintilloch, per W. C., 10s; St George's Road Free Church S.S. Society, per W. H. G., 10s; W. M'B., Coleford, 4s; "Three Sisters," £2; Legacy allocated by Trustees of the late Mrs Wilkie, Helensburgh, per M'Callum & Fleming, writers, £100; J. E., Bowness, Windermere, £4; J. N., paid into Union Bank, £1; a Friend, per Miss B., £5; Willing Helpers' Society, Uddingston, per Miss M. B., 12 pairs stockings; J. M. K., Bridge-of-Allan, 4 pairs socks; Anon., box S.S. cards; Maryville, quantity used clothing, etc.; "In Memory of Little Alick," Grangemouth, £5; per express, parcel used clothing and magazines; "One Friendly, for two pairs shoes for little girls," per J. S. N., 10s; Mrs M., per Mr A., 5s; Bridge-of-Allan, two parcels old clothing; Mrs G., sen., Braemar, 12 pairs stockings; John H., do., two pairs do.; Mrs L., Appin, 20 articles clothing; Mrs J. C., Ayr, 5s; "Two Sisters," £1; W. J. G., parcel used clothing; "Inasmuch," etc., Edinburgh, 5s; Mrs S., Wishaw, 10s; Mrs T., Prestwick, 5s; J. B. T. S., Murtle, £1; Mrs R., Bridge-of-Allan, 12 pairs stockings; M. S., Perth, 5s; Mrs W., quantity used and new clothing; Girls' Friendly Society, Dunfermline, 41 articles clothing; New Cum-nock Parish Church Bible Class, per W. G., £1; "A Worm," 10s; S. P., Wigton, Cumberland, to take a girl to Canada, £10; Anon., parcel used boots and periodicals; St Paul's E.C. Bible Class, per R. G. T., £1; M. F. M., Edinburgh, 2s; "Children's Collecting-box," Greenock, per W. L., 10s; A. R., Markinch, 5s; Coaltown of Holgoun Mission S.S., per do., 11s; A. S., Paisley, 5s; Miss J. B., Lidlithgow, to take a Child to Canada, £10; R. E., Parkhill, Aberdeen, 5s; Stanley Y.M.C.A., per J. M., 10s; Miss B., Aberdeen, parcel used clothing, etc.; Mrs R., Langbank, do. and magazines; Mrs J. C., Kilmalcolm, per J. E. F., £2; Mrs G., Parkhill, Aberdeen, £1; Mrs J. M'Q., Mauchline, £5; "A Thank-offering to God for recovery of grandson from severe illness, 10s. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Springburn North F.C. S.S., per Miss F., £1; Duddingston Parish Church S.S., per J. M. G. C., 16s 6d; Superintendent's Class, Montrose E.U. Church, per Miss L. P., £1; Free Mission S.S., Johnstone, 14s; Chapelhall Band of Hope S.S., per G. R., 14s; Palmerston Place U.P. Church Mission S.S., Edinburgh, per G. M., £1 1s; Langside F.C.S.S. Society, per A. B. C., £2 16s 6d; Bowling S.S., per J. T., £1 18s 3d; Annan F.C.S.S., per J. S., £1 2s; Bank Street S.S., Brechin, per R. W. O., 7s 6d; Free St. Paul's S.S., Montrose, per J. M., 15s.

June 7.—G., Helensburgh, 10s; a Friend, per J. C., Edinburgh, 2s 6d; a Friend, Birkenhead, per Miss M'L., £1; Barrhead Co-operative Society, per R. S., £2 10s; M. P., 3s 6d; J. F., Kirkcaldy, £5; Miss I. B., Edinburgh, £3; Miss J. H., Girvan, £1, and hamper used clothing; Ladies' and Girls' Working Parties, Thornhill, Dumfriesshire, per Miss W., 19 articles clothing; S. Bros., Birmingham, per W. J. Bangor, £2; T. H. & Co., Liverpool, per do., £1; S. & F., do., per do., 3s; T. K. & Son, London, per do., 5s 6d; S. S. & Co., do., per do., 5s; R. & B., Liverpool, per do., 2s 6d; J. K., £3; Mrs B., £1; Mrs S., 5s, and 9 Tam o' Shanters; E. D. W., Stonehaven, 1s; Misses R., High Blantyre, parcel clothing and magazines; Mrs S., Carlisle, 10s; Longforgan Y.W.C.A., per Mrs A., 54 articles clothing; R. W., 5s; R. D., parcel magazines; Mrs P., a sewing machine; Mr H., 22 loaves and some small bread; 2 Friends, Wishaw, quantity thread and useful articles; Mrs M., Lenzie, 10s; Miss M., 5s; Anon., 10s; "Busy Bees," Thornhill, Dumfriesshire, per Miss W., 19 articles clothing; G. P., parcel books, collars, etc., collected on shop counter; Miss E. M'H., Helensburgh, 10s; Mrs J. H., £4; J. S., Edinburgh, £10; an Orphan Girl's Thank-offering, N. K., Erdington postmark, 2s; Mr P., 1 dozen malt extract; St. Andrew's Hall Children's Church, Leith, per A. R., 15s; Mrs M., quantity used clothing; made by Y.W.'s Guild, Kelso, per Mrs R., 27 articles clothing; Miss H., Edinburgh, for emigration, £100; J. P. W. & Co., Manchester, per W. J. Bangor, £2 2s; Mr and Mrs W., Edinburgh, £1; A. M., Greenock, £1; Mrs D., do., 12 pairs stockings; an Anonymous Friend, per J. D. R., Darvel, £2; Miss H. F., Kilmarnock, £1 1s; M. H., per Charity Organisation Society, £1 1s; Calton Mechanics' Hall, S.S., per J. M'G., £1; 2 Sisters and Brother, Airdrie, in memory of a dear father, £20; Mrs C., Annan, £1; Mrs P., Dunbar, 18 articles clothing; Edinburgh postmark, 2s 6d; Pupils in Mrs S.'s School, Downhill, given in weekly instalments, £3 12s; M'K. S., & Co., Bradford, per W. J. Bangor, £2 2s; per rail, parcel used clothing; a Little Girl's Thankoffering, 5s; D. Y., Brechin, 7s 6d; Mrs L., Grangemouth, £1; found in boxes, City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes during May, £6 2s; W. F., 7s 6d; F. B., 2s 6d; "A Thankoffering," £1; Glasgow Charity Cup Football Association, per J. M. C., £20; T. C., Motherwell, £1; J. R., jun., Markinch, 3s 6d; Markinch Mission S., per do., 12s 6d; a Friend, per do., 4s; A. B. Cleland, £1; Mrs W. N., £1; Teachers' Queen Anne Street Church M.S.S., Dunfermline, per J. M., 4 pairs stockings; L. M'L., parcel used clothing and remnant flannellette; a Friend, 1s; V., Sons, & Co., London, per W. J. Bangor, £2; T., Downhill, 5s; Augustine Free Church S.S., per J. M'D., £1 8s; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; J. M'C., Paisley, parcel used clothing; a Friend, 24 loaves and some small bread; A. S. B., £1 18s; W. O. L., Mansfield, 5s; Keith postmark, 1s; "a Friend, Glasgow," £5; D. M. S., for emigration, £4; Mr M'P., 22 loaves and some small bread; Y.W.C.A., Beith, per Miss I. L., £1 8s 4d; Young Friends' Sewing Meeting, per Mrs F., 5 dresses; J. G. O., towards keep of "Bethesda," £150; a Friend, 9 loaves and some small bread; J. M. M., £1; Mauchline F.C.S.S., per D. M'K., 7s 6d; T. C. P., £1; "Nemo," £10; R. S., Fraserburgh, 8 boxes herring and fish; Mother of Boys Helped, Cupar-Fife, 5s; W. B., a rocking horse; J. S., Aberdeen, £2; Port-Glasgow Friendly Girls' Society, 21 articles clothing; "a Thank-offering for the Lord's continued goodness," Stanley Cottages, £1; J. J. & Co., £1; Dennistoun U.P. Church S.S., per J. C., £3 14s 6d; Maryville, box rhubarb; Kent Road U.P. Church S.S., per W. K., £3 1s 10d. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Lansdowne U.P. Church Congregational S.S., per H. R. M'W., £1 13s; Free St. John's S.S., Dundee, per W. Y., £1; A. D., for servants' cottage, 11s; F.C.S.S., Bridge-of-Allan, per J. M., £1 5s 6d; "A Well-wisher," do., 4s 6d.

June 21.—T. T. C., Cullen, 5s; Miss E. F., Perth, £1; R. B., Aberystwyth, £2 2s; Kirkcaldy postmark, 10s; made by pupils in Miss C.'s School, Kirn, 28 articles clothing; Children's Forenoon Meeting, Govan, per T. T., 19s; Mrs J., £1; knitted by the late Mrs Mill, Edinburgh, 10 scarfs; Johnstone postmark, 5s; "First earnings," W. M., jun., 10s; E. M., Edinburgh, 10s; St. Luke's Parish Church S.S., per J. H., £1; Great Hamilton Street F.C.S.S., per S. L. H., £2 6s 5½d; C. C., Lochgilphead, parcel clothing, flowers, etc.; C. M., Duns, 10s; Willing Helpers' Society, Uddingston, per Miss M. B., box rhubarb; H. and H., 49 loaves; J. R., Collace, parcel leaflets; Mrs J. D., San Fernando, Trinidad, £3; J. M'M., Jun., Greenock, 10s; "Grandma and Mamma," Irvine, per A. M., 10s; J. C., Bothwell, £1; collected by Miss E. W., Crieff, 7s 6d; H. M. F., £1; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; a Widowed mother, 2s; Mrs M., quantity pastry; J. F. D., 10s; a Friend, 55 loaves; Mr H., 31 do., and some small bread; Mrs U., Edinburgh, 5s; Mrs B., Aberdeen, £5; J. A., Helensburgh, £5; Mrs T., Ayr, £1 1s; collected by Miss N., Moffat, £11 16s; flax-dressers in mill, Johnstone, per J. B., 15s; Mission S.S., Pulteneytown, per A. M., 10s; legacy of the late Mr Kerr, per John Ingram, writer, £10, less duty, £1—£9; M. R., Rothesay, £1; "Thankoffering," 10s; Mrs T., quantity used clothing; M. S., Strathaven, £1; Friends visiting Homes, 9 articles clothing; L. M., £1 10s; Johnstone branch of the Y.W.C.A., per E. T. T., 18 articles clothing; M. M'G., £2; J. T., £2; Ayr Parish Mission Sewing School, 11 articles clothing; Airdrie Town Mission Bible-Class, per W. K., 18s; Miss I. C., Galashiels, £5; a Friend, 25 loaves; M. A., Wishaw, 4 dozen hats, 11 jackets, etc.; Mrs R., 5s; "Kinnie," £1 and 6 pairs stockings; North

Parish Church S.S. Association, Aberdeen, per R. M., £1; Mrs B., and friends, Irvine, 9 pairs stockings; "Mary, Willie, Sarah, and George," Edinburgh, 1s; W. W. S., Norwich, 5s; Mrs M., £1; Mrs H. K., Largs, £2; Mr B., do., £1; Mrs S., do., £1; M. E., do., £1; L. T., do., £1; Mrs B., do., 10s; Mr P., 10s; Mrs B., do., 10s—above sums from Largs were collected by Mrs B. Work party, per Mrs C., Kirkcaldy, quantity clothing; Mrs T., £1; a Friend, 21 loaves; Mr P., parcel used clothing; "Children's Mite Box," per J. A., 6s; J. E. S., £100; Kelso F.C.S.S., per J. S., 16s 6d; Mrs J. D., Dumbarton, £1; per parcel post, used dress and bed quilt; Dunlop S.S., per R. W., Jun., £2 14s 6d; Mr H., 28 loaves; Reformed Presbyterian Ch. S.S., per Mr M., £1; "Thankoffering for mercies lately received," C. L. A., 5s; class of little boys, per Miss B., 2s 6d; M. H., Campbelltown, 5s; Miss C. G., Crieff, 10s and 7 articles clothing; an aged Friend, Hamilton, per Miss H., 10s; T. F. M., £20; J. C., Alexandria, 2s 6d; Whyte's Causeway Baptist Ch. B.C., Kirkcaldy, per J. P., 9s 3d; Mrs M'L., Ayr, 5s; young Friends, Kilmalcolm, 22 articles clothing, patchwork quilt, etc.; a Friend, 25 loaves and some small bread; Busby, parcel used clothing; on account of children helped, £5; a few young friends, Greenock, per R. F., 5s; H. T. and B., Manchester, per W. J., Bangor, 5s; Anon., parcel used toys, etc.; do., quantity magazines; "One of His stewards," Wales, £1 6s 9d; W. M'B., & Co., Shettleston, piece dress stuff; Miss K., 14 pairs stockings and some magazines; Anon., parcel used clothing; a Friend, 44 loaves; M. & Co., box kippers; "Meg," £5; J. A. A.'s children, £1; D. and H., Kilmarnock, 75 pairs stockings; J. T. B., Wigtown, two pairs socks; Miss M. S., Aberdeen, per A. C. B., 5s; Brethren Meeting, Nicolson Street, Edinburgh, per G. S., £1; contents of Children's Nursery Box, per Mrs C., Paisley, 12s; A. M., Cupar-Fife, 2s 6d; A. C., £1; A. P. R., Kelso, £1; Proceeds of Parochial Mission Sale, do., per do., 16 articles clothing; J. R. A., 5s and quantity magazines, trimmings, etc.

July 5.—Mrs B., Largs, 5s; Mrs H., do., 10s; Mrs C., do., 5s; Miss M., do., 3s; Mrs J. K. B., do., 10s; Mr C., do., 10s; Mrs J., do., 5s; Mrs J. M., do., 5s; Mrs A. H. M., do., 5s; Mrs J. C., do., 10s; J. F., do., 10s; Mrs B., do., 10s; Mrs F., Fairlie, 5s. Above sums from Largs and Fairlie were collected by Miss B., Sighthill, F.C.S.S., per J. L., £1 10s; Victoria Street U.P. Church Mission Children's Church, Dundee, per A. A. P., 7s 6d; Hair Street Mission B.C., Renfrew, per Miss M'K., £1; Mrs M'K., do., £1; Mr G., Whitburn, 10s; Mrs L., 10s; pupils at Caversham House, Ladies' School, Paisley, £1 16s 4d; Mrs F., Edinburgh, £2 2s; Gibraltar postmark, with Is. viii, 7, 2s; Anon., 6 pairs stockings; Wellpark Workmen's Benevolent Fund, £1; Mr S.'s family, per E. A. S., £1 10s; Mrs E., Paisley, 10s; Perth, parcel leaflets; a Friend, Wishaw postmark, £1; W. M. M., Davidson's Mains, £1; made by S.S. teacher, Inch, per Miss S., small dress; G. S., Kilmarnock, £1; A. H. I., Innellan, 5s; J. S., £5; Miss R., 10s; Anon., parcel used clothing and two small dolmans; "A Worm," 10s; Greenock Girls' Missionary Association, per C. A. M., £1; W. R., Belfast, 10s; made by Sabbath Scholars and Friends, parish of Firth, by Kirkwall, Orkney, per Mrs J., 16 articles clothing; "Tis for Jesus' sake," 10s; "Wellwisher," 1 sack flour; J. H. W., Annan, 10s; Free Church Sabbath School, Larkhall, per A. M., 8s; J. T., £2; Cupar Baptist Church S.S., per M. M. R., 10s; "An old Wellwisher," H. C. M., Gourcock, £1; Anon., 10s; Mrs R. C., £1; Mrs P., Motherwell, £1; E. G., "a small thankoffering," £1; "Part of girl's earnings," 2s; M. D. & Co., large quantity stationery, etc., worth £40; J. M'C., with Ps. cxv. 1, 10s; Minister's B.C., Newton Manse, Millerhill, per A. F., 15s 6d; T. T., Helensburgh, £1; E. and J., 10s; "Inasmuch, etc.," £1; found in Boxes City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes during June, £11 7s 1d; Mr and Mrs J. G., Sanquhar, money collected by setting aside 1d. for every measure taken in making clothes, £1; made by children and young people of Durot belonging to Y.W.C.A. and Band of Hope, per Miss A., Ballachulish, 17 articles clothing, scrap album, etc.; young people and friends, do., per do., £2 1s; B. C., Barrowfield F.C., per Mr E., 10s; Perth, parcel leaflets; Miss C. J., Moffat, 13 articles clothing, mat, etc., per Mrs Y., Edinburgh, two dresses; Free West Church, S.S., Stirling, per A. R., 10s 3d; Mrs M., quantity bread; "Alick," £2; Uddingston postmark, 10s; D. M. S., £4; Mrs A. A., for City Home, £50; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; Perth Y.W.C.A., per M. S., 20 articles clothing and two scrap books; Cowairs Co-operative Society, per J. S., 70 straw hats; Miss H., parcel used clothing; per rail, one bag soft sugar; Mr. H., 30 loaves; a Friend, 27 do.; "Of Thine own," £2; "for Fairknowe," 5s.

July 19.—Bluevale Children's Forenoon Church, per Miss J., £1 5s 1d; "A Working Woman," 14 pairs stockings; J. D., 15 articles clothing; Miss H. F., Kilmarnock, parcel clothing; Govan Street Columba Free Church S.S., per M. M., £1 14s 5d; U.P. Church S.S., Stronsay, Orkney, per O. D., 10s; Mr M., Carlisle, £1; St Mark's Foundry Boys' Meeting, per C. P., 4s 6d; Friends of children helped, Newhaven, box of clothing, blankets, etc.; Glentyan I.O.G.T., K11barchan, per M. N., 10s 6d; Mother of boy helped, 7s; T. G., Tain, 5s; Mrs C., Rothienorman, £2; Mrs B., £2; H. & H., 4 dozen loaves; Money belonging to daughter now gone home, per Mrs G., Hawick, to take a girl to Canada, £12; W. S., Troon, 5s; Miss J. A., New Monkland, per do., 1s; a

Friend, 14 loaves and some small bread; M. and A. B., 8 loaves and some small bread; Miss R., Naples, £1; a Friend, 31 loaves; Mr M., Paisley, 5s; Skipness, crate vegetables; Miss M., 10s; Mr G.'s family, Kirkcaldy, per Mrs A., 5s; D. M. P., Melbourne, £2 10s; Mrs M., quantity scones; F. H. M., Hillhead, £1; Anderson U.P. Church Minister's B.C., per G. D. M'C., £1 1s; A. B. C., Strathmiglo, 7s 6d; Employees Phoenix Tube Works, £1; Anon., bundle used clothing; J. M., Dumbarton, 10s; Trinity U.P. Church S.S., Greenock, per W. A. D., 11s 7d; Miss C., Galashiels, £5; Aberdeen Free High Church Mission S.S., per A. S., £1; A. L., Edinburgh, 10s; A. P., 2 parcels periodicals; E. M., 5 articles clothing; a Friend, for a pair of shoes for a little Canadian girl, per J. S. N., 10s; Anon., 1 pair socks; W. and Miss M., 8s; Residue of stock belonging to mother of children helped, per Mrs H., Bangor, 26 articles clothing; a Friend, 56 loaves; Miss H., Langholm, per Mrs M., 5s; Mr and Mrs F. W., 10s; Anon., quantity used clothing, etc.; Hope Park U.P. Church S.S., St Andrews, per J. J. S., 10s; "Family Circle," per Miss M., Wishaw, £3; "Compound Interest," A. S. M., Greenock, 5s 9d; Mrs D., "for the Master's work," 10s; Perth, parcel leaflets; J. L., Hillhead, 4s; Mr M.'s B.C., Paisley, per J. S., 18s 6d; Chalmers F.C. B.C., per N. M., 5s; Mrs K., London, £1; M. R., £10; R. L. A., parcel tracts, etc.; Miss M'C., Ashton, Gourcock, £1; Mrs W., Burghhead, £2; Mrs J. T., 3 pairs socks; "An Old Woman," for the orphans, 5s; Busby, 2 small frames; For Fairknowe, 5s; J. M., Montrose, per J. M'M., 10s; Stirling W. B. and G. R. S., per B. F., £1 11s 6d; Miss M., Lewes, Sussex, £5; D. R. M., £1; Mrs K., Edinburgh, £25; Anon., Kirkintilloch postmark, 5s; M. F., Innellan, £5; Mrs T., Edinburgh, £1; "A Friend in Dumbarton," 10s; H. S., Greenock, 6s; a Visitor from Kilmalcolm, £2; E. and E. B., Bothwell, 5s 5d. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—"A Working Woman," for servants' cottage, 2s 6d; "A Birthday Thankoffering," Mrs F., Argyllshire, to build a home for invalid incurable boys, £2000; Clydebrak Union Church S.S., per J. W., £1; Cambuslang Baptist Church S.S., £2 6s 9d; Lethendy Free Church S.S., Meikleour, Perth, per A. G., 5s 9d.

August 2.—M. J. E. N., Stonehouse, 5s; R. S., Fraserburgh, 4cwt 1qr fish; Anon., 33 articles clothing; Grandmother of Child helped, £1; Mrs M., quantity small bread; W. B., two children's Chapel carts; collected by Mrs R., Stirling, 7s 6d; J. B., Leith, £1 10s; A. M'F., Springburn, 11s; Perth, quantity leaflets; "Christina," Paisley, 10s; Work-party, Newton Manse, Millerhill, Mid-Lothian, per Mrs M., 25 articles clothing; R. N., Edinburgh, for Emigration, £5; Miss B., £1; Misses G., Dunfermline, £1; Mrs M., scones, etc.; D. M., parcel old clothing; "An Helensburgh Friend," 2s; "A Widow's Mite," Huntly, 7 articles clothing; Machine Spoolers' and Winders' Box, Clark & Co.'s, Anchor Mills, Paisley, per D. M'L., £1; J. C., do., 10s; Mrs S., Brighton, £1; Mr and Mrs E., Liverpool £1; J. G., Edinburgh, "Half of weekly penny," 1s 9d; Bishopton, quantity old clothing; Anon., do.; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; "A Friend," Stranraer, per Editor, *Christian Leader*, 12 articles clothing; Mrs H. T., 8 pairs stockings; Calton Parish Church, Y.M.C.A., per J. F., 5s; Friends parcel cast-off clothing, "Margaret, A Servant," Paisley, for Canadian Work, £1; M. C., per Miss F., 10s; A Friend, 80 scones, etc., and 12 loaves; J. A., £1, and remnants dress material, etc.; A Friend, Cambuslang, 5s; Miss K., Tullymet, 1s 6d and few trinkets; A. W., £10; R. S., jr., Dunfermline, piece tabling; Mrs M., quantity small bread; A Friend, do., and 5 loaves; Mrs R., Cricketh, Wales, per W. J., Bangor, 5s; Tennis Club, Bridge-of-Weir, per C. M. B., box of balls; Mrs J. I., Kirkcaldy, £1; Mrs C., Stirling, 2s, and box cast off clothing; A Friend, 17 loaves; J. W., Lochgoilhead, 10s; "Of Thine Own," £2; For Fairknowe, 10s; Miss C. F. M., Urquhart, Elgin, eight articles clothing; A Friend, Bridge-of-Allan, 5s; Mrs M., quantity scones, etc.; J. S., £5; A Friend, 2 dozen loaves, and few rolls; Found in Boxes, City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes during July, £12 19s 6d; "One who desires to leave the world better than he found it," £30; Mr G., Rothienorman, 10s; W. N. B., £5; For Bethesda, 4s; R. & J. G., per Charity Organisation Society, £1 1s; M'C. & Co., Ltd., per do., £2 2s; J. K. & Co., per do., £1 1s; D. F., per W. M'E., £24; Part of a fund in connection with Evangelistic Work, Halbeath, Dunfermline, per R. M., 5s; Mrs D., Helensburgh, 5s; E. A., Kilmarnock, £1; Mrs F., Edinburgh, 10s; A Friend, £1 19s 5d; Pupils and Teachers, Ardrossan Academy, per C. D., 10s 3d; An old home boy, £1 17s 6d; Mrs L., Bridge-of-Weir, 5 cheeses; Helensburgh Working Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per D. D., £5 0s 4d; Mrs A., Lanark, £3 6s 8d; M. A. R., Annan, £1; Mr and Mrs D. G., £5; No. 1 Company Boys' Brigade Bible Class, Dumbarton, per Mr M'F., 6s; "A thank-offering," 10s. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Parish Church S.S., Cullen, per P. H., £1; Erskine Church S.S. and Juvenile Bible Classes, Falkirk, per J. F., £8 7s 10d; Queen Anne Street U.P.M.S.S., Dunfermline, per R. M., £1 13s 6d.

August 16.—W. M'B., Coleford, 2s 6d; J. F. L., Paisley, £1 15s; Sabbath Morning Children's Service, Moray House, Edinburgh, per M. P., £1 17s 6d; "A Thank-offering," J. M., Irvine, £1; do., R. M., do., £1; X. Y., Barrow-in-Furness postmark, £5; W. B., per Mrs D., 5s; a Grateful Girl, 2s 6d; J. W., Killearn, £10; Mrs P., Galashiels, £1 and quantity used clothing and hats; G. & M. P., Dundee, £10s; Perth,



leaflets; Dumbarton Foundry Boys' R. Society, per G. W., £2 9s; D. M. S., for emigration, £4; Mrs R., 5s; A. T., Bridge-of-Weir, quantity strawberries and gooseberries; "A Thankoffering for Deliverance," £1 13s 4d; Collection at Drawing-room Services held by C. de M. and W. H. B., Shandon Hydropathic, per Miss G., £4 10s 7d; "In Memory of a Dear Wife gone Home," G. H., Dunfermline, £5; Miss G. K., 5s; Mrs H., Helensburgh, £5; Mrs M., scones; G. K., Paisley, £1; Mrs D., Dumbarton, £7; G. K. A., 10s; Miss B., Acklington, piece tweed; J. M'F., £2; Anon., Edinburgh, 4s; "Of Thine Own," £2; "For Fairknowe," 5s; Parish Church, Morven, per J. C., £2; Misses B.'s Sewing Class, Horsforth, parcel clothing; A Girl Helped, 4s; Miss A., Crieff, £5; J. T., Alexandria, 5s; Free North S.S., Dumbarton, per Mr F., £1 5s; per Post, £5; J. T., Alexandria, 5s; Miss B., 10s; Miss M., Musselburgh, £3; G. S., £2 2s; Mrs Seaton, 3 remnants cloth; Miss B., 10s; Miss M., Musselburgh, £3; G. S., £2 2s; Mrs R. Hamilton, £3; A. G., South Ronaldshay, Orkney, 10s; W. F., £1; "A Tithe," 5s; Newcastle-on-Tyne postmark, 10s; Miss M'F., £5; "A Thankoffering," Mrs. C., Hamilton, 5s; a Friend, Kintyre, £1; J. J., £1; Miss A., £1; "A Thankoffering, Sarah, a Servant," Greenock, 10s; Mrs W. R., Hamilton, £5; "Two Sisters," E. and J. O., Ayr, 5s; W. S., Bristol, £5; Mornington S.S., Otago, per E. S., £1 19s; Mrs G., Maryport, parcel useful clothing; D. K., Perth, Canada, £1; Mrs M., scones, etc.; A. L. S., Lanark, £1; a Friend, 68 loaves; A. D.'s B.C., Strathaven, £1 3s; "In Memoriam," Dalbeattie, August 11, 1890, 5s; "In Memory of a Loved One Gone Home," Gourcock, 10s; J. G. C., Paisley, for emigration, £2; Balance of Testimonial Tinsmiths' Department, Meadowside Shipbuilding Yard, per J. B., 5s 6d; "Egae," Alexandria, £1; a Friend, Strone, £1; "A Worm," 10s; Grangemouth, parcel used clothing; A. T., Bridge-of-Weir, quantity gooseberries; Kelso, ten articles clothing; Mr B., 24 loaves; Mr M., 16 do.; Anon., 5s; Murray Lane M.S.S., Montrose, per M. W., 10s; Mrs K., Milton-of-Campsie, parcel used clothing; Mrs G., Hawick, two remnants cloth, etc.; T. and J. D., £2 10s; "A Thankoffering," £1 1s; Mrs J. S., Kirkcaldy, nine articles clothing; Mrs M., quantity scones, etc.; a Friend, 30 loaves.

August 30.—Miss R., Tarbolton, £1; Mrs M., Seacombe, 25 articles clothing; I. I. P., £1; a Little Girl, for invalids' home, 10s; a Friend, £4; Mrs M., Bridge-of-Weir, parcel wool, etc.; A. T., Bridge-of-Weir, large quantity gooseberries; Elgin Place Congregational S.S., per F.E., £1 10s; Mrs C., Blythswood, £5; a Friend, 33 loaves; Mrs A., Dundee, £1; A. L., jun., £1; Mr C., 10s; a Friend, 16 loaves; Mr B., 24 loaves; H. S., Hamilton, 10s; Mrs R., Langbank, used clothing, etc.; Miss B., Johnstone, £1; Mrs D., £2; J. K. C., £4; Anon., Govan, £1; D. M'K., Ayr, 7s 6d; several friends, per W. G., 10s; a Friend, 22 loaves; J. F., Greenlaw, £1; W. G. S., Bankfoot, 10s; Miss P., Lanark, £2; M. P., Huntly, 5s; J. M., Johnstone, 8s 3d; Anon., Dundee, £2; collected by a little girl, per Mrs C., Macduff, 5s; G.C.W.A., £1; Mrs P., Helensburgh, 10s; Y.M. and Y.W.C.A., North U.P. Church, Langholm, per J. H., 10s; "Orphans' Friend," Douglas postmark, £5; Mrs M., quantity small bread; "Over and Above," £10; Mrs H., parcel used clothing; Mrs G., Row, fruit, flowers, books, etc., for invalid children, Bethesda; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie's Box," Grangemouth, 10s; Y.M.C.A., Ellon, per J. A. C., 19s; Town Hall S.S., per A. J., £3 2s 11d; A. S., Whiting Bay, 10s; Miss B., £1; Miss M. B. G., per do., 10s; Mr C., Ayr, £1 10s; Mrs L., Bridge-of-Weir, 10s; collected by Mrs S., Coupar-Angus, for Jesus' sake, £1 8s; A. C., £2; Miss M. H., 10s; Anon., parcel used collars; J. S., 10s; W. F., 10s; Mrs I., Greenock, in memory of a dear one gone home, invalid chair for Bethesda; W. E., Annan, £1; St Rollox Gospel Union, per G. M., jr., 5s; Perth, leaflets; Edinburgh, parcel used clothing; Mr H., 29 loaves; "A Memoriam Gift of Baby gone Home," Mr and Mrs J. D., Broughty Ferry, 12s; "a Shore Labourer," Aberdeen, per D. G., 5s; J. P., Airdrie, £1; proceeds of sale of work held by B. and M. S., F. H., and B. T., £6 1s 11d; Miss S., Hamilton, £1; Children in Govan, per Mrs B., 6s; C. and Mrs S. M., Curragh Camp, £5; "Of Thine own," £2; "For Fairknowe," 5s; Friends in Yetholm, per Miss J. T., 9 articles clothing; found money, September 10th, 1888, £20; C. B., Darjeeling, India, £1; L. P., Aberdeen, £1; M. A., Paisley, £10; a Friend, £5; W. B., £2; a Friend, Kilmaccolm, £1; Mrs D., Greenock, 10 pairs stockings; Rait and Kinnaid Y.W.'s C.A., per Miss M. S., Errol, 41 articles clothing; B. K., £5; do., to take a boy to Canada, £10; Mrs M., quantity small bread; John Street U.P. Church M.S.S., per A. C., £1 1s; money intended for debenture stock, £50.

September 13.—Mrs W., Dumbarton, £20; D. S., Edinburgh, 10s; Mrs F., Garnfield, 4 yards print, etc.; C. C., Greenock, quantity sweets; found in Boxes, Bridge-of-Weir and City Homes during August, £12 15s 9d; Friends at Carruth House, Bridge-of-Weir, £1 9s; H. B., Dunfermline, £30; a Friend, £5, being money found 40 years ago; Mrs G., Largs, £5; Mr M'P., 41 loaves; Miss W., Strathaven, parcel periodicals; W. L., 5s; Mrs F. J., London, 10s; R. P., Perth, £25; M. and M. S., Ayr, 5s; Miss H., Murrayfield, £1; J. M., Edinburgh, 5s; Mrs T., Ryde, £5; "In memory of the 2nd Sept.," Mrs M'K., Elderslie, £10; Two Workers, 10s; J. and E., 2s 6d; "In loving memory of a dear son," Mrs T., Broomhouse, 5s; A. H., Crieff, £1; A. and S. W., Aberdeen, 5s; G. F. L., 5s; "For Homes," 2s 6d; M. D., 5s; J. R. A., 2s 6d and 3 volumes "Quiver," D. D. S., £4; Mr S., 10s; "First money earned of a boy helped, given to the Lord," 5s 4d; W. S., "A Thanksgiving offering," £10; W. L., 5s; Miss B.,

Linlithgow, £1 1s; Mrs L., Bournemouth, £25; "In memoriam of a dear little boy now gone home," Mrs H., £1; "A thankoffering," Edinburgh postmark, £1; collected by an invalid, Mrs H., Edinburgh, 10s 6d; R. B., Gourcock, £20; C. and T. H., Edinburgh, £5; Mr P., Bridge-of-Weir, Roast of Beef; a Friend at meeting, £1; Mr H., Bridge-of-Allan, £5; Mrs W., Stirling, £2; Mrs M., £1; collected by Miss D. W., Port-Glasgow, 12s; F.C.S.S., Broughton, per Mr R., 5s; legacy of the late James Struthers Harrow, Edinburgh, per John Harrow, Jun., Edinburgh, £50; found in boxes, and collections at door of meeting on 3rd Sept., £66 2s 10d; Miss B., 6 pairs socks; S. C., Douglas, Isle-of-Man, £1; Miss B.'s B.C., 32 articles clothing, texts, etc.; Mrs M., Kilmarnock, 42 do.; W. K. D., Ayr, 10s; J. S., "a thanksgiving offering," 10s; T. S., Lochee, 12s 6d; Sabbath Class, do., per do., 7s 6d; Glasgow Typographical Society, for emigration, £2 2s; S. M'K., a girl helped, £1; Mrs L., Douglas, Isle-of-Man, £1; M. R., & Co., £1 1s; Miss C. E., Leslie, 5s; Muirkirk postmark, 5s; D. M. S., for emigration, £4; Miss F., parcel used clothing; Mrs D., 5s; "a thanksgiving offering," Miss M'L., a knitting machine; Two Workers, £3; Do., £1; Glasgow postmark, £1; "Mary, Willie, George, and Sarah," Edinburgh, 2s; "A little girl's own money for the wee orphans," per A. M'M., 5s; Mrs M'C., £1 and 16 pairs stockings; C. A. R., £15; "Inasmuch," Cellardyke, £1; J. D., Arbroath, £8; J. S. N., £1 15s; D. H., £1; Miss C. F., Milton of Campsie, 10s; A. M'N., Lochgilphead, "In memory of a dear friend," £5; M. L., Berwick, 5s; "Bertie, Sissie, and Kirkwood," do., per do., 5s; Misses H., Haddington, £3; Miss M'G., Gourcock, 7 pairs socks and stockings; Miss J. L., 3 pairs do.; Miss G., 2 pairs do.; Miss S., Gourcock, 12 pairs do.; Two Friends, Muir of Ord, per Miss B., 10s; Mrs S., 10s; J. J., £5; J. K., 2s; J. and P. E., Irvine, £1; Mrs O. E., Cardross, £5; D. H. J., £5; Ecclefechan Free Ch. S.S., per J. L., £1; Mrs M., quantity small bread; D. C., Montreal, £1; Perth, leaflets; C. A., 10s; W. S., New Monkland, 7s 6d; J. S., Kelso, £1; a Worker, 10s; Mrs K., 10s; Mrs R., Downhill, per Miss K., 10s; Rothesay Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per W. S., £3; W. S., do., £2; Sabbath School Class, Balmuir, per J. M'L., 2s 8d; J. M'L., 15s; "A Worm," 10s; Anon., Biggar postmark, 17s; Mr. A., periodicals; E. L. M., Fort-William, £1; a Friend, 28 loaves; Mr H., corned meat; Mrs B. H., Callander, 46 articles clothing, etc.; Anon., Airdrie postmark, £1 3s; Mrs H., Bangor, £1; Middle Parish S.S. Mission Church, Paisley, per E. H., £1 9s 5d; a Well-wisher, India, 5 rupee note=7s 11d; H. W. H. & Co., Liverpool, per W. H. & Son, Bangor, 5s; A. H., Wolverhampton, per do., 10s; S. O. & Co., London, per do., 10s; J. D., Birmingham, per do., 10s 6d; R. G., Limerick, per do., 5s; Miss F. P., Alloa, 80 pairs stockings, 50 shirts, 50 petticoats; a Friend, 29 loaves; R. M., Ayr, £1; Mrs W., Newcastle, 10s; Mrs H. A., Auldgrith, £3; Mrs M., quantity used clothing; H. K. W., London, £120, donation in advance for 10 years; for "Fairknowe," 5s; "In Memoriam," J. B. M., Perth, 10s; J. G., Langside, £1; J. C., Alexandria, 2s 6d; M. A. B., £1 1s; Mrs M., small bread; Anon., per Rev. A. R. MacEwen, £25; "Found money, 40 years ago," additional, £5.

September 27.—Union F.C. S.S., per T. G., £1 7s 6d; Mrs G., Edinburgh, 2s 6d; J. S., Dunfermline, £15; Miss B., Edinburgh, £2; Miss M'M., do., £2; J. M. K., Ferryden, 5s; Lawn Street Sabbath Morning Church, Paisley, per D. J. M., jun., £1 13s 1d; Stitchell United Sabbath Schools, Kelso, per W. S., 10s; W. C., £1; Grangemouth, quantity used clothing; R. C., Greenock, 25 pairs socks; Mrs P., Strathaven, one cheese; H. R., Dunlop, £2; Mrs R., £1; Proceeds of Sale of Work held by six Little Girls in Rothesay, M. B., M. S., A. and M. M'K., J. and E. S., per W. M'K., £1 3s 1d; Bellahouston Parish S.S., per Mr K., £1 15s; an Anonymous Friend, £1; do., £1 10s; W. B., £2 10s; a Friend, Ayr, per do., 2s; Partick Parish Church Children's Mission, £1 16s; Mrs P., 10s; G. L., £1; Proceeds of two Lectures given in Dunedin, New Zealand, by Professors Black and Gilray, per Rev. Dr Stuart, £35 2s 6d; P. Bros. & Co., Portmadoc, 10s; North Woodside F.C. S.S., per R. C., £5; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; Mrs B., £5; a Friend, 39 loaves; Mrs N., Annan, per Mrs M'F., 10s; J. H., 10s; Miss P., parcel used clothing; a Friend, 14 loaves; Miss D., Fortrose, £5; Mrs M., quantity small bread; Mrs M., Edinburgh, £1; A. & H. M., £1; E. N., Washington, United States, per Miss N., Helensburgh, £2; T. M., £5; "Dalhousie Street," £2; R. S., jun., Dunfermline, 54 table cloths; Miss C., Lothianburn, 4s; a Friend, 10 loaves; Erskine Church Mission Mothers' Meeting, per Miss M'F., £1; J. A., Strathaven, quantity hats, hosiery, etc.; "For the Master," Johnstone postmark, £10; W. L., quantity London News and Graphic; J. T., Kilmaccolm, £12; Mrs J. T., do., £5; A. T. T., do., £3; Miss M'G., Gourcock, 10s; Readers of the *Christian*, per M. & S., £14 19s; Mrs J., Skelmorlie, £1; "A Widow's Mite," Fraserburgh, 1s; T. G. C., "part of pay day from voyage round the world," £5; "Alick," £47 10s; Miss S., 10s; Mrs W., 10s; a Friend, Wishaw postmark, £1; Mrs H., Murrayfield, 12 pairs stockings; "In memory of little Willie's Birthday, 10th Sept.," 10s; J. P., Berwick-on-Tweed, 10s; "a little boy's bank money," do., per do., 4s; Friends, do., 10s; minister's B.C., Calton Parish Church, per T. C., 10s; ten shillings in the £ of legacy of £150 of the late Miss Smith, Helensburgh, per A. & G. Young, writers, Glasgow, £75; do. of £100 for Invalid Children's Home, per do., £50; G. P., 10s; Miss A. G. M., Galashiels, quantity text cards from S.S. scholars; children's meeting

in summer, Portsoy, per J. C. G., £1; pupils of senior classes, New Monkland School, per W. S., 5s; G. M., Wishaw, 55 hats; Willing Helpers' Society, per Miss M. B., Uddington, 6 pairs socks and quantity used clothing; W. Y., jr., Kilmalcolm, £9; a worker, 10s; H. & H., 61 loaves; Mrs B., 10s; Mrs M., scones, etc.; Anon., Ibrox postmark, £1; Friend in Montrose, per Miss H., 5 articles clothing; Miss R., Cupar-Fife, parcel used clothing; Anon., 8 pairs boots; R. S., Fraserburgh, 2 barrels herrings; Bucklyvie postmark, parcel hats, caps, etc.; J. M'M., London, tin boiled mutton; I. K., Tullymet, 3s; Burnbank U.P. Church B.C., per W. S., £1 1s; T. E., Stirling, £2; Mr M., 30 loaves; Miss L., Greenock, £1; a Friend, Ferryden, £2; Llandudno, parcel used clothing; a Friend, 7 loaves and basket rolls; Anon., parcel clothing, etc.; do., hats, etc.; Mrs B., 5s; "Of Thine Own," £2; "For Fairknowe," 5s; Mr W., Dundee, £2; L. B. & Co., per Charity Organisation Society, 10s 6d; Mr D., basket rolls; a Friend, do.; Mrs S., £1; Dalry postmark, £1; Mrs and Miss F., Fulwood, £2; R. N. O., £15; Union Sabbath School, Crieff, per Miss R., 5s; Mr and Mrs C., Bridge-of-Weir, account of £1 cancelled; Mrs M., scones, etc.; Mr D., basket rolls; Misses B., Forbes, 26 hats, 7 articles clothing, remnants, ribbons, etc.; R. D. F., £5. The following has been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—A Nurse, for servants' cottage, 10s.

October 11.—G. D. C., 5s; W. M., £2 10s; W. C., per do., £2 10s; "B," Greenock, £20; Corsock postmark, 3 pairs stockings; "Charlie's Bairn," 3s 6d; T. K., £10; J. S. H., £10; "A Worm," 10s; Mrs G. S., Blantyre, £1; W. L., Portobello, £1; Citadel Children's Church, Leith, per J. M'D., £1; Two Friends, Bridge-of-Allan, parcel used clothing; Anon., gold ring, to be sold; a birthday gift, £1; J. F. & Son, quantity firewood; Two Workers, 10s; R. S., Fraserburgh, £5; Mrs M., quantity used clothing; Miss C. N., Gourcock, £1; Mrs H., Perth, per Miss M., £1; Mrs M., £5; an Invalid, Miss W., Aberdeen, proceeds of work done and sold, £1 10s; Friends, per do., 19s; G. T. R., Instow, North Devon, £5; A. R., Johnstone, 7s 6d; J. S., do., 2s 6d; A. A., do., 2s 6d; A. A. S., do., 2s 6d (above sums from Johnstone were sent by R. A.); J. J., £1; Miss B., Melrose, £1; Mrs G., Forbes, per Miss B., 2s; found in Boxes City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes during September, £9 11s 4½d; per rail, parcel used clothing; "a Birthday Thank-giving," with Ps. xlvii., £2; Miss C., Montrose, 49 articles clothing; "Maggie," Ayr postmark, £1; Mrs G., 2s 6d; Laurieston Parish Church S.S., per Mr C., 10s; W. B. G., £3 3s; a Girl Helped, 4s; J. A., Girvan, £4; W. E., Gorebridge, £9 19s 10d; "In Memoriam, 1st Oct., Stirling," £5; S. H. R. C., per Miss S., Ardrishaig, 10s; G. R., Dunfermline, £20; J. D., Fenwick, 10s; C. L., Perth, £1; D. and Miss O. R., Closeburn, box used clothing; Anon., parcel text books; do., London, some Bible pictures; balance of collections North Woodside F.C. S.S. (£5 before), per R. C., £1 14s 6d; W. B., London, Canada, £8 4s 5d; "Widow's Mite," Airdrie, 5s; E. P. F., 5s and 11 articles clothing; on behalf of children helped, per G. H. B., £5 10s 5d; F. C., 10s; Montrose friends, per Miss F., 39 articles clothing, etc.; W. C., £1 10s; sale of work of two little children, Johnstone, per Mrs W., £1; R. W., Moffat, 2s and box flowers; Eastpark F. C. S.S., per A. W., £1 4s 4½d; A. P., quantity magazines; Hawick Working Boys' and Girls' R. Society, per D. S. F., £2 2s 4d; balance of proceeds of furniture sold and society monies of father of family lately received, £13; East Campbell Street U.P. Church Mission Children's Church, per R. R., £1 5s; Mrs W., 4s; Mr M'D., Rothesay, £1; D. M. S., for emigration, £4; G. B., Haddington, 5s; A. and C. M., St Andrews, £2; "First Fruits," being prize gained on mare and foal, W. J., Bangor, Wales, £1; C. R. M., £1; Saffronhall U.P. Church Bible Class, Hamilton, per W. S., £2; A. M'F., £1 1s; J. M. P., £3; D. H. A., £10; Victoria Road U.P. Church Bible Class, Kirkcaldy, per R. B., 10s; D. S., Rockhampton, Queensland, £2; "A Widow's Mite," £1; Mrs J. H., Fortrose, £1; "A Thank-offering," per Miss S., £2; Cranstonhill U.P. Church Bible Class, per G. G. G., £1; Miss C., 11s; Mrs M., Inveraray, £1; G. M., do., 10s 6d; W. R., do., 2s; C. M. G., do., 3s; Mrs F., do., 2s; A. H., do., 2s 6d; G., do., 2s; Mrs B., do., 1s;—above sums from Inveraray were sent by Mrs M. Left from entertainment at Hengler's Circus, 55 loaves and quantity sandwiches; C. B., Edinburgh, £2 10s; Helensburgh Branch Ministering Children's League, per Mrs S., 26 mufflers, mittens, etc.; Work Meeting, West U.P. Manse, Kirriemuir, per Mrs R., 36 articles clothing; Mrs K., quantity used do.; Wynd F.C. S.S. Society, per R. B., £2 1s 2½d; T. F. M., £28; A. M., £1; Miss I. B., Edinburgh, £3; Kinning Park F.C. S.S. Association, per W. R., £1 10s; "Two Old Friends, a thank-offering for 46 years of happy married life," £1 10s; "For Fairknowe," 5s; G. C., £5; Partick East U.P. Church S.S., per Mr L., 10s; Mrs L., Stirling, 10s; Mrs W. B., Ayr, 1 cwt corn flour and semolina; H. H., Aberdeen, £1; W. F. B., Edinburgh, £5; T. W. W., do., 10s; Misses H., Ednam, £2; Miss H., Melrose, per do., £1; T. M. R., Moffat, 56 lbs. dates; Mrs M., scones; J. M'G., Greenock, 1 barrel paraffin oil; C. S., £1 1s; Mrs M., £3; "Whip Money," 17s 6d; J. & J. B., Croy, 10s; S. G., Dundee, 15s; Anderston F.C. S.S. Society, per T. R., £2 7s 4d; Senior Boys' and Girls' New Monkland School, Ayr, per W. S., 5s; E. and E. B., Bothwell, 2s 6d; "A Well-wisher," being amount saved by travelling third instead of first class, £1 12s 6d; Mrs D., £10 and 8 pairs stockings; Greenhead U.P. Church S.S., per J. F. P., £2; "Mizpah," 10s and three pairs stockings; J. P., £10 and quantity remnants cloth; J. R. A., quantity magazines; Mrs B. and Lady Friend, New-

milns, 14s; Mrs C., £1; N. M'V., Dunoon, £3; Miss A. C., Wick, 5s; Miss W., do., per do., £1; Crieff B. and G. Rel. Society, per J. K., 5s 3½d.

October 25.—A Friend, £5; L. B., Johnstone, "A long wish fulfilled," 7s; Mrs M., scones, etc.; A. B., Dollar, 10 articles of clothing; Children of Y.M.C.A. Sabbath Morning Meeting, Saltcoats, per J. W. Y., 12s 8d; D. P., Glasgow, £5; Mrs S., Kilmarnock, £1; Union Street U.P. Church S.S., Missionary Society Greenock, per A. S., £1 8s 6½d; Mrs T. F. M., Lenzie, quantity useful and fancy articles; Mrs B., 12 pairs stockings; Three Little Girls' Missionary Box, 5s; Belfast postmark, 5s; A. B., Kilmalcolm, kitchen range; Miss M. S., £4; J. S., 10s; Hamilton Branch Y.W.C.A., per Mrs K., 48 articles clothing; J. C., Irvine, 1s 6d; J. H., £2; Mrs J. Johnstone, 2s; "A Worm," 10s; A Friend, Gourcock, 10s; A. C., £2; Part Missionary Collections during year of Children at the Bridge-of-Weir Homes (in all £46 16s 8½d) given to help their poorer brothers and sisters, £4 16s 8½d; Mrs W. M., Wemyss Bay, 10s; Mrs T., Skelmorlie, 2s; A Friend, Portobello postmark, £1; "A Workman's Wife," Oban, £1; Legacy of the late Mr William Weir, per M'Clure, Naismith, Brodie & Co., £100, less duty, £10—£90; J. K., £2; A. J., Kirkcudbright, £1 and quantity of magazines; D. C. H., Belfast, 10s; B. B., £50; Mrs M., scones, etc.; R. S., Fraserburgh, £2; Peter Brough Bequest Fund, per J. G., Paisley, £50; G. F., Greenock, £1; Girls' Sewing Class and few Friends, Cove, per Miss H., 26 articles of clothing; Mr A., Grantown-on-Spey, 5s; J. S., Paisley, £1 and quantity of straw hats; Mrs E., parcel used shirt fronts; A Friend, 9 pairs socks; Lenzie, parcel used clothing; Mrs R., Kilmalcolm, do.; Miss A., Edinburg, £1; Mrs A., do., £2; Mr and Mrs J. S., Helensburgh, £1; Scottish Automatic Supply Co., "being amount recovered from party for sweets surreptitiously taken from machine at Kilmalcolm Station, 5s; Lenzie Parish Church S.S. Association, per Mr D., £1; A Friend, Inverness, per Mrs B., 4s; J. E. R., 5s; Miss K., Gourcock, proceeds from a boat found on shore, 10s; Gryffe Tannery Co., Bridge-of-Weir, per Mr M., quantity bark; M. W. S., Stirling, 13 articles clothing; Mrs B., Milton of Campsie, £5; Once a Sender to your Homes, 5s; Mrs T., Edinburgh, £6; Miss M. C., Troon, quantity hats, children's caps, etc.; Y.W.C.A., Troon, per do., 4 flannelette night dresses; Anonymous, parcel odds and ends; R. A., Portobello, £1; Mrs B., parcel used clothing; A Friend at Meeting, Dunfermline, £1, do., £1; G. R., Edinburgh, £2; Friendly Girls' Sewing Meeting, Windygates, Fife, per Mrs G., 11 pinafores and aprons; Clunie Parochial Board, per W. R., £2 10s; J. B., Arbroath, 6s; Collected at Free South Church Gallowgate Sabbath Evening Meetings, Aberdeen, per A. M., £2; H. & H., 4 dozen loaves; Grandmother of Family, received 6s; Anon., Gourcock, to take a boy to Canada, £10; Mrs S., 10s; A Christian Lady, per J. M'E., Aberdeen, £10; for "Fairknowe," 10s; Mr B., Kilmalcolm, 1 sack oats; J. S., 10s; G. M'D., Edinburgh, £1; Newton-on-Ayr F.C. S.S., per R. S., 11s; Mrs G., Skipness, barrel apples; Mr M., Inverness, £1; Mount Florida U.P. Church S.S. Society, per W. M'L., jun., £2 3s 2½d; J. M., Partickhill, 24 pairs stockings; M. I. Y., Dollar, 6 pairs stockings; Miss S., Bellahouston, £50; S. T. E., London, £100; Anon., per rail, 47 articles clothing; Misses A., Paisley, 5s; M. V. C., Bristol, "An Orphan's Mite," 5s; Mrs J. R., Callander, 54 articles clothing; Forfar Branch Y.W.C.A., per Miss J. A. L., 27 do.; D. M., parcel used do.; A Friend, Kintyre, £1 10s.

October 31.—Misses D., Pitlochry, in Memory of a beloved Sister now gone home, £1; "An Old Disciple," for the Bairnies, 5s; J. C., Fort-William, £60; Miss M., 10s; Bonhill Free Church S.S., per L. C. J., £1; Collection at Children's Service in Parish Church of Hutton and Conie, per Mrs R., Lockerbie, £3; Mrs M., scones, etc.; Anon., Airdrie, £1; Two Workers, £1; Govan Free Church Children's Meeting, per Mr T., £1 5s; "A Thankoffering, 13th October," £5; R. H., 24 loaves; Mrs D., Dumbarston, 11 pairs stockings; A. M. M., two articles clothing; Anonymous, parcel used do.; Balance of Estate of the late Misses Janet and Ann M'Phun., £20 13s 9½d, and some furniture and trust-deed for burial plot; Two Workers, £2; Mr D., 4 loaves and some rolls; A Friend, basket rolls; Mrs B., parcel used clothing; J. T., quantity nuts for Hallowe'en; J. D., three Highland cloaks; Miss M., Alloa, 10s; Anon., Glasgow postmark, £1; C. M'K., 10s; J. M., Paisley, 5s; St. James's Parish Church S.S. Society, per A. A. A., £1 12s; Mr and Mrs J. P. T., Lerwick, Shetland, £1; "For Homes," Dalry postmark, £1; A. T., Bridge-of-Weir, quantity prize books; Rait S.S., per Mrs M. S., 5s 6d; M'K. & G., one firkin herrings; W. S. W., £1; Mrs M'K., £1; J. T., Cockenzie, £1; Mrs K., Milngavie, per Charity Organisation Society, £1 1s; Mr and Mrs D., Auchterarder, "Part of Money of our Baby now gone Home," £1; Mrs G., Wishaw, quantity old books; H. M'C., a barrow cover; J. M., Irvine, £1; R. M., do., £1; J. C. D., Galashiels, £5; found in boxes in City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes, during October, £14 5s 0½d; Mr and Mrs T. C. M'T., 6 articles clothing; A. G. M'T., per do., 1s; Bridge-of-Weir Fishing Club, per J. M., 10s; Mrs M., scones, etc.; Mrs J. S., Kirkcaldy, 10 articles clothing; A. M. G., Edinburgh, box used do.



ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND, DESTITUTE CHILDREN'S EMIGRATION HOMES, AND CITY HOME AND MISSION.  
*Abstract of Income and Expenditure for year ending 31st October, 1890.* G.

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October 31, 1880.						
To Balance on hand and in bank, ..	..	..	..	..	..	£691 2 8
October 31, 1880.						
Donations and Legacies received during the Year,					£58 886	4 10½
" Found in Boxes and Collected at Special Meetings,					159	3 3
" Proceeds of Gifts, Photographs, and Sundry						
Articles, ..	..	..	..	..	304	12 4
" Wages earned by Working Boys, ..	..	..	..	..	668	6 3½
" Interest from Bank, ..	..	..	..	..	4	14 10
					10,013	1 6½

(In addition to above, a sum of \$313.75 has been received in Canada from Children and Friends, and expended upon the Home there.)

£10,634 4 23

\* This balance is just about a fortnight's supply with which to begin the year.

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GLASGOW, 14th November, 1890.—I have audited the Books containing the Intrusions of Mr. Quarrier for the year ending 31st October, 1890, in connection with the Orphan Homes of Scotland, Destitute Children's Emigration Homes, and City Home and Mission, compared the relative Vouchers and his various acknowledgments of donations, etc., and hereby certify that the above is a true abstract thereof; that it is correctly stated and vouched, and closes with a balance in Bank of Four Hundred and Seventy-seven Pounds Nine Shillings and Two pence, and a sum of Six Pounds Seven Shillings and Fourpence Three Farthings in Mr. Quarrier's hands.

JAMES HUTTON, C.A.

ORPHAN COTTAGE HOMES' BUILDING ACCOUNT.

*Abstract of Income and Expenditure for year ending 31st October, 1890.*

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October 31, 1889.				
To Balance on hand and in Bank, ..	..	..	..	£2,742 4 5½
October 31, 1890.				
Donations and Legacies received during the Year, £3,600 1 1½				
„ „ Interest from Bank, ..	..	..	88 10	
				8,068 18 11½
				<hr/> £11,411 8 5¼

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

GLASGOW, 14th November, 1890.—I have audited the Books containing the Intrusions of Mr. Quarrier for the year ending 31st October 1890, and hereby certify that the same are correct, and that the following is a true abstract thereof:—  
 With the Orphan Cottage Homes Building Account, compared the relative Vouchers and his various acknowledgments of donations, &c., and find that the sum of Four thousand Six Hundred and Sixty-nine Pounds above is a true abstract thereof; that it is correctly stated and vouched, and closes with a Balance in Bank of Four thousand Six Hundred and Sixty-nine Pounds.  
 These Shillings and Fourpence, and a sum of Three Pounds Nineteen Shillings and One Penny Farthing in Mr. Quarrier's hands.  
 AMES HUTTON, C.A.

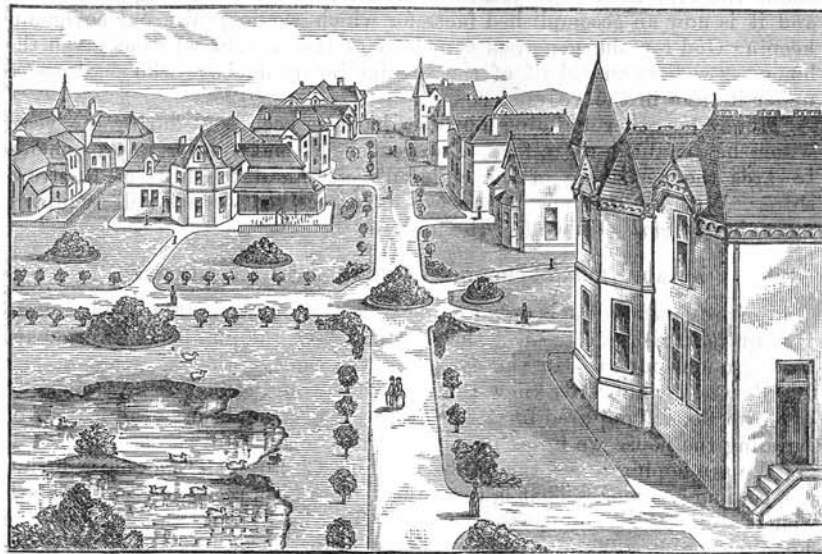
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ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND, BRIDGE-OF-WEIR.

*£15,000 required for additional buildings to enable us to house 1,200 Children.*



View from General Playground, looking up "Hope" Avenue.

Throughout the past year we have been greatly cheered from time to time by the gifts of new houses from friends in different parts of the country. On the 23rd of Dec, we received from an old Glasgow helper a Christmas gift of £1,500, to build a house in memory of a beloved brother and sister gone home, to be called the Lincoln and Garfield Home, and with the request that it should be made to accommodate 40 children, and the promise of £500 more if required to complete it. It is now almost ready for occupation, and we are just in need of it. The next gift of a house is that of the "Michael Rowan Home," which the trustees, out of the residue of his estate, intend building in memory of this dear friend. We received the promise as a New-Year's gift on the 28th of December. The money is not yet in our hands, as an action has been raised by some relative, and the case is now in the Court of Session, the decision of which we are looking for daily to be in our favour.

In April we received a gift of £400 from a friend in Glasgow for the purpose of enlarging our Canadian Home. This work was commenced in the early summer, and is now almost completed. The addition will be a great acquisition in giving us more conveniences, as well as more room for the arrival of large parties on the other side. The building is to cost £800 and the money for its completion has also been sent.

In the beginning of the year we received £1,500 from an unknown friend in Edinburgh to build a house in the national group at Bridge-of-Weir to be called the "Edinburgh Home." It is also nearly finished, and will be ready for opening in a short time, but none too soon as the few vacant places we have are quickly filling up.

Early in May we were much cheered by receiving from a dear Christian friend in Argyleshire the promise of £2,000 to build a home for invalid boys. This sum has since been augmented to £3,000 and the money sent. The building is now well forward and we trust will be ready for occupation about the middle of next year. It is a house we have long prayed for, and it is now an accomplished fact, for which we do praise our covenant-keeping God for the generous sympathy of His servant who has given the home, as well as on behalf of the invalid incurable boys who shall nestle under its roof in the years to come.

Money for other building purposes has also been sent during the year, which has enabled us to form new roads and make other improvements towards the perfecting of the children's city amid the hills of Renfrewshire. With all the new houses we have received we are still requiring more, but *specially* do we feel the need of

#### AN ADDITIONAL SCHOOL TO ACCOMMODATE 500 CHILDREN.

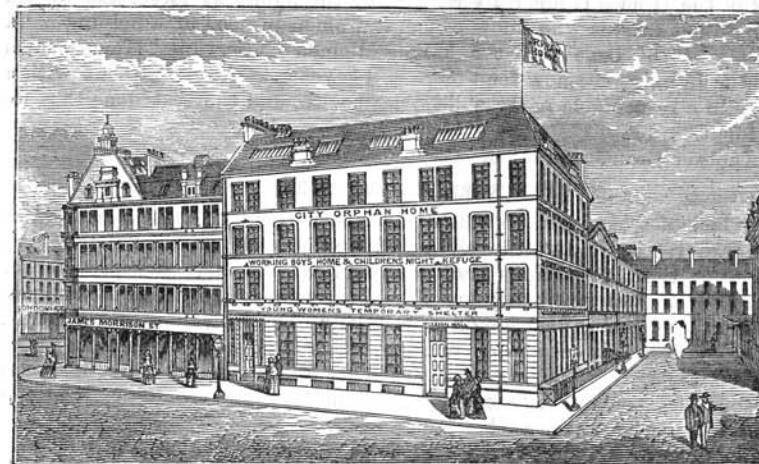
The present building is only capable of schooling from 400 to 500, so that it is quite inadequate to meet the need of 1,200, the number we anticipate having under our care in the Homes. We believe that if some of the Lord's wealthy stewards knew the need they would esteem it a privilege to give the £5,000 required for this purpose. Who shall have the honour of building the house we know not, but we feel sure it will come.

We are hoping to see the Sabbath School Children's Home built during the coming summer. That is to say that from gifts received from Sabbath School children throughout the country—their halfpennies and pennies—we hope to be able to build a cottage in the national group at Bridge-of-Weir. About the half of the amount required has already been sent in the past years, and we expect the sum will be completed in this one. We are sure Sabbath School teachers throughout the land will do all that lies in their power to interest their children on behalf of the little ones under our care, who are placed in less favourable circumstances than they themselves are.

The number of destitute fatherless children who are brought under our notice from day to day shows the great need that exists for the work, and, knowing this, we feel desirous of having accommodation to enable us to house 1,200 children permanently as well as rescue two new cases each day in the year, and not one and a half as at present. Six additional cottages added to the number already in the group would be sufficient, we believe, with the outlet that Canada affords, to provide for the sheltering of the orphan and fatherless children of our country at large who are left without any friends to care for them. With this object in view, we mention the matter, so that friends may pray that the Lord will decide in this as in all other things, so that His name may be glorified in and through all.

Scotland's National Homes are already worthy of the land of the Bible as well as of the generous giving of our country at large, and they stand forth as one of the brightest expressions of human sympathy shown towards the most helpless portion of our community—namely, the needy orphan and fatherless little ones. We take this opportunity of repeating that the Homes are always open to receive fatherless children from 1 year old and upwards who are in need of help, from all parts of the country, without subscriber's line, voting paper, or respect to denomination or class; and we will gladly assist friends with any such cases that may come under their notice if they will communicate with us.

#### CITY HOME REFUGE AND MISSION.



The above building continues to hold a foremost place amongst the charities of the city, and still holds out its hand of help to the needy all around. Not only are its doors open at any hour of the day and night to receive children in need of help, but they are also open to give advice and assistance in every way possible with the means at our disposal and our helpers in the work. From the perusal of the former part of the Narrative our readers will have some idea of the difficulties of the work connected with this house in dealing with the hundreds of sin-tossed, homeless, and perishing ones who come under our notice from day to day. Its usefulness is not only seen in the numbers who have been sheltered under its roof, but in the thousands who have received temporary help in the shape of food, clothing, nights' lodgings, money to pay rent, etc., according to their need. Not only does it afford this help to the city at large, but also to the country as a whole, for from all parts needy ones are sent to it both for advice and help. Within its walls many a wayward boy and girl from different parts of the country, who have run away from home and come to the city, have found a temporary shelter, and from thence been restored to anxious parents. Every child admitted to the Homes at Bridge-of-Weir first passes through this one, and as the whole case of each child received has to be thoroughly investigated, this involves a great amount of labour to our helpers in the Home, who have in addition the management of the house, and the dealing with the working boys and young women in it, most of whom have been unaccustomed to any restraint whatever, and of course like their own way. There are four leading departments of work connected with this building, which we will only briefly touch upon. The first of these we would mention is

#### OUR YOUNG WOMEN OR SERVANTS' HOME,

where any virtuous young women from 14 to 30 years of age, who are out of employment, and are willing to be trained for service, will be taken in and cared for. After trial, and when we think them fit, situations are



found for them. On leaving, a suitable outfit is also provided, thus enabling them to begin life afresh. The importance of this branch of the work of the Homes is not fully realised by the public at large, and we are anxious that friends who know of young women in need of a helping hand should take the benefit of the Young Women or Servants' Home, which has been in existence now for the past 14 years. Any case sent with a line from a respectable party will be dealt with, and the best done that we can for it.

Another Branch is that of

#### THE WORKING BOYS' HOME,

where lads of from 14 to 18 years who are without friends able to keep them are received, and the advantages of a home given to them. We apprentice them to various trades throughout the city, and provide for them in every way until they are able to earn enough to keep themselves, and then they can go into lodgings, or take up house on their own account. We are desirous also that this department of the work should be more widely known, as we believe there are many of the class we name, who, did they but know of its existence, would be only too glad to take advantage of the helping hand it stretches out to such.

The next department is

#### THE CHILDREN'S NIGHT REFUGE,

where at any hour of the day or night we are ready to receive little ones from infancy to 13 years of age who may be found sleeping out or wandering about the streets begging, singing, etc. If friends, instead of giving money to such as these, would bring or send them with some party to us, we would make all inquiry regarding their case and, if found deserving, would keep them. In finding out the true history of some of the children who are brought to us we have often great difficulty, for many of them, though young in years, are old in deceiving. In the past we have been able to help hundreds of these, and many a heart-broken parent has thanked us for restoring to them their erring child. Another important branch connected with the City Home is

#### THE EVANGELISTIC AND MISSION WORK,

which in the past years has been blessed to the salvation of many souls. Situated as we are in a very populous district of the city we seek, by Gospel services, visitation, tract distribution, etc., to influence and bring the Gospel to bear on the non-church-going community around us. Evangelistic Meetings have been conducted in the 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 of last and October of this year, Mr. John Thomson, of Cockenzie, the fisherman evangelist, was with us for two weeks at each time; in the end of January and beginning of February, Gipsy Smith and his wife held a fortnight's services, and in April Mr. Moodie, the soldier evangelist, laboured with us for two weeks, all of which services have been blessed and owned of the Master in the salvation of precious souls. The fact alone that hundreds have received lodgings, food, etc., during the year testifies to the usefulness of this part of the work, for not only has this temporary help been given, but whenever an opportunity was afforded the "good seed of the Kingdom" was sown at the same time, the results of which eternity alone will reveal.

### SUMMARY OF THE YEAR'S WORK.

**CITY ORPHAN HOME.**—On 1st November, 1889, we had 50 boys and 26 girls in the Home, and these numbers have been augmented during the year by 287 boys and 165 girls, thus giving a total of 528 cases, disposed of as follows:—

**BOYS.**—227 were sent to the Cottage Homes, Bridge-of-Weir; 4 went to lodgings; 31 left, etc., 5 were dismissed; 1 died; and 17 were returned to friends in different places;—leaving 52 in the Home.

**GIRLS.**—131 were sent to Cottage Homes, Bridge-of-Weir; 8 were placed in service; 7 were adopted; 6 left; 2 were dismissed; 14 were sent to their relatives in various places, and 23 are still in the Home.

**ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND, BRIDGE-OF-WEIR.**—The year commenced with 614 children; 358 new cases were received from City Home, giving a total of 972 disposed of as follows: Sent to Canada, 249; sent to City Home, 8; to other Institutions, 3; to sea, 4; to service, 1; to work, 1; adopted, 1; died, 8; returned to friends, 59; left, 2;—leaving at present in the Homes, 636.

Thus it will be seen that during the year we have helped 1,142 children; and in the same time 482 homeless, friendless wanderers were provided with a night's shelter in the model lodging-houses, and in many cases with food. The difficulties in dealing with such a large number of applicants tax us and our fellow-helpers to the utmost, but the grace given by our Heavenly Father and the encouraging sympathy of our numerous givers enable us, though often cast down, to go on, from day to day, in the work of rescuing the perishing and caring for the dying. Through the kindness of friends, 38 lines for Infirmarys and 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 in our own halls, and thousands of tracts have been distributed and many visits paid to the poor of the district by our missionary and voluntary 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 4,000 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, and the City Home Refuge and Mission, including £658 6s. 3½d. earned by working boys, £10,013 1s. 6¾d.; and for Orphan Homes of Scotland Building Fund, £8,668 18s. 11½d.—the total amount for all purposes being £18,682 0s. 6¼d., 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 that those who know the need will sympathise with us in it, and do all in their power to help. At present, for our large family of 800 our expenses for maintenance amount to £30 a day, or about £1,000

a month; but as new members are being constantly added, the needs are daily increasing.

We are looking to the Lord for money to build an additional schoolroom to accommodate 500 children, and for this purpose £5,000 will be required. We are also desirous of having more cottages to house the needy little ones, for all of which we look to the Lord whose are the silver and the gold. We will also require £2,500 for the passages and outfits of the 250 children we hope to send to Canada in the coming year, so that our wants are great. For the large family now in the Homes, and for those 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. Our needs are great, but 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.

Consecrated men and women to act as fathers and mothers will be required; also teachers and other additional workers; 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 Sabbath-school superintendents, teachers, and scholars; to ladies who have made up garments for our little ones; to the accountant who audits the books; 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. In reviewing the past, so full of the goodness and mercy of our Heavenly Father, we can truly say, "Thou crownest the year with Thy goodness." To Him be all the praise. 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."

As some friends have been enquiring why Mr. Alexander Allan and Mr. Richard Hunter have resigned their Trusteeship of the property of the Orphan Homes and advertised themselves out we think it right to mention the matter here. The only reason known to me is, that they having appealed to the public and commenced a work among sailors' orphans, which was being overtaken already through other agencies as well as our own, I suggested that they should retire from the old before beginning a new work which seemed to me to overlap those at present in existence working for the same end. *They did so.* The following are now the Trustees of the property:—A. Cameron Corbett, Esq., M.P.; J. H. N. Graham, Esq.; Alex. Thomson, Esq.; Provost Binnie, Gourcock; Dr. Charles Cameron, M.P.; W. A. Campbell, Esq.; Thos. Glen Coats, Esq., Paisley; A. P. Forrester Paton, Esq., Alloa; Robert A. Bryden, Esq.; William Quarrier.

### In Memoriam.

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

Baillie Coats of Paisley and Dunoon, who passed away on the 4th Nov. at the ripe age of 92, was a personal friend who from the beginning of the work gave us his sympathy and help. He was a man who said little, but did much to advance the Saviour's Kingdom on the earth.

On the 6th Nov. Mr. Thomas Kirkpatrick, of Berkeley Terrace, was called to his rest and reward. His practical help to the Homes and kindly words of sympathy were often a source of encouragement to us in the early stages of the work, and though dead he yet speaketh.

Another aged helper, Councillor Crichton of Edinburgh, passed away on Dec. 1st. He in later years frequently sent for the needs of the little ones under our care, and has also left a fifth part of the residue of his estate for the good of the Homes, and which falls to be paid four years after his death.

On the 17th of Dec. Mr. John Scott of Tolleross was called home. Though weak in body he was active in mind, and for many years took a deep interest in the work in our hands, as well as in all that pertained to the progress of the Redeemer's Kingdom.

Mrs. Margaret Donald of Kilmarnock, who died on the last day of 1889, although personally unknown to us, was interested in the Homes, and in her will remembered them by a legacy of £50.

Mr. Samuel Cupples, of Stirling (and latterly of Plymouth), who died on the 14th of January, was a frequent giver to the work, and remembered us also in his will by a legacy of £25.

On the 19th January Miss Christina Carmichael, of Alloa, after many years of suffering, fell asleep in Jesus. She took a lively interest in all that pertained to the Lord's work in our hands, and well do we remember the sweet communion we had together regarding the matters of the King when we last visited her. Now she is free from all pain, and her eyes have seen the King in His beauty.

Another kind helper, Miss A. M. Carnegy, of Edinburgh, was called to rest on the 28th of January. For many years past she, along with her sister, had great joy in ministering to the work among the little ones both by word and deed. She now rests from her labours, and her works do follow her.

Mr. John Roxburgh, of Lynedoch Crescent, who died on the 2nd of February, was one whose repeated fellowship with us in the work was a source of encouragement from time to time. Although a sum of £10,000 was left by him for Glasgow Charities, and £2,000 of it to be disbursed by his Trustees as they saw best, the Orphan Homes of Scotland have been overlooked by them.

On February 9th an old giver in Ayr, Mr. James M'Naughton, was called away. For many years past he has ministered to the needs of our large family, and now at the age of 84 he has been gathered home to his rest and reward.

Mrs. M'Farlane, of Campbelltown, who entered on the rest above on the 13th of February, was another aged helper, who from the first of the work cheered and strengthened our hearts many a time by her gifts and prayers. Of her it may truly be said, "She hath done what she could."

Mr. James Hunter, who died on January 3, and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hunter in February, were kind helpers to the work from the first, and manifested their interest by gifts and deeds. Through a long life of usefulness Mr. and Mrs. Hunter sought to advance the Lord's work, and in this their son followed his parents' worthy example. Mr. William Hunter also remembered the Homes in his will by leaving a legacy of £200.

Miss Edgar of Largs, and latterly of Edinburgh, was a fellow-helper whose self-sacrificing efforts on behalf of the Homes often cheered and strengthened us. She laboured hard to interest friends in the Largs district, and when she removed to Edinburgh was equally zealous in seeking to forward the work. Though suffering much in body, she was fresh and active in mind, and ever sought to honour the Lord with the means and strength entrusted to her.



Mr. James Miller, of Prestwick, who was called home on the 30th March, was a kind friend, and one whose sympathy with all God's work was constant and loving. He too rests from his labours, and his works do follow him.

Mr. Thomas Shanks of Johnstone, called home in the beginning of June, was (along with his wife, who died two years before) a kind helper and friend. From year to year he remembered the Homes by gifts sent, and when meeting him occasionally from time to time he always spoke kindly of the work.

Mr. David Paton of Alloa, who entered on the rest above on 13th July, was another faithful friend and sympathiser in the work under our care. A man of God greatly beloved, zealous for the Master's kingdom, unostentatious in his princely giving, we should like to call him the grand example of our Scottish Church in giving and living for God in time. He laid up his treasures in heaven before he reached the place. His hearty sympathy with us from first to last was a great source of encouragement to us in our work for the children. His memory is indeed blessed and he will long be remembered by what he has done.

Mr. James Struthers Harrow, of Edinburgh, called home at the age of 25, was much interested in the work, and on his deathbed expressed a wish that a sum of £50—part of his own savings—should be given to us for the Homes. This his brother did on our "Thanksgiving Day," 3rd Sept.

On the 22nd Sept. Mr. David Tennant Sloan fell asleep in Jesus at the age of 45. To this dear friend and helper were appointed wearisome days and nights, but in the midst of these there was a joy and sunshine in his life that only fellowship with God can bring. His labours for the Master by prayer, gifts, and thoughtful sympathy were manifold, and it was a great joy to us to know that while we were thinking of him he was praying for us and the work, with a constancy which marked the sympathy of his love for Christ's little ones.

Mr. John Hart, who passed away on the 13th of Oct., was one of our oldest friends and helpers in the work. His practical sympathy from the time we became acquainted with him was constant and generous, and his words of cheer when we were passing through trials from priests and others were most encouraging. He was a practical business man, and sympathetic as a Christian, and though now gone from our midst, the thought of his kindness and devotion to the Master's cause still remain with us.

Mrs. Dr. Anderson of Edinburgh (formerly of Glasgow), a kind helper from the first of the work, passed away to the heavenly home just as she was about to enter her 90th year. We shall miss her kind, practical sympathy.

Mrs. Russell of Bridge-of-Allan, who entered into rest in October, was much interested in the Homes, and helped us by her prayers, work, and gifts.

Mrs. George Honeyman, of Dunfermline, called home during the year, was also a kind helper and friend. Though an invalid for years she was able to minister in many ways to the Lord's work, and by her patience amid suffering and loving thoughtfulness for others glorified the Master while here below, and now she rests with Him above.

Mr. James Mackay of Edinburgh was a kind friend and sympathiser with us, and sent frequent gifts for many years. He has also remembered us in his will, by a legacy of £200, payable on the death of his sister.

Mr. James Kirkland, Lenzie; Mrs. Stewart, Kingussie; Mrs. Thomas Ramsay, Maybole; Miss Jessie Douglas, Pitlochry; Mrs. Aitken, Dunoon; Miss M'Phun, and Mr. James Shearer, Glasgow; Mrs. Jas. Adam, Edinburgh; Mrs. William Barty, Meikleour; and Mr. Hugh Rose of the Homes, Bridge-of-Weir who have been gathered home during the year were also among our fellow-helpers in the work. We shall miss the kind practical sympathy of these dear friends, but our loss is their gain. They were faithful to the Master in their day and generation, and now they enjoy that eternal fellowship and rest which all who labour for Him do enter into.

Among such a large circle of friends there are very probably many others of whose departure we have not heard. Our prayer is that all the relatives and friends may be comforted by Him who is a "very present help in trouble," and may they and we be followers of them who, through faith and patience are now inheriting the promises.

## CONCLUSION.

We cannot close the records of the nineteenth year of our trust in the Lord for all the needs of the Homes, and the twenty-sixth of blessed service for the Master among poor children, without feeling truly grateful to our Heavenly Father, as well as to His children throughout the country for the great things He has enabled us to do for Him. The national character of the work is seen from the numbers of applications from all parts of the country which we receive from day to day asking us to help needy little ones, and also from the fact that all over the land the Lord's children are led to minister to the Homes by prayer, gifts, and loving service. We often wonder, however, why it is that there are so many in different places throughout Scotland who have never heard of the work. This may arise from the fact that we do not send out circulars or reports broadcast over the land to interest the community, nor do we send out our children to sing or give entertainments for the purpose of raising money, but simply depend on God to influence His servants' hearts as He sees best for His own glory, as well as for the good of the children. £3,000 to build the Invalid Boys' Home (our "Elim"), so long wished and prayed for, has been sent during the past year, also £1,500 for the Edinburgh Home, long desired too; and we are now looking for Dundee, Perth, Stirling, Dunfermline, and other cities and large towns of our country to send the remaining Houses still required to complete the group of Homes at Bridge-of-Weir. We are very thankful to God that our beloved Scotland has now got Homes worthy of the "Land of the Bible," but are desirous that they should be made more so in the years to come. We are longing for the time when every destitute orphan child of our land shall be housed, fed, and kept through the generous bounty of the Lord's children; and by this means the pauperism of our country would be lessened and the need for the poorhouse largely done away with. We are in much need of

## AN ADDITIONAL SCHOOL BUILDING,

capable of holding 500 children, and for this purpose £5,000 will be required. Are there not many of the Lord's stewards who would esteem it a privilege to do this piece of work for the Master, and thereby leave a lasting memorial of their generous sympathy for the little orphan and fatherless children of our land, as well as indicate their obedience to Him who has said, "Freely ye have received, freely give?" Whether this much-needed building will be given by one or many we know not, but we believe it will come. The need of it is really pressing, and we desire to leave it in the hands of our Heavenly Father to guide His stewards as to what they should do. During the coming year about £30 a day or £1,000 a month will be needed for the daily maintenance of our large family; £2,500 for the emigration expenses of the 250 children we intend sending to Canada; suitable fathers, mothers, and teachers; as well as wisdom, grace, and strength for the carrying on of the work, will also be required, all of which needs we desire to roll over upon the Lord, asking you, our fellow-labourers, to pray for us that our faith fail not; and may we be enabled more than ever, in the coming year, both as givers and workers, to glorify the Lord Christ, whose we are and whom we seek to serve.

The long list of dear friends in our Memoriam Column indicates anew that this world is not our home, but that we are journeying to the land which the Lord hath promised to give to all who are redeemed through the

blood of the Lamb. May we be faithful ministers of His as well as faithful stewards of "the manifold grace of God," and whether we labour by prayer, gifts, or work, may we ever be constrained to do so by the love of the Lord Jesus who though He was rich, yet for our sakes became poor that we through His poverty might be made rich. We close with the sad yet too true words of Mrs. Browning:—

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

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 of Scotland, Glasgow and Bridge-of-Weir, the sum of £ : : to be paid out of such part of my personal estate as shall be legally applicable thereto; and to be applied by the said WILLIAM QUARRIER, or such other director or directors, for the purpose of such Orphan Homes; and his or their receipt shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors."

To prevent mistakes and delay, all letters relating to the Homes should be addressed to me, at the 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, 32 Union 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 a post-card is sent from any part of the city, a messenger will call for parcels.

All donors, whose names and addresses we have, will receive the Annual Report, and if additional copies are desired we will be glad to forward them.

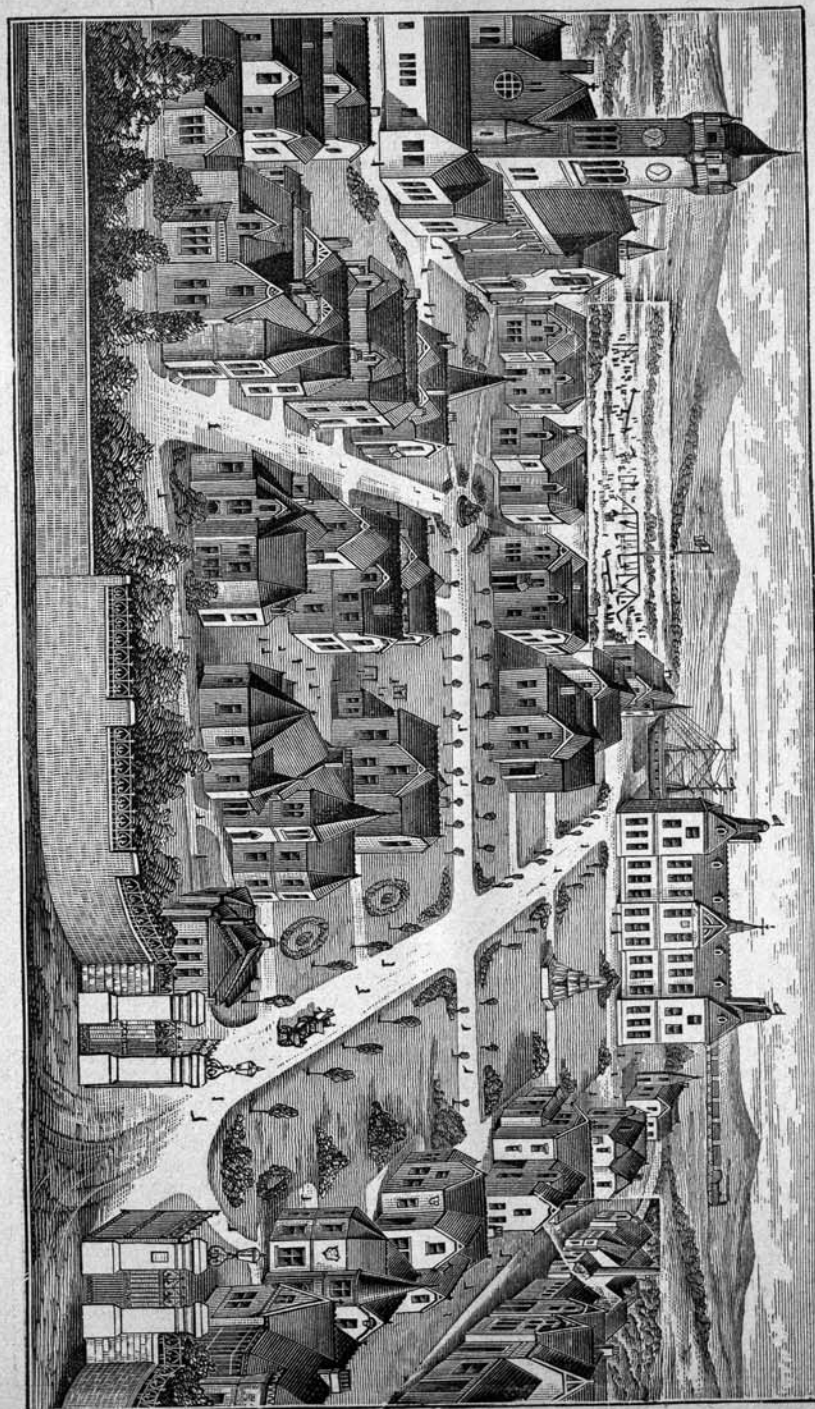
Friends sending Money can have it placed to whatever part of the work they name, either to the General Fund—which includes the keep of the Orphans at the Cottage Homes, Bridge-of-Weir—to the City Home Refuge and Mission Work, or to the Orphan Homes' Building Fund. If left to my discretion, it will be 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 by initials 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.

WILLIAM QUARRIER.

CITY HOME, 13 JAMES MORRISON STREET,  
GLASGOW, 1st November, 1890.

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GENERAL VIEW OF HOMES.



ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND FOR DESTITUTE CHILDREN, BRIDGE-OF-WEIR, RENFREWSHIRE.  
There are 36 Buildings connected with the work, which have cost over £100,000. We hope to add 8 more to the number as the Lord sends the money.



## CLASSES OF CHILDREN ADMITTED INTO THE HOMES.

ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND, BRIDGE-OF-WEIR, RENFREWSHIRE, for orphan boys and girls deprived of both parents, children of widows, or others with no relative able or willing to keep 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 REFUGE, JAMES MORRISON STREET.—Children found begging, sleeping out, or destitute, from 2 to 13 years; working boys who have no home, from 14 to 18 years; and virtuous young women out of work and with no one to care for them, from 14 to 30 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 daily (except Sabbath), and visitors to them will be shewn round by our Mr. Patterson, Central Building, at the hours of 11 A.M., 1 and 3 P.M. From one to two hours is required to see the leading parts of interest.

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 or Mr. Christison, carriage hirers, who will convey friends to and from the Homes,\* waiting an hour there, for 3s. for one or three persons, and 1s. for each additional passenger.

\* The Homes are two miles from the Station.

## THE ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND

Now comprise the following 36 Buildings.

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| 1. "CENTRAL BUILDING," in which are Hall, School-rooms, accommodation for Teachers, etc. | 17. "Mitchell Home."                           | 29. "Ferguslie Offices," comprising Laundry, Workshops, etc.       |
| 2. "Broadfield Home."  | 18. "Allan Dick Home."                         | 30. "Stores," including Stable, Coachhouse, Byre, Greenhouse, etc. |
| 3. "Glasgow Home."   | 19. "Somerville Home."                         | 31. "Church and Class Rooms."                                      |
| 4. "Dalry Home."   | 20. "Ashgrove Home."                           | 32. "Gatehouse."   |
| 5. "Dumbartonshire."   | 21. "Kintyre Home."                            | 33. "Gardener's House and Poultry Farm."                           |
| 6. "Ebenezer Home."  | 22. "Marshall, Bridgeton, Dalmarnock Home."    | 34. "Homelea."   |
| 7. "Washington Home."  | 23. "Lincoln and Garfield Home."               | 35. "City Orphan Home," James Morrison St., Glasgow.               |
| 8. "Aberdeen Home."  | 24. "Edinburgh Home."                          | 36. "Canadian Distributing Home," Brockville, Ont.                 |
| 9. "Greenock Home."  | 25. "Michael Rowan Home" (to build).           |  |
| 10. "Anderston Home."  | 26. "Bethesda," for Invalid (Incurable) Girls. |  |
| 11. "Paisley Home."  | 27. "Elim," for Invalid (Incurable) Boys.      |  |
| 12. "Cessnock Home."   | 28. "James Arthur," training ship on land.     |  |
| 13. "Mizpah Home."   |  |  |
| 14. "Leven Home."  |  |  |
| 15. "Overtoun Home."   |  |  |
| 16. "Montrose Home."   |  |  |