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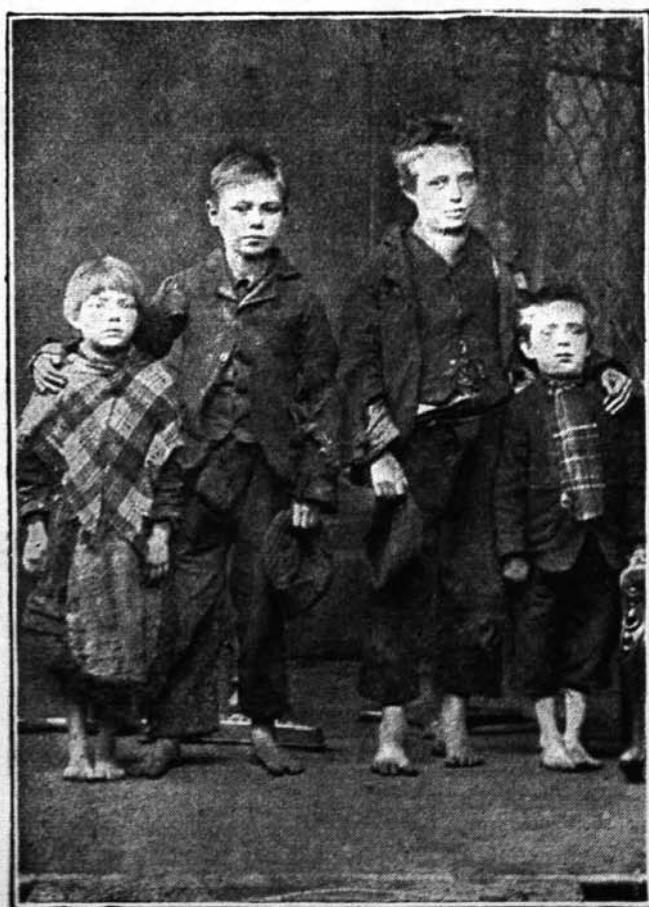
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### NARRATIVE OF FACTS, 1892.

DEAR FELLOW-HELPERS,—Another year, the twenty-first of our trust in the Lord for all the needs of the Homes, and the twenty-eighth of our work among poor children, has just closed, and we are once more called upon to review the way by which we have come, and to record some of the things the Lord has permitted us as labourers together with Him to accomplish, and also to see wherein our hopes at the beginning of the year have been realised. In looking back over the past twelve months we can truly say that not one thing hath failed of all the Lord caused us to hope for, all has been made good, and the language of our hearts is, "Bless the Lord, oh my soul, and all that is within me bless His holy name!" There has been an increase for maintenance in the general fund of the Homes, which has amounted this year to £12,577 8s. 7d., and our gifts in clothing, kind, etc., have also been larger. We have received for building purposes £4,275 13s. 7d., making in all a total of £16,853 2s. 2d. The money for building is much less than the amount sent last year, still we have not needed more or we should have got it. We have been busy throughout the course of the past months in putting into stone and lime what we received last year, and now at the close, we have well-nigh spent the great sum given, and are looking for more to build the houses still required, as well as make more perfect what is already begun. A greater number of children have also been rescued, 561 new cases having been admitted, which, added to the 817 we commenced the year with, make a total of 1,378 who have passed through the Homes during the twelve months. Those received vary in ages from 8 months to 22 years, and they have come from all over Scotland, thus showing the national character of the work; and the gifts have also been sent from nearly every part of the country, and have come with such regularity too, that it is indeed marvellous in our own eyes, and many a time we can but say, "What hath God wrought?" We know no class distinction and have not any sectarian principles in the receiving of children, and no subscriber's line or voting paper is required. Each case is considered on its own merits, and no destitute, fatherless, or orphan child is refused.

In addition to the children dealt with in the Homes, 669 homeless, friendless wanderers have been provided with a night's shelter in the model lodging houses, and in many cases with food, lines for Infirmaries and Convalescent Homes have been given to the sick and delicate, besides thousands of other needy ones helped with advice, etc. That the Lord has given us the privilege through your gifts and prayers of rescuing and succouring so many is a matter of constant thanksgiving to Him, who hath indeed done great things for us, and who worketh in us both to will and to do of His good pleasure.

The Lord has also added His blessing to the work, in giving spiritual life to not a few among the hundreds who have been in the Homes during



the year. While caring for the children temporally we make it a matter of first importance to keep constantly before us the spiritual interests of every one we come in contact with, and in the past we have had many tokens of the Holy Spirit's presence and working among us, and we look and long for still greater things. There have been many trials intermingled with the blessings throughout the year, and not the least of these has been the number of deaths among the children in the Homes. Most of them were delicate when received, some with the seeds of consumption sown, and others diseased and, humanly speaking, incurable. They were sent to us to be nursed and cared for, as it were, for a little while, and it has been our blessed privilege to do this, and so in some measure relieve their sufferings and pain, and tell them of the loving Saviour who has said, "Of such is the kingdom of Heaven." The trials by the way have made the promises of God a greater reality to us, and we believe if the path had been easier we should not have realised the fulfilment of them as we have done day by day, week by week, and month by month.

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 here 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 to 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 always been the case. For the first eighteen of the twenty-eight years I have been engaged in succouring orphan and destitute children I tried also to carry on my own business, so as to support my wife and family. Ten years ago, however, 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 of the Homes, my wife and family assisting me. Since then our Heavenly Father has sent, year by year, through His stewards, gifts to a special fund (wholly apart from any of the funds sent in for 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. As indicating how the Lord has answered prayer during the year in supplying our every need, we give the following details of our experience from day to day in receiving money, taking in children, and other matters, trusting that the Master will use them for the strengthening of the faith of His children, and praying that in and through all He may be glorified.

**Nov. 2.**—Yesterday (Sabbath) we entered on a New Year of the Homes, the twenty-first of our trust in the Lord for the supply of all need, and the twenty-eighth of work among poor children. "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us," and "I will go in the strength of the Lord God" is the language of our hearts and lips as we view the past and think of the future. Had three profitable gatherings among our large family at Bridge-of-Weir, and we trust the blessing then received may be but the earnest of the coming days. This afternoon a great many needy ones were dealt

with at the City Home, and we had the privilege of receiving nine children and helping and advising others. Those admitted are, three boys and a girl of one family—oldest, aged 12, youngest 4, one of them not strong, having had spine disease, whose father, a labourer, paralysed and unable for work for five years, died of consumption about two years ago. The poor widowed mother has struggled hard to make ends meet for herself and six children, but has given way in the fight with poverty and disease, and is now dying. The little baby of about 18 months and older girl we will take after the mother's death. Three boys of 14, 11, and 6, whose mother died of consumption two years ago, and the father, a police constable, after three years' illness, succumbed to same trouble last week; an orphan girl of 11 and lad of 16, whose case was brought before us by Prison-Aid Mission, make up the number added to our family to-day. We commence the year with a little over a fortnight's provision on hand, and on this, the first day, £35 19s. 6d., from various quarters, have reached us with kind words of cheer, encouraging us to go forward, feeling sure that, as in the past, the Lord shall supply all our need in the coming days.

**Nov. 4.**—We were much cheered yesterday by receiving £100 from an aged friend in Aberdeen, who wishes to be his own executor; and from other sources, £51 7s. 5d., and £9 for personal needs have come these two days; also a quantity of clothing made by "Willing Helpers' Society," "Time and Talents" members and other friends; a barrel of paraffin oil and some bread, etc. Among the sums received, £1 came from Dumbarton as the first gift of a Sabbath School teacher and her class, "wishing it were multiplied a thousand times"; £17 15s. from one of His stewards, who says, "This is our stock-taking day, and I wish to send the above in *faith*, that results will be satisfactory"; 10s. from Y.W.C.A., Freuchie; £1 "as a reminder of a pleasant visit to the Homes three years ago; 3s. from three children, Dundee; and £6 4s. 5d. from Sabbath Schools in Cambuslang and Glasgow. Letters from Duns, Berwick-on-Tweed, and Greenock, have come asking us to help children, one about a very sad case of a family once in a comfortable, happy home, but now brought down almost to starvation through drink; another of a boy of 10, convicted of petty theft, and his mother, a servant, is most anxious he should be put under restraint; and other two little ones of 3 and 6, recently bereft of both father and mother, and for whom there is no suitable home. It is a great joy to us to stretch out a helping hand to such as these from day to day, and we praise God for the practical sympathy of His children throughout the country, which enables us to do so.

**Nov. 6.**—One of our sailor lads left us for sea to-day after being well trained on board our *James Arthur*. He goes forth accompanied by many good wishes and will be followed by much prayer. Took in two little girls from Kelso yesterday, who have been kept by their grandparents for some time, but they are old and not fit to take charge of the children, who have been sadly neglected. A girl of 15 from Ayr, desirous of being trained as a domestic servant, was taken into our Young Women's Home to-day, and other needy cases dealt with. £2 from an aged donor, Lanark, "praying that the Lord may abundantly bless you in your good work, and give you much encouragement and an abundant blessing on your own soul"; £10 from Edinburgh; £1 from Y.M.C.A., Perth; £6 6s. 6d. subscribed by some employees on the G. & S.W. Railway, on behalf of

fellow-workman's children we received from Ayr; £2 from St. Andrews; £1 from Melrose; and £1 8s. 4d. from other quarters are our supplies for the two days.

**Nov. 10.**—5s., a small account received that had been given up as lost, and 10s. from a Glasgow friend are our only gifts to-day. Yesterday we received £27 15s. 6d., some clothing, magazines, and a quantity of calico, a most useful gift; and a boy of 11, the child of God-fearing parents now both deceased, was added to our family.

**Nov. 12.**—A young friend in sending 10s. as a birthday gift writes, "If little Jamie, the invalid boy you told me about in your letter last year, is still in your Hospital, will you please spend 2s. 6d. of the 10s. in something he would like and tell him it is a birthday present, and that I like to hear how good and patient he is. If that cannot be, then please just add the 2s. 6d. to the other money to be spent for your sick or crippled children." Dear little Jamie who suffered long and patiently was taken home to the Father's house above in February last, and our ministry for him is ended. Other little sufferers in our Bethesda will be gladdened through the gift of this young friend. £100, an increased subscription towards our Building Fund from a Glasgow donor; £1 from Fraserburgh; £2 from Melrose, £1 of it for our own needs; 5s. 6d., "baby's firstfruits;" £1 2s. from Sabbath school in Crossford; 5s. from "Inasmuch," Edinburgh, half of it for personal use; £2 from another friend there, and £1 from Glasgow, have also come and greatly cheered us in the increasing work.

**Nov. 16.**—One of our number, dear Annie Baird, fell asleep in Jesus to-night. She was sent out to Canada in 1884, but not being at all strong for one or two years past, the friends on the other side thought a change home might do her good, and so she came in charge of some one in July last. She did not rally much, and for a few weeks past has been very ill. Although suffering a good deal she was very patient and happy, and so pleased to go and be with the Saviour she had learned to love. When Mrs. Quarrier saw her during the day Annie said, "Jesus is coming for me now; there will be no weakness or pain there, no thirst or hunger." On being asked if she had any word to send to Canada, she said, "Tell them I am happy, happy, happy." She tried to sing "Jesus, lover of my soul," but her strength failed her. When Mrs. Quarrier said we were sorry to part with her, she replied, "Don't be sorry, I'll meet you up there." The words being repeated. "Jesus is mine," Annie answered, "And I am His." Now she is safely gathered home to go no more out, and we pray that the bright testimony she has left may be the means of leading others to the Saviour. While this dear one has been taken to the family above to-day, seven new members have been added to the one here—a boy of 10 from Coatbridge, left three weeks ago by his mother, who is given to drink; a young woman of 17 in need of a helping hand; and five of one family, eldest 14, youngest 4 years, whose mother is dead and their father, an invalid, is quite unable to keep them. From Aberdeen, Grangemouth, Laurencekirk, Forfar, Fraserburgh, Paisley, Greenock, and Glasgow, we have received £16, a quantity of clothing, and some fowls, accompanied by kind words of encouragement, which have cheered and strengthened us amid the day's trials.

**Nov. 18.**—Our Twentieth Annual Meeting was held in the Christian

Institute this afternoon at two o'clock. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather there was quite a good gathering of friends, and we had much to cheer and encourage us in going forth, in this new year, the majority of the work of the Homes. A band of children from the Bridge-of-Weir Homes was present, and they sang and gave recitations during the course of the meeting, and samples of work done by our family, and produce raised by them, were exhibited. In the evening the children had a special tea, after which we held a gathering in the church, when the young folks entertained us with native talent for about two hours. Prizes for the best kept gardens and grounds were then disbursed, and we closed with united family worship, glad and thankful in heart for all the goodness and mercy of the day. A number of gifts, in all £34 3s., have come, among which are £10 from a wellwisher, Taynult; £2, "a token of gratitude from a grateful mother;" £5 for expenses of children going to Annual Meeting; £6 5s. from anonymous friends; and £2 from an uncle, very grateful for help given to three little ones. The following letter from one of our married girls in Canada came to hand yesterday. The husband is also one of our boys.

DEAR FRIEND,—I now sit down to write a few lines to let you know that we are well, hoping this may find you all enjoying the same blessing. We are in the same place yet. I have written to Mrs. Burges and received a letter from her to-day. She sent Garnet a little book, and it told all about your Thanksgiving Day. I read it all through as quick as I got it. I would like to have been with you. We have another little boy. His age is 6 months old. His name is Louie Canfield; and Garnet Garfield is quite a big boy. I would like to see you all very much. I remember the good times I used to have at Elmpark. Garnet is 3 years old this month, and every night when he goes to bed he always kneels down to say his prayer; he is a dear, good boy, and he minds right to the very word. He will stay in and take care of the baby. He just loves Louie, and he is not a bit selfish, like some children. When you come out be sure and come to see us. I bought a little bank for Garnet, and put that quarter in it you gave him, and now he has got about 60 cents. saved up. I am as happy as can be. Archie is just as good to me as he can be. I thank the Lord for giving me such a good husband. We want to bring up our boys to be good Christians. Pray for us that we may be able to follow in the Saviour's footsteps, and set a good example for them. We received a Christmas letter, and thank you very much. I guess I will close my letter now, as I have nothing more to say at present, but hope you will get this, and write soon, so kind love to all.—Yours truly,

A. and A. W.

**Nov. 21.**—A friend, who desires to remain unknown, in sending £100 says, "It is most gratifying to read the report in yesterday's paper and to know that God is supplying you so abundantly with the ways and means. With your ever-increasing numbers, I daresay you will not be in a position to say that your coffers are overflowing, but I have no doubt your heart is overflowing in love and gratitude to the great Giver." This gift is most cheering and acceptable at the present time, and we bless God for it, another token to us of His loving interest in the work, which, from the first day until now, He has abundantly blessed and never suffered us to lack any needed thing. Truly we may say with the psalmist, that our cup runneth over with His goodness and mercy. A number of other sums, in all £33 5s., from friends known and unknown, old and young, in different parts, have also come to-day. May the Lord, who seeth in secret, and does not forget the least service rendered "toward His name," bless and reward each one who has thus ministered to His little ones.

**Nov. 25.**—Yesterday a friend in Greenock sending 15s. from a Mission Sabbath School there, writes:—

MY DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I regret it isn't more I am sending, but will you



please accept the enclosed small donations from our poor wee bairns for your larger family? and while we cannot send you more just now, we join our prayers that our One Father will meet your every need as heretofore. In your own soul may you be richly blest, so that at all times you may "let all your wants lie upon Him."

An aged donor in Crieff sends £2 1s. and says, "With heartfelt gratitude to God I look up, who is supplying your wants abundantly; it is all His own;" another friend in Dundee £20, "with best wishes and most earnest prayers;" and others in Kirkcaldy, Edinburgh, Helensburgh, and Bridge-of-Weir, £7 5s. To-day our hearts have been gladdened by a gift of £150 from an old donor, and a number of smaller sums from others, among which £1 for children's New Year's treat reminds us of the fleetness of time and that another year will soon be at its close. Kind words of cheer sent with gifts from time to time do much to stimulate us in the work of the Lord. A frequent helper in Edinburgh writes:—

DEAR BROTHER,—Many thanks for your very interesting Report, which reminds me at once of duty, privilege, and pleasure. Kindly accept the enclosed £2; and may the Lord still bless you more and more in caring for His little ones.

Another in Glasgow says:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Enclosed please find 40s. from our mantel-shelf box, with £3 added from myself, to help forward your good and noble work. Please retain 20s. for your own use, and apply the balance as you may deem best. Many thanks for last year's Report. It is a magnificent testimony to the value of your work in behalf of the orphan and destitute children of our city and country. That God may continue to smile upon and bless your labours, granting you ever-increasing joy and comfort in carrying on the good work in which you have been so long engaged, is my earnest prayer.

And one in Dundee writes:—

DEAR SIR,—Your "Narrative of Facts" duly received. Many thanks. Was glad to hear that the Lord has again fulfilled His precious promise in supplying all your need during the past weeks and months of another year. I send herewith postal order for the sum of one pound sterling, which, I trust, you will receive all right. It is not very much, but you have got it with all my heart. May the Lord bless you. "Keep believing."

Three little boys of 9, 6, and 4 were taken in to-day, also a young woman of 22, whose parents are dead, and she has no friend able to give her a helping hand in getting work. The father of the boys received was a stationmaster, and died two years ago leaving a widow and nine children, and there are no relatives able to help her. Four barrels of apples and three of herring sent to-day were also most acceptable gifts for our large family.

Nov. 28.—"A wellwisher, from the banks of the Doon," sends £10; "a servant," 2s. 6d.; and other friends, £6 12s.—10s. of it with the following letter:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Many thanks for the Report of your work. I rejoice with you at the tokens of God's blessing on your work for Him amongst the little ones in the large sums sent in, and especially in the spiritual blessing amongst the children. I have not communicated with you for a long time, and in the interval I have been called upon to pass through deep sorrow, bereavement, and loss of worldly means, but, amidst all the darkness, I have been enabled to say, "He hath done all things well," and to rest on the word. "What I do thou knowest not now, but thou shalt know hereafter." You know the blessedness of trusting Him. May He ever keep you expecting great things of Him. There is no chance of disappointment to those who look to Him alone. "Open thy mouth wide and I will fill it." My little girl (who, I do believe, has given her heart to Jesus), is much interested in your bairns, and desired me to send 1s. from herself to help with the Christmas or New-Year's treat at Bridge-of-Weir. I enclose 10s.—2s. 6d. for your own use, and the rest for emigration. With earnest wishes for the Lord's presence and blessing to be with you and all your helpers and family.

"Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous but grievous, nevertheless, afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness to them that are exercised thereby," and we pray that this dear friend may ever realise the sustaining presence of Him Who is the same yesterday, to-day, and for ever, and Who has said, "When thou passest through the waters I will be with thee, and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee; when thou walkest through the fire thou shalt not be burned, neither shall the flame kindle upon thee."

Dec. 1.—During the past month thirty-one children were added to our number, and to hundreds of other needy ones help was given in the way of advice, lodgings, relief, etc. After paying all debts, we begin this new month with about three weeks' provision on hand, and we feel that in our experience the Lord has done exceeding abundantly above all we asked or thought. To His name be all the glory. An old donor in Cupar-Fife writes:—

DEAR SIR,—With pleasure I enclose postal order for 12s. 6d. (being 10s. from one friend and 2s. 6d. from another) towards your good work. May the Lord bless you more and more, and make you a blessing greater than ever. Thanks for the Report sent, another proof that "they shall not be ashamed that wait for Thee." Sent also by parcel post to-day two pairs socks and two pairs stockings. With best wishes.

A friend in Helensburgh sends £1, and says, "I am much interested from time to time to see how well you are supported, and trust God will bless you in the future as in the past, and spare you long to carry on His work." Another in Uddingston writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I have much pleasure in enclosing my subscription of £1 towards your work at Bridge-of-Weir. I was very much interested in reading the Report you sent. Now that you are entering upon your twenty-first year of labour, I pray that even greater blessing may attend the enterprise, and that very many may be rescued from the streets and made useful and Christian members of society under your guidance. With best wishes.

One in Kirkmuirhill asks to send reports to some friends, and encloses £1, "a mite for the Master's work, in which may He long spare you and bless you abundantly;" another in Greenock sends £10, "with every prayer for your work among the young;" a friend, poor in this world's goods, but rich in faith, sends 10s. as a thankoffering for restoration to health, with Joshua i. 5, 6; a superintendent of a Sabbath School, 20s. from the scholars, praying "that the Lord may strengthen and encourage you in your noble work in caring for His little ones;" a friend in the North, 3s. 6d., from a little class of young people held in her farm-house; and two fellow-helpers in Glasgow sending 10s.—half for our own needs—say, "We need not tell you your work and your family are often remembered by us and laid before the Lord that He may give you help, wisdom, patience, etc., for your daily cares." Cheering words such as these, sent with gifts from day to day, encourage us to go forward in the work of the Lord and to fight the good fight of faith, believing that we will be made more than conquerors through Him who loves us.

Dec. 5.—Many cases of needy ones have been brought under our notice these few days past. A friend at a distance writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I am again about to trespass on your kindness to ask another favour of you. The urgency and need of the case is my only apology. It is to ask if you will take a little girl, about 11 years of age, into your Homes. She is growing up in a very wretched home, under bad influences. Is a bright girl, but has not a chance at present to grow up anything like a good woman. Her mother was left a widow about two and a-half years ago; married a little more than a year ago

to a sailor who has been away for a long time, and left her with six children, and scarcely enough to keep them from starving. The mother drinks and altogether the home is about as wretched a one as could be imagined. Could you find a place for this little girl? Her mother is quite willing to part with her.

A widow of a business gentleman in Glasgow once in comfortable circumstances, now left unprovided for with five children, eldest only 9 years of age and youngest  $3\frac{1}{2}$ , writes asking our help and advice. We hope to receive some of her little ones and so enable her to make a way through the difficulties and adverse circumstances in which she is placed. We have taken in ten children this week from Glasgow, Paisley, Carlisle, and Clachan, Argyllshire, each with his or her own sad tale of sin, want, and suffering. To have such as these little ones rescued is part of the result of God's blessing on the united labours of our fellow-helpers throughout the country, co-workers in the Homes, and ourselves, all combining to meet the needs and fulfil the words, "Leave thy fatherless children, I will preserve them alive." Our hearts have been much touched by gifts received these few days past, and anew we praise our Heavenly Father for the loving self-denying sympathy of so many of His children towards the work under our care. Among those sent are £1 6s. 8d. belonging to a little one taken home; a china tea set, dishes, etc., as a thankoffering from Airdrie; 5s. 3d. from one who says:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—It is just a week to-night since my beloved mother went to "the Eden above." I opened up the box in which she used to collect money for work such as yours, and herewith send you 5s. 3d. Seeing mother die has made death an easy thing for me. It was like a translation. Thanks be to God who giveth us the victory—

a pair of gold studs, to be sold, from two friends in Dunoon; 20s. and a number of books from a suffering Christian, who says, "Accept the little expression of my continued sympathy with your work, owned of God and man. This is all that remains to me, but prayer follows them and follows you;" a useful lot of scarfs and other articles from an invalid friend, who writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Accept of thanks for so kindly sending me your Annual Report. It is most deeply interesting in every respect. The Lord manifests Himself to be in your midst blessing your wondrous labours, and proving that the silver and the gold are His; giving and sustaining you with His own divine wisdom, and also giving you to see how abundantly He answers your prayers. Often do I think of you and dear Mrs. Quarrier. I only wish during the year about to close that I could have done some little work, but I have been quite an invalid for many months under constant medical treatment, and the only thing I could do was knitting, so I send you a few of the cravats for the boys, and hope, if spared and able to use my needle, that I may yet do some little work. Our friends are being gathered to the home above. Your obituary numbers many dear ones. Earnestly desiring that the Lord may sustain your precious health—

£2 7s. 6d, £1 of it for personal use, from two sisters in Bo'ness, with the words:—

"Whatever, Lord, we lend to Thee,  
Repaid a thousandfold will be;  
Then gladly will we give to Thee,  
Giver of all"—

£1 from an old donor, who says:—

MY DEAR SIR—I enclose my usual subscription, £1. Since I sent my last I met with an accident which rendered me so far helpless. I thought I must send you less this time, but I could not do it, so must pinch a little in some other quarter. May the Lord give you an increased blessing with increased work, and may you and your helpers be filled with the Spirit, so that your witness-bearing for Christ may draw the young people to Him also—

£5, £1 of it for our own needs, from an aged helper in Aberdeen, with the encouraging text, "The Lord shall command the blessing upon thee in thy storehouses and in all that thou settest thine hand unto"; 10s. from two friends there also, "Praying that you may be long spared to carry on your work, and that you may be increasingly blessed in it"; £10 from an Helensburgh donor with the words, "The earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof"; £1 "in remembrance of our dear mother," and 5s., a thankoffering from Coatbridge. One of our boys among the larger family in Canada sends us the following letter:—

DEAR FRIEND,—It seems to be a long time since I heard from you, but I hope this will be the means of bringing me some of your good news soon. I always like to read your letters, because you always send me such nice encouraging letters. Well, I do wish that Mr. Frank could come and visit me now, because I would have more time to entertain him than when he was here before. Please let me know when he is coming out again, or which one of you will be out next spring. If you are coming, I wonder if you can come and see me. I always like to see and speak with anyone from home. Well, I think that this last summer has been the best I ever saw. I had an enjoyable time, and saw a great many things that I had never heard of before. I and a friend of mine made a trip to Niagara Falls, and took in all the sights, among which were the burning springs, the whirlpool, where you see the water all running together and forming a circle, which takes everything down with it. We saw the Maid of the Mist and the Indian Muses. We then got on our rubber suits, went down the elevator, and followed the guide, who led us through the tunnel to the opening, where we put out our heads and got a shower bath on the face. Well, I never felt so refreshed in all my life. I never had such a nice time before. After we saw all that we had time to see, we took our cab and went back to Suspension Bridge, where we took in all we could see there. Then we went to the hotel, and stayed over night, enjoying the privilege of having a rest after the day's excitement. We got up next morning and took the train for Swinston, where we left the train and got on the steamer *Chicora*, which took us to Toronto, where we got on to the boat. I have been passing up and down the beautiful river St. Lawrence, and through the Rapids, and among the Thousand Islands, which are noted for their beauty. Well, I think that I have told you enough about my rambles, and now I will tell you what I have been doing since. I played for two weeks, then I started for school, and was only in two days when a gentleman friend of mine wanted me to come and work in his store. I stayed there for five weeks, and then the other clerk, who had been sick, came back, and I returned to school, where I am getting along favourably well. My aim is to get an education, because I feel that I don't know half enough yet, and whether I ever will know anything or not I don't know. I try to please God in all I do, and ask Him to help me in all my undertakings. I am getting along splendidly now, and expect to get along by His help. Please write soon. I will draw this letter to a close, while I remain very truly yours,  
T. G.

Dec. 9.—A gift of £250 from friends in Alloa greatly cheered us to-day, and leads us anew to thank God and take courage. £100 of it is to give our large family their annual New Year's treat, and we are thus freed from any anxiety as to the money needed for that special purpose. "Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation." £18 18s. 6d. and some clothing from other friends, and £2 10s. for our own needs, have also come, and nine children have been taken in. As our children increase, so do the means required to keep them, but we are never suffered to lack any needful thing, for which we praise our covenant-keeping God. A friend in the South of Scotland writes regarding a little boy and girl of 3 and 5:—

DEAR SIR,—I hope you will pardon me troubling you again about these poor little children. Their aunt has lived in my services for more than twelve years, and I am so sorry and concerned about them. She and her mother took them on their parents' deaths to keep them from their father's relations, who are much given to drink, and most unfit to have the care of children. The aunt has used all her savings in doing this. It was her one desire to keep them from such an upbringing.



Now her mother is dead, and they have lost their home with her, and it will be indeed the greatest possible blessing for them if you will admit them to your happy, good Homes—

and another in Glasgow about a boy of 12, who is getting quite beyond control. The mother, a hard-working woman, is virtually a widow, as her husband, a sailor, having gone to sea immediately after their marriage, has not been seen or heard of since, and she is greatly concerned about her boy. Other cases of needy ones in Alloa and North Shields have also been brought before our notice, and so from many quarters the cry for help keeps coming from day to day.

**Dec. 14.**—From Aberdeen, Greenock, Dundee, Grangemouth, Ayr, Dumbreck, Edinburgh, Motherwell, Kilmarnock, and Glasgow, £24 18s. 7½d. have been sent in, also a quantity of temperance literature and six pairs stockings, and among other gifts received these two days past—in all, £96 1s. 9d.—2s. 6d., “a little black girl’s own pennies,” specially touched our hearts, as also a scrap-book for our invalids, made by a little cripple boy in Thornhill, “who thinks of the sick children.” One of our girls, sent out to Canada in 1885, writes:—

MY DEAR, GOOD, AND LOVING FRIEND, MR. QUARRIER,—You will think me long in writing to you, but it is not that I had forgotten you; but better late than never. I often think of you all, and I often think of the orphans in Scotland. I hope that this letter will find you all quite well, as I am glad to tell you I am well just now. I did have a very bad cold, but it is all better now. I have got a very nice home, and the people I am living with are so very good and kind to me, and I am doing all I can for them. I have been out here in Canada over six years, and the longer I stay the better I like it. We have a great lot of fruit in summer. I have got quite a few homes for our boys and girls, and the last I heard they were all doing well. I left my other place because the work was a little too hard for me. I was with that lady three years, and I was with her sister two years. It was just like home to me. That lady sent me a very nice letter, and I wrote her one. I think I will close now. Good-bye. Love to all, from your loving friend, N. T.

**Dec. 17.**—Far off, and nearer at hand, the Lord’s children are led to minister to the needs of the little ones under our care. A new donor in Kentucky, in sending £3 1s. 6d., writes:—

MY DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—While visiting at Bridge-of-Weir last summer I became deeply interested in the “Orphan Homes of Scotland.” While going over the Homes the Lord sent me a very special spiritual blessing, for, as I looked at them, I realised, as never before, what a kind loving Father I have, and how He never—no, never—forsakes those who put their trust in Him. The day spent there is one of the bright days in my life, and in memory of it I wish to make this small contribution to the Homes, to be used in any way you think best. I should like to know that you get it safely. May our Father continue to bless you and those connected with you in the great work for Christ, is the wish and prayer of your American friend,  
“IN HIS NAME.”

A special gift of £200, from another new donor, was most cheering to-day, as also were many other gifts from various quarters these few days past. The Lord is sending abundant supplies, and amid all the difficulties and trials of the way He is encouraging and strengthening us by the practical sympathy and prayers of His children. Among the gifts received are two sacks of oatmeal from a friend in Ayr; £2 to help in buying toys for the Christmas trees; a quantity of preserves; 2s. 6d. from “wee David on his third birthday,” and £1 5s. from his father and mother; 3s. from a “Christian pointsman,” Motherwell; eight knitted articles, done by four little girls in their spare minutes; 12s. 6d. from three aged sisters; £1 from “Santa Claus to buy meal for the bairns;” 10s., “a token of gratitude from a girl helped;” a quantity of clothing and twenty-four dressed dolls

from two Glasgow friends; a Christmas box of sweets from a little girl in Motherwell for the wee invalids in Bethesda; several parcels of clothing from other friends; and two pieces of dress material and £2 10s. from Darvel—10s. of it for personal needs, and 5s. from “Wee Maggie and Jessie” to help in the Christmas treat for the street children, with the following words of cheer:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—We received Annual Report, and a feeling of thankfulness rises within us while we think of the privilege we enjoy of helping, though only in a little way, in such a noble and Christlike work. I can think of you sometimes just a little anxious with such a big charge, but carry it ever to Jesus and He will help you through, and even now the words come floating to the mind which you can make your own.

“The Lord of us hath mindful been, and He will bless us still.”

I feel it on my heart to tell you that in my Band of Hope and Sabbath School work this winter I feel an earnestness among the children, and I am hopeful that some good work may be done for eternity. I trust you may be experiencing the same, and that the Master is near you and working among the bairns, loving and blessing them now even as He did in the days of old.

Many of our children on the other side are now married, and comfortably settled in homes of their own, and it is a real joy to us to still receive letters from them. The following is from one of our girls, the eldest of three sisters sent out in 1879. The youngest stays with her, and the other is married and happily settled also:—

DEAR FRIENDS, MR. AND MRS. QUARRIER,—It is with pleasure I write you now. I cannot say who wrote last, but it does not matter, as we wish to write to you especially at this season of the year, and, as we have our family photograph, we thought you would be pleased to have it. You will see that the youngest is very sleepy, and when we were taken we had hard work to keep her awake. You will also see that Maudie is quite a girl now. Bella is still with us and is quite well. We are very glad to hear from you at any time, and no doubt you hear often from Lizzie, now Mrs. J. She is doing very nicely, and seems very well contented in her new home. We hear from them quite often. I do not know as to whether we wrote you since we received the very useful as well as nice present for our little Eva. They are so comfortable for her now. She is so pleased that it would do you good to see her with them on. We both join in thanking you, as well as our friends, Mr. and Mrs. Burges, for the same. We are working up quite a business; I think I am in a fair way to success. We are doing our best to make a start. I have also a band to teach, which all helps us. We are having a very mild winter, very much like the Old Country winters. We have no snow yet, which is very uncommon at this season of the year, and very little frost as yet, but we may have lots of both frost and snow before Christmas. Now, as we think we have said about all for this time, we will close by saying that we send you by this mail a family photograph, and hope it may reach you safe; and we all join in wishing you a very merry and happy Christmas and New Year, so with love to you and all enquiring friends, we remain, as ever, your true friends,  
E. and M. B.

**Dec. 22.**—The continued help and interest of old and tried friends, who regularly from time to time remember our needs, is a great source of strength to us in our daily work for the Master. One in Stirling sends £40, an increased gift at this time; an aged helper in Cambuslang, £4; one in Alloa, “who though confined to bed remembers you and your large family, and asks for the Master’s blessing on your work,” £1, and remnant flannel; another in Greenock, £5, and £1 for New Year’s treat; and a frequent helper in Glasgow, £10, to help to meet extra claims at the present time. Among other gifts received yesterday and to-day were 10s. from Larkhall “in memory of a dear little lamb gone to his Father’s home above;” 2s. 6d. and 10s. from two servants; £2 2s. from Fairlie, 2s. of it from “Granny,” an aged saint now nearing the journey’s end; a large quantity of booklets and Christmas cards from two

friends in Alloa, one to be given to each child in the Homes; one hundred Christmas articles, scarfs, work baskets, dolls, etc., from a kind helper in Lenzie; a parcel of clothing from Perth, "with Lillie's love for the little orphans;" £2, "a small family donation" from Addiewell; 10s. for Christmas treat, 10s. for our own use, and parcel clothing, quilts, etc., from a Glasgow friend; 10s. from teachers and pupils in school near Airdrie; and £9 0s. 5d. from Sabbath Schools and Classes in different parts of the country.

**Dec. 25.**—On this, Christmas Day, we have received forty-seven different gifts of money, clothing, toys, books, bread, sweets, etc., many of them from little ones throughout our land who in the midst of their own happiness remember the needs of others not so highly favoured as they are. God bless the children! We are sure their Christmas will be all the brighter and happier for the joy and gladness they have brought to other little ones. From a "little 5-year-old boy who wants his savings sent to help the little boys who have no father and mother," came 5s.; "Willie" sends his shilling instead of buying sweets; "Effie and Mary," 5s., "their pennies for little girls;" "Maggie and Annie," the latter a sweet child about 3½ years who has since gone home, 5s., for little boys; and another Annie, 5s.; "Gertrude, Margaret, and Muriel," £1, a year's saved pennies to buy some nice things for Christmas; a 2-year-old bairnie, 2s. 6d.; "Lily and David," two scrap-books, done in their spare time; other two friends, four more; "Robert, Marion, John, and Francis," 10s.; a few hand spoolers, Paisley, £1 5s.; "Katie, Nora, and Willie," a ham; a grateful invalid mother, whose two children we received some time ago, 8s. collected from friends; "John and Jane," 5s.; Sabbath School children, 8s. 6d. as a Christmas offering; and Y.W.C.A., Longforgan, Ladies' Sewing Society, Stewarton, and other friends, a large quantity of clothing, toys, sweets, etc. The following letter from one of our sailor boys reached us yesterday from Peru:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I write this letter to let you know that we have arrived in a place called Arica after a passage of seventy-six days. It is just about the size of the Homes. We are the only sailing vessel here. We are lying about half a mile out at sea. The climate is very warm here. There are very high mountains here, with no grass or trees. We had head winds nearly all the time, and when we got near Arica we had very light winds in the daytime and calms at night. It was so calm that we had to kedge our way in. I am glad to say that I received your letter in Newcastle. I received one from Mr. Aikenhead as we arrived here. I hope you and Mrs. Quarrier and all your family are still keeping well, and all the rest in the Homes, as I am still keeping well myself, and liking the seafaring life. I am glad to hear that you have sent so many boys to sea, and getting on so well with the Homes. There will be a chance for some more boys when we get home. Donald's time will be out. He is still keeping well. When we were about sixty-four days out from Newcastle, on Sunday morning, 1st Nov., we picked up a boat with eleven hands—the skipper, four apprentices, steward, boatswain, two A.B. and two O.S.—belonging to a ship called the *Corinthian*, of Liverpool, homeward bound from Iquique with a cargo of saltpetre, which caught fire on Oct. the 24th, and sank. We would have run them down only for the man on the look out shouting out for to keep her away. He saw them striking matches. They were riding to a sea-anchor, because there was a heavy sea on. We were under topsails, because we had a gale of wind the day before, and it carried away the fore upper topsail and mizzen topmast staysail. There was another boat with sixteen hands in it. They were trying to make for an island about a thousand miles away. The skipper said they would never reach it; they had not enough water. When they went to the pump for water they found the pipes had melted, and they had to take what was in the galley. They were in the boat eight days and had only one teaspoonful of water and a biscuit a day. Some were drinking linseed oil, and some keeping their mouths wet with salt water. Their boat was very leaky, and it took six hands to bale her out. They said

it could not last another day, for the sea was breaking it up. Their feet and hands were very sore, but most of them are better. I think they are going to be sent home in a steamer. We have not heard anything of the other boat. I do not know our next port yet, and I do not expect to be home for about seven or eight months.—I remain, yours faithfully,  
A. P.

**Dec. 31.**—Again we are brought to the last day of another year of time. On looking back over the past days and months, and viewing the way by which we have been brought, our hearts are full of praise for all the loving kindness and tender mercy of the Lord. There have been many changes, trials, and difficulties in the work during the year, but through all, the Lord has been our strong tower, and we can truly say we have lacked no good thing. Hundreds of gifts from old and young, rich and poor, have been sent these few days past, and the language of our hearts is, "Bless the Lord, O my soul! and all that is within me bless His holy name." One of our rescued boys, now married and settled in Glasgow, sends us 10s., and says:—

DEAR SIR,—Will you kindly accept this small donation to assist the work among the orphans, which has been so great a blessing to me in the past? I am very thankful for the many lessons learned while under your care in the Homes. Hoping I shall be able to assist more in the future.

A friend in Bo'ness sends 4s. 9d. from German sailors, some cuffs, etc., from "a young helper, little Nelly," and 1s. from another; an invalid, Edinburgh, 1s. 6d., and some scrap-books; a friend, who has been sorely tried, a parcel of clothing; a widowed mother of two boys we received lately from Bathgate, 6s. and the following letter:—

DEAR SIR,—I write a few lines to simply say I send you post-office order for 6s., because, if I don't do it now, my two oldest sons, who are tailors, will be thrown idle at the New Year, as the work is scarce after that for about two months, so I had as well do it now. It is not much in comparison to the sums you are accustomed to get, but, owing to long sickness, I cannot do more at present, as I have been ill this six weeks, and had a deal to do. If spared, will send a little now and again as God prospers us. I had a nice letter from George yesterday, also a note in his letter from his guardian saying they were both doing well, and George was a general favourite, and had been converted, which I was delighted to hear. We have a family of eight, and six have decided for Christ; so I have faith the other two, by God's grace, will follow.

£2 came from a friend in New Zealand, who says, "Ever since you sent me your Yearly Report, the Lord has laid your work on my heart, and it is my daily prayer that the dear Lord would bless you in gathering in the lambs to His fold, and that a rich blessing may attend all your efforts." It is our earnest desire that the dear children under our care may be early led to know and love the Saviour, and throughout the past year we believe many of them have been brought out of darkness into light. Oh, that in the coming year, showers of blessing may be poured out in our midst! "Three little lads" send 5s., their odd pennies saved for the poor boys; a nurse, £5 10s.—30s. of it for our own use—from the nursery, and 5s. 6½d. got in little bank, and some toys of wee boy taken home; "Chrissy and Reginald," 10s., contents of their money boxes; "Elsie and Annie," 10s., "wishing the dear orphans a very happy Christmas;" "four little J's," £7; a little boy of 9, 3s., "to help to make a good plum-pudding;" many offerings from Sabbath Schools; £200 from an old donor—half of it to provide the New Year's annual treat for our larger family of the streets; £6—£1 of it for personal use—collected by a friend in Rothesay, who yearly helps in this way, and a quantity of clothing, toys, etc., from other kind helpers. Our hearts are full of gratitude and rejoicing for all these and many other tokens of loving interest received from friends known and



unknown throughout the country and world, and we praise God on their behalf. The work accomplished in the past leads us to see how much more needs to be done, and stimulates us to go forward with increased energy to do still greater things in the time to come, depending on Him Who hitherto has led, and Who worketh in us "both to will and to do of His good pleasure."

**Jan. 1, 1892.**—Another New Year's Day! How very much we have to praise the Lord for in the abundant provision received, a measure of health and strength bestowed in this trying season when there is so much trouble around, and many, many other mercies. The Lord hath indeed done great things for us whereof we are glad. Our first gift received this morning was 10s, "three little boys' saved pennies to help the poor wee boys and girls," and among many others sent with kind



CHRISTMAS TREES AND BOAT.

words of sympathy, £1 from two old helpers with the following encouraging letter greatly cheered us in going forth to the work of this untied year:—

DEAR MR. AND MRS. QUARRIER.—Accept our thanks for the copy of your "Narrative" of last year's work. We note its increase and can only say, "If God be for us, who can be against us?"

"As round about Jerusalem the mountains stand alway,  
The Lord His folk doth compass so, from henceforth and for aye."

We trust that you are both keeping well, and that you may experience at this festive season much joy and gladness. I enclose our mite toward the carrying on of your great work. Ezek. xxxvi. 11, "I will do better unto you than at your beginnings."

A most enjoyable time was spent from morn till eve among our large family at Bridge-of-Weir, those from the City Home joining us there. The day was dry and bracing, and altogether was one of the happiest we have spent in all our twenty-eight years' work among the little ones. In

the morning each child was welcomed by New Year gifts in the shape of cards, booklets, bags of sweets, etc. A special breakfast and dinner were provided for all; then at two o'clock we assembled in the church, where the wonderful sight of the day greeted all eyes. Two very large Christmas trees stood on either side of the platform laden with toys and useful articles as gifts for the children, and between them the ship's boat rigged up and decked round masts and gunwale. The picture on opposite page, printed from photo taken at the time, will, we are sure, be interesting to our young friends, and give them some idea of the beautiful sight. Could they and all others who ministered to the day's enjoyment have been present, it would have gladdened their hearts to see the real pleasure their gifts in money, toys, and other things gave to the members of our family, young and old. What a sea of happy faces there was as the dismantling of the trees and boat took place, and what a sound of beating of drums, playing of fifes and dulcimers, etc., throughout our village in the afternoon! The little invalids in Bethesda were not forgotten, a special tree and gifts being provided through the kindness of two friends who for some years past have ministered in this way to them. After a special tea we all gathered in the church again at six o'clock, when three hours were very happily spent, the children contributing to the evening's enjoyment by singing, recitations, etc. We brought this very happy day to a close with united worship, commending the family across the ocean, as well as those here and in other parts, to the loving, watchful care of our Heavenly Father, taking as our text for the year which lies before us the comforting and strengthening words, "They that trust in the Lord shall be as Mount Zion, which cannot be removed, but abideth for ever," and "Trust ye in the Lord for ever, for in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength."

**Jan. 4.**—The Lord often cheers us by gifts sent from those poor in this world's goods. He accepts "according to that a man hath," and in many cases the servant's mite is more in proportion than the merchant's thousand. A few girls in a warehouse send 11s., "collected in pennies;" "a servant lassie," 5s.; "a mother, in sympathy with your noble work," 10s., and eighteen articles clothing as "a small New Year's offering;" another, 2s. 6d., "a small token of Christian sympathy;" a young friend, 2s., interest on bursary received at school; a poor widow, Perth, 2s. 8d.; another, 10s.—a third of wages; "Give and it shall be given unto you," 10s.; a few wellwishers, £1 10s. 6d.; an old lady, twelve scarves and eleven pairs cuffs; a family, £1 4s.—Sabbath morning collections; a small Sabbath School, Dumfries, 5s. 7d.—their saved half-pennies and pennies; a poor sympathiser, Aberdeen, 10s.; a mother in Leith, £1, wishing it were far more; a working woman, twenty-four pairs stockings; a friend in Dingwall, eighteen pairs overshoes "for your little ones, wishing you a happy and prosperous New Year, and the blessing of the Great Giver on you and all your undertakings;" and 7s. 6d., with the following letter:—

DEAR SIR,—Please accept of this small New Year's offering towards your Homes. I shall never forget you, as I was greatly touched by the description you gave of your work among the poor children of Scotland in the Church here. I am a Scotch girl of Highland descent, and I have a great love for my own country. I only wish I was able to send more, but we know what is given from the heart, be it ever so small, is acceptable to God. I hope the Lord will keep you and your family, and all the poor children, their attendants, and all connected with you in health and peace. May the Lord bless you in your heavenly work, is my earnest prayer.

A friend sent £1 on New Year's Day to pay for a month's keep of the first orphan received in 1892, and hopes to continue it monthly during the year, and to-day the first three, little ones of 6, 5, and 2½ from Fraserburgh, have been taken in. Their father died 3½ years ago, and the mother only last month, leaving her family quite unprovided for.

**Jan. 6.**—There were many sad cases at the City Home to-day wanting our help and advice. Among them were the following, which will give some idea of the difficult task we have daily to perform, sympathising with the outcast, and trying to rescue the perishing:—a family of four children whom we received, three girls of 11, 9, and 4, and boy of 7, whose father died of cancer in Infirmary four years ago, and mother, who has struggled on bravely since, has now succumbed, and is just dying. She was hardly able to sign our agreement form, but feels so thankful to have the children taken, and says she can now die in peace, knowing they will be cared for, and not need to become paupers. Four little ones, eldest 9, whose father died after a week's illness of heart disease, leaving his young widow with five children, were also taken in. They were once in comfortable circumstances, but business failed, and other difficulties arose, and now mother and children are left unprovided for. She hopes to get a situation, and be able to struggle through with the little one left. A woman from Paisley with a boy of 4 whom she wishes taken; two lads of 15 and 16, from Blantyre and Belfast, out of work, and wanting a helping hand; and two orphan boys of 13 and 10, brought by their brothers. One would not go to school, and is otherwise beyond control. A man called about his cousin, an orphan girl of 13, whom he has been keeping, but she is taking her own way, and he has lost control over her. A sister of 17 drinks very badly, and he is afraid she may follow her example, and he being out all day, she is left pretty much to herself. Another man came to see if we would take a boy of 10, who was adopted by his mother when quite young. She died six years ago, and he has kept him since, but boy is getting beyond control, not attending school, staying out at nights, etc., and he cannot continue doing so. A poor one, just out of hospital, got lodgings paid, etc. From many different sources to-day we have received in all, £75 4s. 6d.—£2 of it for our own use, among which are £2 18s., collected by a friend who adopted one of our little girls recently; 5s. from a frequent helper in Aberdeen, "a crumb in comparison to other sums, yet praying the Lord to multiply it;" 2s. 6d. from "an orphan boy;" £1, collected by a young helper, Munlochry; 16s. from "wee David;" 11s. from Sabbath School near Forfar, praying that "God may continue to bless your efforts on behalf of the little ones, whose angels behold the face of our Heavenly Father;" £1 collected at Police Choir Service, and £1 from a member of the Mizpah Band, with the following letter:—

DEAR BROTHER QUARRIER,—I wish you a happy new year, and many returns of same, and pray that God may long spare you to carry on your good work of rescuing the perishing children of our city. It gladdened my heart on looking at the *Mail* of this morning that you were provided with the necessary funds to give the children their New-year's treat. I have watched you for years. To my mind yours is the best way of putting our trust in our Heavenly Father, who, if our motives are honest, will provide all that is necessary. Go on, brother! yours is a good work. God is blessing it. Dear brother, I can't build a home, but I wish to put a stone in one of the Orphan Homes of Scotland.

Twelve pairs stockings, "the last work on earth of a dear mother;" thirty-six boys' ties, some clothing and scones, a quantity of sweets and

basket of eggs, sent to-day, were also most acceptable and useful gifts for our gathered-in family.

**Jan. 9.**—In many varied ways, and from different parts of the world, our needs are supplied from day to day. A friend in Otago, New Zealand, sends us £2 10s.; another in British Columbia, £1 0s. 6d. for our own use; one in Crieff, some knitted articles and £1, and says, "The socks are not well made, but my fingers are stiff with pains, so that I cannot do them well. I wish you every blessing from on high, and I always name you and your dear family in prayer, so that our loving Father may still bless you." The knowledge that so many of the Lord's people are daily holding up our hands in prayer is a great source of strength to us, amid the discouragements and trials, as well as joys and blessings, which we meet with from day to day. 16s. 3d. have come from a Sabbath School, Dunbar, "being balance of Mission boxes after paying salary of a native missionary in China," accompanied by "the prayers of the School for a blessing on your labour of love"; 4s. collected at the fireside by a working man; 5s. from a "Lammermoor shepherd;" £5 from a small village Sabbath School, an increased sum this year; and £5 5s., with the following letter:—

MY DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I enclose £5 5s. in registered letter for your orphan family. It includes £1 from my mother and £1 15s. from the sale of my daughter's canaries. I trust you have all been preserved from severe sickness during this past unhealthy season, and have and do enjoy the blessed presence of Him who is the orphan's God and the stranger's shield. With every good wish for the New Year.

We have much to praise the Lord for in the general health of our children and workers during this trying season, when there has been such sickness in many quarters. We have always many delicate little ones, who humanly speaking, are incurable, but otherwise there has been little extra sickness, for which we do feel grateful to our Heavenly Father for His preserving care and goodness. A boy, and adopted mother of one of our little girls in Canada, write us this week:—

DEAR FRIEND,—I write you these few lines to let you know that I am well and doing well, hoping to find you all the same. I received your Christmas and New Year letter, and was glad to hear you were getting on so well with the work of the Homes in the past years. I have been out in this country five years, and like it very well, everything seems so very nice. We have grand Christmas times here, as we eat a lot of fowl. We had a very large goose for dinner on Christmas, and our minister got up a very large Christmas tree for the Sunday School scholars, and I got first prize for being the best boy scholar. I got seventy-six and a half marks, for which I got a very nice book. I also got a second prize while in the Homes, and I have it yet. I hope you will remember me when I used to recite "My first pair of breeks." I received your portrait from Mr. Burges when he was around to see me. I write to my mother regularly, and receive answers very soon. I think the children have done very well this year by helping the missions in those distant countries so well. Little Johnny M'C—was showing me some of the letters you sent him, and I read a lot of them, and thought them very nice. Please Mr. Quarrier, would you send me "Songs and Solos," as I am forgetting all my hymns, it is so long since I sang any of them? I must now draw this letter to a close. Wishing that happiness may always remain with you all now and for evermore, I remain your sincere friend, G. S.

DEAR SIR,—I am in receipt of your favour to Katie for which she returns her sincere thanks, and was glad to hear from you. She often talks about you, and how kind you were to her. She is well, and the picture of good health. She has never seen a sick day since she came here. We like her splendid. She is a good girl, and goes to school the most of the time. She is really smart, and took the first prize in her class at Sabbath School. Katie says she likes her home splendid, and her pa and ma are kind to her. She sends her love to all the mothers and children in the Home, with a good share to yourself and Mrs. Quarrier. Wishing you a merry Christmas and the compliments of the year.



**Jan. 13.**—Last night our annual treat to the street boys and girls was held in the National Halls, when over 1,700 children, composed of shoeblacks, newsboys and girls, match and pipeclay sellers, beggars, and singers were present. After a plentiful supply of bread and tea, they were entertained by a band of children from the Homes and other friends, with singing, recitations, etc. The brass band of the Warroch Street Mission also played several tunes very acceptably during the evening, and a limelight exhibition of a trip across the Atlantic and over the Rockies was also given. Although the children were a little boisterous and difficult to manage at times, yet with the help of the hundred voluntary workers, fairly good order was maintained. Quite a number of friends gathered with us to witness this motley assemblage, and the large hall was packed from end to end. During the meeting we intimated that we would be glad to help any fatherless and homeless ones, and about thirty remained at the close. Their cases are being investigated, and we hope some if not all will be rescued. The usual resolution was passed by the meeting that the magistrates should get the power to control and appoint stations to the children, and we only wish the Lord Provost and Town Council had been present to see the sort of material they are neglecting to control. One cannot but regret their indifference to this question of child life in the streets. The following account, which appeared in the *Christian Leader* (21st inst.), will give friends some idea of this wonderful gathering:—

#### AMONG GLASGOW "ARABS."

There were "Indians" to be seen in the east and "Mexicans" in the west. Dennistoun and New City Road alike had "furriners" in their midst; while Bo-Peep and her sheep made the Cowcaddens a pastoral lane as in olden days. But we wished to see Wild Arabs, so we journeyed south. Over the bridge and into the ancient "Gorbells," and then we entered a spacious hall where were gathered "decent Glasgow folk," and a motley array of small humanity in all sorts of extraordinary garments and attitudes. "Arabs" of the pavement, with bright, eager eyes, whose sharpness has been got by early training in the stern school of necessity. The children of the terraces are "fools and blind" (to use Bible language) compared with these lithe, wide-awake specimens of precocious childhood. All is order and peace, and yet looking around we expect momentarily to hear shouts of "*Citeez*," "*Evenin' News*," "Second edition," "Shine yer boots," "*Murray's Diary*," "Matches," etc., etc. What a Babel it would be if each of these bairns took up his or her daily cry, and filled this hall with their high-pitched treble voices!

But, no! business is forgotten for a night; and they sit down, much as our town councillors do at their municipal banquets, to enjoy the good things provided for them by kind friends, who find in Mr. Quarrier a generous and glad almoner, who is an adept in dispensing charities, large or small. The buns and pastries disappear like magic; for these Arabs seem to have the juggler's art of making solid things go out of sight before your eyes; and the tea flows as freely as autumn rain. And the sharp faces seem to broaden out and grow younger; showing us the child-heart behind the old-young face. So that in the course of the evening there is a regular "transformation scene" as good as a pantomime; and the "cute little dodgers" become "smiling, grateful little boys and girls." Tea and buns got for nothing can work wonders, evidently.

Mr. Quarrier is in his element as "heavy father," and Mrs. Quarrier is a mild, gentle mother whose very face suggests tranquil goodness and a well-ordered mind.

What a cheer the donor of £100 gets from the guests who have enjoyed his bounty! Not many of his hundreds will yield him as good interest as this; even if we have investments in the "Tharsis," or any other wonderful mine. For this is lent to One in whose hands is all the silver and gold of the whole world. So we echo Mr. Quarrier's wish that he may give the same gift next year.

A resolution is passed that the children wish to be controlled and kept in order on the streets, that they may "not annoy the public," etc. It is amusing (and touching) to hear the applause with which they pass this motion; and we feel as if we grown-up folk are not always so anxious to be guided as to our own good behaviour.

Songs, recitations, and a magic lantern followed the speaking; so that everyone is warmed and brightened though the frost and slush make the streets outside a cheerless place. But "sufficient for the day" is the "Arabs'" motto, and they have forgotten the slums in the meantime.

At the close of the happy evening each guest gets two sausage-rolls as a "stirrup cup," along with an orange, a Christmas card, and a book; so that none were sent empty away, according to good old traditional usage. And an hour later the bright hall was dark, and the Arabs (unlike those of Longfellow) had not "silently stolen away." For they were too happy to be silent; and the memory of this night will be a charm to help them to be honest and kindly all throughout the year. For far better than a sojourn in prison, or a few lashes, is a fellow-feeling and a touch of human sympathy. And Mr. Quarrier has found a way of training these clever, wild Arabs which we may all admire and seek to imitate as far as we can.

M.

We were much touched by the following letter received yesterday:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—The enclosed 10s. is from a small class of little girls who have chosen of their own free will to do without their New Year's tea at their teacher's in order to send it to you for the poor and destitute children under your care. We are all poor ourselves, teacher and children, or it would have been more, knowing it is "accepted according to what a man hath." If you have a moment to spare you might write two or three sentences to the children by way of encouragement; if not, do not trouble, as you must have a great deal to do. A little girl brought another sixpence, which I enclose. We are, yours truly,

SEVEN LITTLE GIRLS AND THEIR TEACHER.

Deeds of self-denial such as this will be surely remembered and rewarded by Him who says, "Whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water only in the name of a disciple, verily I say unto you, he shall in no wise lose his reward."

**Jan. 18.**—Many small gifts have reached us from various sources these few days past, also one of £100 for emigration, for which purpose £2,500 will be required in the coming months. Two gifts of £20 and £15 3s. for our Building Fund were most acceptable, as also a number of smaller sums from Sabbath Schools throughout the country. The Lord knows our every need, and as we see His hand in the supplies sent from day to day and realise the high privilege that is ours of being co-workers with Him, we do magnify the riches of His grace which abound toward us, His unworthy servants. Two young women and a lad of 18 from Ayr were added to our City Home family to-day, and a number of other needy ones were dealt with and helped as we saw best.

**Jan. 23.**—A minister's wife writes regarding a destitute case of an orphan girl and boy which has been brought under her notice. Others are applying, and some little ones have been received these three days past, among which are the following: Two little boys of 5 and 2 from Edinburgh, whose father, a clerk in City Chambers there, died about four years ago of consumption, and the mother is suffering from the same trouble, and at present is in a home there. She is most grateful to have her boys (an older one will come again) taken by us, and her mind will be at rest now, knowing her little ones will be well cared for. A boy of 16 who has been selling papers on the streets, another of 15, with hardly anything to cover him—on the streets also; a little girl of 9, whose father, a fisherman, died 2½ years ago; the mother then married a sailor, who has deserted her, and she drinks and is in starvation with her other children. A mother called with a little girl of 6, who looks sadly neglected; another, a widow for five years, with lad of 13; one with wee boy of 5, whose husband is in hospital and not likely to get better; and a number of others, poor widows, etc. The tattered garments, bare feet,

and starved looks of some of these little ones tell of want and suffering, and we are glad to have the privilege of holding out a helping hand to them and many such from day to day. £6 1s. is the amount that has come to-day, 4s. of it for our own needs. A friend in Walkerburn writes: "I enclose 10s. to help the little ones, trusting the dear Lord will bless you richly and encourage you in your labour of love, and give you and all His children strong and mighty faith; Jesus will never fail"; and another in Dundee sends £1 for the work, praying that "the blessing of the Lord may descend upon it day by day that you may have continued cause for thankfulness and praise."

**Jan. 29.**—From Kilmalcolm, Ardnadam, Helensburgh, Duns, Kirkintilloch, Gourrock, Coupar-Angus, Lesmahagow, Windygates, Stranraer, Gt. Galloway, Staleybridge, Hamilton, and Glasgow, we have received £25 15s., and some clothing for the children, 1s. 6d. of it the first-fruits of a 3-months-old baby, and £5 with the words, "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord;" also, from Italy, £20 for our own needs from a friend whose practical sympathy has often cheered us in the work of the Lord. He writes—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I was thankful to see, by your reports, that our gracious God continues to bless your labour in the Lord. I trust you have been kept, in these solemn days of rebuke, from the prevailing epidemic, or that our God's hand has been lightly laid upon your large family. Surely these are solemn times, and if the whole world is visited with His chastening hand our highly-favoured nation must be rebuked according to its great responsibilities. Apart from gross national sins, surely the widespread scepticism and departure from the one infallible Word of God and from the form of sound words needs and receives chastisement; and I do think a very clear voice of reminding and encouragement comes to those who have the training and instruction of youth, for theirs is the duty and high privilege of preparing the rising generation to be witnesses for God and for His Word. May your labours in this all-important work be greatly blessed, and may the effort to bring up children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord redound in great blessing to you and your family now, and in a crown and rejoicing at the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Lord does indeed give us many tokens of His approval in the joy of serving Him, and in the results among the dear children, so many of whom are not only saved for time, but for eternity. Letters received from members of our large family in Canada often testify as to this, and among many others to hand this month are the following:—

MY DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I received your loving letter, Christmas, and was very pleased to hear from you. I feel ashamed of myself in not writing you before now. I am going on my second year. I must apologise in being so long in writing you. I am in a good Christian home, and getting on very well. My sisters and brothers are growing fast, and in good homes. The Lord has shown His goodness to me and loving kindness since I have been out in this strange land. I do love Jesus. Do you know, Mr. Quarrier, that worried me more than anything when I was in the Homes. I wanted to love Jesus, and have a new heart. When I saw some of the other girls trying to be Christians, I felt that I must try and be one too. I did not speak to Mrs. Murray about it, but I felt very bad about it. It seemed as if God's Spirit was working in me; my guilty conscience would not let me have rest. I will never forget that night. I seemed to be tempted very sore when I first came here. Will you please, Mr. Quarrier, remember me in your prayers, that I may not wander away from the fold. I want to try and live as God would have me live. We were out to Brockville at the New Year, and had a very good time at the Home. We went out on Wednesday and stayed till Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Burges were very kind to us, and wanted us to stay till Monday. We had a lovely dinner, and in the evening we had games and the large Christmas Tree. I think the house seems to be more convenient since they had some more built on to it. They have the boys one side of

the house, and the girls the other side. I must tell you I enjoyed my trip across the ocean very much. I was not very sick, but I had headaches very often; but I must say I was very glad when we got landed. Dear Mr. Quarrier, I do feel ashamed of myself in not writing. When we were at Brockville, New Year, we gathered quite a little bit of money together. I expect it will amount to quite a little bit for the work at the Homes, and I know you will be pleased to hear about it. Remember me to Mrs. Quarrier and Miss Mary. I hope Mrs. Quarrier feels better after her trip. I heard she had not been very well. Now dear Mr. Quarrier, I must draw my letter to a close, as I am getting very sleepy. Will tell you more news next time. Wishing you all a happy New Year. With love, from Lillie, to all.

DEAR MR. AND MRS. QUARRIER,—You will be thinking that I have forgotten to keep my promise in writing to you, but not so. I was delighted to receive your New Year letter, and it was so nice to sit right down and read all about the dear old Homes (as my master says) at the Brig. It is very kind indeed of you to send these annual letters to us, giving us to see how good our heavenly Father is to you on the other side. O how grateful I feel when I think of the trouble you take of seeing us fitted so nicely and giving us the chance to get along in the world, both in regard to our temporal and spiritual welfare. Now, dear Mr. Quarrier, I suppose you would like to hear a little of what I can do after two years' experience on a farm. Well, I can plough, sow, reap, and mow, and be a regular farmer's boy. I can harrow and drive horses. I have worked at all these things this year, and like the work first-rate. In winter I have sixteen head of cattle to look after, four sheep, five horses, four hogs, and about eighty hens, ducks, and turkeys. I can chop, saw, and split wood, and do anything in that line. There are a lot of boys and girls round Cornwall and Martintown, most of whom I know. Some have been out quite a few years, and like their places well and are all doing well. I attend church about five miles away. It is the Presbyterian Church of Martintown under the Rev. Mr. Burnett, who is a Scotchman. I go regularly to Sunday School, about one mile from home, and we always have a good attendance and a very nice time together. Charlie always goes too, as he only lives about half a mile from my place. He is well and happy, and likes his place well. He joins me in thanking you and Mrs. Quarrier for all your kindness to us and we pray that our loving Saviour may rain His richest blessings upon you both, and that He may long spare you to carry on the glorious work of rescue, both in the old land and in the new. I am beginning to know a little about Canadian winters now, and there are some days when it keeps a person busy to keep from freezing, but real, active, busy people get along all right. Dear Mr. Quarrier, mother was saying when she wrote a while ago that you had helped her a little, and Charlie and I feel ever so grateful to you for being so kind to her. Please remember us to all the fathers and mothers, especially dear Mr. and Mrs. Howat, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. Halliwell, Mr. and Mrs. M. Fadzian, Mr. and Mrs. Paterson, and all the rest. Charlie unites in sending our kindest regards both to yourself and Mrs. Quarrier, Master Frank, and Miss Mary, and a bright and happy New Year to you is the wish of one of your boys.

J. H. G.

Another, in a long letter telling of her new home in Canada, says, "I have many happy recollections of Bridge-of-Weir, especially one of being brought to Jesus," and closes with the promise to send a token of her love and gratitude, and the text, "I will love Thee, O Lord, my strength; the Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower." £10 8s. 4d., "a New Year's offering from some old boys and girls gathered at Fairknowe Home on January 1st;" and £1 from an old Home girl in service in Glasgow, received a few days ago, also gladdened our hearts.

**Feb. 3.**—We got quite an alarm to-night by fire breaking out in the church between 5 and 6 o'clock, caused by one of the lamp pendants falling down after being lit in readiness for our regular children's meeting held every Wednesday evening. Had it not been for the prompt action of some of the workers, who quickly put earth from the flowerpots at hand on to the flames, there would have been serious damage done. As it is, the wood on floor and sides of wall and



some of the seats are charred, and the roof badly smoked. We are very thankful that it was no worse, and that no one was injured in any way. Had it been an hour later, when the meeting was assembled, we cannot tell what might have happened. Truly "the angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear Him, and delivereth them." We held a special praise and thanksgiving service to give thanks for our Heavenly Father's watchful and protecting care. £1 from a lonely Sabbath meeting at Strontoillier; £140 for emigration; 10s. from some little children; £2 from an anonymous friend; and £6 from others, £1 of it for our own use, came to hand yesterday; and to-day £43 16s. 4d. have come, £4 3s. 4d. of it "a first-fruits offering," and £4 for emigration.

**Feb. 6.**—From week to week many old and tried friends of the work are being called away to the higher service above, and at present thousands all over the world are mourning the removal of the beloved C. H. Spurgeon, the prince of preachers, who was "mighty in word and deed before God and all the people." May we be enabled so to fill up the remaining portion of our lives here, that in and through all our God may be glorified. We were much cheered among other sums received yesterday and to-day by one of £50 from a new donor in Dunfermline who desires to remain unknown, and thus, as old friends are removed, the Lord raises up others to take their places. We would more and more rest on the Unchanging One who says, "Fear not, for I am with thee; I will not fail thee nor forsake thee." During the past week ten children have been added to our family, among which are the following: a family of four, oldest 15, youngest 6, whose father died three years ago and mother last month. They were most respectable, but both being long ill nothing was saved, and the children are left unprovided for. A boy of 11 from Alloa, whose father is dead and mother has other three to keep; he would not attend school and was otherwise getting beyond control. From Paisley a little orphan girl of 8, sister to three boys taken before and now in Canada getting on well. She has been with an acquaintance since the mother's death, but has not been properly cared for. Two older brothers we have also arranged to take. Those in Canada write in such high terms of their new homes that they are anxious to get beside them, and if, after probation at Bridge-of-Weir, they are found suitable, we will send them also. And a child of 8, sister to our dear little Jamie who just one year ago on the day she came under our care was taken from Bethesda to the happy home above. It was his earnest desire that his little sister would be brought into the Homes and be cared for as he was, and many a time he asked Jesus for this. Now the way has been opened up for her to come, and so his little prayer is answered. Many other distressing cases have been brought before us: one of a family of five children, mother dead and father committed suicide recently; another of a family brought to the deepest poverty and misery through drink; and one of three children whose mother died recently, and they had to leave the house because their father threatened to kill them. He too is a drunkard. What misery and strife drink does bring to many an otherwise happy home! From Greenock, Sandbank, Dublin, Bathgate, and Glasgow, friends also write regarding needy, suffering ones.

**Feb. 11.**—Gifts of clothing are always most acceptable for our large family, and the help of friends throughout the country in this practical way is much valued by us. Some days ago we received a quantity made

and collected by an invalid now gone home; also sixty-five articles worked by a class of girls in Langholm, and sent by a friend who writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I may say that we have all been more than doubly paid by the pleasure we have had in the work, and, above all, by the blessings we have got to our own souls through the spiritual exercises we have had, and the happy intercourse, the results of which only eternity will fully reveal. Wishing you a prosperous year with your large family and that the Lord may continue to reward your faith by an abundant supply of all your needs.

And to-day a ladies' work-party in Aberdeen send a large quantity of most useful clothing; a Sabbath School there also, £3; and from other sources, £6 7s. 6d., have come, £1 of it "a widow's offering to help you in the work of the Lord." A girl and boy in Canada write as follows:—

MY DEAR MR. AND MRS. QUARRIER,—I received your very kind letter about Christmas, and was very glad to hear from home, as I never hear from mother any more. I have a little better health now, for which I am very thankful to my Heavenly Father. I was away this afternoon for tea at a friend's, and then, after tea, we all went to prayer meeting. They are nice Christian people. Mr. and Mrs. R. are quite well, and I like them as much as ever—they are so kind to me. I suppose you will be out to Canada this year? Mr. A. Burges called to see me this summer, and I was very glad to see him. We have had some very cold weather here for a week, but it is a little milder now. It was 28 below zero, so you know it would not take long to freeze your ears. We have two clerks helping Mr. R. in the shop: his two boys are away—the oldest one is going to college in Toronto, the other is going to the Collegiate Institute, Kingston. The eldest is going to be a druggist, like his father; the other does not know what, but I hope a Methodist preacher, as I think he would be more suitable for that than anything else. I suppose Mrs. Halliwell would not remember me, but I do not forget them both. I was up to church last night and heard a good lecture on Dark Africa, and heard how many Bibles were printed in eighty-six years, and how many there are who have never heard the word of God. It was splendid. I was wishing you were there to tell them of your great work. I expect to go for a visit in two or three weeks for two weeks to a Methodist minister if nothing happens. Now I will close, hoping to hear from you. I am, as ever, your Scotch girl, A. H.

MY DEAR FRIEND,—I received your kind and welcome letter, and was very glad to hear from you and the way you are getting along with the work that is laid to your hands, and I for one do feel to praise the Lord for all His wonderful dealings with you during the year that is past. I was at the Home in Brockville at the New-Year, and we had a very good time. I will be out here four years in the spring, and I don't think I will ever go back to the old country unless on a visit. It was a good thing for me that I came out here, and I do thank the Lord for all His goodness and mercy. Although I have many trials and temptations, and sometimes take a miss-step, still it is the desire of my heart to do His will. I am still working on a farm and doing the best I can. I am getting 110 dollars this year. There are a good many boys and girls living near me from the Homes, and they are in very good places. I was very glad to hear of the additions made to the Homes last year, and I hope they may still keep on increasing. I am sure it must look like a village. I hope Mrs. Quarrier and the family are all well. I saw Mr. Frank at the Home here last spring, and was talking to him. I often go to see Mr. and Mrs. Burges. We are having very cold weather here just now, but we had a very fine Fall. And now I must bring my letter to a close. Hoping you are all in good health, I am your sincere friend, J. G.

**Feb. 17.**—Amid trials and difficulties through which we are passing, the Lord upholds and strengthens us by the practical sympathy and prayers of His children. A new donor in Edinburgh sends £50 for the children, and £5 towards our own needs; an aged sufferer there also £5—a fifth for personal use, and says, "My earnest prayers ascend to God's throne that the work may be much prospered, blessed, and enlarged. May you and all your co-adjutors be richly endowed with wisdom, zeal, patience, and love;" a friend in Blairgowrie forwards £1 5s. 6d., collected from friends, and £1, "a tenth part of a legacy," praying that God may bless and strengthen you more and more; £1 came with the words, "Inasmuch

as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, My brethren, ye have done it unto Me;" and 10s. from teachers and scholars in public school, near Airdrie, sent by a friend, who writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I sincerely trust and pray that the Lord may continue to cheer and encourage you, and all associated with you, by supplying all necessary needs. May I tell you that you and the work are remembered every day at our family altar. As the Israelites prevailed in battle over the Amalekites, so long as Aaron and Hur held up Moses' hands, so I believe that so long as you, the workers under you, and the work are prayed for in the homes of many in Scotland and in other lands, the Lord shall continue to give blessing and prosperity—

and another in Langholm says:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I had much pleasure in sending a small bale of warm clothing to you yesterday, which I hope may be suitable and useful for some of your needy ones. They represent many willing workers for the good cause, I providing material. We have been deeply interested in your last Report and do thank God for every fresh testimony it contains that faith honours God, and God honours faith. How cheering to your own hearts must be the interesting reports and letters from many in foreign lands! May God Himself, in all the trials and difficulties that arise, prove Himself, as He has done in the past, your refuge and strength. "O continue Thy loving-kindness unto them that know Thee."

**Feb. 22.**—Yesterday (Sabbath) I was at Fraserburgh, and had the privilege of speaking for the Master three times; and at Peterhead to-night. 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 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. £6 3s., some clothing, and two dozen loaves are our gifts for to-day.

**Feb. 24.**—A few days ago a lady in Kirkcaldy brought a case of four children before us, oldest 8, youngest a baby about 2 years. The father, a marine fireman, was accidentally killed or drowned by falling between his vessel and the quay at Copenhagen, and the mother, a sweet Christian woman, lay on her dying bed. There were no friends able to take the children, and nothing for them but the poorhouse. We at once agreed to receive the little ones, and sent our agreement paper for the mother to sign. This, however, she was not able to do, but the friend who recommended the case wrote: "When I told the mother that they would be received by you, poor woman, amidst all the painful surroundings, she kept saying that her 'cup was running over.' She died rejoicing in the Lord, and besought all who came to see her to trust Jesus and they would die happy. I cannot express to you my gratitude for so kindly providing for these little orphans. To-day the grandmother brought them to us, and with tears in her eyes the old body thanked us for receiving them, and prayed that blessing might rest on our heads for doing so. We reminded her it was the Lord's hand which was stretched down to help them in their need, and we were only doing the bidding of Him who has said, 'Whoso shall receive one such little child in My name receiveth Me.'" We also took in a fatherless boy of 13 from Edinburgh, brother of two admitted some months ago, and one of 11 from Bathgate, whose parents are both dead, and of late he and an older sister have been living chiefly on the proceeds of his begging. He has had too much freedom,

and is in danger of going wrong. To-day a new donor in Edinburgh sends £5; another in Greenock 10s., "a small tributary"; a frequent helper in Dumfries, £1; one in Glasgow £5, wishing it were more; another there £40, half of it to take a boy and girl to Canada; and others in Lossiemouth, Aberdeen, Bridge-of-Allan, and Hamilton, £1 16s. Among other sums received yesterday, amounting in all to £16 8s., were 1s. from "a working man," Peterhead; £1 from Sabbath School, Fraserburgh; 2s., "a mite with love"; 5s. "from wee Jeanie, Dunfermline, on her second birthday, in gratitude to the Master"; £1 "from Alice, Willie, and Jessie"; and 7s. with the following letter:—

DEAR SIR,—I enclose 7s. for your Orphan Homes from a Sabbath School at Elphin in Sutherland, who annually send me a small sum to be divided equally between Orphanages in Scotland, Africa, and India. The young people who send it do so out of "deep poverty" so that it represents more effort and sympathy than might appear from the amount.

The Lord richly bless these and other little ones who thus minister to the needs of our family, and grant that the lessons they are early learning in giving may deepen and bear much fruit as the years go past.

**Feb 29.**—Among many other cheering letters received from our children on the other side this month, the following is from a little adopted girl who went out last year:—

MY DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I have a good home, and I have a little dog, and I have a little doll. Mamma and papa are good to me, and I thank you for keeping me in a good home till I got to Canada, and I have a comfortable bed. I go to Sunday School; I am not going to day school yet till I am stronger. At Christmas I got a new dress and a pair of slippers and four books and a pair of overstockings and a little basket, and a cup and a saucer, and some candies, and an orange and an apple, and a new hat. Joe was sick last week; she is my little dog; I play with her in the yard. There was something growing in my throat, and papa and Dr. H. took it out, and it was very very sore, but I did not cry; but it is better now, and papa is a doctor. I got the nice papers at Christmas you were so kind to send to me. Mamma says I should never forget your kindness to me, and she says you are to be sure to come and see us when you come to Canada. We are building a new house, and are going to move in the spring. Mamma takes me out with her a good deal. She took me out on Monday night to hear some Scotch songs. It was Burns's Night, and papa is the doctor for the Camp. It is nearly tea time, and I must stop. I forgot to tell you I have grown two inches, and weigh seven pounds more than I did in four months. Give my love to the mother of No. 20 cottage, where I was. I send my love to you. —Yours affectionately, I. B.

£25 3s. 5½d. is the amount received to-day, £4 17s. of it from Willing Helpers' Society, £15 15s. "borrowed money returned," £2 14s. from Sunday Schools, £1 from an unknown friend, and 17s. 5½d. found in boxes during February.

**March 4.**—During the past month forty-seven new cases were admitted to the Homes, and this week twelve more have been taken in, and many others are applying. Some of those received have been most distressing cases, with no one able or willing to help them; others houseless and wandering; while some are children of families once in comfortable circumstances, who, through sickness, misfortune, or death of the breadwinner, have been brought to need the help which the Homes have been raised up to afford. Among those received this week is a little Moorish boy of 11 from Tangier, whose father—a colporteur there—died in August last, leaving a widow and five children. We are pressed for room, and were it not for the outlet that Canada affords, we fear we would need to refuse many deserving cases from day to day. As it is, we



have never yet had to turn away any really needy orphan or fatherless child. We are now in the midst of preparations for the going forth of our Boys' Party to Canada, and intend sending about 130 in the S. S. *Buenos Ayrean* on the 24th of this month. Towards the outfits and passages of these we have about £700 on hand, leaving £600 required before the day of sailing, which we have no doubt will be sent in good time, as in all the past years of the work. Many cheering gifts have come these few days past, among which are £2 10s. from an invalid helper in Aberdeen, proceeds of her own work and gifts from friends; £10, "a tithe of a good success for emigration;" 2s. 6d., the saved pennies of a little girl in Nairn who is much interested in our bairns; 6s., contents of a missionary box belonging to another little girl of 7 in Haddington; 2s. 6d., "the Lord's portion;" a quantity of clothing, made at Young People's Sewing Meeting, who often help in this way; £5, borrowed money returned; £2 5s., from a Praise Meeting, Yetholm, "on behalf of the Lord's little ones and yours, wishing you continued favour and prosperity in Him;" £55 for emigration; and £1, with the following letter:—

MY DEAR SIR,—I had your wonderfully encouraging report in the end of the year, and enjoyed it very much. Meant to write you at the New-Year, but from various reasons till now did not manage to do it. Surely you have great reason, like that other chosen vessel, "to thank God and take courage"—last year more than ever—to grasp the living Almighty Arm anew and ask greater things yet, remembering the promise, "According to your faith be it unto you." Nothing like looking right up to headquarters, let others do as they have faith for. No need to fear that our Banker will fail or forget or not see those looking right up. I am almost always in bed, have been all winter so, but don't forget you in the best of ways, although having little of the gold and silver you don't hear often from me. Enclosed you have £1, half for self and half to help some bit of trifling furniture for the "Sabbath School Home."

**March 9.**—From many quarters, and with kind words of cheer, £361 4s. 11d. have been sent these few days past, £242 5s. of it for emigration, also £2 9s. for our own use; and in the same time letters asking us to help needy ones have come from Stranraer, Uddingston, Peterhead, Rothesay, and Glasgow, in addition to others applying at the City Home. We were touched by the following letter:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Please find enclosed P O. for 20s., and apply to your work as you think best. The 2s. 6d. of stamps is from our little daughter, aged five. I promised her half-a-crown when she could knit a pair of socks. She finished them to-day, and got her first earnings. When she heard I was sending you something for your children, she said, "Oh, mother, I would like to send my half-crown." I said she was to think well about it, as perhaps she might be sorry after it was away; but, after having it in her possession for some time, she brought it, saying she still wished to help the little children. We have been much interested in reading your report. If spared till summer, I hope to bring our wee girlie down to see your Homes.

We were also cheered by a letter from one of our sailor boys. He writes:—

DEAR MR. AND MRS. QUARRIER,—I am very sorry to have been so long in writing, but you will forgive me this time as I promise not to be so long again. The ship that I am in has had a terrible smash in the Bay of Bengal, having been dismasted and all our decks torn up. The cyclone lasted for three days, and when it was over we were drifting ashore on an island that is inhabited with cannibals only, but we were picked up by a steamer and taken to Rangoon, so you see we had a very narrow escape. The *Highland Glen* is here and I went on board last night and saw Robert B. I was awfully glad to see him again, he is the first I have seen of my old chums and you may depend we had a lot to talk about. He gave me your New Year's letter to read and in it I can see how the work of the Lord is prospering year by year. I only wish I could get down again to have a look at the place, I am sure it must be

beautiful, far more so than it was when I was there, but if the Lord spares me to reach home again I will be able to see for myself. I hope that you spent the New-year's feast well. I can remember how I used to enjoy it and many a time have I wished to spend the New-year there again; it would be fine. I used to be in a terrible hurry to get away to sea, and I suppose the boys in the *James Arthur* are the same now, but they do not know that they are well off, and you can tell them from me that they should not be in a hurry to get away, for they will find out for themselves in time that going to sea is no pleasure. I never thought that when I was there that I should look back upon the happy days I used to spend there. In different countries that I have been in I have listened to the church bells ringing and my thoughts have flown back to the time when I used to listen for our church bells to ring that would gather us together to the place of worship. There has been one of our crew that has come on to the Lord's side since we left home, and I am glad to say that there are two more who are trying to follow the footsteps of Christ. Kindly remember me to all at the Homes and give my love to Captain and Mrs. Aikenhead and the little boy, as well as yourselves, and may God bless you in His work. I have no more to say at present, hoping you will write soon.—One of your sailor boys, J.D.

**March 14.**—Among gifts received to-day were 250 Bibles for the boys and girls going to Canada, sent by a friend in Glasgow, who from the beginning of the work has supplied one for each child sent out, in all about 3,500 Bibles; a friend in Crieff sends £1, and a parcel of clothing, "made and given by an old lady who loves the Master;" Sunday Schools in Wick, Oban, Dunkeld, and Glasgow, £3 4s. 6½d.; some little children, 10s.; and an old friend in Wormit, £5—half for our own needs, and says, "Fear not, God will bless you as He has blessed you in the past, and more so."

**March 18.**—In the midst of the extra work and anxiety in preparing our Boys' Party for Canada, we have been cheered by much kind sympathy from friends. We still require about £200 before the 24th—the day of sailing. Our hope is in the Lord, whose are the silver and gold, and we feel sure He will not disappoint us. A friend in Glasgow writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Please accept the enclosed £1, taking 10s. of it to yourself and using the other 10s. to help to carry on the work God has committed to your care. You will be very busy getting your boys ready for Canada, and I am sure God will send in the means as He has always done. I have just been bringing you all before Him and asking Him, as He had moved me to send this, to move others to send their share too, be it great or small then the thing will be done. May He go with the *Buenos Ayrean* and her precious cargo across the ocean, and may a blessing come to others on board through your band of children and workers. The Lord preserve your going out and your coming in.

One in Crieff sends £1, and says "It is not much, but every little will help, and the Lord will bless even the small things. I daily tell Him of yourself and family, and ask Him to supply your wants as He has been pleased to do in the past, also to bless you all with spiritual blessings"; a wee girl in Clydebank, in sending 3s. 6d., writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Will you please accept this small sum I have gathered up for you. I have been very ill for some time back, and all my friends gave me some coppers when they came to see me so I thought I would send it to you to help some of your little ones. Trusting that you and Mrs. Quarrier are quite well, as I hope to be soon.

A well-wisher in Greenock sends £5, and hopes to give another £5 soon, so that she may have "the pleasure of sending one orphan away to a good home in Canada"; a working man's wife in Elie forwards 5s. from herself and 5s. from two friends, praying that "the Lord may bless and uphold you and make you to rejoice over seeing souls born again"; a friend sends 5s. collected in family penny box, and says:—

DEAR SIR,—We are all in warmest sympathy with your great and noble efforts on behalf of the poor and helpless, and wish you increasing success in making happy homes for all your boys and girls. May they all realise as life advances how true it is that "wisdom's ways are ways of pleasantness and all her paths are peace."

And another in Milnathort writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I received your occasional paper and read it aloud to our Young Women's Guild last Thursday evening. We are working for your large family and I now send 9 pairs of stockings as you may be glad of them for your boys who sail next week. About the end of April I hope to send you a larger supply of articles for the girls. Yours is a work which must appeal to every Christian heart, and we all feel it a privilege to help in this so humble a way. You and your noble work are weekly commended by us to God in prayer.

Most acceptable gifts of clothing have also come from friends in Dundee, Hawick, Ballinluig, Strathaven, Blantyre, Airdrie, Irvine, Lossiemouth, and Glasgow, also a quantity of jewellery to be sold, and four pieces of cloth, etc. Five children were taken in to-day, and many other cases dealt with. Three of those received are orphans; father died last month, leaving them unprovided for; two older ones will be taken again. The others admitted are a little girl from Dunfermline left without home or friends able to keep her; and a delicate child of 8 who was discharged from an incurable home to make room for others, and there is no place for her but the poorhouse, her mother being subject to fits and unable to work.

**March 21.**—Last night (Sabbath) a special praise meeting was held in the church among the dear children, when very many of them testified as to what the Lord had done for them in not only caring for their bodies, but in leading them to trust Him as their own Saviour. It is a matter of great rejoicing to us that very many of the boys so soon to leave us are decided for the Lord and desirous of serving Him wherever they go. To-day the money we still needed for the outward-bound party has come, and our hearts go up in grateful thanksgiving to our faithful covenant-keeping God, who once more has set His seal to this department of His work under our care. A minister at a distance writes regarding a needy case which we are glad to have the privilege of helping:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—More than most men you hear many a tale of sorrow; I am sorry my object in writing you at this time is to add another to the number. Two boys, aged 6 and 3 years, are soon to be left orphans without any prospect of any one being able to care for them as they ought to be cared for. Their father, after a long illness, died in Aug., 1890. He was a hard-working, honest man, had but a small wage, and through the long strain upon his wife in attending to him she was left not only a poor widow but a dying woman. She was forced to sell the household effects and return with her two children to her aged parents who have in their day had no end of trouble and have more than enough to do in providing for themselves. The poor widow struggled hard to earn a living through nursing, etc., but was forced to give up all work some six months ago, and is now, as far as man can judge, within a few weeks' journey of the "celestial city." Her one anxiety is "What is to be done with my children?" When I mentioned your Orphan Homes and spoke in praise of the way they were conducted I shall never forget the look of joy and gratitude she gave me when I said I believed you would shelter them. Can you do so? Praying that the blessing of the Lord may more abundantly rest upon you in this great work.

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

**March 24.**—Our party of 130 boys sailed for Canada to-day in the *S. S. Buenos Ayrean* of the Allan Line, under the care of Mr. John Thomson of Cockenzie, and Mr. Campbell, an old worker with us, now in charge of a Home in the Isle of Man. The former while in Canada will

visit among the homes of the children, and conduct evangelistic services throughout the country. One of our old boys, who has been in business for himself here for some years, also goes with the party, accompanied by his wife and family. They intend taking up land, and settling in the North-West. A Farewell Meeting to commend the outward-bound to the care of our Heavenly Father was held in the Christian Institute at 12 noon, when a large number of friends gathered with us to bid God-speed to this rescued band. After the meeting we took train to Greenock and joined the steamer about 3.30, where we found very commodious and comfortable quarters provided for the children by the Messrs. Allan. After tea and worship we bade good-bye at 7.30, feeling sad at parting, but rejoicing in the prospect of the happier, better life that is before them in the broad fields of Canada, than they had any chance of here. £96 towards the expenses of our Girls' Party, and a number of other gifts, among which was 2s. 6d. from a little rescued boy on leaving for Canada, cheered us to-day. For the new work and needs of the coming weeks we rest on the old tried promise, "My God shall supply all your need."

**March 25.**—Our hearts were gladdened to-day by getting promise of money for Teacher's House from same generous donor who gave the School. Truly the Lord is good, and we do magnify His name for this, another token to us of His interest in the work. Six children were added to our number to-day, and thus the vacant places left by the party gone are beginning to be filled up.

**March 31.**—A large number of gifts have cheered us these few days, among which are £100 towards our Building Fund; £100, "a birthday gift," from Alloa, for emigration; 5s., "a tithe"; £5 from Paisley, half for our own needs; 5s., gift of three little children, Oban; 5s., "first month's pay"; a large quantity of useful clothing, hats, quilts, etc., from busy workers in Wooler, Scotch Girls' Friendly Society, Biggar, with £2 5s. from there also, and other friends; £5 from San Remo; 5s., "a thankoffering for two girls' conversion," from a worker in the Homes; a quantity flower seeds from Paisley; two pieces dress material and £15, £10 of it to take a girl to Canada, and £5 for personal use, from a Glasgow giver. A minister in Dundee who wrote regarding two boys whom we have arranged to take, sends £2 4s. from his Bible Class, and says, "Thanks for your kind letter regarding the boys you have consented to receive; their mother's way to the grave has been made a smoother path by the knowledge of their being cared for thus"; and a friend interested in two boys sent to Canada along with the band last week, writes:—

DEAR MR. AND MRS. QUARRIER,—I write to say I had much pleasure in being present at meeting last Thursday. I asked D., "Do you regret coming to the Homes?" and he gave me such a clear distinct answer, "No, mum. I am glad I came; I have been saved in the Homes, and I will never forget Mr. Quarrier for what he has done for me." I felt quite delighted with his answer, and more so, being the first children I have had anything to do with. I thought this might be a little cheer to you in your work of patience for the Lord, and if you can suggest how in any way I could help you here in my humble way I shall be pleased to do so. You have my prayers that God may long spare you in this great work you have on hand.

Letters such as the following from our family on the other side are most encouraging to us from time to time. The first is from one of our boys, who, along with two sisters, went out in 1876. As will be seen from his letter, they are all married now, and have three children each, thus



showing part of the increase of the great family across the sea. The Lord grant that the rising generation may become a seed to serve Him in that good land.

DEAR FRIENDS,—Just a few lines from one of the old boys, hoping to find you all well, as this leaves us at present, thank God for His kindness to us all. I came out in 1876 with Mr. and Mrs. Roberts, and I have lived in this place ever since, that is 16 years this spring. I was only 11 years old when I came here; now I am 27 years, and have been married for six years, and have got three fine healthy boys. My sister that came out with me is married seven years, and has three nice children, and my sister that came out the year before us has been married twelve years, and has three nice children, and she and her husband live in Michigan. He is working in a planing mill, and R.'s husband is a farmer, living about four miles from me. I am serving my last summer learning to be a cheese-maker. I would like to come down to Brockville, and if I do ever get down I would be very happy to come and see you. I hope that the children and whoever comes in command of them will have a safe journey across the Atlantic. I received your Christmas parcel and was glad when I read them to see the work prospering in your hands, and may God give you health and strength day by day till He calls you to be with Him, and may we all meet in heaven, where parting will be no more. I am, your sincere friend,  
G. H. P.

DEAR SIR,—I now take the pleasure of writing to let you know that I am keeping well, hoping to find you enjoying the same blessing. I am almost ashamed of myself in being so careless in not writing to you long ago, but I kept putting it off, but to-night, after I washed my tea dishes, I just made it a point to sit down and write to you, so I am glad I have got so far. Dear Mr. Quarrier, I hope you will not think me ungrateful for all the kindness that I received from the Homes; for although I have not written or given anything to show my gratitude, still I have it in my heart. There is one thing I can send you, and that is my prayers; for I can really say there is not a morning or evening but what I pray that God will bless your work; and I saw by the Christmas letter you kindly sent me that He is both the Hearer and Answerer of prayer. Oh! I am so glad that I took Jesus to be my Friend when I was in the Homes, for I really do not know what I would have done without Him in Canada. I was going to say that Canada is very nice, but there is no place I have seen comes to the mark like the Bridge-of-Weir Homes. I have never been in a nicer church than the one at the Homes. I heard that mother has gone to a boys' cottage. I am glad she did not go while I was there. Please tell her to write me. Poor mother, she had her own time with some of us wayward girls! Although I used to think it pretty hard sometimes to be scolded, still I can see now that it was for my good. Little Agnes and Jennie have gone to their beautiful home on high. I am sure they will be beholding the face of their Saviour Whom they learned to love. I heard from one of the girls that when Miss Murray told her she was dying, she said, "O, Lord Jesus! come quickly and take me away;" and I thought it was so nice to hear that she wanted to go. Now, I must tell you about my sister Flora. She is so tickled to think that she is ever so much taller than I am, but I tell her that bad weeds grow fast, and that good goods are done up in small parcels; but she only laughs. She has got such a good home, and I am so glad. Miss O. says she would not give her up for anything, and Flora says she would not live in the town at all. I am getting on very well now. I can make bread, biscuits, pies, sponge cake, layer cake, Johnny cake, tarts, fried cakes, and cookies. I can wash and iron nicely; and I can sew and knit, and I don't know all. I must tell you about the nice time we had at Christmas. I go to Sabbath school. I got two prizes for attendance and for having my lessons well, thanks to the Home that knew the Scriptures so well. Mrs. D. is such a nice lady—such a Christian. She is an example for any lady in her daily walk and conversation. She just puts me in mind of Mrs. Quarrier. With love to you all. Your ever grateful friend,  
A. G.

April 2.—Gifts from Sabbath Schools and young people throughout the land are always most acceptable and cheering. To-day a friend in Paisley sends £2 from a children's church there and says, "The sum is not large, but it is the collection of children not far removed from the poorest class, and I may say that it gives them very sincere pleasure, in voting the distribution of the year's collections, to put the Orphan Homes first"; a little invalid girl, Perth, a parcel of clothing; an old lady,

Dunfermline, £1; Sabbath Schools in Dumbarton and Fochabers, £3 1s. 9d.; a friend, Coatbridge, £5; another, "a tithe," 5s.; and two others, 7s. 6d. A legacy of £47 1s. 11d., and some clothing and bread make up our supplies for the day.

April 8.—Tidings of the arrival of our boys' party at Brockville reached us yesterday, and anew we praise God for safe voyage and protecting care over another rescued band. Fourteen boys and girls have been taken in these three days past from Edinburgh, Arbroath, Helensburgh, and Glasgow. Applications regarding others have come from Inverness, Longniddry, Edinburgh, Leith, and Ayr—among them the following—Three fatherless children of 14, 10, 6, received from Edinburgh, whose mother is in very delicate health; she gets some help from parish, but is unable to continue the struggle with poverty and sickness longer; an orphan lad of 16 from Arbroath, found by missionary there in a deplorable condition, having been sleeping out for weeks past. He has been going about from place to place with some tramps, living in common lodging houses, etc. A sister is with the missionary, and he is anxious to have the boy rescued. A girl of 16 in Inverness who has got among rather wild companions and wont settle in a place. Friends interested think she might do well away from old surroundings. A boy of 11 sent to us from police office, having been taken there for begging; two young women from Helensburgh, whose old grandfather, with whom they stayed, has just died, and there is no home for them; three girls of 10, 8, and 7, whose case was brought before us by Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children, Edinburgh; the mother is a field worker, and the children are cruelly neglected and in danger of falling into crime; and a lad of 16, whose father, a sailor, was drowned some years ago, and mother has deserted him. He has been living in common lodging houses in Leith, and will, we fear, soon swell the criminal ranks of our country unless something is done for him. If he is willing to be helped we will give him a chance, but at his age and after such a life, we feel that unless changed by the grace of God it is almost fruitless work. A servant writes:—

DEAR SIR,—I enclose the sum of £2 17s. 6d., which I have collected amongst a few friends, for your noble work in giving joy and peace to the dying bed of many fathers and mothers, knowing that the little ones they are leaving behind them will be so well cared for and trained up to be noble men and women under the banner of Jesus Christ. May God's blessing rest on your loving labour, as it has done in the past.

Two young helpers in Leith send 10s., and say:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—We have so much pleasure in sending you this for your bairns, for it is money well spent caring for the little ones. As we grow in years we hope to be able to send on more and more to you for your noble work. I am thirteen now, and Sissy is five, and mother wants to train us to help our brothers and sisters. With love to you and the little ones.

£51 for emigration and some other gifts have come to-day, among which are a quantity of booklets for girls going to Canada. The words, "Only be thou strong and very courageous," sent with £1 3s. from an aged friend in Crieff, were specially encouraging amid trials by the way. The Lord knows what things we have need of, and we would more and more rest in Him. The following letters are among others to hand this week from Canada, leading us anew to thank God for fruit "after many days":—

DEAR FRIEND,—No doubt you may think I have forgotten you and your kindness to me when I was small, as I have not written to you for years. I ought to be ashamed to write to you, but the reason I am now writing to you is to let you know

good news. Of course you may have heard that I left Mr. P's. I left a year ago last October. The reason I left was because I did not like farming, so I went out into the world to seek my own living, although Mr. P's was as fine a house for me as could be found in the country; but my heart took to wanting to be on the railroad, and nothing else would suit me. I am now working with the C. & E. Railway in the North-Western part of Canada. The good news I was speaking about is I have been converted and I have joined the Methodist Church. I became a member on the 6th of this month, was brought to know the saving power of the Lord on the 2nd. The Lord is blessing me day by day; the way may seem dark sometimes, but it soon grows bright by looking to Jesus. I am glad to be able to tell you I am getting along very well, and this is a beautiful country. We have had a very mild winter—no sleighing. It is not near so cold here as it is in Ontario. I have not a great deal of news to tell, but hoping you are all well. Please give my best respects to everybody. Would be glad to hear from you soon. So good-bye. Gratefully yours, J. I.

DEAR SIR,—I write you a few lines to let you know that I am well, hoping to find you the same. I ought to have written to you before now, but I thought I would wait until I knew something about Canada. I like my place splendid. Mrs. and Mr. D. are very good to me. I go to Sunday school and church regularly, and I see my brothers often. Andrew is six miles and a-half away and James and Willie are eight miles. I get letters from my aunt and I write to her. The farm is a hundred acres, and we have thirteen head of cattle and seven sheep and four horses. I must tell you what I can do. I can harness the horses and I can sit on the seed drill and drive the horses and sow the seed, and I can harrow and rake hay with the horse rake. I would advise the boys to come to Canada to learn to work, for I have learned a great deal about it since I have come here. It has been a cold winter here. We are now preparing for sugar making, as we expect it soon. There is three feet of snow here and it continues to storm a little every day. I thank you and Mrs. Quarrier for your yearly letter and Christmas card. I remain yours truly, R. C.

**April 13.**—£1 15s. yesterday; £37 8s. collected by a friend in Campbeltown; and £8 3s. 6d. from others in Elgin, Dunfermline, Forfar, Springbank, and Glasgow have come to-day; also some clothing and bread from Stirling, Cardonald, Dunning, Largs, and Glasgow; and four dozen eggs for some of our sick little ones, from a friend in Polmont, with the words, "God loveth a cheerful giver," and "plead the cause of the poor and needy." Four of these were received to-day, and a little one was adopted into a good home by a Christian couple, who we trust will act the part of a father and mother to her.

**April 16.**—An aunt of children brought by her this week from Dundee sends 2s. 6d., her "first offering," and says, "Would you kindly permit me to write? I felt I could not deliver my sister's message to you. She died rejoicing in her dear Lord, Whom she had found precious for the past fourteen years. She had good faith in you, and she wished their young hearts to be brought to know their mother's God." Among other gifts received yesterday and to-day are £2 2s. from an aged friend, Tillicoultry; fifty-nine garments for our girls going to Canada from Strathblane Sewing meeting, and twelve from another; £1, a thank-offering for partial recovery to health of a dear husband; £20 to take two girls to Canada, from a frequent helper in Glasgow; a quantity of clothing, remnants, etc., from friends in Tynemouth; and two hand-painted vases for our Invalid Boys' Home, which we hope to open very soon. Nine new members have been added to our family, among whom are a wayward boy of 10, and working lad, from Alloa and Dundee; two children of 12 and 6 from Edinburgh, whose father with his wife—stepmother of the children—went to Canada some time ago. There he left her and his family to seek for work in the Far West, and has not been heard of since, which is a mystery, as he was always kind and attentive. The stepmother has two

children of her own, and although she would like to keep and provide for the others, she is quite unable to do so; a girl of 12 from Port-Glasgow, whose mother is dead, and the father, a gardener, went to America, and has not been heard of for six years. A grandfather has kept her since, but she is getting beyond control, and grandmother being old they are not fit to manage her; and a girl of 12 from Alloa, who is in danger of going wrong, being in the midst of bad moral surroundings. Such are some of the varied cases of sin, want, and suffering with which we have to deal from day to day, and were it not for the grace, wisdom, and patience which the Lord bestows, and the many prayers of His children, we would oftentimes faint and fail by the way. We rejoice in the great privilege that is ours of rescuing so many, and long for more of the Spirit of the Master, Who had compassion on the multitude because they were as sheep having no shepherd. A friend, in sending a parcel of clothing, writes—

DEAR SIR,—The accompanying articles are a portion of the results of work done in my kitchen, when I read aloud to my maids for an hour during the winter evenings. We hope they will prove useful to your little emigrants, or if too small mostly for them I daresay you have juveniles in your Homes to whom they may be useful. I take great interest in your work, my regret being that I have so little in my power—very specially do I uphold it whenever such like work is mentioned, as being the result of prayer. Strange how the world still scouts the idea of such results from only prayer! I imagine they do not believe the possible veracity of those who assert it, and it is a shame to most of us that we do not depend more on this most powerful weapon. Long may you be spared to carry on the blessed work of caring for otherwise uncared for children, and have many saved souls as a crown at the last day. I am a very weak believer, but God has been most kind and forbearing with me, and I can only sing a song of rejoicing in that, after long years of carelessness, He has graciously enabled me to lay hold of the only sure hope. When at the throne of grace I have set aside one evening weekly to make special mention of you and your work. I trust you remember all who desire to aid you, though they are too many to be named individually, for we are desired to "pray for one another," and God has His own times and ways of sending answers, perhaps never known to the petitioner.

**April 21.**—From various sources far off and near £51 0s. 7d. have reached us these few days, £15 of it for emigration. We intend sending our girls' party to Canada on the 27th of next month, and for this purpose we still require about £500 before the day of sailing. Our God is faithful, and we look to Him.

**April 23.**—£100 for emigration from an old donor in Edinburgh, and £25 from another at a distance for the same purpose with the following letter were most cheering:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—In thinking of you and your work yesterday these texts came into my mind: "We trust in the living God," "He knoweth them that trust in Him," None of them that trust in Him shall be desolate."

The Lord hath done great things for thee

All through the fleeting days,

Jehovah hath dealt wondrously,

Lift up thy heart and praise!

For greater things thine eyes shall see,

Child of His loving choice!

The Lord will do great things for thee,

Fear not, be glad, rejoice!

I am sure these lines express just what you feel. The Lord hath done great things for thee. He will still do great things for you. Therefore, praise Him, fear not, rejoice. "May the arms of your hands be made strong by the hands of the Mighty God of Jacob." I lead a very lonely invalid life, but God has been very good to me. Will you offer an earnest prayer for me at this time, for I have been much harassed, and often feel faint-hearted and weak in faith. I need to be upheld by the prayers of Christian friends.



**April 29.**—We have not received any large sums this week, but many gifts have come with encouraging words of sympathy, reminding us that the Lord knows what things we have need of, and we are sure He will supply. To-day nine more children have been admitted, making in all fifty-nine during the month, and to many other suffering needy ones a helping hand has been extended and words of comfort spoken. The daily needs of our large family as well as our own have all been met, and we are able to close this, the sixth month of our twenty-first year, with the balance on the right side, as in all the past of our trust in the Lord for the work of the Homes.

**May 4.**—£43 1s. 2d. have come yesterday and to-day, £16 of it for emigration. We need much more and keep looking up. A quantity of clothing from a work party, Melrose; three articles and set of reins from



ELIM, INVALID BOYS' HOME.

three young friends, "themselves orphans"; and a parcel from another, also a quantity of books from Bridge-of-Allan and Glasgow were very acceptable gifts.

**May 7.**—This afternoon we held "May Day" in right royal style among our big family at Bridge-of-Weir. About 2 P.M. the children from the various cottages marched out to the general play-park bearing in front their banners, while bringing up the rear in each party were those carrying the viands, consisting of curds, an abundant supply of good milk, biscuits, apples, figs, and sweets. The weather was good, and the sight worth coming a long distance to see, the groups with their gay flags, baskets, pitchers, etc., making a very pretty picture. Games and other recreations were enjoyed for an hour or two, followed by races, for which substantial prizes were given. The scramble for sweets was very amusing and excited great merriment. There was an additional interest in connection with the day in the opening of "Elim," our Invalid Boys' Home, which has

been built for the purpose of caring for invalid and incurable boys. At four o'clock whistles were blown and the order given to range into companies again, and headed by the standard-bearers, each cottage marched to Elim. Two years ago £3,000 were given by a lady friend to build this house as a birthday thankoffering for her husband, and to-day being the anniversary of the birthday, we opened and set apart this lovely Home for the reception of the weak and suffering ones among our boys. In prayer we asked that it would be made a haven of rest for the weary body, as well as the place where many would lose the burden of sin, and be brought out of darkness into light and the glorious liberty of the children of God. All the families passed through the house and were afterwards photographed standing around it, a sketch of which we give on foregoing page. The bright sunshine gladdened our hearts, and we wished the kind donors had been present with us to witness the beautiful sight, and see the enjoyment of the dear children. A number of gifts have reached us these few days, among which are \$60 from British Columbia, a tenth part of increase dedicated by a young friend and his wife to the Lord, "feeling that there is no better way of doing so than by helping on your work amongst the hungry and naked boys and girls of my native land;" £50 for the general fund from two brothers; £4 for emigration from a donor who regularly gives a portion from his business to the Lord's work in our hands; £10, collected by a friend to take a girl to Canada; 10s. from a kitchen meeting; £3, a part of earnings during year; £40 for emigration, and £10 for our own needs, from two sisters; £1 from friends in Yetholm, wishing it were more; £10 to take a little girl to Canada from one who writes:—

DEAR FRIEND,—I again have the pleasure of being able to spare £10 for the passage across the Atlantic of one little girl, and I do hope that the passage money for each one will be sent before they leave you; but the present is a very discouraging time. Our dividends are decreasing so much owing to those dreadful strikes amongst colliers and ironworkers, one cannot foresee what will be the end. There is destitution everywhere. It is a time calling for the faith and trust in our Heavenly Father's loving care, and I hope this may be realized by you, who have such a great responsibility resting on you, in sheltering, feeding, clothing, and training so many young people, fitting them for lives of usefulness and honour. You have in the past realized that His promises fail not. So may you be comforted with the promise, "My God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus." His power to feed the vast multitude is the same now as when He was personally present showing His deep tender sympathy with the suffering, the sick and sorrowful ones. May you all be encouraged to lean on the everlasting arm of Divine love and rest there—and £5 from another donor, who says:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I feel that it is not only a pleasure but a positive privilege to be able to send you a contribution and a few words of encouragement. I regret that a very busy and active life, full of the details and worries of business, has prevented me from visiting the Homes at Bridge-of-Weir as often as I should like, but as I think it a very good way to spend a half-holiday, I intend going down soon, to see once more how sorrow can be changed into joy by the united work of busy hands and loving hearts. With kind regards and wishing you success upon success.

How often we have cause to thank God and take courage by the cheering words and kind sympathy of our fellow-helpers and friends!

**May 14.**—This week £38 13s. is all we have received for emigration, and about £200 is still required for our girls' party before the 27th inst., the day fixed for sailing. £5 from Kirkintilloch, "praying that as in times past you have seen the great goodness of the Lord to those who trust Him, so in times to come may it be even more abundantly manifested

to you; "10s., a penny-a-week contributions from a few factory girls in Hawick;" £2 15s. 6d., collected from friends in Leith, "wishing it could have been much more;" £7 7s. from another friend there; 2s. from father of girl restored to him; £1 from two donors, Shetland, with the words, "Be not weary in well-doing, for in *due season* ye shall reap if ye faint not;" some clothing from a Young People's Sewing Meeting, who after their own daily work is over meet once a week to sew for our little ones; and £5, £1 of it for our own use, and a parcel of waterproof cloaks from Windermere, are among our gifts for the past few days.

**May 20.**—The cry for help keeps daily coming to us from many places all over the country, and during the past fortnight seventeen needy ones have been added to our family, all with sad, sad histories of suffering and woe. To-day a wee baby-girl of 8 months from Dundee was brought to us, who when rescued from its wretched mother by the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children weighed only 6½ lbs. She is at present undergoing sixty days' imprisonment for ill-treatment and neglect of her infant, and the Sheriff has given it over to our care. Other cases brought before us from Dundee are those of a paralytic boy, helpless and with no one able to keep him; a consumptive girl of 16; and a homeless boy of 14. What a legacy, the halt, maimed, and helpless! Among others received are two delicate little ones of 4 and 7 from Crieff, whose father—a store-keeper—died in August last in New South Wales after three months' illness. The mother, after all her husband's earnings were spent, was sent home to this, her native country, and she finds herself unable with any help she may get from friends to keep these and other two children she has. A lad who was in the Homes before, but ran away some time ago, was brought back, and re-admitted at the earnest solicitation of friends, and he promises to do well if he gets another chance; and a boy and girl of 13 and 11, whose father committed suicide at the end of last year while in prison for stealing, having been led into drinking, etc., through his wife's bad habits. The mother deserted them a month ago, and they have since been staying with a person who has a dying child, and cannot continue keeping them. To-day we laid to rest the body of one of our flock, little Annie Wheeler, who was taken home from Bethesda three days ago. She, along with a little brother, came to us in 1888, but was far from strong then, and had been in Sick Children's Hospital. She has lingered on, sometimes able to be up, but for many months past confined to bed, and had to lie on her back constantly. She will be missed by the children and friends who kindly nursed and cared for her; but we cannot sorrow for her, knowing that she is now free from all pain and trouble, so much of which she knew here. "Of such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

**May 25.**—We were much cheered yesterday by receiving £100 from an old helper in Servia for emigration. This, with other gifts, completes the money required for our girls' party. "The Lord is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble, and He knoweth them that trust in Him" is our experience again. £10 from "Nemo," and £28 14s. 3d. from others have come for the daily needs. To-night we had a farewell gathering with the children in the church at seven o'clock, a special tea being provided for all beforehand in each home. The girls so soon to leave us entertained the company with singing, recitations, etc., and a very happy time was spent, although intermingled somewhat with sorrow at the near prospect of parting.

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

**May 27.**—Our girls' party, numbering 109 girls, 10 little boys, and the mother of one of our older lads, who has sent money to take her out, 120 in all, sailed for Canada to-day in the s.s. *Sarmatian* of the Allan Line about twelve noon. We all gathered for united family worship in the church at 7.45 A.M., and after many farewell greetings the outward bound left the dear old Homes where so many happy days were spent, carts and machines conveying them to the station. At ten o'clock a parting meeting was held in the Christian Institute, Glasgow, when, notwithstanding the early hour, a large number of friends gathered to commend the party to the care of our Heavenly Father and to wish them God-speed. We accompanied them to Greenock, and were greatly pleased with the splendid quarters provided for the children on board ship through the kindness of the Messrs. Allan. They go out followed by many prayers, and we trust will in the years to come rise up to be God-fearing useful women and men in the new land. My daughter and the Misses Bryden, also Mr. Burges and Mr. M'Fadzean go with the party.

**May 30.**—One of our boys sent out in March writes from his new home in Canada:—

DEAR MR AND MRS. QUARRIER,—I write a few lines to let you know how I am getting on. God is always keeping me in good health and strength, and I thank Him for it. I thank God for bringing us across that mighty ocean, and I thank Him for bringing us safe on the railway to Fairknowe Home. I thank God and you for the fine box of clothes. I left the Home for my place a month past. I like to stay in this country; I have got a fine place, and I like the people very much, and they like me. My brother is only four miles from me, and I thank God for giving him and me such good places; I see him always at church. I like farm work; I drive the horses and harrow with them, and I clean the byre and stables and feed the cows and cattle. We have twelve cows and seven cattle. I can milk a little, but not very well, as we have not many cows calved. I thank God for giving me strength to do my work and strength to overcome Satan. I am always trusting Jesus and serving Him every day. I liked the sugar and syrup making fine, but it is all done now. I pray that God will prosper your work there and in Canada, and send in plenty of workers. I have no more to say at present. God bless you all and your work, and keep you and your workers in strength. God be with you till we meet again. "All we like sheep have gone astray, we have turned every one to his own way, and the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all." Yours truly,

R. A.

We are also frequently receiving letters from our sailor boys. One of them writes from Java:—

DEAR SIR,—I now take the pleasure of writing you these few lines before I leave Java. I am glad to tell you that David and myself are in good health, and hope this will find you and your family in good health also. I must thank you for the letter which I received in Sourabaya, and also your yearly letter. I wish very much that I could get back to see you and the Homes again, but I must wait a little longer, because our ship is chartered for Montreal, and we have to sail at the end of this week, and we shall have another three months at sea—perhaps more. We left Sourabaya on the 23rd of March, and sailed for a small place called Besoekie, where we remained ten days, taking on board about 500 tons of sugar. We have been here nearly a week, and I have been ashore last Sunday with our second mate, and I can tell you I enjoyed myself very well after being shut up on board a ship for such a long time. I am sure you will be glad to know that David and myself have never had one day's sickness since we came on this coast, while every man in the fore-castle has been on the sick list. I am sorry to tell you that the most part were only shamming sickness so that they could get clear of their work. I hope Montreal won't be so hot as Java, because we are fairly scorched here. It is seldom you see any of the sailors sleep in their berths—they all prefer to stretch on deck—but the doctor advised us not to sleep on deck, because that is one of the quickest ways to catch fever. Dear Sir, I know that you will be pleased to know that we are going to



Montreal, because we will be sure to see some of the old boys and girls, and perhaps some of your friends. I expect we will get there about the same time as you will be in Canada, that is if you go out this year with the girls. I should like very much to see you out there. I will now close, because it is late; so I will bid you and all the workers good bye. I have no more to say at present, but remain, yours truly,

A. B.

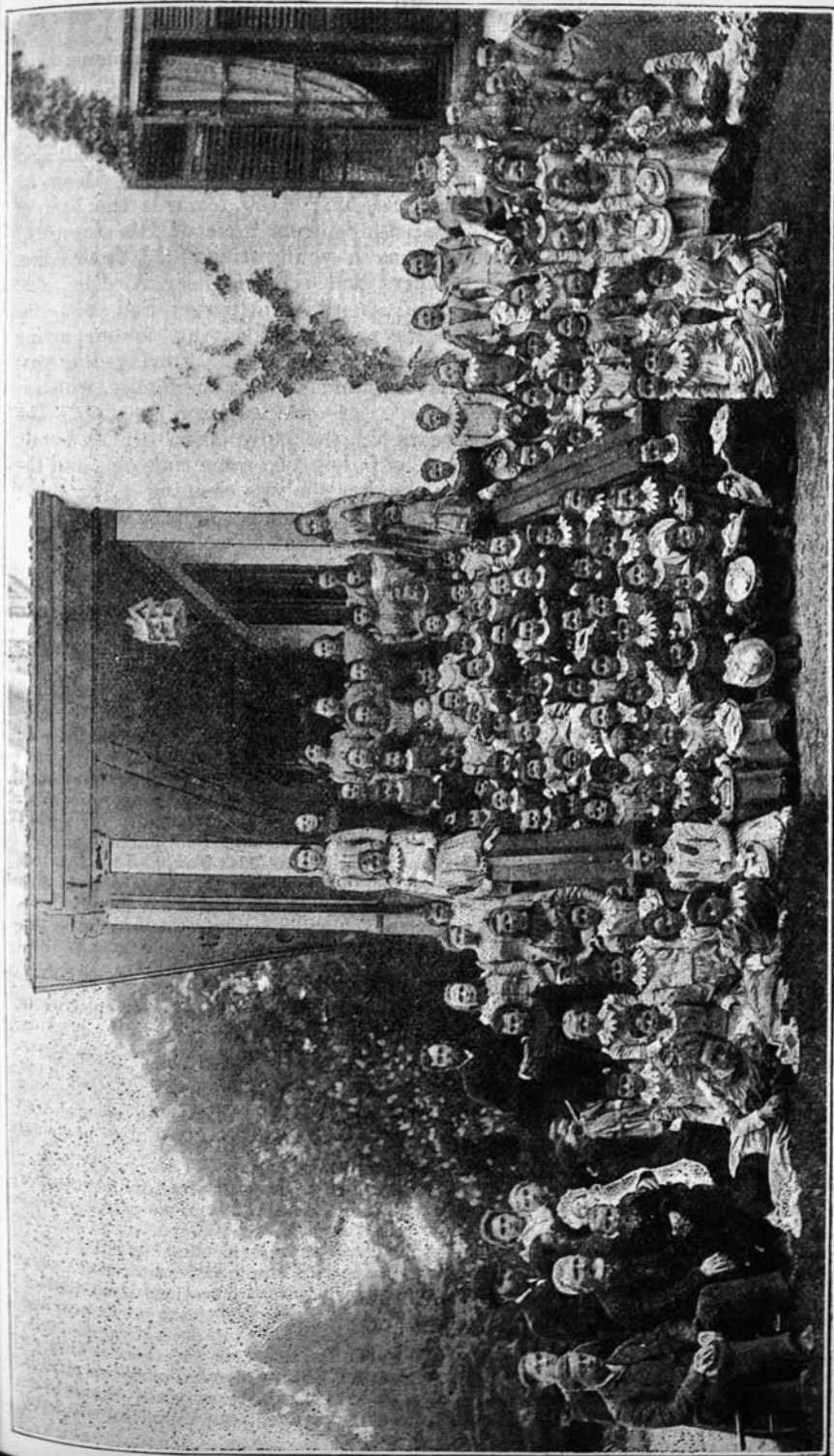
**June 3.**—Yesterday from Addiewell, Keswick, Ibrox, Oban, Isle of Man, Holland, Largs, Paisley, and New Zealand, £7 10s. 10d., and some clothing and framed texts reached us, 6s. 10d. of it the gift of a few children gathering on Sabbath afternoons in a lonely settlement, New Zealand. To-day from Aberdeen, Tillicoultry, Coldstream, Broomhouse, Bearsden, Hawick, Lesmahagow, Greenock, and Glasgow, £20 2s. 6d., £2 for personal needs, and some clothing have come, £1 of it remaining part of legacy of £10 left by an old shore labourer in Aberdeen, who for some years past has taken an interest in the work among the little ones, and, although not able to earn much himself, out of his poverty he ministered to them from time to time. Self-denial and sacrifice such as this may not be seen or thought of by men, but will be surely rewarded by the Master Who, when on earth, took notice of the widow's mites, and without Whose knowledge even a sparrow does not fall to the ground. Four destitute orphan little ones, of 8, 7, 5 and 3, have been taken in from Garmouth; also a boy and girl, of 8 and 9, sent by Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children, Edinburgh; and a boy of 14 from Kilmarnock, whose father went to New Zealand some time ago and was reported dead, and the mother is much given to drink and said to be living an immoral life. In the midst of the work of rescue from day to day such letters as the following are cheering. The country life on the farms in Canada, quite removed from the old surroundings, is a blessing to our children, and saves them from the ever-present temptations of large cities:—

DEAR MR. AND MRS. QUARRIER,—I now write you this letter letting you know how I am keeping and how I am getting along in this farm, and how I am getting treated. First, I have got good parents and I am getting treated excellently. We have got twenty-one horses and we have got a fine stock, and I can see the cars and boats going past, and I stay in front of Lake Ontario, and the lighthouse is in front of the house, and it is a lovely place to look at altogether. I am staying near one of the boys who came out this year named D. T. I go to Sunday school every Sunday and I will be going to the school in winter. The school is on the farm and I wish I was at it just now. I am just between two towns; one is Cobourg, it is four miles; the other is Port Hope; and I plant potatoes and I plant mangolds and I get to eat as much apples as I like and I eat plenty of them. It is a nice country and I would not go back for a great deal now. I was wanting back the first day but I wouldn't go back now it is such a nice country all around. There is a steamboat runs across every day; it goes 65 miles, and it is not raining so much every day. There are two steamers go from Hamilton to Montreal every night with lime. I wrote a letter to my sisters, and I haven't got any answer yet, and I would like to hear about the old country. I am learning to milk now, I will soon learn, and I help to churn the milk. I hope that you will write soon; that's all I have to say at present, hoping you are all well. Yours sincerely,

P. S.

**June 7.**—Yesterday we received word of the arrival of our girls' party at Quebec and this morning at Fairknowe, Brockville, after a splendid passage, only ten days since they left us. We did rejoice, and the bells rang out to let our village know the good news. The picture on the opposite page, printed from a photo taken at Fairknowe, will, we feel sure, be interesting to friends. £10 13s. 9d. is the amount sent in to-day from friends in various parts, with kind words of cheer.

**June 13.**—£50, part of money left by a friend now gone home; £100



SKETCH OF GIRLS' PARTY, FROM PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN AT FAIRKNOWE, BROCKVILLE, CANADA, 7TH JUN<sup>r</sup>, 1892.

from Pitlochry; £50 from Alloa; and £6 12s. 6d. from other sources, were most acceptable gifts for the daily needs of our increasing family.

**June 18.**—£250 from an old donor in Campbeltown was a most welcome gift for our Building Fund, and a number of sums, small and large, have come for general use these few days past, among them £9 gathered by pupils in school during session; £150 towards the keep of Bethesda, our Invalid Girls' Home; £4 8s. from "one of His stewards," Wales; 5s., "part of a bursary," from a young friend; £1 from Alice, Willie and Jessie; 10s. from teachers and scholars near Airdrie; £20 15s. 6d. from seven unknown friends in different parts; and £12 10s. for our own use, filling our hearts with thanksgiving to our loving Father, who day by day supplies our every need. During the past fortnight we have added thirty-one boys and girls to our family, which is over two a day, the number we have set our hearts on rescuing. The youngest of those admitted is 2 years old, the baby of an orphan family of four, all of whom we received. The father died some time ago, and the mother recently, by falling from a window she was cleaning. The eldest admitted is a lad of 16, taken into our City Home. Thus it is a real joy to us to be able to receive and care for the infant as well as those older in years, and so save them from a life of sin and misery.

**June 23.**—Quite a number of letters have reached us this week from some of our girls' band who left us so recently, telling of the voyage across, landing at Fairknowe, etc. Among them are the following:—

DEAR MR. AND MRS. QUARRIER,—I take the pleasure of writing to you to give an account of the voyage. The first day on the ship there were a lot of girls sick, and two or three in bed. Dear Mr. Quarrier, I am glad to tell you that we all arrived at Fairknowe in safety on Tuesday morning at one o'clock, and were put to bed and slept soundly. On Tuesday night we had our treat, and it was very nice. Then we went into the Presbyterian Church, and we recited and sang, and we all did very well, and we enjoyed ourselves very much. When I get into my home I will not forget to write to you. I send my kind regards to Mrs. Quarrier and Mr. Frank, and hope you are all well. Give my kind love to Miss Fox, and tell her that I will write to her soon. The Misses Bryden were so kind to us, and so was Miss Quarrier, and Miss Bryden sketched some of the girls' faces, and she is going to show them to you when she gets home. I am sure you will know me, for it is so like me. Dear Mr. Quarrier, I think I shall like to be in Canada, for the people seem so kind; and I will try to do everything to please them, always asking my Father in heaven to guide me, and I know with Him as my guide I shall not want. Dear Mr. Quarrier, I thank the Lord for His kindness to me, and I am asking Him to strengthen you for the good work that He has given you to do. Dear Mr. Quarrier, the captain was so kind to us, for he was such a nice gentleman, and all the officers were so nice to us, and we were all so sorry to leave the ship. We got our photograph taken on Tuesday afternoon, and I bought one to remind me of the first day I came to Canada. Dear Mr. Quarrier, I wish you were here to see the dear little baby, for it is a sweet little thing. Dear Mr. Quarrier, I will draw to a close now. I remain, yours lovingly,  
E. F. S.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I take the pleasure of writing to you this letter to let you know that we had a very quick passage across the ocean, and we all enjoyed it very much. We saw icebergs on our way. There were a number of us sick for two or three days, but we got all right again. We were in the ship till Monday at ten o'clock, then we landed at Quebec. We had to stand and wait for the train till twelve o'clock, then we got in and we got our dinner, and we were all very happy. We got out of the train at twelve at night. The little ones got in a car and drove away to Fairknowe, and the bigger ones walked. The walk was very pleasant. Then we landed at Fairknowe. It was half-past one when we got there. Then we got into bed, and then we got up in the morning and we dressed ourselves and got our breakfast, and then we got worship and we got out to play till dinner time. They were all very kind to us on board the ship; we got oranges and sweets. We

had a very happy night on Tuesday night. We went to St. John's Church and got our tea there, then we had recitations and singing. We saw a lot of our little companions at the church. We got our photographs taken yesterday; it was at the front of the house they were taken. We saw them to-day; they were very good. I hope Mrs. Quarrier is keeping quite well and strong, and yourself and Mr. Frank too. "God be with you till we meet again." With love and best wishes to all at Homelea, I remain, your loving girl,  
A. M.

A number of young friends from Kilmalcolm visiting the Homes this week left a useful lot of clothing, books, etc.; a Sabbath School class in Edinburgh send £3, and say, "We wish it had been a larger amount, but we give it willingly, and know that our Master will accept it as given to Him. We pray for you and your large family, and ask God's blessing for you all"; an aged new donor in Canada, £10; one in New Zealand, £3; pupils in school, Helensburgh, £1, collected mostly in pennies; a little boy, 7s. 6d. saved by doing without butter and jam for three months; a young friend in Wick, 2s. 6d., "to give a little solace to one of your many poor bairns"; an old servant, 5s., towards the building fund of the Servants' Cottage; "a worm," 10s.; a friend in Dunoon, £1, collected at children's seaside services there; another in Kirn, 10s., in memory of two loved sisters; one, a box of toys for doll's house, etc.; and a friend in Moffat, £11 16s., collected from friends. A frequent helper in Edinburgh writes:—

DEAR SIR,—I have much pleasure in sending you £2 from myself and 6s. from Bible-Class. This Bible-Class is composed of a few lads gathered out of a mission district and our lesson one Sabbath evening touched on Jacob's vow. In speaking to them of devoting some part of our possessions to God I ventured to say that poor as they were they might yet be able to give something to God, and I asked those who were favourable to a mission box to rise. They were unanimous; and they very cordially agreed the other night to send what they had collected during the last few months to Mr. Quarrier's boys and girls.

There are few who are not able in some way or other to deny themselves for the sake of others, and we pray that all these young friends who are thus early ministering to the needy may know in their own experience that "it is more blessed to give than to receive."

**June 28.**—We very frequently receive photographs from our boys and girls in Canada, and sometimes it is difficult for us to recognise in the well-dressed, fine-looking young men and women the boys and girls who were for one, two, or more years under our care here. The following letter and the photo, which appears on next page, came this month from one of two brothers sent out in 1889:—

DEAR MR. AND MRS. QUARRIER,—I take the opportunity of sitting down to write you these few lines to let you know that I am well, and was glad to see that you are all the same at present. I think that it is one of the greatest blessings that we could have is good health, when so many are sick and dying all around us from day to day. Mr. Quarrier, you have no idea how overjoyed I was to get a letter from you, and I was still more glad to hear how the Homes are growing, and I hope that they may continue so, for I think that it is one of the greatest and most popular Orphan Homes to be found, and still more, I don't think that any boy or girl ought to be ashamed of them. I know that I aint, and hope that I never will. My prayer is that as they are growing the children may grow in the grace and knowledge of our Saviour Jesus Christ. My dear friends, as I take the privilege of calling you, I was to the Home on New-year's day, and to tell the truth, Mr. Quarrier, I never spent as happy a time since I came out to this country. We kept Mr. and Mrs. Burges on the go and they did all they could for the children. I am very sorry to hear about poor Venus, the dog's death. We are having a grand spring here just now; the crops are all growing up at a great rate and meadows look well. We just finished planting our corn to-day and potatoes. Last year was a very hard year on a farmer; there was no hay or grain to speak of, and it put things into a bad shape. I have been working for this man



I am with for two years; my time will be up in October, and I intend to go to school for six or seven months, and if there is any possible chance of getting into a store to clerk, and if I get along well I intend to go to the Brockville Business College and take a course for book-keeping or shorthand, two years from this winter as the Lord helps me. Now, dear friend, as it is getting late I think I will have to close by saying good-bye to you all for the present, hoping to hear from you soon again. Please remember me to all the workers and friends. No more at present, but remains yours truly,  
A M.K.

£19, a basket of rolls, and six pairs stockings, "Jennie's first knitting for a wee baby," are our gifts for to-day.



**July 1.**—A legacy of £357 10s. 6d., £200 of it for the Building Fund, bequeathed by an aged friend in Aberdeen, who almost from the beginning of the work ministered to the needs by his gifts and hearty sympathy, reached us to-day, and is most acceptable at this time. It is very interesting for us to note the way in which the Lord supplies our needs from day to day, and He has abundantly fulfilled His promise to us, "They that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing." £1 from a worker; £4 10s. 6d., collected by a friend in Largs; £2 from an invalid and two friends, Aberdeen, "praying that you may be granted daily

strength for daily needs"; 500 copies of "True Stories" for distribution in Canada among our children and others; £2 12s. 6d. from friends in Kirkcudbright; and 15s. from another in Balmuir, praying that "the Lord may bless you and make you a blessing more and more to young Scotland"; and 10s. from an old donor in Campsie, who says:—

DEAR SIR,—I was pleased to see you were enabled to send away such a large party already. What a change for the poor children, and what a good to the country, as no doubt very many of them, if left as you found them, would have joined the criminal class; it is a benefit to the two countries—the one they went to they will help to fill up a portion of its vast extent with useful and industrious workers, after the training they get in your Homes. Certainly it is a blessed work you carry on, and long may you be spared to do so—

are among other gifts received these two days.

**July 8.**—Although this is the middle of summer there are many needy ones seeking our help from day to day, and during the past week thirteen have been admitted, among them the following. A lad of 16, brother to two girls received some time ago and now in Canada. He was on *Cumberland* and went voyages after, but got his leg broken which causes partial lameness and somewhat unfits him for sea, which life he prefers; a little girl of 7, lame with hip-joint disease and otherwise delicate; a boy of 9, brother to two taken before and now in Canada doing well. This one has been with a married sister, but he is getting beyond control and although so young has been pilfering, etc.; another boy of 14 from Greenock, in a wretched state of rags and filth, sent by police to us. His father died in prison five years ago and mother four years since, and he is without home or friends to care for him; and three children of 8, 7, and 5 from Paisley, whose father, in the most heartless way, has often deserted his wife and family. She cannot struggle on longer alone, and means to go and live with her widowed mother and try to provide for herself and youngest child. During the week we have been called to pass through trial in the removal of two of our little ones. We should have liked to care for them longer here, but the Master who sees the end from the beginning knows what is best for them and us. Two of our girls write us from Canada:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIE,—I write to let you know where I am, and how I am getting on. I am staying in a farm; we have got five cows giving milk and eight not, six pigs, four sheep, eight horses, and two little colts, four geese, two goslings, two old turkeys and twelve little ones, fifty little chickens, four old ducks, and fifty-five duck eggs hatching. I am in a farm of one hundred acres. I am close to church and to school; I am not going to start to go to school till after the holidays; they will be this month. I have two little boys to play with. I am staying with a nice lady and gentleman. We have got apple trees, cherry trees, gooseberry trees, plum trees and one grape vine, and there are plenty of raspberries growing. We have a lot of fields of our own. I like Canada very well; I don't think I will ever come back to Scotland. I will have rare fun at the apple fall. I think that is all at present. There is rest in the Lord. I remain, yours truly,  
K. H.

DEAR SIR,—It is with pleasure I take my pen in hand to write to you. I must tell you how we enjoyed our voyage. The first two or three days some of the girls were sick; they got all better soon. I was not sick all the way. We saw four whales and one iceberg. Some of the men said three passed one morning, but we did not see them. On the whole we had a very good time till we landed, and then we had some fun getting out of the ship and getting into the train. We got into the train at twelve o'clock noon, and we never came out till one in the morning, and then we got to the Home a little after, and when we got there we had to go to bed. We got up at seven and got our breakfast, and then we got washed. And then we had our faces taken, and I am sure they were not nice, for the most of us were smiling at the way the gentleman was speaking. We had a very nice time of

it. Then we went to a meeting at night, and we had a very nice tea there. We had a lot of nice cakes there, and then we had a very nice meeting after. The children were singing and reciting. The meeting was full of people, and Mr. Burges told us there were about two hundred standing at the doors. The day after the meeting the girls started to go away. I went away the second day; there were fifteen of us left that day. We all left the Home at two, and got to the train. We passed two or three stations, and we came out to go to our places. Two girls came out along with me, and Mr. M'Fadzean. We got out at six, and the people got us at the station. I got into my home at half-past eleven at night. I did not know my brothers, they had all grown so big. Adam goes to the school, and John is on the fields. I do the house work. I have four bed-rooms to do, and then I have to do the sitting-room, the dining room, the kitchen, and the cooking room. I have not to go to school, for it will soon be the holiday time. I have written to Mr. Burges, and he sent me a post card, and a very nice book, and one of the photos. I am getting along very well. God be with you till we meet again.—I remain, yours truly.

N. S.

**July 14.**—Frequently gifts are sent us in memory of loved ones gone home, and we think there could be no better way of perpetuating their memory. A friend in Hawick forwarding £10 says, "I send it in memory of my dear mother who has now been with the Lord eight years and loved this work for the poor children;" another helper sending £1 12s. writes:—

DEAR BROTHER IN CHRIST,—Please accept of this gift for your work amongst the dear little children, trusting that our loving Father will long spare you in your work for His glory. I know you will sympathise with us. We lost our dear and only child on the 20th of last month—Wee Davie, aged 3 years and 7 months; but what a bright little testimony he has left behind him! That morning before passing away he talked a great deal about going home to Jesus. It was so sweet to hear the little voice, until it almost died away in a whisper. Pray for us, that the dear Lord may fulfil the purpose in us for which He has afflicted us. We know that His grace is sufficient for us—

and among other gifts received these few days past are £10 "for the Master;" £1 collected at children's seaside services, Dunoon; £1, "a wife's thankoffering;" £6 "for little May;" £1 from "one who loves Jesus;" 2s. "for the sick ones, from one who has many mercies to be thankful for, although having little of this world's wealth;" £20 from an old donor, Fort-William; 1s., "a when thistles frae a brither Scot;" a box of joiner's tools from a friend; £1 from "a sailor;" £5 from Polmont, "a Christian offering to the Most High for small past mercies received;" 5s. "for a wee Sarah;" £1 from "a worm;" £1 from some little ones; £5 4s. 6d. from unknown friends; a legacy of £150 for the Building Fund; and £1, a thankoffering from a widow who says:—

DEAR FRIEND IN THE MASTER'S SERVICE,—I feel constrained to send you this thankoffering of £1. The dear Lord has preserved me through so much, of body and mind, that I can truly say—

Were the whole realm of nature mine

That were an offering far too small.

Love so amazing so divine,

Demands my soul, my life, my all.

My heart goes up continually in prayer that you may be strengthened and encouraged in the great work of the Lord among the little ones.

**July 18.**—We were cheered the other day by receiving £2 3s. from captain and crew of one of the vessels in which two of our sailor boys are. He writes, "I have much pleasure in stating that your two boys on board the *Marion Crosbie* have turned out well; one who is still by the vessel is an exceptionally nice boy. Wishing you every success in your noble work." This morning two more of our lads left to join the same ship, and we trust and pray that they too may be blessed and made a

blessing. "Inasmuch" sends £1; and from Edinburgh, Stonehaven, Tayport, and Glasgow, £2 16s.; thirty-six articles of clothing made at Young Women's Christian Associations; and some rolls and bread have come to-day.

**July 22.**—During the past week the working boys from the City Home have been at Cockenzie on the East Coast for a week's outing. The young women have been at Bridge-of-Weir, and the children in the various cottages having holidays from school are enjoying pic-nic outings, etc., round about our village. £21 have come for the daily needs, and three boys, all of them beyond control and requiring firm and kindly guidance, have been admitted.

**July 29.**—The following letter reached us this week from one of our married family now settled in the North West:—

DEAR MR. AND MRS. QUARRIER.—I write you a few lines to let you know that we are all very well, hoping that this will find you all the same. You will think that we are very ungrateful in not writing sooner, but I thought I would write to you when I would be able to tell you all about the country since we came into it. When I got to Brandon and went to Mr. D., he said he had a farm, and he had not time to look after it, and he said that he would sell me the farm, or he would give me four horses and the seed for the farm if I did the work, and I would get the half of the crops, so I went in shares with him this year. I have put in over 100 acres of land—forty-two in wheat and about sixty in oats, and a few potatoes, and I think that I will have a very good crop. I am very glad to tell you that I have got a quarter section of my own, and have about five acres ready for next year; but I am trying to get twenty ready for next year. I bought a milk cow and calf, and a pig, and a team of horses, and twelve hens. We set a few of the hens, and we have thirty chickens; two turkeys, and five ducks, so we have made a start. Mrs. H. and the children like this country very well; for little Willie, he is always ploughing. He gets a stick and a string tied to it, and he is as happy as the day is long. Mr. Quarrier, it has not been all smooth sailing with us since we came out here. Mrs. H. and the children just came here from the Home when there came on a snow storm, and we had no wood for the fire, so I told the Lord and asked the Lord to open up our way, and so the man on the next farm came to see if we were alive or frozen, and told us to go to his place and get some wood; so you see the Lord answered our prayer. He has been very good to us since we came here. We can truly say that the Lord is our Shepherd; we shall not want. We had a letter from Mrs. Burges last week, and were glad to see by it that almost all the girls had all gone away to their places. Up here there are a dozen places for every girl that can be got. This is a big country. Mr. Quarrier, we thank you very much for your kindness to us, and we hope by God's help to be able to help you. If we cannot do it by means, we can do it by our prayers. God bless you and Mrs. Quarrier, and give you health and strength. I will stop, as it is late. I hope you will write soon. Love to all.—Yours, one rescued,

P. H.

Two brothers sent out this year and taken by one of our older lads, thus verifying the promise, "Cast thy bread upon the waters, for thou shalt find it after many days," write:—

DEAR FRIEND,—I now address these few lines to let you know that Archie and I are well, and that we are both together in one place. I came here the 15th Oct. last, and Archie the 7th June. We are with Charlie M'C., one of your boys. He came out twelve years ago. He is doing well, and is very kind to us. He has a farm, and we have lots of work and lots of fun. We will be going to school after the holidays. And with sending our kind love to all, we remain, yours truly,

D. & A. M'G.

A number of small gifts, amounting in all to £42 14s. 5½d., have come these few days, also a quantity of clothing, hats, bread, china, and thirty boxes fish from Fraserburgh, all most acceptable. Among sums sent, £5 came as proceeds of sale of work held by two young friends, Tynemouth, trusting that "every penny of it may be richly blessed by the Father of



the fatherless"; £1 16s. collected by pupils in school, Paisley; 7s. 6d. "as a small thankoffering to our dear Lord who is ever still loading us with mercies"; 3s. from "a well-wisher"; and £1 collected at children's seaside services, Dunoon.

**Aug. 3.**—An Aberdeen friend writes: "Dear Mr. Quarrier,—Please accept of enclosed 5s. for self. The workman is often forgotten by man, but not by the Lord." It is very cheering to us to see the Lord's hand in the supply of our own needs as well as those of the work, and since I was led to give up my business ten years ago, our Heavenly Father has sent gifts through His stewards sufficient to meet the needs of my family and myself, for which we do praise Him. A friend in Arbroath sends £12, £3 of it for personal use; "a wellwisher, as a widow's mite," 2s.; three classes in Mission Sabbath Evening School, Edinburgh, £1 4s. 6d.; a friend in Forres, £2; another in Moscow, £2; and from other sources £3 18s. 6d. have come to-day; and six children have been sheltered under our care, all with sad histories of suffering and woe. Two of those taken are a girl and boy of 7 and 4, in a terrible state of neglect. The father died in May, and the mother, who is given to drink, has no house, and is just out of prison, where she was fourteen days for neglecting children, leaving them out at nights on stairs, etc. We took them from the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children. An orphan boy of 9; a fatherless girl of 12 who has got beyond her mother's control, and she, having been long idle, cannot continue keeping her; a boy in Homes before, and one with a delicate mother, are others admitted.

**Aug. 6.**—Yesterday our gifts in money amounted to £6 17s. 6d., and those to-day to £4 18s. Two hampers of black currants, some clothing and bread, have also come. A friend, in sending £3 from mission workers in Maryhill, writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Some of our number having had the pleasure of visiting the Homes during the Fair holidays for the first time, and being greatly pleased with what we saw, we take great pleasure in sending you this small donation from our Sunday School Box, also seeking the Lord's guidance and blessing for you and the dear children.

**Aug. 12.**—A friend in Dunoon sending £1 writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—“The Lord bless thee and keep thee, and cause His face to shine upon thee.” Herewith please receive a wee bit help to feed the bairns. The seaside children send it so gladly. The Lord loves a cheerful giver, and they do give cheerfully.

We have been greatly pleased these months past by receiving gifts from the children attending these seaside services. May the Lord bless them and deepen the work that has been begun in their young hearts, and lead many more to Himself. An aged friend now nearing the end of a long useful life sends £5; and among other gifts received these few days past are £1 from "Alice, Willie, and Jessie"; £7 3s. 6d. from Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, Rothesay; 10s. from two helpers, Aberdeen, with "sympathy and prayers"; £5 from another in Paisley, "praying that much blessing may continue to rest upon your labours"; a quantity of clothing from friends known and unknown; and three cheeses and some bread, all most acceptable in the increasing work. A great many cases have been brought before us during the week, both by personal application and letter. This afternoon sixteen of various kinds were at City Home. Three children were admitted and others arranged for; lodgings were

paid for some homeless ones; line to Charity Organization Society given to another; and words of comfort and advice spoken to many. We do need much grace, wisdom, and patience in dealing with such from day to day, and we have hourly to rest in the sure promise, "My God shall supply all your need."

**Aug. 18.**—£5 18s. and some clothing are our gifts for to-day, and there has not been much sent in this week.

**Aug. 23.**—Yesterday we received £51 16s.; some bread; and parcel clothing made by three little girls, Dundee, 16s. of the money "the savings of a dear daughter gone home to be with Jesus;" and to-day £142 14s. from Greenock, Tillicoultry, Alexandria, Castle-Douglas, Grangemouth, Dunoon, and Glasgow, have come, filling our hearts with new thanksgivings to our Heavenly Father, who day by day gives us our daily bread.

**Aug. 31.**—During this month twenty-four boys and sixteen girls have been taken in, and to hundreds of others relief has been given in the way of lodgings, lines to Infirmary and Convalescent Home, advice, etc. Amid trials by the way in changes among workers, sickness, etc, we have been cheered by gifts and encouraging words from many sources, and above all the difficulties we hear the Master say, "Fear not, for I am with thee; be not dismayed, for I am thy God; I will strengthen thee; yea I will help thee; yea I will uphold thee with the right hand of My righteousness." Two friends in Montreal send £1, "wishing you every success in your labour for the Master;" working boys and girls, Helensburgh, £6 10s.; an old donor, £20, £5 of it for our own use; an aged friend £10, "in grateful remembrance of many mercies;" an unknown one, 6s. with the words, "Your Heavenly Father knoweth that you have need of these things;" an invalid friend, a very nice bath chair for the use of some of our delicate children; a frequent giver, £5, "wishing you very much success in your noble work and a great blessing to yourself for the way in which you are proving to a godless world the truth that the Lord our God hears and answers prayer;" a new donor, £10; and a friend in Trinidad, £3, with the following letter:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I am afraid you must think I have forgotten you, but it is not so; your good work has often been in my thoughts, all the more that I have not been able to write sooner. I often think of the pleasant hours my friends and I spent at the Homes. It was a perfect day in every sense of the word, and we returned to Greenock very much pleased with the kind welcome we had received. I trust this has been a prosperous year to yourselves and the dear little children, and I pray God to open the hearts of many of His own people to assist you in your grand as well as very needful undertaking.

**Sept. 3.**—For some weeks past we have been busy preparing for our biennial Thanksgiving Day which is to be held on the 7th inst. £11 17s. have come to-day from Glasgow, Vale of Leven, and Addiewell, and yesterday £8 5s, also a quantity of hats and clothing, some of it the work of an invalid nurse; and nine children have been admitted. Among them are a family of four, eldest 12 and youngest 5 years, suddenly left orphans. The father, at one time a sergeant in army, died in May, and mother, of cancer, last month. They were brought to us, according to the mother's wish, by an older brother who is a soldier. Others received are an orphan boy of 8 kept by an aunt whose husband drinks and he has been spoiled; a working lad of 16 whose mother drinks and he has no proper home; a young woman brought by person

who met her in train coming from Falkirk and she is homeless and friendless; and a little boy of 7, whose grandfather, a very decent man, has kept him since mother's death in 1887 and would gladly have continued doing so, but his wife drinks and daughter is an invalid, and the boy has had neither good care nor example.

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

**Sept. 7.**—Our biennial Thanksgiving Day was held, when seven new houses and our large and commodious school, representing about £20,000 worth of property, were dedicated by prayer and praise to the service of God. The numbers present during the day must have been about 2,000, and the gathering was one of the largest and most successful of any of the past in connection with the Orphan Homes of Scotland. The church was crowded with about 1,200 at the two o'clock service, while hundreds were throughout the grounds at the same time. The exhibition in infant classroom of work done by the children was greatly admired by all, and had we arranged to dispose of the things there would have been plenty of willing purchasers. The articles made were highly creditable to the genius and industry of the children, and the specimens of handwriting, among which was that of a little girl born without hands, were very good. The clothes washed and dressed by our laundry girls, joiner work and model gardens by our lads, as well as ornamental fretwork and carving by our cripple boys, darned and knitted articles and fancy and plain sewing work by both girls and boys, were much admired. A few friends waited for the evening meeting among the children, when we were entertained by them with singing, recitations, etc. The presence of so many friends and the stirring, helpful words spoken, greatly cheered and strengthened us, and our hearts go up in grateful thanksgiving to our loving Father for all the goodness shown and guidance vouchsafed throughout the day. The collections will be sufficient to meet the expenses, and for this we are thankful, as also for a number of other gifts received, accompanied by kind words of encouragement. The following account of the day's proceedings, which appeared in the *N. B. Daily Mail* of 8th inst., will be interesting to friends:—

#### BIENNIAL MEETING.

About two thousand ladies and gentlemen attended yesterday the biennial public meeting at the Orphan Homes of Scotland. The most of them proceeded from Glasgow per ordinary and special train from St. Enoch's to Bridge-of-Weir, whence they were conveyed to the Homes in brakes. After they had spent a couple of hours visiting the various houses in the village raised by Mr. Quarrier, a "Thanksgiving Meeting" was held in the church at two o'clock, when every seat was occupied, not a few persons having to stand in the passages. Mr. J. C. White presided, and on the platform were—Mr. Cameron Corbett, M.P.; Rev. Dr. Joseph Brown, Rev. Dr. James Wels, Rev. Dr. Boyd, Rev. Dr. A. Bonar, Rev. A. Andrew, Rev. John Smith, Edinburgh; Rev. Mr. Hall, Rev. J. A. Johnston, Rev. R. Hood, ex-Provost Yellowlees, Stirling; Thomas Glen Coats, Esq., Councillors George Macfarlane, Chisholm, and Dickson; Miss Annie Macpherson, London, and others.

After singing part of the 103rd Psalm, Rev. Dr. Brown engaged in prayer. The CHAIRMAN said that it was the Father's will that not one of these little ones should perish, and it was because Mr. Quarrier had been guided and blessed of God that there His will had been fulfilled. They had met to give thanks for the blessing given to these Homes, and certainly in walking through the village or Homes they had been convinced that God answered prayer. Nay, there was not one of the forty-four houses that had not been given in answer to prayer. No one could gainsay that great truth, for the world said that seeing was believing. If one wished to have his faith strengthened he had only to look around. They had come specially to dedicate to the Lord the school buildings and seven houses, though they had been

already dedicated by the prayers and wishes of God's people. The one aim that Mr. Quarrier had in giving himself to this work was in the first place to seek that these dear bairns should become children of Christ. It was a bad sign of a Christian if he did not seek the salvation of souls. Mr. Quarrier also wished to save their bodies, and in that aim he had been wonderfully blessed. No doubt it was admirable to look down and praise those who were engaged in the good fight, but it was more admirable to join in the contest. A man told a porter at Perth Station who could not move a waggon, "Put your back to it, and then it will move." "No," said the porter, "I will get on better if you come and give a shove." (Laughter.) This was just on a line with the boy who said to his father, "If you give me your purse I shall get an answer to many of your prayers." (Applause.)

MISS ANNIE MACPHERSON said that she did not intend to deliver a temperance address. Still, she could not refrain from saying that the causes which led to much of the misery in London were the same causes which led to the misery in other large towns. The population was increasing, but so also was the drink curse. Hence there were also many deaths through it, and many children made orphans. Unfortunately, what should have been a blessing to many had been a bane. It had been found that it required ten days to recover from the drinking upon a holiday, and homes could not fail to go wrong. Let all Christian people be clean-handed in this matter if they wished to be consistent, and enjoy influence amongst those they would help. (Applause.) She then proceeded to remark that there were 25,000 children who had been sent to Canada, and that Mr. Quarrier and she were ready to go to the Canadian Legislature and show their books and papers. The French members could not understand the faith which had done all that work for the little ones, and others thought that the work could be done wholesale; that all that was necessary was to take a fellow out of prison and give him an outfit, but it had been found that it was the way which Mr. Quarrier had pursued that was most successful. Hence her earnest prayer was, that the Lord would spare and bless their friend in his great enterprise. (Applause.) It was well said that Glasgow, in the matter of benevolence, was the best worked city in the world. With a new financial year before him, may their dear brother go forward with renewed vigour and hope, looking forward to that eternal home which he would enter, saying, "Here am I and the children whom Thou hast given me."

Rev. JOHN SMITH said he had come to make his first acquaintance with that institution. Like them all, he was in a very thankful frame of mind. They had there an exhibition of Christian liberality, courage, and faith, for which they could not be too grateful. Such an institution had an influence and power far beyond the immediate circle of its operations. They could not overestimate the magnitude of the work itself—the number of those lives that had been rescued from poverty and, in many cases, of degradation and raised to positions of usefulness and honour. Nay, more, he felt that the institution was encouraging to all Christian workers. They lived in a period of great opportunity. God had opened to them the wide world as the field of their operations. He had often felt as if the work of Mr. Müller in Bristol, Miss Macpherson in London, and Mr. Quarrier here, was a great object lesson that God was holding up before His people, teaching them what they might expect in the individual spheres in which they were engaged. (Applause.)

MR. QUARRIER welcomed them all to their own Homes. Some people imagined they were "Quarrier's Homes." He always liked to feel he was a servant hired in the market place, and that the Master could do without him. It was wise that any man whom God honoured should realise that He could do without him, and that when he was used by Him, he should be careful to give Him the honour and glory. He was glad to see the joyfulness of their countenances, as it gave him new courage. Every second year they gathered together to report progress. Well, the first gift was £1200 to bring in gravitation water. He had a few hundreds; but Jane Stewart's (the washer-woman) £1400 came in and gave them a supply of water which might have been given by some of the lords of the land. The next home was "Jehovah Jireh." How did the money come? It came from a corner not far from there where the persons could have used it for building a home for themselves. When he saw their home and considered their generosity he was thankful for such self-sacrifice for little children. In order that the public might not know through the bank who was the giver of a cheque, they brought the notes to him. The poorer the giver the more thankful he was. He did not thank the man for £2000 who had a million. He would not be so thankful as he was to that washerwoman or the other person he spoke about. Then the next gift was that of the Sagittarius Home. He did not name it so; but the unknown donor gave it that name. He sent the money in a coarse envelope. Mr. Quarrier thought it was a parcel of samples, and that it would go to the waste paper basket. He opened it and found £1,700 and the request that it should be acknowledged in the *Greenock*



*Telegraph.* He supposed the donor belonged to Greenock, and he did not know whether it was a man or a woman. But the giver would find the house in "Love Square," filled with thirty-two children. (Applause.) Then there was the "Ayr Home," not yet finished. These tradesmen kept him back, and he could not get them to go fast enough. The money came from a woman in Ayr. She had £50 to spend upon a new dress, but said she would not spend it that way, but give it for a home. Then she got other £50, and afterwards some hundreds, and eventually she came in and laid down £1,500. If they had seen the face of that woman! Why, it lifted him higher in gratitude to God that He had put it in her heart to make another contribution to the National Homes of Scotland. (Applause.) There was another to be dedicated—he had not got a name for it. He asked for a name, but as the giver did not want to be known—he was not far away—Mr Quarrier had to name it "Renfrewshire." Last and not least, there was the Sabbath School Children's House. He had laid aside the pennies of the Sabbath School children for many years, and when the sum came to £1500 the Home was built. For the £20,000 worth of property dedicated that day, and completed in two years, they had come to thank God and take courage for the future. (Applause.) He had forgotten the "James Wilson." It was dedicated to a dear, old, and respected friend gone home—James Wilson, of Airdrie. The house was built by his family.

Then there were the school and the teachers' house, models of the kind. They were given by a generous donor in memory of a beloved wife gone before. The school would hold 800 scholars. Mr. Bryden, the architect, had made it a pattern for the schools of the country, just as that church was a model. He asked the ministers to look well at it. They should also come when it was filled at the Sabbath service, the strangers' gallery included. He could enlarge the church so as to accommodate two or three hundred more. This might be done when there were 1,200 children. These came from the east, north, south and west. There were children from Edinburgh to fill two houses, so that Mr. Smith could tell the people there their children were attended to. There were also as many children from Dundee as would fill two houses, although never yet had a house been built by that city. He wished all the cities represented, because of the national character of the Homes, and not because the house would be better if built by an Edinburgh or Dundee man. He got one day a legacy from Dundee. A friend telephoned that Mr. Campbell, of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, wished to know whether Mr. Quarrier would take a baby. He had no sooner said "Yes" than he was asked to take a girl of 15 dying of consumption. He replied he would take her also. But there were a cripple boy and another girl. He took them also, for there was not a child in the place who would not sleep upon the floor to take in the last comer. (Applause.) So he was going to look after a home for his aged workers. Of them he had got a couple whom he lodged at the gatehouse. He hoped some one would give him a home for the aged workers. Further, he wanted a seaside home for invalids. He gave them that name, but they were really incurables. It was amongst them that the deaths occurred, as there was hardly a death amongst the other children. He wanted £10,000 for a farm. (Laughter.) The money would come some day. (Applause.) The Lord did wonderful things for them, at which they were glad. It took £40 a day to keep the Homes going. He had only £20 the day before, which meant that he required £60 that day. (Applause.) The money came in day by day; the devil, though he tried, could not prevent it. How it was they did not get more than they needed. Mr. Quarrier could not explain, nor could he explain how he did not get less. In the twenty-one years they had lacked nothing. There had not been a penny of debt upon any of the buildings. (Applause.) When the builders were done with the job the bill was paid. They said he was a good payer, though he looked well after the work. (Laughter.) The number in the Homes was about 1000, and last year 250 had been sent to Canada. During the last eight years the number was 2000, and about a similar number had been disposed of in this country. The big family in the homes consumed from 32 to 34 dozen loaves per day and a ton of potatoes weekly. The milk came from 40 cows, their cost being £600 a year. He trusted the gathering that day would strengthen their faith. His message to them was to have faith in God in the midst of their trials, for they should remember that He changed not, that He was the same to-day as He was yesterday, and would be for ever and for ever. (Applause.)

Other speakers followed. The dedicatory prayers for the various Homes were offered up by Rev. Dr. Wells, Rev. A. Andrew, Rev. Robert Hood, and the Rev. John Smith.

A communion service was afterwards held in the church, and at six o'clock the children met and sang hymns and delivered recitations.

Sept. 9.—Yesterday from various quarters £21 12s. 6d. reached us, 10s. a thanksgiving offering from one who says, "I read with pleasure the interesting account of your meeting and work in to-day's *Mail*. That the Lord, the possessor of heaven and earth, may lead you on to greater victories in the name and power of Jesus is the wish of yours, a lover of the Lord." A friend who frequently remembers the needs of the little ones under our care writes, "At last I got down yesterday to see your little town called 'Wonderful.' It was a great pleasure to myself and wife, although we did not get near you personally. Will you do me the



favour to accept the enclosed £10 for any corner of the needs you think best," another in Oban sends £1, "a little for your work praying that He Whose it is may still bless it;" one in India, £3; and a friend in Eskbank sends some garments for the children, "the making of which has pleasantly beguiled spare time." To-day £21 1s. have come, £4 of it for emigration, and 8s. the gift of "a fatherless child to the fatherless at Bridge-of-Weir." The following letter is from one of our girls in Canada and the above photo is of herself and two brothers. They were brought to us according to the dying wish of their mother in 1880, and

after being six years with us were sent to Canada where all are doing well. In their case, as in so many others, we feel that our labour has not been in vain in the Lord, and anew we praise Him.

DEAR MR. AND MRS. QUARRIER,—I received your very welcome letter some time ago. I am sorry I did not answer it sooner. I hope this will find you all well, as it leaves us all at present. We had our Sabbath School pic-nic up the bay to Massassaga Park and Belleville. I went up as far as Belleville with a chum of mine. When coming home at the wharf I saw A. C. the first time since she left Picton. She looked very well; has changed and grown both. I was down at Fairknowe last August, and had a splendid time; stayed from Tuesday till Friday; came on the *Alexandria*. A friend of mine went with me. She came out eleven years ago; she came out with Mrs. Burges and Miss Mary; she remembers them both. How I would love to see old Scotland again. I don't suppose I would know the place, it has changed so. When I was in Brockville I saw Effie Y., Mary S., and Annie K. My brother Willie is head and shoulders taller than Charlie or I; he is in the printing office here and likes it very much. He did not like farming at all. Charlie is working in the same place as I am; he has been here since May, 1891. I was six years here last June 9th, and I have changed a great lot since then. Mrs. M.K. is at present visiting her daughter in Cornwall; she is not very well; so that leaves only Mr. M.K., Charlie, and myself at home. Charlie, Willie, and I all go to the Presbyterian Church. Willie is assistant librarian; Charlie is in the class next the Bible-class. I teach a class of little boys, but sometimes they are pretty hard to manage, as I have one very wild boy, so he annoys all the rest. God helping me, I want to be faithful to do my duty. Our lesson for Sunday will be found in Acts iv. 19-31—the Apostles' confidence in God. I will draw to a close with much love to all. My brothers join with me wishing to be remembered to all. Hoping to see you and Mrs. Quarrier soon, God willing. From one of the old girls. J. C. H.

Sept. 15.—A gift of £20 from Dunfermline; one of £50 in memory of two little ones gathered home; 10s. "in memory of little Willie's birthday;" and a number of other smaller sums and parcels of clothing have come these few days past, and some little ones have been rescued from poverty and distress. One of our boys home on a visit from Canada came to see us, and we are cheered in knowing he is doing well.

Sept. 19.—Last week I had the privilege of speaking for the Master at Perth Conference, and yesterday (Sabbath) at Broughty Ferry to large gatherings. We trust the words spoken will be blessed to the strengthening of the faith of the Lord's children in Himself as the Hearer and Answerer of prayer, and to His name will be the glory. Yesterday one of our flock, a little consumptive boy of about five years was taken to the Father's house above from "Elim," our Invalid Boys' Home. There was little or no care taken of him by his mother, a poor wandering creature much given to drink, and when received a few months ago, we felt he could not live long. "It is well with the child" now, and although the kind nurse who cared for him would have liked to do so longer, we know that for his sake it is best. This is the first removal from our family in "Elim" since it was opened in May.

Sept. 24.—The cry for help keeps coming from many quarters, and this week letters asking us to receive needy ones have reached us from Denny, Auchmill, Moffat, Dundee, Edinburgh, and Glasgow, to all of whom we have been able to promise help. A friend near Glasgow writes regarding a case:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—A poor widow with six children in my district would be made glad if you would receive some of her children into your Homes. She is very delicate, and in great need; a Christian, and very deserving. The youngest child is 6 years old, and this family lives in one room. For the sake of the dear children, I pray God you may be able to take four of them—

and another as follows:—

DEAR SIR,—I write you regarding a little hunchback child called —, whose father, a slater, was killed last year by a fall from a roof. The mother is a dissipated hopelessly dirty woman to whom nobody in this town will give a house, because no neighbours will tolerate her, and the Sanitary Authorities interfered last year when she was turned out of her house for horrible dirt. The poor child has been sleeping out of doors under cart-sheds, etc., all summer with the mother, and I am anxious to know if it is a case in which you could take in the child if the unhappy mother were willing to give her up. It is a girl of about 10 or 12. There are brothers who work in the pits, but nobody will trust them with a house, as it would mean that their mother too was sheltered, and she is a vixen both in drink and out of it—quite intolerable. The brothers, I fancy, two of them are not without a sense of duty, and supply their mother with money to drink, of which probably the little cripple sister gets part in food. The lads lodge here and there as they can. If I could induce the mother to part with the girl, and could show the brothers it would be their wisdom too to surrender her, would you take her in?

To-day £7 from friends in Broughty Ferry, £1 5s. from unknown donor, Kilmarnock, 8s. 6d. from Greenock, some clothing and two pairs stockings from Switzerland have come. Among our gifts for the past few days were £50 from an old donor, Paisley; a bag of sugar from a Bridge-of-Weir friend; ten barrels herring from fishermen and others, Fraserburgh; £1, a thankoffering; £5, "in memory of a dear son taken home"; and £6, half for personal use, from a friend whose practical sympathy often cheers us.

Sept. 26.—In November, 1890, a lady at Fairlie offered a house to the Orphan Homes, which we accepted, but when she came to hand it over to us her relatives stepped in and put obstacles in the way of her carrying out her wish. Since then we have been looking to the Lord to provide a house by the sea, where our children and workers requiring rest and change might be sent from time to time, and a friend, with us on Thanksgiving Day, and who has frequently helped the work in the past, has now purchased for us the villa of Benthead (this name we have changed to Fairfield), at Ardnadam. The house comprises two public rooms, six bedrooms, coach-house, stable, etc., and is surrounded by about an acre of beautifully laid out grounds, and will for the present meet the needs of the Homes by enabling us to give some of our numerous family a change occasionally, for the purpose of maintaining and restoring health. We have been much cheered by this new gift, another token to us of the Lord's interest in the work. To-day we took in four orphan little ones from Fraserburgh, with no one able to keep them. From Paisley, Shettleston, Portobello, Liverpool, Edinburgh, and an unknown donor, £3, some clothing, books, etc., have come, not sufficient for the day's needs, but showing us that our Father is mindful of the big family under our care. Two of our sailor lads visited us, both doing well, one of them having got position as third mate. Among many letters received from our children in Canada this month are the following:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I suppose that you think I have almost forgotten the Orphan Homes and you, but I have not; I will never forget the kindness of you. I received a letter from you three years ago, but I kept putting it off; but I thought I would answer it now. I have never been sick two hours since I came to Canada, so you will have an idea how it agrees with me. I hope that all at home are keeping well. The first year I came here I started to work for Mr. C., and I have worked here for four years. This year I am working for \$36, or £7 1s. for eight months, and go to school four. I have been at school every winter since I came to Canada. The winters are very cold. We have had great revival meetings about a mile or two



from where I live. I was down every night for three weeks except three nights, and all day on Sunday. It did a great good, especially on me and all the boys around here. We have prayer meetings now, and the Lord is doing a wonderful work. I was to Brockville Home last year, and had a great time. When you write tell me all about the Homes. Send my kind love to Mrs. Paterson and all the boys in No. 1 Cottage. I send you my photograph. When you write please send me Mrs. Quarrier's, as I have yours. I send my love to her, Mr. Frank, and Miss Mary. Your boy,  
D. M.K.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER.—I am going to tell you how I am getting on. I am in a farm; the people are very kind to me, and I am very happy, and Canada is very nice. The people I am living with saw you in the ship when they were coming over, and they are Scotch; you spoke to them. We have a lot of cattle; we have five milking cows, and seven calves, and fifteen other cattle out on the hills; and we have a lot of hens and chickens; and we have a lot of apple trees, and plenty of apples, and plum trees. We have bees, and they give us lots of honey. I have written to Mr. Burges, and I got an answer, and he is coming up to see me in the fall. One day I was out picking berries, and I got all wet through, and I had to change myself. We have tomatoes and gooseberries. Every Sunday I get a ride to Sunday School and Church. We have five horses, and very nice gardens. We have got a nice big lake, and I often get out for a sail. I am learning to row, and I am learning to milk; I can milk a little, and I can make butter. I know a good lot of places since I came here, and I am here two months on the 14th of August. We have a nice minister, his name is Mr. M'L. The farm I am in they are very busy. When I go to Sunday School I have to say seven verses and Catechism. This is my golden text: "When He had spoken these things while they beheld He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight." God be with you. This is all at present but remain your affectionate girl,  
S. C.

Sept. 30.—From many quarters £45 18s. 4d. have come during the past days, also a quantity clothing from willing busy workers in different parts, all saying to us, "Be of good cheer, your Father knoweth what things ye have need of." £2 6s. 3½d. of the money is from our children in the Bridge-of-Weir Homes, being part of their missionary collections given to help their poorer brothers and sisters. £52 6s. 3½d. in all have been collected during the year, and the rest of it they divided among missions in China, four in Africa, French Canadian, and some at home. Thus the children are early learning lessons in giving, which, we trust, will continue and ripen as they grow older.

Oct. 3.—We have now entered on the last month of this the twenty-first year of the work. The past months have been full of the goodness and mercy of the Lord, and for the unknown weeks before us we trust His sure promises, "I will not fail thee," and "I will guide thee with Mine eye." Many distressing cases of needy ones have been brought before us during the past week, and a number have been taken in and others arranged for. A friend on the East Coast writes:—

DEAR SIR,—Would you oblige me by seeing if the following case is suitable and eligible for admission to your Cottage Homes, and also by letting me know if a yearly subscription is required for children admitted, and if they are admitted by vote, etc. The case is as follows:—Widow, with six children—eldest a boy of 13, youngest 2 years old; relations on both sides totally unable to give assistance. The boy has been supporting the family for the last six months during the father's illness, gaining 7s. a week, but will soon be out of work through no fault. They are Plymouth Brethren by religion, but I know of no Institution connected with that body.

We replied saying we would help the mother by taking some of the children, and also stating that the Homes are quite undenominational in their character and no subscriber's line or voting paper is ever required, destitution being the only title for admission. We are desirous that this should be more widely known throughout Scotland, and also that the door

of the Homes is always open to receive any needy orphan or fatherless child. To-day one of our gathered-in family, a little girl of three has been removed to the brighter home above. She had measles a number of weeks ago, but was seemingly better. However she took some trouble in the head and after suffering a good deal of pain for a few days, she passed away to the land where sin and sorrow are not known, but where there is joy and gladness for evermore. Other invalid little ones seem nearing the journey's end also, and though we would fain nurse and care for them longer, we feel that death to them will be a welcome release from infirmity and pain, so much of which they have had while here below. To-day we have received £13 8s., £1 of it from a donor in Perth who says, "Perthshire has not yet built a cottage at Bridge-of-Weir, but the enclosed may provide a door or a window for some of your future Homes;" £1 as a thankoffering, and 5s. from grandmother of children helped. Two bags of nuts for Hallowe'en, the gift of friends in Glasgow, have also come, and will be much appreciated by our bairns.

Oct. 8.—A friend in Glasgow sends £50, and others in Fraserburgh, Aberdeen, Edinburgh, Blairgowrie, and Bridge-of-Weir, £5 13s. 6d. We were much touched by a gift of clothing sent by a friend in Callander who says, "Some of the things were about the last work my dear mother ever did on earth. She never forgot the pleasant talk she had with you, and working for what she ever called 'the little Quarriers,' was of late years one of her greatest pleasures." Many other gifts have reached us this week, among which are £5 from Stirling, "In memoriam;" £3 and parcel of clothing from an old helper in Alloa; 11s. towards the Servants' Cottage; £30 from Dunfermline; a most useful lot of serge and dress material from Paisley; 10s. and a quantity of clothing from friends in Montrose and others; £1 10s. "a thankoffering on anniversary of wedding day;" £20 from Kilmalcolm; £2 10s. from Dunoon; and £25 for our own needs, which the Lord knows, with the following stimulating text, "The Lord shall greatly bless thee in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee," and when they go to Canada, "Thou shalt furnish him liberally out of the flock (store) . . . wherewith the Lord thy God hath blessed thee, thou shalt give unto him." Among many other cases of need asking our help is the following. A lady in Dundee writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—There is a case which I have been asked to bring before you, in the hope that you may see your way to help. It is that of a widow, a very respectable woman, whose husband died seven years ago. She has two young boys, aged 8 and 10 years, and she has struggled with increasing ill-health to support them. She is now very delicate, but could make a living in an easy situation, she hopes, for herself. However, the task of supporting her family is quite beyond her. She cannot put the boys into our Dundee Orphanage, as that institution requires that the children have lost father and mother. Could you take the boys? Mrs. L. is a truly Christian woman, and has no doubt brought the children up well. I got to know her during her severe illness in the Infirmary. She has other friends who would both assure you if necessary of her necessitous circumstances and her high character. She has heard of an easy situation with a small wage which she could have now if she could be relieved of the too heavy charge of her boys. It is where she would be well taken care of and protected from the damp and cold, which have made her very rheumatic.

God is the Father of the fatherless and the orphan, and we daily bless Him for the privilege of relieving and succouring so many. Two of our boys write us from the other side, the former sent out in 1890 and the other this year:—

MY DEAR FRIEND,—I now take the pleasure of writing you these few lines to let

you know that I am keeping well and enjoying good health here, hoping to find you the same. I hope the work is progressing favourably, and that God is still blessing you in His work. I hope all the children are doing well and enjoying good health like myself. I am very glad to hear about the reservoir that you have got for supplying the Homes with water; I am sure it must be a great help. I would like to visit the Homes again and see all the cottages once more. I hope, God willing, I may be able to see them some time. I am also glad to hear about the Boys' Hospital you have got up. I am still in the same place and getting along well and the people seem to be pleased with me, and I like them well and they are very kind to me, and I get all the encouragement I want, and I am going to try and do all that is in my power to please them. Johnnie, the boy they got from you six years ago, is doing well and joins me in sending his respects to all, not forgetting Mr. Frank. All the household joins with me in sending their kind regards to you all, especially to Mrs. Quarrier. May God bless you and strengthen you for the work He has given you to do. I remain, yours ever true,

A. S.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I now sit down to write you a few lines to let you know how I have been getting on since I left the Homes. At first when I came out here they were making maple sugar and syrup, and the fourth day after I came out here I was sent to watch the syrup boiling and to keep on a good fire and tell when it was boiled down. I put on a good fire and wandered through the bush for a while, and I forgot boiling and listened to the croaking of frogs. When I came back I got a good scolding for not minding my business. This was a good lesson, and I never forgot it. I have got into a good place, where they are all kind to me, and I am getting on handsomely, thank God for it. I must close my letter with love to all the boys and girls in the Homes, to you and all that are yours. Farewell. P. W.

**Oct. 13.**—A legacy of £63; £50 from Paisley; £1 7s. 6d. from friends in Rotterdam and Chili; and £1 10s. from others in Paisley and Birkenhead have come to-day, cheering us amid disappointments and difficulties in dealing with wayward boys, etc. Among other sums sent this week with words of cheer and encouragement are £6 from an old friend in Australia, being two years' saved money from tobacco; £4 from Tayport with Proverbs x. 22; £2 sent from children and other friends in the Skerries, near Lerwick, by an old worker who says, "Our prayer to God is that the Orphan Homes of our beloved country will aye flourish, and that you and your helpers will long be spared to continue the good work entrusted to you by the Father of the fatherless"; £20 from an unknown friend visiting the Homes; 5s. from one in Valparaiso; 3s. 6d. collected by a child of twelve; a large quantity of stationery, brushes, etc., and parcels of useful clothing from others. The Lord is fulfilling His promise to us, "They that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing."

**Oct. 19.**—This week we have laid the bodies of two of our number in the grave—dear Maggie Britton, a delicate consumptive child, and little Jamie Fraser, a very tender plant, both of whom for many months past have been gradually sinking away; indeed we often wondered how they lingered so long in life, but no doubt the loving care and nourishment they received did much toward this. They learned to love the Saviour here, and were most patient amid all their sufferings. Now they have entered the heavenly land which they loved so much to sing about while here and where partings are unknown. Yesterday the only gift was £1 from "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," our young friends who so frequently minister to the needs of the little ones and ourselves. To-day £9 6s. have come; also two baskets rolls; parcels of clothing from Langholm and Grangemouth; and 17 pairs stockings, sent along with £1 from an old helper in Glasgow, who takes "great pleasure in knitting for the wee motherless bairns."

**Oct. 22.**—Yesterday we received £34 7s. from various sources, and were cheered by getting word of a legacy of £1000. To-day from Edin-

burgh, Liverpool, Helensburgh, Galashiels, Perth, Aboyne, Bridge-of-Weir, and an unknown donor, £18 2s. 6d., and quantity clothing, etc., have come, with warm sympathy and words of cheer. A very good report from Canada of a little boy we rescued from a wandering life in 1872 gladdened us amid trials with other difficult cases at home. Out of the 3,500 sent to Canada in the past years, 97 per cent. have done well, and as we think of what might have been if left here among old surroundings, we cannot but bless God for the splendid outlet afforded in the greater Scotland beyond the seas.

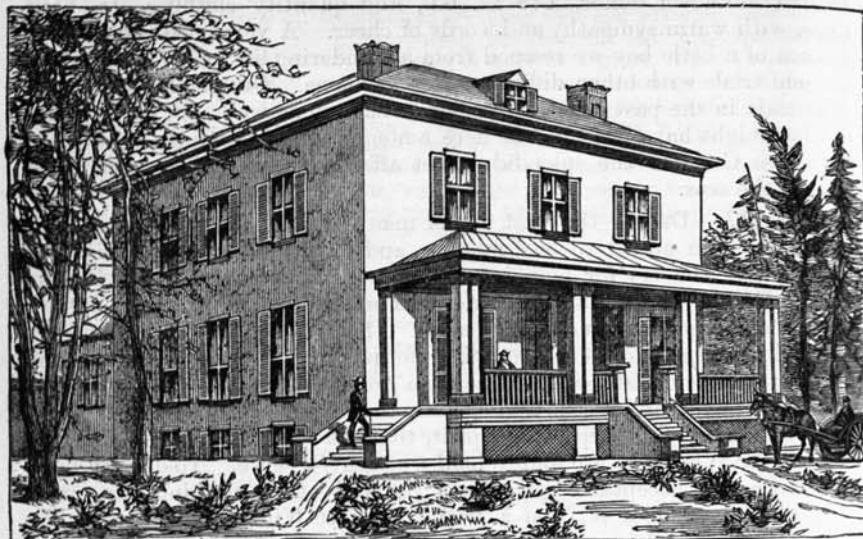
**Oct. 27.**—During the past weeks many orphan and fatherless needy ones have been added to our number, and as we draw to the close of another year the cry for help is even greater than ever. From Fraserburgh, Edinburgh, Leith, Queensferry, Portobello, and Langloan, letters have come regarding such, and many others have applied personally. What a privilege it is to soothe dying mothers by the knowledge that their children will be cared for when they are gone, to speak words of comfort to the sorrowful, and rescue and succour the erring and sinful. Oh, to be more and more filled with the Spirit, that we may be used mightily by the Master Whose we are and Whom we seek to serve. To-day we have received a very acceptable gift of scarves and other clothing, etc.; also £26 14s. 8d., £20 of it from a friend in Fort-William who says, "We have set very frosty and cold to-day, and when I think of your cares, I enclose you a little to help to feed the lambs and keep them warm, and may every good thing abound with you from the one rich Father's store." The language of our hearts and mouths is, "Oh, that men would praise the Lord for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men; for He satisfieth the longing soul and filleth the hungry soul with goodness."

**Oct. 31.**—This afternoon and evening Hallowe'en was held as usual by our large family, and, if possible, was even more enjoyed by old as well as young than in former years. The feast of "champed" potatoes with their mysterious ingredients, the ducking for and eating of apples, the cracking of nuts, and the illuminated procession with Chinese lanterns, "howked" turnips, as well as special designs by the children and fathers and mothers in the various cottages were enjoyed to the full, after which we gathered in the church, when two very happy hours were spent listening to the native talent of the village in the way of singing, recitations, etc., and closing with united family worship. The little invalids in Bethesda and Elim, although not able to join the rest of the number outside, were not forgotten, but had their entertainments inside.

We have again been brought to the close of another financial year of the work, the twenty-first of our trust in the Lord for the supply of all need, and in looking back over the way we have been led during the past twelve months, 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," either for ourselves or the dear children. Alongside of the blessings there have been many trials and disappointments, but in and through all we have realised the Lord's sustaining grace, and for the untried year on which we are entering we would rest anew on the abiding promise of our covenant-keeping Lord, "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."



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FAIRKNOWE, BROCKVILLE,

ONTARIO, 21st October, 1892.

DEAR FRIENDS,—God's promise that "While the earth remaineth, seed time and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease," is as good to-day as it was four thousand years ago, but we are led to say—

As rapidly each day glides by,  
Freighted alike with joys and cares;  
And night's dark curtains veil the sky,  
For nature's requisite repairs;  
So seasons follow each apace,  
With noiseless unobtrusive tread,  
We scarce have time their course to trace,  
Till all life's days and years are fled.

Oh Lord, to us fresh grace impart,  
That we with singleness of heart  
May toil and labour, watch and pray,  
During the rest of life's brief day;  
That others through our aid may be  
Made better and more like to Thee:  
And grant us, when our work is done,  
Thy "Well done, good and faithful one."

We had purposed collecting some materials during the year, but found that with receiving visitors, answering letters, looking after garden and grounds, going to station with or for children, off on a visiting tour, or seeing after some special case—where a child is sick, or has to be reasoned with, or removed—and scores of other odds and ends, the time was pretty well filled up every day, and often half the night; so will now just require to touch some topics likely to interest you as they occur to us.

I fancy the children consider Hallowe'en a good wind up for the year, and all who were with us last time seemed to enjoy themselves. This year we shipped a lot of Fairknowe apples, in good time, we hope, to let the "family" at home join us in tasting the fruits of the land. Often have we thought and said, while looking at the boughs bent down under the loads of tempting, luscious beauties, what would we not give to see the large family of children at Bridge-of-Weir turned loose amongst them for a few minutes. There were a large number of our older boys and girls with us at the New-Year and spent a very happy time—a few of our Brockville friends joining us as formerly. Falling on a Friday, a great many remained over Sabbath, and we had several grand and refresh-

ing testimony meetings and short addresses from some of the boys. As a small expression of thankfulness for past help and blessing, they contributed £10 amongst themselves to be sent to Mr. Quarrier for the work at home. A steady winter preceding an early spring, heralded what has been on the whole a remunerative year to the farmers. Dairying—one of the great industries of the country—has been very prosperous. Seldom does the grass remain so fresh and green all through the season, owing to frequent rains, so there has been excellent pasturage. The export of Canadian cheese last year was about two million boxes and for this section alone some 300,000 boxes. We mention these facts because they are intimately connected with the present and future prospects of our children. Amongst well-to-do farmers wages are higher and surroundings more congenial. In April when the party of boys arrived, in charge of Mr. Thomson and Mr. Campbell, I was prostrate with pleurisy and pneumonia, when of all times I might imagine my help was most required. Of God's mercy, in answer to prayer, by tender nursing and skilful treatment, I was raised up, and believe it is good for us to learn sometimes how easily our small services can be dispensed with and God's work go on just as if we had not been. A trip to Scotland entirely recruited my strength, and our voyage back with the girls' party by Allan s.s. *Sarmatian* was a most enjoyable one. Their conduct was all that could be desired, the accommodation and provision complete, the courtesy and kindness of officers and men unbounded, the weather all that one could wish for, so with pleasant services of song, reading, etc., the time quickly passed. The boys on their arrival in Brockville were sumptuously entertained at the Baptist Church, while the girls' party had a grand reception at St. John's Presbyterian Church, all the evangelical denominations being represented at both gatherings, and co-operating in providing the unlimited supply of rich cakes, etc. The churches were packed to their utmost capacity, and all seemed pleased to see the Scotch children and hear them sing and recite a number of pieces; while they on the other hand thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated the very hearty and loving welcome accorded to them, and will doubtless profit in future by the wise and kindly counsel given by the ministers of these churches and other gentlemen present. Applications had been pouring in for months before their arrival, and it was really a difficult problem how to divide such a number as 250 children amongst so many applications. The Scotch children have lost none of their honestly-earned prestige, and we have applications coming all the time from localities where they are.

By systematic visitation alone, can we find out with certainty, how the children are getting on, and so vigorously has this department of the work been prosecuted, that we have been brought into direct touch with almost the entire number in Canada. The reports for the year are very encouraging indeed, and show what a blessing emigration is to the children, besides to the lands of their birth and adoption. The usual high percentage for the past 20 years, namely, 97 per cent., is still maintained. I will give a handful of recent letters as samples—first from the children themselves:

DEAR MR. BURGESS,—I suppose you think I have forgotten you, but I have not. I am keeping well, and hope you are the same. I am getting along splendid. We have had a pretty wet time this year, and it was very hard getting in the crop, so it kept us back. I think if nothing happens I will be out to the Home at New-Year. We had such a fine time there last year. A.'s time will be up 13th October, and he is thinking of going to school this winter, and hiring his board. He had \$120 this year. I was out to see him 10th September, and he is well and thinking of going to

the Home too this year. I have got my pictures taken, and send you one. Please send me one of you and Mrs. Burges. I am going to school pretty soon now, and think of taking up Bookkeeping, Reading, and Writing. D. M'K.

DEAR FRIENDS,—I write you these few lines to let you know I am well, hoping to find you the same. I am getting along well, and I like to live here. I go to day school and Sunday school. I pray to God every day, and He answers my prayers. I like to read good books, and am getting the *Gospel News*. I think I will go out and see you this year. How is Mr. Quarrier? Is he getting along well? I would like to see him now, and I would like to see you; it is quite a while since I was playing around. J. S.

DEAR MR. BURGES,—I take the pleasure of writing you. I had a call from your brother, and I was so pleased to see him, and glad to hear you were all well. I long to see you all again. Mrs. A. is thinking of letting me up for a week at the New-Year, and I am wearying for the time. I had a letter from M. She is getting on splendid, and likes her place. I hope baby is well; he will be so big I will not know him. I had this letter started, when I just received one from you and E. She is well, but does not say much about her place. Remember me to M. B. Tell her I remember the Saturday I was in the dumps because I was going to a farm. I like it fine now. God is blessing me, and I am so happy to know that my home is in heaven, and I am "Simply trusting every day." N. H.

DEAR FRIEND,—I am getting along well, and intend to try the Entrance Examination to the High School next summer, and if I pass (which I feel certain I will, as my teacher said I could have passed this year if I had tried), I expect to have enough money saved to go to the High School the following New-Year. I am trying to be a good Christian, and pray that God may bless your work. R. A. M.

MY DEAR FRIEND, MR. BURGES,—You will have to excuse me for not writing sooner. I just started to school last week for the first time since the holidays. I am going to be a carpenter when I am a man, but I am going to stay here till I am twenty. I have a good home, and I would not like to lose it. They are just as good to me as if I were their own. I go to the Presbyterian Church once on Sabbath, and then to the Sunday School at the Station in the afternoon. Tell Mr. Quarrier I am going to write a letter to him soon. I wrote to my sister in Scotland, but got no answer. I see N. C. at church nearly every Sabbath. How is Mrs. Burges and Willie? Tell him to write to me. A. H.

MR. QUARRIER, DEAR FRIEND,—It is ten long years since I left the Homes and a great many things have happened since. I have enjoyed pretty good health all the time, and at present feel well. I suppose the Homes have so changed since I left that I would not know them at all, and the new Home at Brockville is quite an addition. The Bridge-of-Weir must be a wonderful place. Truly the Lord has been with you all these years of labour, for except the Lord build the house they labour in vain that build it. I am sure you are not labouring in vain. You are doing a noble work that will long be remembered by the orphans of Scotland, and a great many others. You are opening a way for the poor and forsaken of your country, and may God bless you for it, and prolong your days in this world, and give you a great reward in the world to come. I have a good home and kind friends, and everything I want. I would like you to send your own and Mrs. Quarrier's photos, and thanking you for all you have ever done for me.—I am, etc., A. C.

Then two or three samples from those they are with may not be out of place—

DEAR FRIEND,—We would like to see Mr. and Mrs. Quarrier personally that we might get better acquainted than by looking at their pictures. We would also like if Mr. and Mrs. Burges could call and see us and the children around here. I think it would be a bit of nice recreation for them, and we would be only too glad to have them stay with us a few days. Well, I must say something about the children. John is now 21, and he intends going home to see his mother, or rather, as we think, to spend his money (200 dol.). His mother says she does not need his money, but just to be all together again. Our advice would be for the meantime to go to Manitoba, or hire out, where he could add to what he has. The two children arrived safe, and they are very proud of them.

MR. BURGES, DEAR SIR,—We like little Katie very much. I was strangely drawn to the child before I thought of taking her, and think I shall find it easy to love and mother her. I fear she is a delicate child, and I think I shall probably

have to do more for her than she will ever be able to do for me, but it is not altogether for the help I want her. My children are all grown up. I want a child about the house, and one I can love and pet a little. On the other hand, I feel it a great responsibility to undertake to train a child at her age (I would rather she was ten months than ten years old), and if she should disappoint me and grow up wayward or bad, it would be a great grief to me; but I prayed over it and believe I have been led by Him in my decision. I will do my best to be a mother to her. Do it as unto Him, and trust the rest to Him, and if she grows up to be an honour to Him (as I believe she will) I shall be satisfied and thankful. Katie seems as happy and contented as a bird, and says she never wants any other home but this. May the Lord bless you in your work for Him.

DEAR SIR,—As it is just six months to-day since A. C. came to us from your place in Brockville, I thought I had better write a few lines to let you know how he is getting along. We are very much pleased with A. He is a quiet, thoughtful, obedient boy, and is doing very well indeed. He takes an interest in all he does, and seems to be contented to do any kind of work. Of course we have quite a variety of work here—fruit, dairy, and farm work—and then it is a lively country up here, and so a boy is not so apt to get lonesome. I was asking him last night why he did not write, but he does not seem to care much about the job. Now a few words about next year. We would like to get A.'s sister next spring, and if you can possibly manage to send so many to one place at once, we would like to get three boys all as near A.'s size and stamp as possible. You may think this is asking a good deal; but we can give them a good place and a comfortable home and steady employment the year round, which is, I consider, a good thing for boys. I know so many boys who lie idle all winter and spend what they earn in the summer. Please think this over, and let us know what you can do. Wishing you success in your good work.

The next letter is from one of our girls recently married:

DEAR FRIEND,—I received your kind and welcome letter, and also your beautiful present. I cannot thank you enough for them. They came some time ago, and you must excuse me for not writing before now, but I was expecting to have one of our photos to send with this letter. As soon as we get them I will send you one. I would be very pleased to get one of yours. I was glad to hear that you were all well, and am thankful to say we are enjoying the best of health. We are having lovely weather, and the most of the farmers have commenced ploughing. John began to-day. We had a very good crop this year. The potatoes are a failure around here, as they are mostly all rotten. John and I were away for a week visiting his friends in Lower Canada. We had a very nice time. My father and mother-in-law were here keeping house for us. They live about fifteen miles from here. I think I will now close, hoping to hear from you soon. We will be glad to see any of you as soon as you can make it convenient. John joins me in sending love and best wishes to you all, and many thanks for the beautiful present.

The following is from one of the boys who has lately entered the ministry:—

FAITHFUL FRIEND,—I thank God you are still left me as a friend and father. Your kindness for 16 years has never failed. May the Saviour whom I delight to serve reward you for all your love to me. God has blessed your labours for me and your kind and fatherly advice, and your prayers have long since risen to God. I was employed by the Methodist Conference last August to go as a missionary to S—mission. I obeyed the call, prompted by the Spirit, and I am now trying to preach the Gospel of Christ, of which I am not ashamed. Since I saw you last, I have, by God's blessing, earned enough money to give me a common school education; that is I passed the entrance examination to the High School. Then I took eighteen months High School work, for which I earned the funds, working one-half the year and attending school the other. I give you these facts to let you know what God has done for your boy and I have consecrated myself and all I have to the service of the Master. Be kind enough to accept my sincere thanks for the packet you sent me. Give my story or my history to the boys and girls with my love. Yours affectionately in Christ.

We have also personal testimony from friends calling on us. A gentleman two days ago said: "John is as good as your recommendation and all I could desire," and this is no isolated case.



Now with letters going from Mr. Thomson and my brother regarding visitation work, etc., I am afraid mine has already assumed too great proportions, so will try to sum up in a few sentences. First, I would like to mention that the City Water Works are likely (after long arbitration) to pass into the hands of the Council this year, so we trust the time has come when some kind friend will send in the £300 we mentioned last year for laying water and sewage pipes, plumbing, etc. The many cases of typhoid fever in Brockville have been attributed to bad water, and the public and several private wells have been closed up in consequence.

While we have been graciously preserved, there can be no doubt that an abundant supply of pure water, with a good drainage system, would be conducive to health as well as comfort.

The general health of the large family throughout the country is remarkably good, while the death-rate is astonishingly low, being (so far as we know) only three out of 3,500, and one of these from drowning. Numbers of the boys and girls have called on us during the year, and about a score have gone on a visit to Scotland.

Many of those mentioned in former letters as taking a business training and entering on various branches of commercial life, have made rapid progress and earned advancement, while others are following in their footsteps.

Owing to special inducements and great demand for labour in the North-West, quite a few of the older boys have gone to this most promising part of the Dominion, where every young man possessing the only necessary qualifications—ability and willingness to work—is bound to succeed. Others—both boys and girls—are saving money down here, and have been able to help their needful friends at home. Two sitting beside me now have saved this year, one \$50, and the other \$80. Thirteen elder girls and boys have been comfortably married during the year, and many have taken a decided stand for Christ. There is room in this country for any number of such children, and all who are not politically blinded and prejudiced, or tainted and dominated by Roman Catholicism, will joyfully hail their arrival. We rejoice in the unlimited resources and capabilities of our adopted country, and are sure the children from Bridge-of-Weir will yet play their part in advancing the interests and prosperity of this great Dominion. While thanking God for all the past year's blessings, and praying that His smile may rest on every department of the work during the one just begun, we would also express our gratitude to all the kind friends who, led by the Spirit, have in any way contributed to the success of the work; and we can confidently say to them all, "Of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance, for ye serve the Lord Christ" (Col. iii. 24). Yours in His service,

JAMES BURGESS.

#### REPORT OF MR. JOHN THOMSON, EVANGELIST.

BROCKVILLE, 6th October, 1892.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I have thought you would like a short report of my work in Canada since I came out with the Boys' Party. This work affords an unusually good opportunity of serving the Lord. Christian workers from abroad visit this country, but are of necessity obliged to confine their labours to the principal towns along the main lines of railway; but in visiting your children in the back parts of the country doors of usefulness are opened, which few others have the privilege of entering.

The work of the visitor is like your own general work—one of faith. I leave Fairknowe on Monday morning with the horse and buggy, and travel until some one invites me to stay and take dinner, then I go on again all afternoon, when the same

kindness is shown by another at tea time; out again until bedtime, when I am asked by a third person to stop over night. Rising at 5 o'clock, and taking breakfast at 6 o'clock. I get away again, making as many visits as possible, and receiving invitations to eat and sleep, although, on starting out, I don't know where these stopping places will be, but they are always provided. The kindness and hospitality of the people is wonderful, and makes the visiting very pleasant indeed.

In speaking with the children it is truly gratifying to find such a large number of them who are decided for Christ, and when I ask where they were converted, so very many of them say Bridge-of-Weir, and tell me that three, four, five, or more years ago they "passed from death into life."

Not a small part of my work is to show these dear young people "the way of the Lord more perfectly," besides speaking "the word of the Lord to all that are in the house."

Very many of the friends who have taken children are devoted Christians, and are training them so well, that it must tell for good upon their future lives. They are very anxious to see that they attend Sabbath School and Church, and do all they can for their moral and spiritual welfare.

In addition to the visiting, I have conducted several missions in different Canadian towns. The attendance at all these meetings was good; souls have been saved, and many Christians have been helped in the Divine Life.

The general interest, as well as the large congregations, were encouraging although much of this special work was done during very hot weather. I have not only preached on Sabbaths in the places where the missions were held, but I have supplied the pulpits of various denominations as I have gone on from place to place.

Perhaps it may interest friends if I mention a few of the cases visited, to show how fruit comes after many days. It would be difficult for you to recognise in the fine-looking young men and women the boys and girls of former years. One of your first boys, whose history was a sad one, I was specially interested in. His father, a soldier, died in the Crimea, and the mother took to drink, leaving Jim to the care of an uncle, who deserted him. He made his living selling matches, brushing boots, standing on his nose for a halfpenny, etc., although only 8 years of age. A kind-hearted woman took pity on him and brought him to the Home, and from thence, after training, he was sent out here. The boy of 20 years ago is now a stalwart man, bears an excellent character, and is respected by all who know him. One of the girls who was married a few years ago, and whom I visited in her own home, asked me if she could have a little girl to bring up, and, seeing how comfortably she was situated, I advised Mr. Burgess to send her a little one; and so the one helped is now helping. Another girl whom I visited last week has a boy. She and her husband are training him to be useful on their own farm. It was most gratifying to see the comfortable house and good farm which they have. Last week I also visited Lizzie M—, who expects to be married shortly. Her sister, who was married some years ago, was visiting her, and seems to be very happily settled. It is not given to every one to see fruit to their labours in such abundant measure as you have done, and it is a matter for great rejoicing that God has in such a wonderful way set His seal to this part of your work. Altogether I have visited close upon 600 of the boys and girls, and this means about 1,200 miles of travel, often over roads not always the best, in warm and cold and wet and dry weather. The winter is now setting in, and the winds are cold; indeed, it is hard to say whether such days as this, or those when the temperature was 90 deg. in the shade, are the most trying. I have seen a good part of the country, having been as far west as Niagara on the Lake, as far north as Ottawa and Renfrew, and as far east as Montreal. I hope to be with you early in December, and will then be able to tell you more of the Lord's dealings with me on this side of the sea—Yours in Him,

JOHN THOMSON.

#### REPORT OF OUR VISITOR, MR. ALEXANDER BURGESS.

FAIRKNOWE, BROCKVILLE, ONT., 21st October, 1892.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—October has come again, and I am reminded that another year has almost run its course and that before starting out again visiting it would be well to give a short account of the work here during the year so nearly gone. Last fall I drove as far west as Belleville, taking Wolfe Island, Amherst Island, and Prince Edward County on my way west, and visiting the northern part of the counties on my return. As the roads were heavy it was anything but agreeable work. After New-year I went through all Western Ontario getting back in time to meet the party of boys. During summer I got over a good deal of ground, although the weather was exceedingly warm, and we had a number of unusually severe storms. During the hottest weather I was in the county of Lanark. This county is principally settled by

Scotch or their descendants. A great many of the early settlers came from Paisley, and although a number of them—drawn doubtless by the names Lanark, Perth, Tay, etc.—settled on rather rough, hilly land, their descendants to-day are in very comfortable circumstances. There was a great demand this year for both boys and girls, and I could have found homes for a large number while on my travels. There was every prospect of a fine crop and help was hard to get, as the young men keep moving to the north-west or to the cities and towns. There is plenty of work here for men in summer, but in winter farmers—unless they have a great many cattle—cannot afford to pay high wages for work which a stout boy is quite able to perform.

\* I have just returned from a trip as far west as Campbellford. I found the children well, with few exceptions. Perhaps a few cases will be interesting. They are very fair samples of what we meet with in visiting.

J. H. A. (84) is still working at his trade but always comes back on Saturday night to see that Mrs. M. does not want for anything. She says he is just like a son to her. His brother was here to see him this summer.

W. I. (92) is very well liked but is too small as they have three boys of their own about the same age. He will be moved to a sister of his present mistress who has no family.

C. B. (84) is just like a daughter, as their own children are grown up and moved away. She is a very fair scholar but not strong. She expects her brother to visit her in the Fall. She has a kind Christian home.

J. D. (83) is well liked in his home and generally respected in the neighbourhood. He wants to learn a trade but will not leave his "aunt" who is not at all strong. John sent home 10 dollars to his mother lately.

W. R. (85) is a good Christian boy and lives with a man of the same name and thought just as much of as if he was their son. He is as much interested in the farm and stock as his master is, and is a fine intelligent boy.

D. W. (86) has grown to be a big strong boy. Was doing his first ploughing when I called and was very proud of his success. He has a good home and is well liked.

M. L. (87) Mrs. G. seems very happy and contented. Her husband is kind and his parents, with whom they live, are very considerate and pleasant. She has her brother Charlie with her and he has improved a great deal since coming here.

Some complaints were made of course, but generally of a trifling nature. There is very seldom trouble when too much is not expected, and when their employers are willing to spend a little time in teaching them at first. Some we have had to move, as we did not consider the home at all desirable. Others have changed, the only trouble between them and their employers being "incompatibility of temper," and we find it advisable to make a change, in nearly all cases, where there is not entire satisfaction on both sides. Some cases, of course, there are where the children are a little hard to manage, but I'm thankful to say these cases are few. I found that a good many of the older boys had moved to Manitoba, intending to take up government land. There is no doubt that this is a wise move on the part of a steady young man, for he could hardly expect ever to be able to buy land in the old settlements. We still hear the cry in some quarters that the government should prohibit the immigration of the children, but how they would supply their places is not stated. They are needed here and are growing up healthy and industrious citizens, and room could be found for thousands more.

As far as health is concerned our children compare very favourably with the natives of the country. The percentage of deaths is very small, and there are few cases of serious illness. A number of the older boys are now learning trades, and as they grow up still more are saving money to keep them while learning a trade or to help them to stock a farm for themselves. When visiting, I am often struck by the great changes a year brings about. Some of the children I have no difficulty in recognising, but others have grown beyond my knowledge. With few exceptions, however, they all know me, and seem pleased to see me. The visits make them feel that you have still the same fatherly interest in their welfare, and they are on that account more ready to apply to us for help and advice when in trouble. During this year we have visited over 2,000 of the children. It would be quite easy to see them all in the time if we merely called, but we prefer to make a visit of sufficient length to make full enquiries and observations. By inquiring as we go along we generally discover if anything is wrong, and a quiet talk often sets matters to rights. The Scotch children, I am happy to say, still maintain their high character, and show plainly the results which may be obtained by careful training. We on this side try to keep alive the good seed sown by carefully selecting homes where both Christian influence and example will be brought to bear on them, and we pray that none may be wanting at the final ingathering.

ALEXANDER BURGESS.

## DONATIONS RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR.

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November 9.—"Of Thine Own," £2; For Fairknowe, 5s; J. C., Edinburgh, £10; L. W., Newcastle, 5 articles clothing; Miss M., 13 do.; W. B. H., Matlock, 10s 6d; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, £1; T. C., Motherwell, £1; J. S. W., Canonbie, £3; J. F., Alloa, £3; Mrs L., Edinburgh, £12 12s; Mrs M., scones, etc.; J. D. & Co., £1 1s; Employees of do., £1 1s; A. L., Gourcock, 10s; F. E., Aberdeen, £100; Made by "Time and Talents" Members, per Mrs M., 28 articles clothing; J. L., Newcastle-on-Tyne, 5s; North Woodside Free Church S.S., per R. C., jun., £2 10s 11d; W. S. B., Dundee, 15s; Miss M'K., Greenock, 10s; J. K., basket sandwiches; A Friend, basket rolls; Mrs A., Edinburgh, parcel clothing; Anon., used coat and trousers; R. H., basket rolls; Cambuslang U.P. Church S.S. Society, per J. G. A., £3 13s 6d; Willing Helpers' Society, per Miss M. B., Maryville, box used clothing; Mrs T., Cheltenham, £1; A Friend visiting Homes, £1; A. D., £10; J. C. S. and Girls of S.S. Class, Dumbarton, £1; J. Kirkcaldy, £1; N. J. and M. M. S., Dundee, per Mrs M. S., 3s; Miss L., London, £1; "One of His Stewards," Wales, £12 15s 7d; E. A. T., Downhill, 5s; S. J. M'L., Forfar, an ulster; Dunlop, £1; Miss R., two boxes "object lessons;" J. B., £1; Freuchie Y.W.C.A., per A. M'L., 10s; J. E. M., £2; Miss P., Kirkcubright, £1; J. M'G., Greenock, barrel paraffin oil; Apprentice Fitters Fairfield Engine Works, per A. H., 10s; Y. Women's B.C., Lancaster, per J. B., 5s; W. Church Y.M.C.A., Perth, per J. S., £1; Miss M., St. Andrews, £2; Miss H., Melrose, £1; Locomotive employees, G. & S. W. Railway, on behalf of children received, per J. M'G., £6 6s 6d; C. M. W., Edinburgh, £10; Mrs P., Lanark, £2; a friend, 24 loaves and some small bread; a Worker, 10s; do., 3s 4d; Miss M. J., Langholm, 29 articles clothing.

November 23.—B. J. N., six shirts; Mrs M., scones, etc.; Miss B., Brechin, 10s; "Jimmy and Maggie," Lochwinnoch, 10s; Mrs R. C. R., Kilmarnock, £1; "A Friend, as a thank-offering," 1s; M. N., Stonehouse, 5s; Mrs L., parcel used clothing; Miss P., Alyth, 10s; Miss M., Edinburgh, 5s; Miss M'N., Kilmelfort, £5; Miss J. S., Helensburgh, six pairs socks; Balfour, parcel used clothing; H., Dunblane, 2s 6d; W. T., Stirling, magazines; half of legacy of £10 of the late Miss C. D., Dundee, per P. F. & J. Husband, less 10s duty, £4 10s; T. S., Rochdale, quantity calico; Mrs C., Blythwood, "a thank-offering," £5; J. W. O., £10; Incorporation of Milnathort, per Mr H., £3 3s; Miss M., 10s; H. W., Lochmaben, 5s; Mrs M., Duns, 10s; Misses J., Milnathort, forty-two articles clothing; Mrs M., scones, etc.; G. P., Kirkcubright, three pairs stockings and socks; balance of estate of E. A. and T. M'L., per Mr K., £2; A. D., Leeds, 5s; M. G., Luncarty, £1; Miss A. P., Errol, £4; legacy of the late Mr James Rose, Bridge of Allan, per Black, Honeyman, & Monteath, £100; J. L., Kilwinning, 10s; Mrs M., Bonybridge, £1; a friend, 12 loaves; Douglas, quantity used clothing; Anon., 12 caps; R. L., repairs amounting to 5s 6d; Mrs S., Wemyss Bay, 24 articles clothing; "Baby's first fruits," 5s 6d; Miss N., £1; L. M., Edinburgh, £2; "Inasmuch," do., 2s 6d; Anon., bag used clothing; Miss B., Melrose, £1; "Elizabeth, Scotland" for Bethesda, 10s; a friend, Fraserburgh, £1; J. C., Creetown, quantity school books and 20 boys' caps; A. S., Paisley, 5s; legacy of the late Mr Donald Lamont, B. Class, Hamilton, per W. R. S., £1; a friend, 10s; Misses H., Haddington, £3; R. H., rolls socks; Anon., quantity used clothing; Mrs M., scones, etc.; Mrs M., parcel clothing; Miss M'N., 10s; Mrs C., Langbank, per J. E. F., Kilmalcolm, £2; Preston Mission School, Markburgh, 5 live geese, etc.; Mrs F. C. G., 8 pairs stockings; P. Bros. & Co., Portmadoc, 10s; G. B., £1; J. M., £1; W. F. B., Aberdeen, 5s; Letham Y.W.C.A., Forfar, per J. A. L., 30 articles clothing; a friend, £1; Grangemouth, parcel used clothing; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," do.; Members of Snowdrop Band, Laurencekirk, per M. B., 5s; Mrs S., Matlock Bridge £1; A. C. A., £1; Mrs A., Melrose, £5; A. B. C., Pollokshaws, 5s; Miss P., Stirling, 5s; Miss E. D., Aberdeen, 10s; P. L., 13 articles of clothing; Mrs S., Gourcock, £1 1s; Calander Branch S. G. F. Society, per A. E. R., 318 articles clothing, 6 dolls, 6 scrap books, 100 Christmas cards, and case going to annual meeting, £5; M. H. D., Nairn, 10s; "A token of gratitude from a Grateful Milnathort postmark, 5s; Mrs H., £1; a friend at Meeting, £1; Mrs J. M'Q., Mauchline, £4; J. J., 3s; For Fairknowe, 5s; a friend, £5; Mrs M., Seacombe, four articles of clothing; R. H., basket bread; Mrs W. C., Hamilton, "a thank-offering," 5s; S. & Co., Bowling, £1; Misses B., 2s; Mrs S., 5s; Mrs S.'s Bible Class, Douglas, £1; Savings of Little Annie, gone home, 1s 2d; do. 1s; J. & C., Kilmarnock, 25 articles clothing and 3 dozen buttons; W. & J. C., Rothesay, 10s; two dresses; Misses A., Tighnabruich, £1. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Free St. Clement's Congregational and Mission Sabbath Schools, Aberdeen, per A. T., £1 6s 8d; P. M'G., Coatbridge, 5s; Free Middle Church S.S., Coatbridge, per do., £1 1s 9d; Kirkwall U.P. Mission S.S., per M. H., £1 7s 7d; Crossford Free Church S.S., per T. G., Lanark, £1 2s; J. W., towards furnishing the "James Wilson Home," £100; St. Michael's Parish Church S.S., Crief, per W. P., £1; Hamilton West Free Church Sabbath Schools, per J. B., £1 12s 6d; Dunblane Free Church S.S., per D. C., £1.

December 7.—"A Friend and Well-wisher," H. C. M., £2; W. F. B., Edinburgh, £5; Mrs M., Lenzie, 10s; An Anonymous Donor, £100; W. N. W., London, 10s; Mrs H., Millport, £1; M. B., Arr., £1; a friend, £5; Mrs G., Edinburgh, £6 and 12 pairs stockings; Free Church Junior Bible Class, Stevenston, per Mrs L., 10s; R. R., Hamilton, £5; Miss K., 5s; Mr H., basket rolls; a friend, do. and four loaves; J. C., Fort-William, £5; Mr M'L., £1; Mrs M., scones, etc.; Dundee P.M., 5s; J. M'G., jun., Greenock, 5s; W. K. S., Dumbarton, £1; Made by





do. Lockerbie postmark, four articles clothing; Alice, Willie, and Jessie, Grangemouth, three picture books; J. L. Balfour, Christmas gift, 15s; Mrs A. F. W., Aberdeen, 2s 6d; Mrs P. Pitlochry, 2s 6d; Employees of Dalzell Steel and Iron Works, Motherwell, per D. C. & S., £2 15s 6d; J. M. Fraserburgh, 10s; A. H. H., Weston-super-Mare, 10s; J. H. and S. S. Claes, Hawick postmark, 10s; Mrs P., Dunbar, £1; Mr and Mrs A. C., Renton, parcel clothing and remnants cloth; Mrs J. D., Dumbarton, £1; Mrs K., Lenzie, 25 articles clothing; Mrs T. Rait, Errol, 10 pairs socks; Three Sisters, Auchterarder, five pairs stockings and socks; Mrs W. Clieff, two shirts; a Friend, per Mr M., 10s; Mrs K., Arbroath, 10s; Mrs D., Helensburgh, 10s 6d; W. M., Markinch, £1; J. R. S., £1; Mrs W., Prestonkirk, £5; Mrs D., Dumbarton, £6; J. H. B., £2; D. N. M., 25 ties; Teache's, scholars, and Friends of Congregational Church, Annan, per Mrs C., quantity clothing to amount of £4; a Widow's Mite, Cambuslang, £4 and Xmas treat; Mrs K., New Kilpatrick, £3; "K., Stirling," £40; Three Friends, Edinburgh, per T. Y. M., £1 10s; R. H., Paisley, £4 4s; Mrs A., Lanark, £3; Miss L., Alexandria, £20; D. A., Chapel-en-le-Frith, £2 2s; Mrs F., Edinburgh, £2 2s; Miss H., St Andrews, eight articles clothing; a Widow's Mite, 5s; W. J. B., North Shields, £10 10s; Mr W., jun., parcel used clothing; G. B., Eskbank, £1 and 6 pairs stockings; Anon., three tins Chapman's food; J. H., Barrhead, £1; J. and P. C. & Co., Paisley, quantity of Christmas cards; S. G., Inchinnan, £1; M. D. & Co., large quantity of fancy goods and articles to the amount of £20; Miss B., Croydon, quantity books, cards, etc.; "A promise made," 5s; "Winnie and Charlie," Cardross, quantity toys; E. R., 10s 6d and five girls' ulsters; Ella and James, Cellardyke, 2s; J. J. B., Carlisle, nine articles clothing; Mrs G., Lockerbie, 18s 4s; J. S., Huntly, £3; Anderston Division S.G.F., per Miss T., 18 articles clothing; R. W., London, £5; W. and Mrs L., New Cathcart, £1; W. M., Dunfermline, £5s; Maggie and Annie's pennies, Irvine, per J. W., 5s; Annie's do., per J. W., 5s; Effie and Mary's do., per J. W., 4s; in memory of Wee Alec, do., per J. W., 6s, instead of sweets; from Willie, do., per J. W., 1s; S. and J. M., per J. W., 2s; L. W., per J. W., 2s 6d; a Friend, per J. W., £1; J. S. G., do., 10s; M. and J. W., do., 12 knitted mufflers and Christmas cards; Robert, Marion, John and Francis, Edinburgh, 10s; M. S. G. R., £1; Mrs J. R., 10s; H. S., £1; Given at annual meeting U.P. congregation, Stromness, per W. R., 10s; J. & G. M., Leith, 2 boxes soap; Edinburgh postmark, Christmas booklets, etc.; Two Friends, Cambuslang, do. cards; G. S., £10; M. H., per editor *Christian Leader*, £1; G. C. S., per do., £5; J. B., Helensburgh, £5; Junior Branch Y.W.C.A., Craill, per Mrs J., 18 articles clothing; a Friend, Dunoon, 5s; R. H., basket rolls; J. and M. E., 4s 4d; "Lily and David," Callander, 2 scrap books; G. and I. J. B., Gala-hills, 4 do.; From Bertie's bank, Cumnock, 10s; Girls in Greenock Academy, per M. C., 14s; Mrs S., St Boswells, 10s; M. B. and T. M. B., Perth, £4; A few hand spoolers, Clark's Thread Works, Paisley, per J. F., £1 5s; H. M., Beith, £1; B. C., £1 7s; Boys' Class, Downvale F. Ch., per do., £1 2s; C. W., Oban, £1; "A two year old bairnie," Falkirk, 2s 6d; T. M., £10; M. M., Thornhill, 6 articles clothing; Longforan Y.W.C.A., per Mrs A., 14s articles clothing, dolls, books, etc.; Stewarton U.P. Ch. Ladies' Sewing society, per A. B., a quantity clothing; Collected by Mrs C., Aberdeen, per C. S., 8s; C. S., do., 5s; G. W., Edinburgh, 5s; J. W. and K., £7; Katie, Nora, Willie, and Harold, a ham; R. and W. S., Carlisle, £5; P. D. M.T., Falkirk, £1; Galashiels Parish Ch. Band of Hope, per T. S., 10s; "Gertrude, Margaret, and Muriel's saved pennies, to buy some things for Christmas," £1 10s; A. E. K., Aberdeen, 2s 6d; J. J., London, £5; Misses C., for street children's treat, 4s; Mr W. S., Uddingston, parcel clothing and magazines; A. C., Paisley, £5; T. F. M., "borrowed money returned," £5; W. C., Dundee, £3; Mrs O., Auldgrith, 18 articles clothing; "A thank-offering" T. C., Caedwell, 10s; Mr and Mrs J. D., Grangemouth, 15s; John and Jane, do., do., 5s; A Christmas offering from boys and girls of Drumclog Sunday School, 8s 6d; Miss and Mr G., Hamilton, £2; Mrs and Misses R., High Blantyre, 18 articles clothing; Mrs G. and M. P., £1; H. P., Christmas cards; Y. F. O. A., Cupar-Fife, per Miss R., 12 articles clothing; Mrs R., Biggar, £1; Children, per C. F., Portrose, 7s 6d; W. S., Mid-Caldor, £1 6s 6d; "Amicus," 10s; Miss H., Largo, 17 articles clothing; C. D., Linlithgow, £1; Miss F., Edinburgh, 42 articles clothing; R. M. N., chest of tea; Mrs J. R., Wellington, New Zealand, £2; "From a happy, unbroke home, Paisley," 10s; "Don and Sinclair," Ballinluig, £1 5s; Employees at Moore Street Slaughter House, per D. H., £3 3s; D. M. B., Dundee, £2 10s; "From the nursery," M. C., £4; Grangemouth New Free Church S.S., per J. D., 5s and 18 articles clothing and magazines; G. C., a goose; a Friend, Dumbarton, £100; do., for street children's treat, £100; Mrs S., Brodick, parcel clothing; a Friend, Ardrishaig, live goose and magazines; Mrs B., parcel clothing, etc.; For Fairknowe, 5s; J. S., Larkhall, 11 articles clothing and odds and ends; "Three little lads' saved pennies," Brechin, per Mrs P. W. W., 5s; Mr and Mrs W., Edinburgh, £1; W. D., Leith, 10s; B. P., 2s 6d; J. S. G., £1; a Friend, Tighnabruach postmark, 5s; J. J., Lanark, 2s; Mrs B., Bathgate, 6s; a Friend, per Miss C., 12 scarves and 11 pairs cuffs; Mrs S., Nairn, £1; Mr and Mrs M., Fort-William, 10s 10s; D. L., £3 14s; M. M. H., Edinburgh, 1s 6d and parcel scrap books; Mr M., Montrose, 10s; J. D., £1; C. M. A. S., Pitlochry, Christmas cards and magazines; J. R. J., quantity frilling; Mrs M., scones, etc.; Mrs D., £10; A. G. Y., £2; Miss E., Lanark, per W. A., £1 10s; Mrs N., 3s; G. do., interest on bursary, 2s; "A Birthday thank-offering," £1; "A Birthday Remembrance of One Gone Home," £1; E. W., Duns, 10s; Mrs and Mrs C. B. A., £2; A. J., New Deer, 10s; St Clement's Steeple Church S.S., Dundee, per W. S. P., £3 14s 5d; A. M., £1 10s; G. L., Annan, £1; Chrissy and Reginald L., Newport, 10s; "Elsie and Almee," Kilmuir, £1; J. R., Maybole, £10; a Friend, kintyre, £1 10s; Mrs T., magazines; "Charity," per Mrs H., £1 5s; Bridgeton F.C.B.C., per G. C. 9s; B. & Co., eight boxes each corn-flour and semolina; "Children's Box," per J. A., 7s; J. D. W., Tarves, 15s; J. M. H., Tayinloan, £2s; Children, Paisley, for New-Year's treat, 5s; Mr and Mrs W. S., £2 2s; Collected by I. B., Port Bannatyne, £5; B. C. U.P. Church, Grangemouth, per J. M. L., 10s; "A Re-ueed Lad," 10s; M. G. O., Beith, 10s; Brid e-of-Weir Parish Church S.S., per A. B. G., £4; J. A. D., London, £1; a Friend, Biggar, currant bun; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, £1; C. S., Leobship head, 10s; J. W., Uddingston, 5s; "Jen., Stanley," 10s; Mrs S., Edinburgh, 10s; R. T., £3; W. T., Peables, for keep of a child for 1892, £12; "A Brother and Sister in the Lord," with 13 Kings 17, 13 vests, trousers, etc.; H. P., Alexandria, 10s; Falkirk postmark, 3 pairs of stockings; Bridge of Allan, do., 8 articles of clothing; "A Portobello Family," 5s; H. M., Clieff, £2; R. K. W., Liverpool, £10; Mrs M. A., Wemyss Bay, parcel clothing; A. R., Peebles, 5s; W. P., £3 3s; G. D. F., Edinburgh, for emigration, 10s; Miss do., do., £1; "Little nelly, Bo'ness, per A. H., 3d and six pairs cuffs, etc.; C. R., do., do., 1s; German sailors of the steamer Ecosse, per do., 4s 9d; G. A. A., Cannes, France, £2; Queen's Park U.P. Church, per W. R. C., £5; a Friend in New Zealand, per J. H. M., £1; Mrs M., Edinburgh, £1; Mrs F., do., £1; R. C., £2; Mrs L., Kilmarnock, parcel clothing, etc.; J. M. N., Dunfermline, two pairs stockings;

E. M. do., six pairs stockings; Mrs M., scones, etc.; Alexandria postmark, 5s; Mr. W., D moon, £1; Mrs N., do., £5; A. P., £2; a Friend, 38 loaves and 4 baskets rolls and small bread; Free St John's Y.M.C.A., per J. H., 15s; a Family, per J. P., 8s 6d; Telegraph Department G.P.O., per S. A. J., £2; J. D. B., £5; George, Cullen, 3s; Mrs A., £2; "4 Little J's," Edinburgh, £7; Mrs M., Clieff, £5; J. M., Forfar, £1; W. F., £1; G. R. H., 10s 6d; "A thank-offering for mercies during 1891," £1; M. and E. M., Sabbath morning collections, Aberfoyle, £1 4s; J. T. & Co., £1 1s; Mrs S., Melrose, £1; Mrs N., parcel clothing; R. A. L., Edinburgh, £2 2s; J. A. M.H. and Children, Neilston, £1 5s; Y.W.C.A., Ardrishaig, per Mrs S., 2s 6d and 24 articles clothing; R. L., 10s; Mrs C., Comrie, £1; a few well-wishers, Dunning, per Mrs L., £1 10s 6d; a Christmas card from a poor widow, Perth, 2s 8d; Mrs M. K., £1 1s; Lanark postmark, 3 pairs mittens, cards, etc.; belonging to a little boy taken home, 5s 6d and some toys; R. C., Greenock, 2 dozen shirts; Employees of D. Stewart & Co., £1 1s; Anon., 10s; B. B., large quantity currant and plain bread; D. A., Leslie, 5s; Kilmahog S.S., Callander, per K. E. B., £1; D. M., Polmont, £5; P. L. H., Mt. Ayliff, South Africa, £2; Mrs P., Alloa, £2; Mrs T., £1; Windermere postmark, scrap book; Mrs L., for New-Year's treat, 10s; Mr C., for do., 5s; W. & W., £10; C. F. P., Alloa, £25; Mrs J. S., toys; Mrs B., Lanark, £5; Miss M. L., do., per do., 5s; W. & W., £10; Ayre, £1; L. do., do., 5s; E. B., Kilcreggan, three articles clothing; Young people's sewing meeting and Friends, per Miss F., large quantity toys, dolls, dresses, etc.; a Friend, 10s; Mrs N. C., 10s; a Friend, Lesmahagow, £1; "A Mite," 10s; a Friend, Kelvinside, £1; "A Mite from Mills, Paisley, per S. B., £1 1s; "Give and it shall be given unto you," £1; a few spoolers in Anchor Church S.S., Dumbarton, per A. M., £3; E. H., Edinburgh, £2; Miss M., Belfast, £7; H. B., £5; Mr and Mrs G. F. N., £3; a Third of Wages, 10s; a Worker, 3s 4d; J. S., Lanark, 5s; Miss F., Wishaw, £1 and parcel clothing; J. L., Peebles, 8s; Kilbarrean Co-Operative Society, per A. H., £1 1s; J. S. B., Motherwell, 10s; Children, Edinburgh, £1; J. T., £1; a Friend, "G. A.", £1; J. C. D., £1; Mr and Mrs M., Falkland, 10s; Mother of children helped, 7 articles clothing; Mrs E. and friend, Paisley, doll, caris, and "bunnies," Mrs P. S., Johnstone, 5s; Mrs L., Newport, £3; Edinburgh postmark, £1; South Norwood, do., 2s 6d; M. L., £1 1s; T. R., 5s; J. D. G., 10s 6d; J. B., Edinburgh, £2 1s 9d; W. B. S. & Co., £1; M. Y., Langholm, 5s; Mr M., scones, etc.; Mrs C., Kelso, 72 articles clothing; M. E. B., Alloa, 13 articles clothing; United Co-Operative Baking Society, Ltd., £3; Mrs C., per Charity Organisation Society, £2 2s; Belhaven Church Collection, £1; Drummond Tract Depository, Stirling, parcel booklets; J. H. S., £1; E. L., £5; Found in boxes City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes during December, £1 0s 6d; J. D., Kilmarnock, £1; "Of Thine Own," £2; Mr M., quarter barrel salt herring; Mrs T., parcel used cloth, etc.; Children's box, 5s 6d; Miss J. B., Linlithgow, £5; "A Thank-offering," Edinburgh postmark, 10s; Miss W., Alloa, £2 and 3 pairs stockings; J. G. M., Newmains postmark, 2s 6d; J. L., London, 5s; P. F. L., 2s 6d; Mr and Mrs J. D., Broughty Ferry, £1; A. M., Paisley, 7s 6d; J. E., Portsoy postmark, 5s; G. M., Dundee, 5s; M. C. M., 2s 6d; D. P., Greenock, £1; Finnart Street U.P. Church S.S., Greenock, per J. C., 2s; Mrs L., £10s; East U.P. Church S.S. and Band of Hope Soldiers' Home, Edinburgh, per E. L., £1; J. B., £20; S.S. Missionary Boxes Free Church, Canobie, per J. S. W., 12s 6d; Mr and Mrs D. R. and friends, Arbroath, 3s; Little Nieces, per do., 2s; Mrs B., per do., 1s 6d; W. E., Kilmintilloch, 10s; T. and J. D., Coatbridge, £5; G. G., do., £5; J. W., Halifax, "a Thank-offering," £1; E. O., Kinross, 5s; J. W., £1; A. J. O., 2s 6d; Mrs M., £1; "Willie's Savings," per do., 2s 6d; W. B., £2 10s; do., for treat, 5s; A. H. I., Innellan, for do., 5s; W. D., £2; J. and S. L., Leith, 10s; Mrs L., Bridge of pennies, 10s; Legacy and interest of the late Mr Wm Hunter, per M. Clure, Naismith, Brodie, & Co., £213 9s—less £21 6s 10d duty, £192 2s 2d; Young ladies' sewing club, Dundee, per Miss N., 13 articles of clothing. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund—Partick Pitcairngreen, per J. M., 19s 3d; Irvine F.C. Mission School, per R. W., 10s; East U.P. Church per J. C., 10s; Claremont Church Juvenile Missionary Association, per R. F. M., £1 15s; Newark Free Church S.S., Port-Glasgow, per A. B., £1 6s 4d; Lansdowne Mission S.S., per J. G. M., £2 3s 6d; Mossreen Parish Church S.S., Crossgates, per J. C., 2s; Union S.S., Ednam, Kelso, Motherwell, per T. F. W., £2; Anstruther Baptist Church S.S., per J. J., £1; Kilbride S.S., Auchroyle, per Tighnabruach, per N. N., £1; Church of Christ S.S., Landressy Street, per M. Church S.S., Aberdeen, per R. M., £2; Clelland Free Church S.S., per W. W., £1 10s; North Parish Church S.S., Perth, per J. M., 17s; Jamestown Wesleyan Mission School, per A. M. G. H., Alex. Kilmuir, per J. M. N., 10s; J. S. N., £100; New Prestwick Meeting House S.S., per W. M. G., 10s 6d; Free Church S.S., Ballater, per J. C., 5s; Bonnybridge Church S.S., per J. R., £2 4s 6d; North Strand Mission Hall S.S., Dublin, per H. B. D., £2; Claremont U.P. Church Warrack Free Church S.S., per D. M. K., £5; East S.S., Gourcock Parish Church, per W. C., 7s 6d; Claremont U.P. Church S.S., per D. B., £1; Dreghorn Parish Church S.S., per M. G., £2 10s; U.P. Parish Church S.S., per P. T., £1 1s 4d; U.P. Church S.S., Gorebridge, per A. R. D., £1 1s; W. M., £1 3s; Bridgehead Institute S.S., Perth, per D. E., 12s; Battray Free Church S.S., per S.S., per T. T. S., £1 1s 3d; Relief U.P. Church S.S., Irvine, per S. S., £1 4s 3d; Kilmalcolm M.T., £1; Niddry S.S., Winchburgh, per J. L., £1 14s; Park Lane S.S., Alloa, per J. Y., £1 4s 4d; Anderston U.P. Church S.S. Society, per R. O., £1 10s; Longwynd Baptist Church Gorbals Parish Church S.S. Association, per R. B., £1.

January 16.—Toppings Hall Mission, Peterhead, per W. S., 13s 3d; Dunoon P.M., cards, etc.; Edinburgh do., do.; Young Members of Y.M.C.A., Dumbarton, per P. W., £1; Mrs W., Milton of Campsie, £2; J. M. C., Ayre, £1; Lockerbie, 2s; "A Servant Lassie," Greenock P.M., 5s; "A Mother in Sympathy," 10s and 18 articles clothing; F. B., £5; Alyth Boys' and Girls'



Religious Society, per Mrs S., £1; "Collected in pennies by a few girls in warehouse," per J. S., Alexandria, 11s; W. and D. M., £2 3s; J. D. Fenwick, 10s 6d; R. C., £25; C. H. G., Perth, 1s 3d; J. & A. A., £1; J. D., Hawick, 1s; Miss S., do, per do., 1s; W. S., Dundee, £5; J. E. M., Tarbert, £4; E. K., Berwick-on-Tweed, 7s 6d; Miss D., Finlaystone, £1; F. G. H., £1; M. L., Paisley, £2; "New-Year Thankoffering," Edinburgh postmark, £10; "My Darling Boy's Money Box," 2s 2d; Mrs D., "a small token of Christian sympathy," 2s 6d; J. L. P., Carnforth, £2; G. B. H., Oldham, £1; Mrs J. M'D., Motherwell, £1; A. G., Brechin, 5s; J. D., Ayr, 10s; T. J. R., £1; Mrs J. R., Paisley, £1; Mrs D., Galashiels, £1; Mrs K., Shotts, seven pairs stockings; A. E., Kilmarnock, 10s; J. N., 5s; J. A., Helensburgh, £2; A. J. K., £10; W. L., Hinclev, £1; "For Little May," £6; Little K's, 10s; "A Poor Sympathiser," A. D., Aberdeen, 10s; Musical Committee, U.P. Church, Skelmorlie, per W. A., £2 2s; T. K., Ardrossan, £1; D. M'L., London, £20 8s; a Friend, £1; "For the Balm," R. W. R., 10s; R. M., London, £5 5s; S. P. M., do, £5; J. J., Lochwinnoch, 5s; J. and A. G., Greenock, 6s; R. M. G., Aberdeen, 10s; New-Year's Day Thankoffering, Free Church, Elie, per D. C. M., £3 7s 6d; Miss D., Fairlie, £1; D. D. R., Oban, £1; "Children at Ashgrove," Busby, per A. G. B., £1; J. A., £1; a Friend, two baskets small bread; D. M., 5s; Collection box, Leith Sailors' Home, per Mr M., £4; Mrs B., 5s; R. K., 10s; M. and A. B., thirty loaves and two baskets small bread; Mrs S., £10; K. S., £3; B. I., Boncath, 5s and parcel of clothing; Free St. Stephen's B.C., per R. G. W., 10s; A. M. F., 5s; G. G., Aberdeen, £1; M. R., Dundee, £1; "One who feels for the Orphans," Helensburgh P.M., 10s; Mrs P. and Miss W., Edinburgh, parcel knitted garments; Miss A. M'L., do, do; Mrs S., three pairs stockings; Mrs D., Ayr, box of clothing, etc.; Girls in Warehouse, per R. G., Montrose, 7s 6d; J. and S. S., 5s; E. and E. B., Bothwell, 6s; M. C., Edinburgh, 10s; A. S., Whiting Bay, 10s; Bailiostown Mure Memorial F.C.B.C., per G. G., 5s; J. J., Edinburgh, 5s; J. S., Perth, 1s 9d; Mrs N., Edinburgh, £1; a Friend, 2s 6d; do, two dozen loaves; "A Working Woman," Beith, 24 pairs of stockings; A. C., Dingwall, 18 pairs overshoes; M. S., Stonehouse, 10s; Cedar Street Branch Y.W.C.A., per Miss B., 10s; Misses B., 10s; J. N., £35; Mrs A., for City Home, £100; Baptist Church S.S. Mission Box, Hamilton, per J. R. C., £1; Small Sabbath School and Children, per Mrs M., Dumfries, 6s 7d; do, 35 pairs cuffs, stockings, quilt, etc.; Mrs F., Linwood, parcel clothing; M. M., Windermere, £1; Miss M. H., Aberdeen, 5s; Collected at Police Choir Service, North Shields, per A. A., £1; Mrs S., do, per J. W., 10s; J. T. F., Jamestown, 10s; Miss S., Wemyss Bay, £10; W. R., Manchester, £10; Miss S., "last work of a dear mother," 12 pairs stockings; Mrs D., Dumfries, seven articles clothing and three dozen boys' ties; Mrs S., do, six pairs socks; "David," per B. W. G., 10s; Wilson Hall Children's Church, Paisley, per P. E., £1 10s; Friends at Lochgillhead, per M. C., £1; "An Orphan Boy," Clydebank, 2s 6d; Mrs R., Airdrie, basket eggs; a Friend, per do., 2s; W. R., Perth, 10s; Mrs D., Helensburgh, 10s; Mrs B., Selkirk, 10s; Grangemouth Y.M.C.A. Sabbath Morning Fellowship Meeting, per P. K., £1; Morningside U.P. Church Juvenile Missionary Society, Edinburgh, per C. S. G., £2 10s; M. C. L., Edinburgh, 5 semmits; Grangemouth, parcel used clothing; Mr A., £7; W. F. H., Greenock, 5s; Mrs C., Perth, £1 1s; Mrs C., do, 2s; Mrs E., do, 5s; Little Maggie's Pennies, do, 2s 6d; F. W., do, 1s; H. B., do, 1s; F. W., do, 2s; a Friend, do, 6d; J. S., do, 1s; Mrs C., do, 1s; E. P., do, 5s; A. K., do, 1s; H. W., do, 2s; Mrs D., do, 1s; M. C., do, 1s 6d; A. H., do, 1s; M. L., do, 2s; F. D., do, 6d; J. L., do, 6d; M. D., do, 6d; T. G., do, 2s; Mrs M'F., do, 1s; Miss R., do, 1s; A. S., do, 6d; J. M'E., do, 1s; a Friend, do, 6d—above sums from Perth were collected by Mrs E.—M. C. G., Helensburgh, £1; Mrs M., scones, etc.; Part of admission money to Royal Polytechnic during New-Year's holidays, £10; A. G. B., Helensburgh, £1; J. W. I. W., £1; Mrs M. and Family, £7; A. C., Auldgrith, £5; A. M. W., Bridge-of-Allan, £1 15s; Two Children, do, per do., 5s; collected from a few friends by J. G. M., Muncleby, £1; left from treat, Johnstone, per J. B. S., 140 packets sweets; Mrs L., Lasswade, £1; Auchterarder postmark, 10s; Bonhill Parish Church S.S., Alexandria, per W. D., jun., £1 1s; Mrs C., Lochgillhead, £1; Campbell Young People's Society of Christian Endeavour, per L. B., £1 10s; J. B., a thankoffering, 2s 6d; P. A. S., £1 9s 8d; J. S., £1 1s; Willie do, 9s; I. M. S., for emigration, £4; W. C., Clydebank, £3; Miss H. F., Kilmarnock, cards; Mrs W., Golden Grove, parcel remnants flannellette, etc.; Minister's B.C., Wallace Green Church, Berwick-on-Tweed, per J. H., 17s 6d; Jessie, Violet, Richmond, and Jessie's box, Grangemouth, £1; A. S., Paisley, parcel clothing and magazines; Miss C., Wallington, 10s; J. R., £1; Mrs M., Rumbling Bridge, £10; Misses M., Helensburgh, £1; D. M., Otogo, New Zealand, £2 10s; Mr and Mrs R., Folkestone, £5; Free John Knox S.S. Teacher's Association, Aberdeen, per P. C. G., £2 18s; Duncansburgh Church, Fort-William, per D. L., £1; S. G. F. S., Comrie, per Mrs B., 26 articles clothing, etc.; J. G., per do., 2s; a Friend, per do., 6d; Children, Cardross, per J. I., box toys, sweets, etc.; Mrs H., Falkirk, 14 articles clothing; Mrs M., scones, etc.; D. B., jun., £1; A. & Co., £20; a Friend, 10s; F. S., Carnoustie, 5s; Paisley postmark, 3s; A. F. C. E., per editor *Christian Leader*, 10s; Small S.S., Stow, per Mrs H., 14s; A. M. M., Dumfreck, £3; Collection Trossachs Church, first Sabbath, 1892, per J. C. H., £2 8s; E. G. H., Dundee, 2s 6d; Buckhaven postmark, 5s; Mrs M. and Family, Moniaive, £1; Mrs M., Lochgelly, £2 10s; Miss M., do, from sale of canaries, £1 15s; Mother of Mrs M., do, per do., £1; Mrs H., Edinburgh, £1; J. F. B., Paisley, 10s; "A Small Offering from a Family, Hamilton," per R. M., 4s; Mrs M., Edinburgh, £5; Mrs E., London, £5; J. A., Wark-on-Tyne, per Mrs C., 10s; J. R. W., Bellingham, per do., £1; P. C., do, per do., 10s; Mrs M., Kirkcaldy, £1; J. S., Burrellton, Ireland, 7s 6d; Mrs A. H., do, per do., 2s 6d; "A Friend to your newton, £1; J. S., Burrellton, £1; Miss H., Aberdeen, five articles clothing; Cause," do, per do., 10s; J. O. H., Uddingston, £1; Miss H., Aberdeen, five articles clothing; C. G., Crieff, £1 and ten knitted articles; Minister's B.C., U.P. Church, Midway, Aberdeen, per H. F., 12s; Mrs A., Tillmoutry, £1; Miss do, do, 10s; M. M., Cupar-Fife, six pairs stockings; "A Lammermoor Shepherd, a Mite," 5s; U.P. Congregation, Douglas, per J. S., Edinburgh, £1; A. M. and L. M. M., £2; Mrs T., Haddington, £1; U.P. Church S.S., Dunbar, per A. G., 10s 3d; Grangemouth B. and G. Religious Society, per J. L., 13s; Mrs N., Bowling, 21 articles clothing and some used do; a Friend, 23 loaves; R. M., 7s 6d; G. S., 10s; Miss M'D., Stranraer, £2 articles clothing; Mrs B., Gourcock, seven articles clothing; J. B. F., Edinburgh, £1; A. C., Montrose, 10s; Miss H., Milnathort, £1; M. J. Y., Dollar, six parcels stockings; Charlotte Street U.P. Church Y.M. Fellowship Association, Aberdeen, per C. F., £1; "Janey and Minnie, work of the holidays," per Mrs B., six scarfs; Mrs N., Arklow, Ireland, £1; Children, Paisley, per J. P., do, £3; Mrs R., Alloa, £2; Mary and Chrissie, Aberdeen, £1; A Young Man, Airdrie, £1; J. P., do, £3; Mite, Paisley postmark, 5s; W. L., 7s; Mr N., Fraserburgh, per J. T., £1; Longforgan Y.W.C.A. per Mrs A., 54 article clothing; Anon., Dunfermline, 10s; J. C., Paisley, 10s; a Sailor's Thank-offering, £2; "To Help a Little," Edinburgh postmark, £1; "Gathered during past year by Little Children to help the Little Orphans," Airdrie, 10s; W. S., Blargowrie, £2; W. B., Grange mouth, £1; a Friend, per R. G., £1; a Friend, Paisley, for Invalids' Home, £100; do, Helens-

burgh, £1 10s; Miss D.'s Box, do, per W. W., £1 4s; Whitehill Grange Juvenile Missionary Society and Band of Hope, per Miss L., 35 articles clothing; J. H., Airdrie, £1; Clarkson Mission S.S., per do., £1; W. G., Elgin, 10s; Swinton Parochial Board, Duns, per G. T., for emigration, £20 0s 6d; K. C., Perth, 6s; J. L., Laurencekirk, £2; "A Ice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, £1; Ten little S.S. Children and their Teacher, Ayr Parish Church, 12 articles clothing; P. P., Loch, Inverhead, £1; Halbeath S.S., Dunfermline, per R. M., 4s 9d; Eight little Girls and their S.S. Teacher, Galashiels, result of self-denial, 10s 6d; Trustees Stirling Tract Enterprise, per J. M., quantity tracts, etc.; Miss S., Bridge-of-Allan, 2s 6d; Mrs S., Perth, £2; Mrs W., do, per do., £1; Miss M., Alloa, £4; D. C., London, £1; A. M. & Bros., 13s; Mrs H., Barnhead, £1; S. W. E., Melrose, £10; Mrs S., Coatbridge, £3; Mrs P. and Miss M. M., Dunoon, 12 articles clothing; Mrs W., Greenock, 26 do, 1 Part Proceeds of Christmas Tree, per Miss L., £6; "New-Year Visitor," Falkirk, £1; Greenock Branch of Railway Mission, per Miss C. G., £2 2s; R. C., jun., 10s; Maggie, Joan, Kathie, and Jim, Dunfermline 5s; M. A. A., Edinburgh, 10s; Free High Church Mission B.C., Dundee, per R. C. G., 12s; E. A., Kilmarnock, £1; Mrs D. M., Ballinluig, 5s; A. C., two cheeses; Miss B., Croydon, quantity cards for street children; W. G. M., £1; Miss G. and Miss M., Greenock, £1; Mrs M'K., do, per do., 10s; E. C., Johnstone, parcel used clothing; Mr. R., £5; G. L. C., £2; Mrs M., scones, etc.; "Bible Class C," £1; J. D., 2s; "From what belongs to the Lord out of the increase He has given me, season 1890," King's Lynn, £2 10s; "A London Scotchman," per T. F. M., £2 2s; "Two Sisters," 9s; Baptist Church S.S., Fraserburgh, per Mr B., £2 6s 8d; Mr B., do, £1 13s 4d; Balm's Savings Bank, do, per R. S., £1; E. G., £1; Mrs M'R., per do., £1; T. S., Dunfermline, 7s 6d; Boys' S.S. Class, Falkirk, per B. H. W., 13s 3d; R. M., 7s 6d; Original Secession Church S.S., Kirkintilloch, per E. C., £1; Y.W.C.A., Canonbie, per Miss Y., 48 articles clothing; Mrs M., Callander, 5s; Mrs B., 12 pairs socks; M. P. th, 10s and seven petticoats; R. L., Paisley, £1; Mrs H., Macduff, £5; Mrs W. D., £1; Work Party, Rosneath, 15 articles clothing; Canal Street U.P. Church Young Men's Bible Class, Paisley, per M. N. G., £2; Two Friends, Alva, £5; Mrs S., Perth, 12 petticoats; "A Wellwisher," Huntly, 13 articles clothing; E. B. P., Airdrie, six pairs cuffs; Two Friends, do, per do., parcel cake; Misses M., Aberdeen, £1; Mr and Mrs F. and Family, 10s; J. M., Newton, £5; A. A., Stockbridge, £2; W. A. G., Walsall, £1; Mrs M. and Children, Dunfermline, £2 10s; Collected by some Young Friends, E.U. S.S., Galashiels, per G. C., £1 11s; Miss C. F. M., Elgin, 10s and eight articles clothing; Mr L., Stirling, quantity clothing, etc.; J. C. W., for emigration, £100; Mrs M., Row, £5; Juvenile Mission Society, Hope Park U.P. Church, Edinburgh, per M. M., £1; J. W., Strathaven, 24 articles clothing; "A Servant Girl," East Kilbride, 5s; "Eruciv," Cujar-Fife, £1; A. B. C., 5s; "A Sympathiser," Ayr, £1; For Fairknowe, 5s; "Of His Own," £1; J. B., jun., 10s 6d; Mrs J. A., £1; "Girls' Sewing Party," Perth, per Mrs S., 5s and quantity dolls, toys, etc.; D. S., Bathgate, £2; Children's Tenth, do, per do., 10s; A. R. S., Windermere, £5; Mrs C., Paisley, £5; Victoria Place Baptist Church, Paisley, Young Women's Bible Class, per E. A. C., £1 14s 1d; Miss F., Kilmarnock, parcel clothing; Two Friends, 5s; Bent S.S., Lesmahagow, per G. D., 6s 9d; Mrs M., parcel clothing; M., Lochans, £1; "A Thankoffering," J. B., 6s; J. H., Perth, 13s 6d; Collected from Friends by do, 6s 6d; M. S., £5; Mrs T., hamper used clothing; Mr B., one basket buns; Two Friends, 10s 6d; A Little Boy, 6d; J. J., Bridge-of-Weir, £3; a Friend, per Union Bank of Scotland, £3; Mr and Mrs A. C., Edinburgh, £2. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund—Congregational Church S.S., Wick, per W. C., 11s; Berriedale S.S., Dunbeath, per A. H., 10s; Kepplehills S.S., Newhills, per Mrs S., 6s; F.C.S.S., Bridge-of-Weir, per M. M., 12s 4d; Free Mid Church S.S., Greenock, per J. A. M'L., £3 6s; Rockvilla U.P. Mission S.M.S., per J. J., 10s; Baptist Church S.S., Helensburgh, per W. T., 8s 4d; Kinnaird S.S., Huntly, per J. B., jun., 5s; Chalmers Street U.P. Church S.S., Dunfermline, per A. S., 10s; Cathcart Street Mission S.S., 17s 11d; Loudon F.C.S.S., Newmilns, per H. C., 18s 6d; U.P. Church S.S., Newton-Stewart, per J. A. D., 5s; Whifflet Free Church S.S., Coatbridge, per W. R., 10s; "A Member of the Mizpah Band to put stone in one of the Orphan Homes of Scotland," £1; St. Mark's Parish Church S.S., per J. L., 10s; F.C. S.S. Dalbeattie, per J. A. P., 10s; Dunnichen Free Church S.S., Forfar, per H. S. D., 11s; Dollar Parish Church S.S., per W. M., £1 10s; Pleasant U.P. Church S.S., Edinburgh, per W. A. T., £1; Trinity U.P. Church S.S., Pollokshields, per J. L., £3 16s 3d; Kira U.P. Church S.S., per A. G., £1 8s 7d; Pitlochry F.C. S.S., per J. Y., 18s; Cargill F.C. S.S., Guildtown, per J. S., 10s; Kilmadock F.C. S.S., Doune, per H. M., £2 1s; "Anconor," Paisley, £100; Liff F.C. S.S., Dundee, per M. M., 10s; Bearsden U.P. Church Mission S.S., Garscadden, per H. M'L., £5; Cathcart Free Church, per A. K., 17s 7d; Tighnabruich F.C. S.S., per G. W., 13s; Kilmartin F.C. S.S., Lochgillhead, per A. M., 6s 10d; Legacy of the late Miss Christina Robertson, Cuminstown, per W. F. S., Turfrie, less dues, etc., £28 12s 2d; Portland Road U.P. Church S.S., Kilmarnock, per J. H., £2; Eaglesfield Mission S.S., per W. S., 19s; Langbank U.P. Church S.S., per A. B. A., £2 12s; Lady Baillie's S.S., Whitburn, per J. B. C., £1; Congregational S.S., Helensburgh, per R. R. L., £2; Huchestown F.C. S.S., per H. D., 9s; Crosslee S.S., per Mr J., £1; Queen's Park Parish Church S.S., per J. M'L., £1 1s; Free Gaelic Church Mission S.S., Greenock, per D. C., 10s; Campbhill Junior Missionary Society, per E. S. J., £15 3s; Mrs A., Paisley, £20; Erskine F.C. S.S., £1 15s; Westmoreland Road Presbyterian Church S.S., Newcastle-on-Tyne, per A. M., £2.

January 30.—A Friend, 12 loaves and some rolls; "Family Offering," per J. H. S., 11s; Anon., used Jacket; W. C. S. & Co., 2 parcels pictures, engravings, etc.; M. & W. N., 10s; Mrs S., Aberdeen, £5; C. R., Cockburnspath, 7s 6d; Minister's Bible Class U.P. Church, Gourcock, 6s; Mrs C., £1; Mrs M., 5s; Gallowgate Branch of Y.M.C.A., per Mr G., quarterly amount for keep of child, £3 5s; Stirling postmark, £2; J. M. R., Alloa, £1 10s; Stewarton F.C. S.S., per M. M., £1 2s 7d; "A small thankoffering to God," Stirling, 2s 6d; Mrs R., parcel used clothing; M. G. B., Melrose, 10s; Mrs W., £2; A. and S., quantity sausages; Miss P. B., Dalrannock, £1 8s; R. Bros., chest tea; J. C., jun., 10s; Mrs B. C., Tighnabruich, £2; Mrs T., Aberdeen, £5; "One who wishes it could be more," Dunoon postmark, 2s 6d; Newstead S.S., Merrose, per J. N., £1 12s; Galashiels Parish Fellowship Section Church of Scotland Guild, per F. H., £1; H. O. S., per do., 2s; W. P., £2; J. L., jun., Kirkcaldy, £1; Mrs D. K., £4 and parcel clothing; G. P., Dundee, £1; J. B. F., Aberdeen, 5s; J. M., 5s; Mrs M., scones, etc.; E. P. F., four pairs stockings; Mrs L., Alloa, 10s; do, a birthday gift, 10s; R. M., Stirling, £1; Congregation Kinnell Church, Kinnell, per J. J. T., £3 1s 3d; Mrs D., 2 scrap-books; R. B., £2; Anon., magazines, a Friend, basket small bread; H. R., Dunlop, £1; Miss C., Ryde, £10; J. C. M., Bridge-of-Allan, 2s; George and Ella S., do, 2s; H. B., Perth, £1; Mrs H., Inverness, £5; "Wee John," 5s; G. S., Strathaven, 2s 6d; Mrs D. A., nine petticoats; Gracie, do., a scrap-book; Daisy, do., a doll; collected by Miss A. K., Langbank, 10s; W. W., London, 10s; Mrs

J. C. H., £4; Mrs D., Greenock, 13 pairs stockings; G. E. & Sons, £1 1s; Miss A., Tarland, 2s 6d; Miss R., Croydon, £20; Mrs T., Innerleithen, £5; Friends at Broughton, large quantity clothing, dolls, etc.; Bervie postmark, 5s; Mr. H., 4½ dozen loaves; M. D., girl's ulster; Mrs U., 10s; Employees of J. C. W. & Co., per J. F., 5s 2d; R. H., rolls; Mrs M., scones, etc.; Mrs A., 25 articles clothing and hat; G. P., Kirkcudbright, three pairs socks; Mrs R., Edinburgh, 5s; Collected by Mrs R., Stirling, 7s 6d; G. L. W., Cupar-Fife, 33 hats, eight fur boas, and five ulsters; Mrs S., Greenock, 31 articles clothing, bed mats, etc.; Mrs L., Birkenhead, 10s; Mrs W. C. F., Dundee, £1; A. M. C., Ayre, £1; R. M., Paisley, 2s; M. S., Walkerburn, 10s; A. C., Dalnally, 5s; "Through one of His Stewards," £6 10s; M. M., Hawick, 4s; T. H., Kirkmuirhill, £1; T. F. M., £2 15s 6d; Mrs S., Greenock, £1; Mrs M., scones, etc.; "In Memoriam," A. J. L., 25-1-88, Aberdeen, 5s; Mrs C., Dunoon, nine articles clothing; M. L. T., 5s; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, £1; R. L., Bridge-of-Weir, two drakes; a Friend, Crieff, £3; per Miss M'G., Gourcock, £1; Anon., 10 pairs stockings; Mrs C., Edinburgh, 7½ dozen stockings; S. and S., hamper bulbs; a Servant Girl, 10s; an Old Home Girl, £1; M. M. T., Largs, parcel used clothing; E. D. W., Milton of Campsie, eight articles clothing; W. F. B., Aberdeen, 10s; a Friend, Fraserburgh, two barrels fish; Miss T., Cockenzie, box 5-h; J. F. P., Perth, for emigration, £50; J. D., Arbroath, £3; M. S., for emigration, £1; Dingwall Free Church Sabbath School, per A. H. D., £1; Mrs R., Weston-super-Mare, £5; E. A. S., Perth, £1; an Anonymous Friend, per J. D. R., Darvel, £2; Wesleyan Church, Dumfries, per W. G. D., 8s 6d; A. W., Strathaven, £2; New Year's Offering from old boys and girls gathered at Fairknowe Home, Canada, on 1st January, £10 8s 4d; Dumfries, 11 articles clothing; Mrs M., scones, etc.; Four Children, Penicuik, per A. H., 10s; Miss B. S.'s S.S. Class, Douglas, part proceeds sale of work; 10s; M. E., Banochry, £1; A. & W. H., Dunfermline, £1; R. H., some rolls; Mc B., magazines, "Lillie," P. rh, 10 hats; Mrs R., parcel used clothing; "For Fairknowe," 5s; E. O., Kilmalcolm, with 1st Cor. 15-58, £5; Mrs R. P. L., Ardnam, £2 2s; "From Mercy, the bride-elect of Hopeful," per J. P. K., Helensburgh 10s; Mrs R. D., Duns, £1; M. M. L., Kirkintilloch, 10s; Postmen, do., per do., 7s 6d; W. B., Coupar-Angus, £1; First-fruits of income of a 3 months' old child, J. W. D., Lesmahagow, 1s 6d; Windygates Mission S.S., per R. D., 12s 6d; Friends, do., per do., 1 7s 6d; F. C. S.S., Sheuchan, Stranraer, per A. S., 11s; P. M'K., Wigtown, 10s; A. K., Staleybridge, for emigration, £5; Do., for Servants' Home, £5; L. M. B., Hamilton, parcel clothing and remnants; "A Brother and Sister in the Lord," nine articles clothing; Mr C., £1. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Factory Street S.S., Inverness, per Mr D., 13s 4d; Free Church English S.S., Stornoway, per D. S., £1; Free Gaelic Church S.S., Greenock, per A. M., 12s 3d; Adelaide Place Baptist Church S.S., per A. G., £1 17s 6d; Free South Church S.S., Peterhead, per G. F., 10s; Hamilton Free Church S.S., Port-Glasgow, per R. B. H., £1; U.P. S.S., Alexandria, per D. M., £2 2s; Auchterwal S.S., Kirkcaldy, per R. C. R., 16s 7d; E.U. S.S., Tillicoultry, per D. D., 16s; Closeburn Free Church S.S., per Miss H., 5s 9d; Dunoon U.P. S.S., per W. W., £1 10s; Mission Hall S.S., Lockerbie, per J. L., 10s; Ibrox U.P. Church S.S., per R. M. C., £1; Leuzie Parish Church S.S. Association, per R. D., £1 1s; New Cumnock Free Church S.S., per A. S., 10s; North Leith Parish S.S., per J. M., £3 8s 3d; Downhill U.P. Church S.S., per A. L., £1 7s; Clason Church S.S., Carmunnock, per J. B. M., 15s 6d; Renton Free Church S.S., per J. M., 13s; U.P. Church S.S. Mission Boxes, Seaton, Cullen, per G. F., 10s; Largs Free Church S.S., per J. K. B., £1; Knox's Free Church S.S., Arbroath, per G. S., £1; Arbroath Intermediate Class, per W. H., 5s; Fullarton Free Church S.S., Irvine, per J. S., £1; Kilm U.P. Church S.S., additional, per A. G., 6s; Adelaide Place Baptist Church Mission S.S., per Mr P., £2; Free Church S.S., Dunlop, per J. Y., £2 5s 6d; Carstairs Junction S.S., per J. F., £2 10s; Free St. Ninian's Church, Leith, S.S., per O. S., 10s; Wellgate F.C. S.S., Dundee, per S. S., 11s 10d; Port-Glasgow Parish Church S.S., per J. F. S., £2 2s; F.C. S.S., Fauldhouse, per S. J., 10s; Old Monkland Parish Church S.S., per G. M., £1 10s; West U.P.C. S.S., Strathaven, per A. W., £5; F.C. S.S., Cullen, per J. T. C., 5s; U.P.C. S.S. and B.C., Innellan, per R. H., £1; Sir Michael St. Ch. Mission S.S., Greenock, per J. H., £1 4s 2d; Kirkintilloch Baptist Ch. S.S., per R. H., 7s 6d; Auchinloch S.S., per J. S., jun., £1 1s 7d; Helton S.S., Kelso, per J. H., £1 7s; Baptist Ch. S.S., Lossiemouth, per W. S., £1; Woodlands Church Juv. Miss. Soc., per M. P. T., £1; Beauly S.S., per J. P., £1; Gilcomston F.C. S.S., Aberdeen, per A. T. N., £1 5s; Stranraer Ref. Pres. Church S.S., per J. M., 7s 9d; Gourcock U.P.C. S.S., per A. B., £1 5s.

**February 13.**—Mrs A. S., Thomstown, Ireland, £1; Miss J. B., £2; E. H., Edinburgh, £2; Workers at North Broadford, Aberdeen, per Miss M. and Mrs M'K., 20 articles clothing, remnants, etc.; Y.W.C.A., per Mrs O., £1; Mrs M., Kilmalcolm, 10 articles clothing; "A Third of wages," 10s; A Worker, 13s 4d; Found in Boxes City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes during January, £3 3s 3d; "Of Thine Own," £2; For Fairknowe, 5s; Tom, Alexander, and May M., Dregghorn, 3s; A. H., Rothsay, £2; A. W. R., Edinburgh, £1; Mrs L., Hamilton, £5; Mrs G., parcel used clothing; E. R., Edinburgh, 10 pairs socks; Mrs D., £1; E. M., five knitted petticoats; Anon., parcel used clothing; "D. T.'s First Pay," Greenock, 5s; W. B., for one month's keep of an orphan, £1; H. S. C., Edinburgh, 8 pairs socks; Parkhead U.P. Church B.C., per J. D., £1; G. W., Dundee, for emigration, £5; Bridge-of-Allan U.P. Church S.S., per J. S., 64 articles clothing; St. Margaret's U.P. Church S.S., Dunfermline, per H. B. G., £1; a Worker, £1; made by Class of Girls, Langholm, per Mrs D., 6s articles clothing; Friends at Sabbath Evening Meeting, Stonetoller, Oban, per D. M'K., £1; Kilmarnock Equitable co-operative Society, Limited, per M. W., £2; a Friend, for emigration, £140; Mrs M'F., Ayre, £1; "The Little Brownies," 10s; Greenock postmark, £2; A. F. U., Torry, 10s; S. M'K., 5s; Mrs D., Langholm, 5s; J. H., Bathgate, £1; L. C. T., London, £4; J. S. T., do., £6; Mrs B., Liverpool, £1; Isle of Man Industrial Home, Douglas, per W. T., £10; "J. G.'s Household," £2 10s; Mrs A., Bonnybridge, £1; Mrs M. and Childrean, do., £1; Greyfriars U.P. Church Mothers' Meeting, per Mrs B., 11s; a Friend, 20 loaves; Episcopate Club, Aberdeen, being part proceeds of small sale of work, per M. H. J. H., £3; Mrs C., Sheffield, £1; "L. C., first-fruits offering," £4 3s 4d; D. M. S., for emigration, £4; Anon., Ednam, Kelso, 23 pairs socks; J. T., Alexandria, 5s; R. R. C., London, 5s; J. A. C., Bishopbriggs, 5s; Mrs B., 12 pairs stockings; Mrs M'F., Pitlochry, 1s; Mrs F., do., 1s; Miss M'G., do., 1s; Miss R., do., 1s; Mrs E., do., 1s; J. E., do., 6d; D. E., do., 6d; A. C., do., 6d; Mrs L., do., 1s; R. L., do., 1s; J. C., do., 1s; Mrs S., do., 6d; above sums from Pitlochry were collected by E. and B. D.—T. K., £20; C. S., Helensburgh, 10s; a Friend, basket rolls; J. L., 5s; Villiers Street Children's Meeting, per Mr W., 3s; Mrs M'F., Strathblane, £1; J. S., 5s; S. M., 10s; Mrs R. M., Falkirk, 10s; U.P. Church B.C., Milnathort, per W. F. R., £1; Aunt of Children Received, Berwick-on-Tweed, 10s; P. H. N., Aberdeen, £1; Mrs F., Doune, £1; Misses J., Perth, 7s 6d; J. M., Greenock, £2; C. E., Leith, 5s; Mr T., per

Miss T., Edinburgh, £1; Anon., Leven, per do., £2; W. B. S., Edinburgh, £1; a Friend, Dunfermline, £50; R. S., Lockerbie, £5; Juvenile Missionary Society of Nicolson Street Church, Edinburgh, per A. D., £2; Miss F., Alloa, £1; R. W. M., £10; Mrs F., Limerick, £10; Miss G.'s Bible Class, South Church, Aberdeen, 68 articles clothing; Mrs G., do., 10s; Mrs Y., 2s 6d; a Friend, 18 loaves and rolls; Mrs M'F., 16 articles clothing; Mrs F., Kilmarnock, six pairs stockings; a Few Friends, per C. P., Penicuik, 10s; J. W. B., Bridge-of-Weir, 2 bags sugar; a Worker, a thankoffering, 10s; J. A. W., 10s; Mrs S., £1; a Friend, bread and rolls; Anonymous, North Shields, 13 woollen articles; Miss W.'s Class, Leslie Baptist Church, 6 articles clothing and 2 pairs earrings (to be sold); "A Little Boy, to give Auntie Aggie's boys a piece and sugar," 5s; Mr G., 10s; Mrs Y., Elgin, £1; Mrs M., Stirling, 5s; J. and Mrs S., Newport, Fife, £1; M. B. C., Newport-on-Tay, 5s; Sister of Children received, Ardrrie, 2s; Mrs L., £1; Alice, Willie, and Jessie, Grangemouth, £1; Madderty Ladies' Working Party, per L. C. F., £1; T. B. S., from first wages, 5s; Miss T., Biggar, 2s 6d; Mrs A., do., 7s; Mr M., do., 2s 6d; Miss T., Musselburgh, 5s; Mrs R. do., £1; J. R. do., 10s; R. N. R., do., £1 10s; the late Miss M. R., Biggar, £1 8s; made and collected from Friends by do. in Musselburgh and Biggar, 60 articles clothing—above sums were sent by Miss H. R.—Anon., toys: a Friend, ten bags flour; M. H., Hamilton, 5s; J. K. A., Helensburgh, £1; S. C., Edinburgh, eight shoulder shawls; Mrs H. C., Hamilton, 6 articles clothing; Mrs G. T., £1; Mr S., £3 3s; J. H., Ongar, £1; Greenside Church Work Party, Oban, per J. M., 4s; Mrs T., Bridge-of-Weir, £2; J. C., for emigration, £5; R. C., Bishopbriggs, £2 10s; Mrs M., scones, etc.; a Friend, nine loaves and some small bread; Newton Place Juvenile Missionary Society, per A. S., £1; Miss S., Hamilton, £1; T. C. P., £1; J. R., Paisley, £3; Kilmalcolm Literary Society, per W. B. S., £4 10s 8d; E. R., Aberdeen, £10; Anon., Greenock postmark, £1 10s; Mr and Mrs S. and Family, Wishaw, £2; J. S., Fraserburgh, per T. L., 5s; "a Widow's Offering to help you in the work of the Lord," Renfrew, £1; Mrs J. H., £1; Crown Terrace Baptist Church Ladies' Working Party, Aberdeen, per Mrs C., 97 articles of clothing; Mr K. half a cask of broken rice; Mrs I. M., Inverness, £1; Contents of Missionary Box, Young Ladies' Seminary, Shawlands, per L. D., 13s 6d; Rev. H. B.'s Bible Class, Partick, £1 4s; Mrs and Miss T., Edinburgh, £5; Mrs F., do., per Miss T., £1; J. M., Paisley, 10s; a Friend, Leith postmark, 5s; Scholars and Friends at Whitekirk, per I. W., 10s 6d; Mrs N., Clydebank, seven articles of clothing; Mrs C., per J. D., £1; Mrs S., Mrs F., and Miss B., Montrose, 12 articles of clothing; Free John Knox Church Intermediate Class, Aberdeen, per A. R. G., 7s 6d; W. J., Carlisle, £2 10s; Margaret Louisa, do., 1s; Dora, do., 2s; Proceeds of a Doll's Bazaar got up by Madge, George, and Katie S., Dunfermline, 7s 6d; T. T., Helensburgh, £1; a Friend, Edinburgh, £4. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund—Bellfield S.S., Lesmahagow, per J. W., 10s; Pollokshaws U.P. Church S.S., per G. W., £1; Lochgilphead F.C. S.S., per C. M., £1 10s; Braidwood S.S., Carlisle, per J. M., 16s; F.C. S.S., Yarrow Fens, per M. C., Yarrow, 6s; Newhill F.C. S.S.'s Auchmill, per W. C., 10s; F.C. S.S., Lockerbie, per F. M., 15s; Mearns Parish Church S.S., per D. R., £1; Established Church S.S., Macduff, per J. M'F., £6; F.C. Mission S.S., Saltcoats, per G. A. F., 10s; Lesmahagow U.P. Church S.S., per J. A. C., £1; Findechy U.P. S.S., per J. W. M'K., 10s; Nairn F.C. Mission S.S., per W. D., £1 1s 6d; Hazelbank S.S., Stonebyres, per A. H., 10s; F.C. S.S., Wishaw, New-Year's Offering, per H. L., 13s; S.S. F. South Church, Blairgowrie, per W. A. F., 10s; Eastwood Parish Church S.S., per R. W. S., £1; "Arthur Allison Memorial Hall" S.S., Paisley, per J. H., £2 2s; Lochec Baptist Church S.S., per J. P., £1; Regent Place U.P. Church Congregational S.S., per A. O. F., £1; Elgin Parish Church S.S., per R. M., £2 10s; Parish Church S.S., Houston, per D. K., £1 10s; Broomhouse S.S., per R. T., £1; Barony Parish Church S.S., per W. B., £3; Free High Mission S.S., Aberdeen, per T. T., £1; White Memorial Church S.S., per A. G., £2 11s 6d; West U.P. Church S.S., Galashiels, per R. F. C., 10s; Pans S.S., Campbeltown, per D. M., £1 1s; Free St. Paul's Church S.S. and B.C., Montrose, per W. M., 10s; Chalmers F.C. S.S., per D. M., 10s; Bonhill F.C. S.S., per L. J., £1; South Parish Church Congregational S.S., Aberdeen, per G. C., £3; Hutche-on-town U.P. Church S.S., per T. M., £2 15s; East Free Church S.S., Forfar, per J. M., £1; Lunanhead S.S., do., per do., 6s; Whins of Milton S.S., Bannockburn, per S. N., 8s 8d.

**February 27.**—A. O. H., £1; J. B., Edinburgh, £4; A. C., Lochgilphead, £2 2s; H. L., £5; Young Wife's "Mantelpiece Box," 14s; East U.P. Church S.S., Galashiels, per M. K. S., £1 17s 6d; Mrs B., Greenock, 10s; proceeds of work party held by four young girls, Johnstone, £1; J. & M. C., Paisley, large scrap book; Mrs M., scones, etc.; A. B. C., Pollokshaws, 5s; Mrs L., 17 pairs stockings, 2 scarfs, and magazines; Thank-offering, £1; a Friend, nine loaves and rolls; East F. Church, S.S., Blantyre, per R. D., 12s; Children's Church, Colwell Road, Crieff, per P. M., £1; Milton of Campsie S.S. Society, per W. E. L., 15s; J. S., Edinburgh, £1; Shandon Mission Hall S.S., Clydebank, per J. S., jun., 10s; Free Church Mission S.S., Halfway, Friends in Kilmalcolm, scrap book and some oranges; Teachers and scholars N. M. School, per few young friends, Cairnryan, Stranraer, per Mrs J., 2s 6d; R. J. M., Campbeltown, 3x mark, 10s; Mrs B., Edinburgh, £50; J. A. I., Perth, 10s; Mrs A., do., per do., 5s; K. E. A., Edinburgh, 5s; 2s 6d; "Teeth part of legacy," Miss S. G., Blairgowrie, £1; Mrs P. L., do., 5s; C. M., do., 1s; Mrs P. S., do., 2s; Mrs P. C., do., 2s; A. M'G., do., 2s; Miss A. S., do., 2s; Mrs J. M'K., do., 1s; Mrs W. M'K., do., 1s; Mrs F. F., do., 1s; Mrs J. M'K., do., 1s; J. K., do., 1s; J. S., do., 1s; A. W., do., 1s; Mrs W. M., do., 1s; S. C., do., 1s; B. S., do., 1s—above sums from Blairgowrie were collected by Miss S. G.; Mrs F., St Boswells, £1; S. W., £1; Galashiels, £5; a Friend, Church S.S., per J. S., 10s; St George's-in-the-Fields S.S., per Mr V., £2; Mr M., Kirkintilloch, Edinburgh, £5; "Inasmuch," etc., £1; Glasgow postmark, 10s; Mrs L., parcel clothing, books, Brechin, per R. W. O., 9s 2d; Mrs N., Watten, 5s 6d; D. M., 5s; W. T., Cockenzie, £1; Mission savings, 2s; Anonymous, 10s; "Kinnie," £2, and four pairs stockings; Lockerbie U.P. Church S.S., per D. C., £1; "Pora, Mary, and Meville," Fochabers, 7s; Mrs F., Perth, £1; Mrs Friend, per do., 10s; Children, per Mrs C., £1; Mrs D., Leeds, £1; a Friend, bread, rolls, etc.; J. L. M., £2; Gourcock Parish Church S.S., per Mrs R., £1; Bible Class, Victoria Hall Branch G.P.B.R.S., per W. H., 10s; Mr and Mrs B., Fauldhouse, £2; Mrs R., Old Cumnock, gold brooch



to be sold; Girl helped, for emigration, £2 15s; Do., £3 10s; Mrs H., Stonehaven, £1; W. M., Gilford, Ireland, 2s 6d; Langholm North U.P. Church Children's Fellowship Association, per R. F. C., 10s; Two Children, per Miss D., St Andrews, 5s; A. R. M., Edinburgh, £1; Mrs F., Pollokshields, 10s; Mr P., Largs, box used clothing; Mrs W., Kirriemuir, four articles clothing and remnant cotton; J. R., six pairs stockings; Y.W.C.A., Stevenston, 12 articles clothing, per Mrs R.; Miss C., Edinburgh, large Noah's Ark for Bethesda; R. H., two dozen loaves; Mrs P., Lanark, £1; Mrs C., Caterham, £3 3s; I. M. S., six pairs stockings; Mrs A., Banff, £1; Polokshaws Parish Church S.S., per J. D. W., £1; Miss G., Hawick, three petticoats; Mrs L., £1; Mrs G., Falkland, £2; K. S., 2s; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, £1; Mrs W., North Berwick, three pairs socks; Miss C., Cambuslang, 3s; F. Church S.S., Stanley, Perth, per J. F. T., £1; T. D., Ayrshire, for emigration, £10; "From Wee Jeanie on her second birthday," 5s; Fraserburgh Congregational Church S.S., per Mr B., £1; a Working Man, Peterhead, 1s; S.S. at Elphin, Sutherland, per C. M., Edinburgh, 7s; a Friend, Aberdeen, 5s; W. M., do., 2s; Mrs A., Partick, £5; Miss S., Bridge-of-Allan, 3s; Melville F. Church Y.W.'s Class, per Mrs J. S., 11s; Free Church S.S., Lossiemouth, per D. C., 10s; D. J. G., £20; Do., to take a boy to Canada, £10; Do., to take a girl do., £10; J. M'M., Dumfries, £1; E. U. S.S., Hamilton, per J. S. C., 5s; F. A. B. D., Edinburgh, £5; W. R., Greenock, 10s; Mrs W., do., quantity magazines; A. S., Edinburgh, 10s; E. A. B., North Devon, for emigration, £25; J. & J. G. S., £1; J. A., £1; Miss D., Stewarton, £1; Miss P., 1s; made by Friends, Bannockburn, per A. A., 18 articles clothing; U.P. Church, Kilmacolm, Dorcas Society, 11 articles clothing; M. S., Aberdeen, £1; J. B., Liverpool, £1; Mrs L., New Deer, £1; Mrs M., scores, etc.; Miss S., Ayr, quantity hats; Mrs D., Perth, 2s caps; Miss H. F., Kilmarnock, 30 articles clothing; J. B., Alexandria, 16 articles wool work; Miss T., Portobello, one dozen chemises; Mrs E., North Queensferry, eight pairs stockings and one scarf; Pulteneytown Free Church S.S., Wick, per C. R. S., 10s; Mrs L. W., 15s and four pairs socks; Misses do., 5s; Y.M.C. Union, Dollar, per Mrs S., 19 articles clothing, quilt, etc.; Dunoon, parcel used clothing; a Friend, 17 loaves and some rolls; Mrs J., Elie, three pairs socks and three scarfs; R. and J. M'C., £3 18s; Three Little Girls, Alloa, per W. R., 6s; Mrs C., Uddingston, £1; Maybole Free Church Sabbath School, per A. H., £1 7s 6d; D. L. O., Edinburgh, £5; L. D., do., £5; Miss G., do., £2; W. D., Farrington, for emigration, £5; Mrs M. L., Guthrie, for do., £1; Miss M., Musselburgh, £3. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Free St Andrews Sabbath School, Kirkintilloch, per A. S., 10s; Springbank U.P. Church Sabbath School, per T. W. H., £1; Longman Sabbath School, Banff, per J. G., 11s 6d; Park Lane Mission Sabbath School, in connection with West U.P. Church, Alloa, per A. B. A., £2 6s.

**March 12.**—D. M'L., Lennoxton, 10s; Miss H. M., Irvine, for emigration, £10; W. C. S. and scholars, Innerleithen, 5s; a Shepherd, do., one pair of stockings; W. R., do., one pair of cuffs and one pair stockings; A. M'N., £1 11s 6d; Two Associates of the Y.W.C.A., Ardshail, two articles of clothing; a Widow's Mite, Greenlaw, six pairs of stockings; B. A., Wemyss Bay, for emigration, £10; W. C. H., 31 books; class of girls and friends in Kilmacolm and Glasgow, per Mrs W., 104 articles of clothing, remnants of cloth, tracts, etc.; Johnstone Free Church S.S., per J. M'C., £1; Willing Helpers' Society, per Miss M. B., Uddingston, £4 17s; T. F. M., borrowed money returned, £15 15s; Cambuskenneth Abbey S.S., Stirling, per A. C., 14s; Pollokshaws E.U. S.S., per J. F., £1; R. L. C., £1; Dunoon postmark, remnant of shirting; a Friend, three loaves and rolls, etc.; found in boxes in City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes during February, 17s 54d; Grove Street Institute Evening S.S., per J. P., £1; Miss W., Aberdeen, proceeds of work done by an invalid, £1 15s; a Friend do., per do., 10s; do., do., 5s; D. H. J., for emigration, £10; S. Morning Children's Meeting, Bent Mission, Hamilton, per M. B., 10s; Bible Class, do., per do., 19s; A. G. Y., Edinburgh, £1; E. and E. B., Bothwell, £1; Mrs N., 10s; Miss C., Ryde, Isle of Wight, for emigration £20 and 18 articles of clothing; A. B., Renfrew postmark, £1; Miss B., remnant print, etc.; W. B., for keep of a child for a month, £1; "For Christ's sake," Fraserburgh postmark, £1; Mrs H., £5; a Worker, 13s 4d; do., 10s; do., 10s; "Edina," Coldstream, per Editor *Christian Leader*, £2; Plaisance U.P. Church S.S., Edinburgh, per W. A. T., 16s 10d; A. S., 10s; do., reward for finding gold watch, 5s; Free Middle Mission S.S., Greenock, per J. M'M., jun., £1; S. E. D., Nairn, pennies from money box, 2s 6d; D. S., Fochabers, £2; Friends, do., per Miss S., £3 3s; Bannockburn Free Church S.S., per J. B., 10s; Ashly S.S., Aberdeen, per J. B. F., 19s; T. F. M., £3 2s 10d; E. H., Edinburgh, £2; Dumbarton Working Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per W. B., jun., £2 6s 6d; J. B., 11 articles clothing; A. H., 54 dozen loaves; Chalmers F.C.B.C., per J. H., 5s; "The Lord's Portion," Partick, 2-6d; a Friend, some loaves, etc.; Mrs R., 5s; Greenock, seven articles clothing; A. B. D., Edinburgh, eight pairs stockings; Dunlop P. Church Junior B.C., per W. R., £1 5s; Mrs W., £2; J. D., £10; Miss W., North Berwick, 19 articles clothing; a Friend, fresh fish; do., 17 loaves; First U.P. Church S.S., Alloa, per J. S., Edinburgh, £3 10s 9d; Melville F. Church Missionary Sewing Class, per D. T., Aberdeen, 17 articles clothing; T. H. P., Cathcart, parcel used clothing; Mrs M., scores, etc.; W. C., for emigration, £10; Fieldsend F. Mission S.S., Penicuik, per J. B., 8s 4d; J. G., Alexandria, 7s 6d; U.P. Church B.C., do., per do., £1; R. M., 10s; D. D. S., £5; contents of little girl's missionary box, Haddington, per Mrs T., 6s; Young People's Sewing Meeting, per Miss F., 38 articles clothing; Mrs F., Edinburgh, £1 and 18 articles clothing; Mrs D., Innerleithen, 1 do.; C. S. Pees, Hungary, parcel magazines; South U.P. Church S.S., Galashiels, per W. B. T., 10s; M. M., Edinburgh, £5; Cavers Church S.S., Hawick, per G. B. S. W., 10s 6d; R. G., New Cathcart, 5s; Bo'ness and Carriden F.C.S.S., per W. S. H., £1; Cambuslang F.C.S.S., per R. S., £2 2s 6d; Mrs S., do., £1; Mrs J. W., Dunoon, £1; Praise Meeting, Yetholm, Kelsae, per N. M., £2 5s; J. F., Kirkcaldy, for emigration, £10; T. F. M., borrowed money returned, for do., £5; M. R., for do., £10; Miss C., Edinburgh, 32 articles clothing; Hawick, box used do.; J. A., £1 and parcel odds; R. L. C., 10s; H. P., parcel small texts; etc.; Miss C., Edinburgh, for emigration, £100; Ivy Place U.P.S.S., Stranraer, per Mrs J., £2 10s; Ayr and Newton Parochial Board, per A. L., for emigration, £5 5s; a Friend, Edinburgh, 5s; J. A. S., Montrose, six articles clothing; a Friend, do., two pairs socks; D. M. S., for emigration, £4; W. C., 250 copies "Pilgrim's Progress," for boys and girls going to Canada; Whyte's Causeway Baptist Church S.S., Kirkcaldy, per J. E. P., £1 3s; A. B. Selkirk, for emigration, £10; a Worker, 10s; a Young Man, Peterhead, per W. S., £1; a Fisherman, do., 2s; J. R., Greenock, £5; Mrs A., £1; First earnings of a little girl of 5 years, per do., 2s 6d; K. J. F., 3s 6d and six semmets; R. H., basket bread; R. B., "First Fruits of Increase of Salary," £1 1s; a Friend, 27 loaves; Abbey Close U.P. Church Miss. S. S., Paisley, per R. C., 14s; Pollokshields F.C.S.S., per W. M'Q., £3 17s 1d; Ashfield S.S., by Dunblane, per W. M'G., jun., £2 9s; Anon.,

3s; Free North Church S.S., Greenock, per W. D. B., £1 1s; Banff F.C.S.S., per J. L., £1 10s; Misses F. and N., Edinburgh, £1; Miss S., Wick, £2; "Nemo," for emigration, £5; P. R., Kelsae, for do., £2; Misses D., Tarbolton, for do., £1; Alice, Willie, and Jessie, Grangemouth, £1; J. H., 2s; M. S., Dundee, £1; Mrs C., Paisley, for emigration, £50; a Friend, Wick, £1; D. F. W., Edinburgh, £1; G. K., 5s; Mrs T., Biggar, six articles clothing; a Friend, 30 loaves; do., 10s; Mrs B., £10; Mr M'P., quantity bread; "Of Thine Own," £2; Macduff Free Church S.S., per J. H., 8s 1d; Mothers' Meetings, St. George's Road F.C., per F. L., 10s; A. A. R., Edinburgh, £5; J. C., "a thankoffering for answer to prayer," 10s; J. P., Stratford, £5; do., for emigration, £10; made by young girls in school, Kirm, per Miss C., 20 pairs stockings; stipend for crop of year 1891, on lands of Nittingshill, discharged by J. M., Kilmacolm; J. M. M., Edinburgh, £2; Children, Galashiels, per M. C. B., 5s; M. A., £2; J. H. W., Annan, 8s; Miss D., Melrose, £1; Tarduff S.S., Linlithgow, per Mrs S., 8s 6d; Free Ladyloan S.S., Arbroath, per W. S., £1; "A Scotch Lassie," Perth, as a thankoffering for mercies received lately, 5s; Misses H., Montrose, eight articles clothing; M. W., Addiewell, six pairs stockings; Miss C., Edinburgh, 41 do., M. and J. G. T., Alloa, £1; Dunoon, quantity hats, etc.; A. M'C., Cambuslang, 10s; T. F., Alexandria, £1; R. M. S., Dundee, £1; E. A., Huntingdon, £1; Proceeds Monthly Lecture, Wishart U.P. Church Bible Class, Dundee, per G. P., £2 2s 3d; Misses C., six comforters; R. P., £50; do., for emigration, £50; Miss M., Crieff, for do., £5 and 75 pairs stockings, etc., and two pieces flannelette; Alva Parish Church S.S., per A. H., £2; St. Clement's Parish Church, S.S. per A. K., 10s; "With the good wishes of the Sender," Skipness postmark, £1; Mrs G. F., Gullen, 5s; Mrs T., Ryde, £1; C. L. C., London, four shirts; Proceeds from a Children's Bazaar, per Ur-ula and Jeanie, 9s 5d; A. Z., 6s 9d; J. A., Girvan, £4; J. A. D., London, £6; do., for outfit and passage of a boy to Canada, £10; D. R., Baillieston, 5s; P. G., for emigration, £5; Mrs A., Wishaw, £1; A. C., Ardrossan, 3s; Mrs L., Dundee, for emigration, £5; Carstairs Village F.C. S.S., per J. B., £1 10s; A. B. G., contents of purse found, 4s; E. R. R., Edinburgh, 10s; Misses H. G., do., 3s 6d; J. M. S., Kilbarchan postmark, 5s; a Friend, £1; D. R., Dundee, 7s 6d; Arbroath F.C.S.S., Arbroath, per E. T. V., 10s; "Isabel," £1; "Joy," £1; A. and J. C., £2; Mrs S., Largs, 2s; Mrs R., do., 2s 6d; Miss W., do., £1; Mrs M., do., 10s; Mrs P. M., do., 10s; a Friend, do., 2s 6d; Miss K., do., 2s 6d; Mrs A., do., 2s; Mrs C., do., 2s; Miss R., do., 2s; Mrs F., do., 2s 6d; Mrs A., do., £1; Mrs S., do., 2s 6d; Mrs M., do., 10s; A. Y., do., 2s 6d; Mrs S., do., 2s; A. J., do., 2s; R. J., do., 1s 6d; Mrs C., do., 2s 6d; Mrs H. C., do., 1s 6d; Miss C., do., 10s; Miss B., do., 2s 6d; J. J. O., do., £1 5s—above sums from Largs were collected by Miss B.; W. W., London, 10s; Rattray Parish Church S.S., Blairgowrie, per J. D. R., 10s; Miss W., Paisley, 5s; a Mother Helped, Edinburgh, 10s; Mrs H., Millport, for emigration, £1; St. Leonard's F.C. S.S., Perth, per J. L. B., £1; an old lady of 75 years, Prestoukir, two pairs stockings; Misses S., do., four articles clothing; Anon., Edinburgh, six scarfs; J. O. M'L., Heensburgh, to take a boy to Canada, £10; Miss M'L., do., £1 and parcel of clothing; Misses L., Edinburgh, part of it from Bible Class held by dear sister now gone home, 5s; M. F. D., Fortrose, for emigration, £4; Miss L., nine pairs stockings and clothing; "Namriap," Tolleross, £1; Mrs C., £1; Mrs P., Dunbar, 12 articles clothing; Mrs J., Dundee, six do.; Anon., parcel do. The following has been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—"Invalid," to buy some bit of furniture for Sabbath School Home, 10s.

**March 28.**—C. C., Tullymet, 1s and 3 pairs stockings; A. C., £1; "Only a Servant," Lanark postmark, for emigration, 5s; Troon F. Ch. S.S., per G. M'M., 17s 1d; J. S., Lochmaben, 10s; J. C., Edinburgh, for emigration, £5; R. H., basket rolls; a Well-wisher, Cambuslang postmark, two articles of clothing; Mrs M., Kirriemuir, 4 pairs stockings; Mrs M. and Friends, Langholm, 5 articles of clothing additional; M. R., Edinburgh, for emigration, £1; Mrs T., Walkerburn, £1; C. L., Newport, 5s, 10s; Mrs C. C., Tunbridge Wells, £1; Mrs H., Edinburgh, £2; collected by Miss J. M. G. S., Milngavie, for emigration, £10; Mrs R., Selkirk, 36 articles of clothing; Mrs H., Larbert, 12 articles of clothing; Miss S., Gourcock, £1 and 4 pairs stockings; Friends in Leslie, per A. H., 26 articles clothing; J. and M. D., Bonnybridge, quantity boys' and girls' do., toys, etc.; "Sambro Ginger," a school boy, for emigration, 5s; Miss K., Helensburgh, £5; Free Church S.S., Kingussie, per L. M., 7s 6d; J. and M. C., Troon, parcel odds and ends, loaves, etc.; D. Y., Brechin, 7s 6d; Free Church S.S., Dunkeld, per K. M'D., 8s 6d; J. W., Wick, £1; A. C. B., £2; Mrs M'F., Crieff, £1; "An Old Lady who Loves the Master," per do., 5 pairs stockings and clothing; R. L. B., 10s; Mrs M., scores, etc.; M. M., for Young Women's Home, £2; Mrs D., used clothing; W. S., 10s; Mr M., £1; Hutcheson's own Parish Church, £1; P. P., parcel clothing, caps, etc.; H. B., 250 Bibles for boys and girls going to Canada; Pulteney Mission S.S., Wick, per A. M., £1; Miss M., Wormitt, £2 10s; Free Church of Scotland S.S., Oban, per D. C. B., £1; Renfield Free Church Mission S.S., per W. D. B., £1 1s; R. H. J., Bangor, 3s 9d; Mrs M., do., do., £1; The Little "K's" Box, 10s; a Friend, per R. M., Paisley, £1; A. F., Motherwell, £2; G. C., Paisley, for emigration, £20; J. W. Halifax, for emigration, £5; Auchentrick S.S., per J. S., £1; Mrs W. W., Brechin, 5s; a Widow, Perth, for emigration, 5s; Old Kilp-trick Free Church S.S., per A. B., £1 7s; Free Church S.S., North Berwick, per A. D. W., £1; C. G., Crieff, £1; B., Greenock, £5; Mrs H. C. R., Edinburgh, £2; Mrs L., Fairlie, for emigration, £1; D. C., 5s; St. Ninian's Free Church S.S., Stirling, per W. L. S., 11s 6d; Misses P., Kirkcudbright, 10s; Miss G. P., Kirkcudbright, 4 pairs socks; Kelvinbridge postmark, 4 pairs socks; Milton S.S., Bowling, £1 10s; D. B. and S., £1; Misses G., parcel clothing; "A Brother and Sister in the Lord," 5 vests; Perth postmark, parcel hats; Teachers and Pupils of N. M. School, per W. S., 7s 6d; Mrs and Miss H., Murrayfield, £1 and 12 pairs stockings; Mrs M'L., Ayr, for emigration, 10s; Miss F., do., for do., 10s; Mrs A., Hunter's Quay, 6 pairs boots and slippers; Anon., 18 scarfs and 4 petticoats; Mrs D., Biggar, 11 semmets; Y.W.B.C., Bell Street Mission, per Mrs R., 9s; Miss M'G., 6 scarfs and 7 petticoats; Mrs W. S., £1 and 8 pairs stockings; D. P., Dundee, 10s; Larbert Parish S.S., per C. M'G., £2; W. M'K., West Kilbride, £1; W. J. A. M. and J. do., 5s; Miss E. L., Eyemouth, 5s; Mrs M., a Thank-offering, 5s; a Friend, per do., 1s; Wallaceaton Free Church Mission Sabbath School, Dundee, per A. L., 14s 7d; Mrs M., Aberdeen, £5; J. H., Stockton-on-Tees, £1; B. C., Fraserburgh, per R. S., 10s; Mrs D., do., 5s; Queen Street Free Church Sabbath School, Edinburgh, per F. A. B. D., £2 19s; W. M., Markinch, £2; Mrs J. F., Elie, 5s; Two Friends, per do., 5s; J. R. M., Grangemouth, £1; collected in coppers by a little invalid, K. B., Clydebank, 3s 6d; Mrs M., scores, etc.; A. M., Greenock, for half an orphan to Canada, £5; J. B. M'C., £5; Mrs S., Lossiemouth, parcel used clothing; "Lizzie," Kincardine-on-Forth, per Mrs S., 10s; Mrs H. M., Stirling, £1; do., for emigration, £1; collected in Family Box, Rutherglen, per Mrs K., 5s; Orwell Free Church Young Women's Guild, per Mrs S., nine pairs stockings; Queen Anne Street U.P. Church Mission

Sabbath School, Dunfermline, per R. M., £1 12s 6d; Miss G. Kirn, 31 articles clothing, oddments, etc.; Mrs W., used clothing; Stonehaven Free Church Sabbath School, per J. A., 13s 6d; Miss G., Hawick, 26 articles clothing; Mrs G., Moffat, 10s; Mrs and Misses J., do., 10s; S.S. Children of Urquhart and Llanbryde, Elgin, per C. F. M., 5s; Miss F., Dundee, 69 pairs stockings; Miss D., Strathaven, 3 and parcel clothing, remnants, etc., and quantity jewellery, etc., to be sold; Mrs F., Limerick, 5s; J. R., Stirling, £4; Elgin Street U.P. Church S.S. Society, per J. W. A., £1; made at work meetings, Ballinluig, per Mrs G., 29 articles clothing and magazines; Mrs R. L., £1; Miss A. W., Houston, 10s; on behalf of boys, received per Mr M'L., for emigration, £10; Mrs and Misses R., 8 articles clothing and magazines; Cardross F. Church S.S., 12s; A. M., jun., 2 pieces shirting and 2 costume cloth; Anon., 10 loaves and basket rolls; A. P., parcel magazines; B. other of boys helped, 2s; Mrs R., Airdrie, 2s and 4 articles clothing; Mrs R., Largs, for emigration, £10; R. W., £5; J. S., Huntly, for emigration, £2; Mrs J., Dunkeld, 10s; J. G., Brechin, 2s 6d; H. M., Crieff, for emigration, £2; "To help to fill your meal bag," £1; C. H. G., Perth, 2s 6d; Free P. Church S.S., Rothesay, per A. M. B., 17s 9d; K. M. S., Oban, 7 pairs socks; A. B. C., 5s; a Friend, quantity bread, etc.; J. C. G., Port-William, 2s 6d; R. H., rolls; Mrs S., Montrose, 26 articles clothing; Mrs M., scones, etc.; M. M., 10s; Mrs R., Edinburgh, 5s; part surplus from Annual Reunion St Enoch Station Employees, per R. C., £2; J. M'L., Edinburgh, for emigration, £4; "A Widow's Mite," 10s; C. W., Oban, 12 articles clothing; J. S., Paisley, lot of useful hats, etc.; Tynningham postmark, five articles clothing; M. B., Aberdeen, 1 scarf; a Friend, Edinburgh, £1; Mr P., 300 children's almanacs; J. T., Cockenzie, £2; Miss J. T., £1; Mrs A. T., £1; Isle of Man Industrial Home, Douglas, per W. T., for outfits and passages of 12 children to Canada, £120; T. A. R., 10s; legacy of the late Mrs Smith, of Benvue, per Messrs Watt, Hayes, & Co., for emigration, £10; J. W., Edinburgh, 10s; A. K., 5s; Miss P., London, 5s; Clydebank Union Church S.S., per J. K., jun., £1; Miss C., two pairs stockings; Miss M., for emigration, £3; Lyon Street Free Church S.S., per R. H., 10s; balance of subscription of late Mrs Hamilton, per Miss M., £1 3s; Miss J. H., Milport, for emigration, £5 6s 6d; G. R., Dunfermline, £20; Mrs W., Milport, £1; Mrs W., £2 and 18 pairs socks; J. and M. C., Troon, quantity hats; J. R. M'N., four pairs stockings; A. M., Greenock, for half an orphan to Canada, £5; "Alicia, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, £1; Three Little Children in Dunoon, for the little ones in the home, 2s; Strathblane Sewing Meeting, Milngavie, per Miss G. S., 32 articles clothing; Dalmony Street U.P. Church S.S., Edinburgh, per J. D., 6s 6d; Some Friends in Kirkintilloch, per G. M'A., £3; R. B., £10; D. B., £2; Mr K., Milto., of Campsie, £2; J. B. D., Edinburgh, 10s; a Friend, nine loaves; Mrs C., 10s; Of Thine Own, £2; Miss L. B., Horsforth, 2s 6d and parcel clothing; Saved Money of boys in Lincoln and Garfield Home, given on leaving for Canada, to help to save others, £1 3s 7d; Mrs K., London, £1; Anonymous, Ayrshire, £10; Wesleyan Methodist S.S., Clydebank, per W. B., £1; Mrs R., per Miss J. K., 10s; B. J., Govan, for emigration, £1 5s 2d; Mrs M'N., Campbeltown, for emigration, £10; Mr and Mrs R. B., £35; Mrs D., £5, seven pairs stockings, and parcel periodicals; "In Memoriam, M. B.," £20; J. B., Wigtown, two pairs socks; J. O., Kilwinning, £1; Mrs B., Dundee, for emigration, £1; Mrs K., per Mr F., £1; T. B., Greenock, £1; E. M'K., do., 3s; E. M'K., do., 2s; A. M'K., do., 5s, per R. C., Greenock; D. R., Airdrie, 10s; Stonelaw S.S., Rutherglen, per J. M'C., £1 2s; Mrs K., Lechgoilhead, £3; Anon., two handkerchiefs; Mrs L., Boncath, S. Wales, 2s and pair stockings; C. D., Saltcoats, 7s 6d; Springburn North F. Ch. S.S., per Miss R., £1 1s; M. and A. B., quantity bread; J. A. S., Montrose, 2s 6d; Little Louisa, do., per do., 10s; A. E., Largs, for emigration, £1; R. M., Edinburgh, £1; Mrs B., Helensburgh, 5 pairs stockings; F. Ch. S.S., Grangemouth, per J. F., £1; G. and M. H., Stewarton, £1; West F. Ch. S.S., Broughty Ferry, per P. G., jr., 18s 2d; Port-Appin S.S., Oban, per A. M., £1 4s 8d; Mr and Mrs D. S., Edinburgh, for emigration, £10; do., for general, £2 10s; F. Ch. B. C., Huntly, per E. B., 10s; T. D., Ayrshire, for emigration, £10; children Thornhead, Galashiels, for do., £10; Miss K., Cathrine, 10s; J. M., Irvine, for emigration, £1; Mrs J. M., do., do., £1; R. M., do., do., £1; Mrs R., Inverness, £5; W. B., for emigration, £10; T. F. M., for do., £2; R. B., Gourcock, for do., £30; A little rescued boy on leaving for Canada, 2s 6d; A. S., Irvine, 3s; knitted by Mrs B., now gone home, do., 8 pairs stockings; C. O., London, 5s; Allans U.P. Church Bible Class, Hawick, per W. C., £1 15s; Mrs M., Strathaven, 6 shirts and 1 pair leggings; Free St John's Mission S.S., Montrose, per G. K., 10s; Mrs M., scones, etc.; Mrs G., Lockerbie, quantity calico; Anonymous, parcel used clothing; Lizzie C., Oban, 2s; "Nanna," do., 2s; "Donald," do., 1s; Dalziel Free Church S.S., Motherwell, per J. M., £1; J. C., Inverary, 10s; "S.," £2 10s; Congregational Church S.S., Stewarton, per D. W., £1; Mrs S., Greenock, three pairs socks; a Lady, Port-Bannatyne, per J. D., £1; Miss M'C., Gourcock, 10s and eight pairs socks; Anon., parcel toys, picture books, etc.; a Friend, parcel used clothing; Eglinton Street U.P. Church S.S. Society, per T. W. L., 18s 10d.

April 11.—Stranraer Reformed Presbyterian S.S., per J. P., 15s; Miss H. G. E., San Remo, Italy, £5; J. R. C. & Co., £1 1s; Misses W. W., £1; Mrs S., Motherwell, 11 parcel clothing; Mr and Mrs L. and Family, Greenock, £4; "A Worker, a thankoffering for two conversions," £5; A. P. F. P., Alloa, for emigration, £100; Part Proceeds of furniture sold, funeral society money, on behalf of children received, per A. & J. L. I., Kirkcaldy, £5; "A Tithe," 5s; Old Aberdeen Free Church Congregation S.S., per A. F., 16s; Mrs R. A. W., £1; G. R.'s Bible Class, Wick, per A. M., 5s; J. W. D., Stirling, £1 0s 6d; Cambusbarren S.S., do., per do., 4s; Partick East U.P. Church S.S., per A. P., £1; D. H. A., Helensburgh, £10; Free St. Stephen's S.S. Society, per J. M'N., £3 7s 3d; D. M., quantity hats; Anon., parcel used clothing; do., picture books and some toys; A. H., six dozen loaves; "A Friend," quantity trimmings, caps, jackets, etc.; Edinburgh postmark, 5s; R. & H. H., quantity meat; J. T., Port-Glasgow, 43 articles boys' clothing; M. H., Hawick, 10s; S. F., Partick, £1; Kinbuck S.S., Dunblane, per J. B. F., 10s; Members of S.G.F.S., Biggar, per Miss S., 134 articles clothing; Contents of Bible Reading Box, Christian Institute, do., per do., £1 8s; "A Mother's Thankoffering," do., do., 10s; "Myse's Pennies," do., do., 2s; a Friend, do., per do., 2s 6d; A. H., do., do., 2s 6d; J. M. H., Edinburgh, for emigration, £1; Mrs M. H., do., for do., £2; W. M., 8s 6d; W. M'N., Kelso, 2s 6d; Mrs M'K., Whauphill, £2; R. S. D., £2; Mrs D., Kilmarnock, 50 articles clothing; Mrs G., Falkland, hamper used clothing; Friends in Wooler, per Miss J. A., large quantity clothing, hats, quilts, etc.; Mrs G., Largs, 49 articles clothing; A Constant Reader in Stirling, per editor *Christian Leader*, 5s; Free South Church, Stevenson Street S.S., Paisley, per R. M., jun., £1 3s 9d; Longwynd Baptist Church, Pastor's B.C., Dundee, £2 4s; Alva U.P. Church S.S., per J. B., £1 13s; a Worker, 10s; do., 10s; Ayrshire Deaf and Dumb Mission, Kilmarnock, parcel magazines; J. M., Paisley, quantity

flower seeds; Maryhill Society, Argyle Street School, per T. O., 10s 6d; R. H., 40 loaves; Miss B., Dunoon, 24 shirts; Miss H., Cupar-Fife, parcel socks and collars; "The Lord's Port n", 5s; Readers of the *Christian*, per Morgan & Scott, £9 5s; a Friend, parcel undeclothing, boots, etc.; A. M., £1; a Friend, 2s; a Worker, 13s 4d; Mrs M., Invergarry, £1 and 12 pairs stockings; A. M'D., do., 1s; do., 2s 6d; J. C. R., Dunkeld, £1; M. and Mrs M. T., Waltham Abbey, 10s; Darvel U.P. Church B.C., per H. R., £1 14s 9d; A. S., Edinburgh, 5s; H. B., Dunblane, 10s; Mrs P., Thurso, 22 articles clothing; Colary Knitting Society, per Mrs M., 13 pairs socks and stockings; J. G. A. B., per Charity Organisation Society, £10; J. P. H., per do., £2 2s; J. C. A., per do., 10s; W. J. F., per do., £1 1s; T. F., Loudon, per do., £1 1s; J. C., Galston, per do., £1; J. B., for emigration, £10 and two pieces dress material; Miss A., 104 articles clothing; Found in Boxes, City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes during March, £1 15s 8d; W. B., London, Canada, £20 9s 7d; a Girl Helped, 4s; Mrs G., Aberdeen, per G. G. G., £1; Mrs A., Aberdeen, parcel remnants cloth; J.W.C.A., Aboyne, per do., 4 articles clothing; Miss S., do., per do., two articles; Mrs B., 24 hoods; Bell Street U.P. Church S.S., Dundee, per J. M., £1 5s 6d; Mrs M., scones, etc.; Mr H., London, 2s; Drumlembie U.P. S.S., Campbeltown, per J. S., Edinburgh, £1 5s 6d; Millbank Hall S.S., Aberdeen, per A. M., 7s 6d; Mrs A., Edinburgh, 11 articles of clothing and 12 yards cotton; Mrs M'C., £1; a Friend, 6 loaves and rolls; Mrs B., box used clothing; Miss A., £2 10s; M. do., £1 10s; Mrs M., Lenzie, ribbons, etc.; Canmore Street Congregational Church Working Party, Dunfermline, per Mrs B., 113 articles clothing; W. B., for keep of a child for nine months, £9; "A Thanksgiving for Answer to Prayer," 5s; D. S., Edinburgh, four bags brown bread meal; High Street U.P. Church S.S., Dumarton, per A. M., £2 1s 9d; W. M., quantity bread; G. W. C., Coatbridge, £5; George Street Central School Children's Church, Paisley, per A. G., £2; An Old Lady, Dunfermline, per Mrs B., £1; "A Tithe," 5s; E. H. C., Edinburgh, 5s; L. D., Perth, parcel of clothing; "A Fleck," 2s 6d; Legacy of the late Mr Thomas Robertson, Kirkwall, per Messrs Driv'er & Heddle, £47 1s 11d; Free Church S.S., Fochabers, per C. G., £1; Miss D., Aberdeen, 17 articles clothing; Mrs F., Strathaven, 15s; do.; Mrs D., Sanquhar, per Mrs F., £1; "Thankoffering for Health granted," A. F., £1; Mr and Mrs D. A., £1; J. J., £1; Free Church S.S., Nethy Bridge, per W. R., 5s; S. Class, Beaulieu, per J. F., 10s; A. C. C., for emigration, £100; Bear den U.P. Church S.S., per A. D. C., £1 17s 6d; W. W. S., Norwich, for emigration, 5s; "Alicia, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, "In memory of Cousin Alice's birthday," £1; Stillin' postmark, £2; Y.W.C.A., Stewarton, per M. M., 5s and 21 articles clothing; T. C., Motherwell, £1; Mrs A., Renfrew, £1; a Friend, Helensburgh, £1 2s 6d; Free Church S.S. of Ardenaig, Killin, per J. M'C., 10s; Greenock Girls' Missionary Association, per C. A. M'., £2; Misses J., Milnathort, 35 articles clothing; D. M. S., for emigration, £4; D. J. F., 17 pairs boots; Mr and Mrs R. M. W., Bothwell, for emigration, £25; J. S., London, 10s; Scholars of Bristol Baptist Church S.S., Edinburgh, per A. S., £2 4s 1d; 3rd L.R.V., 103 sandwiches; a Friend, 89 loaves; J. G., Coatbridge, 5s; E. C., Manchester, U.S.A., for emigration, £2; A. P. R., Paisley, 10s; Adult Female Bible Class, Free Middle Church, Paisley, per J. M., 8s; Mrs A. C. M., Paisley, 5s; Wallace town Parish Church S.S., Ayr, per J. U., £1 1s; "For Christ's sake," Edinburgh, 10s; Miss M., Crieff, £5; J. and H. L., Leith, 10s; Mrs T., Nairn, 10s; J. C. T., do., £1; Collected by B. E., £2 17s 6d; A. T., Bridge-of-Weir, 8 bags potatoes; J. M., Paisley, 8 boxes blacking; Kirkintilloch, remnants winey; Galashiels Free Church Bible Class, per D. W., £1 16s; a Friend, per Miss S., Biggar, 5s; R. H., meat, etc.; a Friend, bread and rolls; W. C., Motherwell, 5s; Employees of Dalzell Steel and Iron Works, Motherwell, per D. C., £2 13s; Archie, Nellie, and Elsie, Innerleithen, 13s 6d; M. M'F., Crieff, for emigration, £1; Keills S.S., Port Askaig, Islay, per A. F., £1 1s; A. C. S., London, 2s; W. C., for emigration, £50; a Friend in South Ayrshire, £5; Mrs C. S., Dalnair, 12 articles clothing; East Free Church S. School, Rutherglen, 15s; Gallowgate Branch Y.M.C.A., quarterly amount towards keep of a child, £3 5s; J. W., Ayr, 120 booklets and 120 copies "legit" "In Memoriam, C. H. Spurgeon," for girls going to Canada; Misses B., Mrs W., Mrs F., and Mrs T., Aberdeen, 45 articles clothing and some pieces cotton; Contributions from Sabbath Schools, per T. M'K., 19s; Miss K., Johnstone, parcel magazines. The following has been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund—G. S., £100.

April 25.—Miss T., Edinburgh, 5s; R. B., Fraserburgh, per R. S., 2s 6d; one who desires to remain unknown, for emigration, per W. G., Edinburgh, £12; a Friend, per Miss T., Edinburgh, £5; Mrs M., scones, etc.; H. M'N., Dundee, £2; Aberdeen, 13 pairs stockings; "For the Master," for emigration, £10; Garmouth and Kingston S.S.s, per G. G., 15s; "A Worm," £1; Busby Free Church B.C., per W. M., 6s; J. F. N., Frickheim, 5s; Cowcaddens Free Church S.S., per Mr C., £1 6s 6d; Hallelujah Mission S.S., Motherwell, £1 10s; per *Minard Castle*, three bags potatoes; Mrs C., Edinburgh, 18 pairs stockings; Mrs R. B. H., Helensburgh, six pairs do.; Anon., eight articles clothing; "A Tithe," 5s; Leslie Free Church B.C., per J. L., £1; left from Social Meeting, Muslin Street E.U. Church, per R. H., quantity pastry; Caidonald Parish Helping Hands Society, 44 articles clothing; Free Church S.S., Castle-Douglas, per S. G., 10s; Forfar petticoats; Nora, do., three pairs stockings; Dunning, parcel used clothing; Dunfermline M. J. W. G., Elgin, 1s; F. R. D., £1; Miss L., 2s 6d; Misses O., 10s; Springbank U.P. Church Bible Class, per W. S., £1; A. S., Polmont, four dozen eggs; D. G., sen., Campbeltown, £1; Mrs L. M'K., do., £1 10s; Mrs C. G., do., £1; Mrs P. G., do., £1; Mrs W. M'K., do., £1; Miss M'F., £1; Mrs B., do., 10s; Mrs G. G., do., 10s; Mrs C. M'T., do., £1; Miss L., do., 10s; Mrs M. J., do., 10s; Miss D., do., 10s; D. M'K., do., 10s; Mrs B., do., 5s; Mrs T., do., 10s; Mrs M., do., 5s; A. M'T., do., 5s; Mrs J. M., do., 5s; Mrs M'N., do., 5s; Miss L., do., 5s; Mrs M., do., 5s; Miss M., do., 3s; Mrs J. M'M., do., 3s; J. M. Q., do., 5s; Mrs M'N., do., 5s; Mrs T., do., 3s; A. M., do., 3s; Mrs A. H., do., 2s 6d; Miss M'T., do., 10s; Mrs S., do., 2s 6d; Mrs K., do., 2s 6d; Mrs W. J. C., do., 2s 6d; Mrs A. M., do., 2s; Mrs D., do., 3s; Mrs S., do., 2s 6d; Donation, do., 10s; Mrs C., do., £2; Mrs G. G., do., £1; J. S., do., 10s; Miss T., do., 10s; Mrs G., do., 10s; Mrs G., do., 10s; Mrs D. M'T., do., 10s; Miss B. C., do., 10s; D. H., do., 10s; D. M'C., do., 10s; J. M'P., do., 10s; Campbeltown, 5s; L. C., do., 5s; Mr M., do., 5s; Mrs R. B., do., 2s 6d; Mrs G., do., 1s; Mrs W. G., do., 2s; Mrs C., do., 5s; Mrs C., do., 4s; A. D., do., 2s; Mrs J. G., do., 4s; Mrs M'D., do., M'P., do., 2s 6d; Mr D., do., 2s 6d; Mrs A. W., do., 2s 6d; J. M. M'T., do., 2s 6d; Mr M., do., 2s 6d; J. C. M'F., do., 2s 6d; A. C., do., 5s; R. W., do., 5s; M. D., do., 2s 6d; Mr C., do., 2s; M. B., do., 2s 6d; A. M., do., 2s 6d; Mrs M., do., 1s; Miss I. S., do., 2s 6d; A. and C. R., do., 2s 6d; S.



May 7.—W. R. W., Edinburgh, 10s; J. E. W., Carnforth, for emigration, £25; Miss H., Edinburgh, for do., £100; North U.P. Church Sabbath School, Perth, per J. M. C., £1 16s 6d; "New-Year's Day," 7s 6d; Mrs. and Miss S., Edinburgh, £2; W. F. S., money refunded by P. M'K. & Co., 10s 10d; K. S., 2s; Mrs C., quantity used clothing; A. B. C., 5s; J. E., 5s; St. Paul's Established Church Bible Class, £1; Thursday Morning Meeting, High Blantyre, per Mrs T., £2 2s; Mrs L.'s Sewing Class, Hamilton, 10s; W. S., magazines; Collection at Children's Service, Clynder church, 24th inst., per J. B., £1; J. W., quantity firewood; M. M'K., Elie, 2s 3d and six pairs cuffs; Mrs A., £1 and ties, etc.; Knitted by Father gone home, per do., three pairs stock- ings; a Number of Girls and Boys in Alexandria, per D. B., £1 10s; F. H. R., for emigration, £10; Mrs R., Nairn, £3; Orwell Free Church Young Women's Guild, Milnathort, per Mrs S., 26 articles clothing; Orwell Free Church Bible Class, do., per do., £1; Miss B., do., per do., 2s; Mrs N., Bowling, £2 and 18 articles clothing; a Friend, 32 loaves and 2 baskets rolls; Dennistoun U.P. Church Minister's Bible Class, £4; Edinburgh, parcel used clothing; Mr K.'s Bible Class, Montrose Street E.U. Church, per Miss L. P., £1; Mrs K., Edinburgh, £5; Free East Church Sabbath School, Coatbridge, per G. G., £1 1s; A. M., Belfast, £4; R. T. M., Peterhead, £1; Mrs H. A., Biggar, £3; Dunning Free Church Bible Class, per D. M., 7s 6d; Boys' and Girls' Religious As- sociation, Dunkeld, per A. C., 5s; Free St. David's Bible Class, Dundee, per J. M., 9s 4d; Perth Road Young Ladies' Sewing Club, Dundee, per B. N., 21 articles clothing; Mrs d. W., three pairs stockings; E. E., Dundee, 10s; Anon., two parcels used clothing; Alloa, six articles clothing; Port-Glasgow, 81 scarfs and 12 caps; Miss R. S., Wishaw, parcel used clothing; Collec- tion at Christmas Day Service in Keir Parish Church, per D. B. J., £2 16s 3d; Mrs M., London, £1 2s; A. T., Edinburgh, 10s; Mrs S., Nairn, 21 pairs socks and stockings; Proceeds of Children's Bazaar held by eight young girls Greenock, 14s; Friends in Peterhead, per Mr G., £1 15s; J. Bazaar held by eight young girls Greenock, 14s; Friends in Peterhead, per Mr G., £1 15s; J. Bazaar held by eight young girls Greenock, 14s; Friends in Peterhead, per Mr G., £1 15s; J. U.P. Church S.S., Milton Parish Church S.S.'s, per J. M'P., £1 8s 6d; Mr G., Edinburgh, £1; Trinity U.P. Church S.S., Greenock, per C. P. M'N., 15s 6d; a Friend, Crief postmark, 5s; a Friend, 18 loaves and some biscuits; Mr H., 20 loaves; "Conscience," £1 is 6d; P. M., £5; Young Friends' Sewing Meeting, per Miss F., 26 articles clothing; Mrs W., eight pairs stockings; N. J. E., £2; Mrs O., for emigration, £10; Misses O., do., £2 10s; Daviot S.S., Inverurie, per J. W., 10s; R. D. F., £5; Miss B., Croynod, parcel bound volumes; Anonymous, parcel clothing; Mr L., three Miss A. M'R., and Children Sabbath Morning Meeting, Renton, 53 articles clothing; Mr P., 7s 6d; Mrs. live fowls and incubator; Johnstone and Wamphray Free Church S.S., per R. J., £1 2s; Mrs B., 12 Sisters, Airdrie, £1; Relief West U.P. Church Bible Class, Irvine, per J. J., £1 2s; Mrs B., 12 pairs stockings; Mothers' Meeting, Keith, per E. J. T., £2 1s; Miss B., Elie, 5s; Found in Boxes City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes during April, £5 18s 3d; Found Money, Bridge-of-weir, 10s; a Worker, 10s; Children's Medical Missionary Association, per J. C. R., £1; a Lady at Meet- ing, do, 5s; Helensburgh, parcel used clothing; Anon., do.; Anon., two socks gold mounted te. th (to be sold); Lochce Free Church Bible Class, per D. T., £1 is; "Thankoffering," 5s; Mrs T. B., for emigration, 5s; Mr P., Alloa, £10; Christian Band of Boys and Girls, John Knox Street Baptist Church, per T. M'P., £1; "Two Mites" Montrose, for emigration, 5s; Mr. H., 10s; a Friend, basket rolls; "A Worm," 10s; W. M. M., 10s; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth.

May 21.—"Of Thine Own," £2; Free Church Sunday Morning Fellowship Association, Ardrossan, per W. S., 10s; East Free Church Bible Class, Rothsay, per A. M. B., 8s 10d; A. R., Markinch, 8s; Coatstown Mission School, do., per do., 14s 6d; A. W., Kirmielum, 10s; H. C., Carlisle, £10; S. P., Wigtown, for emigration, £10; a Few Friends in Yetholm, per Miss J. T., £1; Miss J. T., do., parcel clothing; D. P., Lenzie, £5; Anon., parcel used clothing; Mrs A., Edinburgh, parcel livery clothes; A. L. C. and B., Galashiels, parcel tweed samples; M'K. & H., Newcastle, parcel oddments, buttons, etc.; Friend of Children, 10s; three friends visiting Home, 5s; two do., per M's M.A., 10s; A. & M.A., box bulbs and flower seeds: a few dollars in Clark's Mills, Paisley, per M. M.A., 5s; Miss C., £1; Mr and Mrs J. P. T., Vidlin, Shetland, £1; Sister of children helped, 2s; C. W. M., London, 5s; Dollar Free Church S.S., per J. G. A., £1 5s 9d; Mr M'L., Helensburgh, parcel used clothing; Mrs M., scones, etc.; a Friend, Wishaw postmark, £1; Muslin Street E.U. Church S.S., per R. A. M., £1; a Friend, 20 loaves and basket rolls; a Friend, £10; Minister's B.C., Fast F. Ch., Coatbridge, £1 1s; D. B., Kirkintilloch, for emigration, £5; Anon., parcel used clothing; Carnynte, do.; G. T., to take a girl to Canada, £10; J. O., Alloa, £1; Misses H., Bo'ness, for emigration, £1; J. L. H., Braco, per do., for do., 2s; C. R., Bo'ness, do., do., 1s; Mrs M., Langholm, £1; a Friend, 40 loaves; Miss H., Edinburgh, £2; "Maggie and Jack," 8s 6d; Infant Class, Johnstone's Laigh Cartside Church S.S., per J. R., 7s 6d; Beardsen U.P. Church Bible Class, per J. A., £1 16s 8d; M. P. C., Stirling, £1; teachers and Pupils of N. M. School, per W. S., 10s; W. B. H., Matlock, £1 1s; A. H. B., Comrie, 1 pair socks; a Young Friend, per do., do.; a Friend, 33 loaves and basket rolls; Helensburgh, parcel used clothing; Mrs B., Edinburgh, 11 articles clothing; Miss M., do., 18 do.; Mrs S., Greenock, 19 do.; "A Wellwisher," for emigration, 10s; A. H. £5; collected from friends by M. G. S., Leith, £2 15s 6d; a few factory girls, Hawick, from penny a week contributions, per J. W., 10s; Friends in Laureneekirk, per J. C., 15s; collected by L. C.'s pet dog Ruby, £1 13s 1d; Queen's Cross F. Church Women's Working party, Aberdeen, per Miss C., £1; Paisley Congregational Church Bible Class, per D. M., 10s; F. Church S.S., Cupar-Fife, per J. S. R., £1 5s; Mission boxes, Bowling S.S., per J. T., £1 17s 8d; J. S., Edinburgh postmark, 4s; Portobello F. Church S.S., per J. T., £1; Girls' Sewing Class, Aberdeen, per Miss T., 12 articles clothing; Mrs M., Liverpool, per Mrs T. F. M., Lenzie, 9 do.; Young People's Sewing Meeting, per Miss F., 13 do.; Mrs W. T., four pairs stockings, leaflets, etc.; a Friend, 21 loaves; Mrs D., Lenzie, six articles clothing; Miss W., 7s; Anonymous, three embossed maps; J. E., Windermere, £4 and eight waterproof cloaks; Free St Clement's Congregational and Mission S.S.'s, Aberdeen, per A. T., £1 14s; J. A., Edinburgh, 5s; Anonymous, £1; A. P. A., Crieff, 10s; Claremont Street U.P. Church, Warroch Street Mission Sabbath School, per W.S., £2; Miss L., Dundas, Canada, for emigration, £20; J. S., Laureneekirk, £1; Grandmother of boys received, Dundee, 3s and parcel used clothing; Mrs M., scones, etc.; T. P., parcel old books; B. B., parcel magazines; Mr S., £4; a Friend, £1; Prayer Meeting, Huntingtowerfield, by Perth, per R. E., 10s; J. J., Leith, £7 7s; Strathbungo, basket used clothing; S. G. F. S., Innerleithen, per Mrs T., 39 articles clothing and three scrap-books; Teachers and Scholars, Sabbath School, Alloa, per A. P. F. P., £1 3s 6d; Lansdowne U.P. Church Sabbath School, per J. D., £1 1s 4d; Misses B., Hamilton, parcel clothing, etc.; a Friend, quantity fish; W. G., Coatbridge 2s; Cruickshanks Family, 5s 3s; A. C., £1; G. D. F., Edinburgh, £1; S. G. F. S., Glasgow West End branch, per J. W., 18 articles clothing; Miss J., Paisley, parcel used blankets; Mr and Mrs W., Edinburgh, £1; "A Brother and Sister in the Lord as a thank-offering," 10 articles clothing, Greenock postmark; Stonehaven F. C. S. S., per J. A., 15s; Mrs D. S., Greenock, per J. T., £5; Miss B., do., do., £1; Mrs T., do., do., 5s; Mrs K., do., do., 5s; J. T., do., £1; F. Church Bible Class, Grangemouth per G. W. C., £2; "Gift from a Family," Greenock, 10s; first instalment of legacy of £1000 of the late Mr Alex. Allan, per Moncrieff, Barr, Paterson, & Co., £200; a Friend, saved out of personal expenditure to keep a child in Homes for a year, £12; J. H., Bathgate, 10s; Mrs S., 10s; Alice, Willie, and Jessie, Grangemouth, "In memory of cousin Alick," £1; "In memory of little Alick" do., £5; two sisters and brother, Edinburgh, saved pennies, per M. C., 5s; Congregational Church B.C., Dunfermline, per J. F. E., £1 15s; Mrs L., Birkenhead, 10s; "Three Montrose little girls, being proceeds of sale of work held by them," per Mrs G. C. M'K., £1 2s 10d; Mrs A. M., Largo, for emigration, £3 3s; Mrs R., Dumfries, £2; J. T., Alexandria, 5s; E. R., 10s; late Mr James Miller, Edinburgh, per Honeyman & Drummond, £200; I. A. S., Arbroath, £1; Mrs N., per Union Bank of Scotland, £1; E. A., Huntingdon, £5; made by members of Y.W.C.A., Johnstone, per M. M., 29 articles clothing; Anon., 2s and pair of used trousers and jacket; "Inasmuch" Edinburgh, 5s; Mrs M., Bonnybridge, 10s; Grandmother of children helped, 5s; Free Middle S.S., Coatbridge, per Mr E., 15s; Free St John's Congregational S.S., per J. M' B., 10s; Mrs M' O., Hamilton, £1; Female Bible Class in connection with Mission District Free Middle Church, Paisley, per J. P., 10s; J. C., Edinburgh, for emigration, £10; Mrs M' C., £2 and 11 pairs stockings; legacy of the late A'lexander Adam, "a shore labourer," Aberdeen, per Mr

D. Gullan, £10—less duty £1—£9; W. R., Paisley, £1; Bannockburn Parish Church S.S., per J. A., 10s; part wages of aunt of boys received, St Andrews, 10s 6d; "A little boy out of mission bank," 4s; Mrs L. Appin, 20 articles clothing; Mrs M., Dum-core, £2; A. & S. W., Aberdeen, 5s; Rothiemay, 5s; Mrs A., parcel used clothing; C. F. S., Carnoustie, 10s; Stirling, 6 pairs socks; Mrs M'A., Dumbarton, £2; Mrs A., Hamilton, 5s; "Help," 10s 6d; J. S., Abington, £1; A. D., for emigration, £5; J. S., Kinn, £5; per rail, parcel used clothing; W. R., Duns, 10s; Cradling F. C. S.S., Jedburgh, per W. B. H., £1; Mrs M'C., Ayre, £1; R. H. J., Bangor, Wales, 5s.

June 4.—Bible Class, Bonnyrigg, per R. W. L., £1 6s; Free Church S.S., Zetland, Melkour, per A. G., 7s 6d; West Free Church Bible Class, Broughty-Ferry, per G. E. T., £2 11s 6d; Miss B., Helensburgh, £1; St. Clement's Parish Church Rambling Club, per D. W., £1 6s; "Damaris," per editor *Christian Leader*, £1; R. W., per do., £1; M., Perth, £1 and two articles clothing; A. H., 10s; Bonnington Mission S.S., Leith, per W. G. T., 5s; R. R., Hamilton, for emigration, £5; Mrs C., Blythwood, per do., £5; W. D. M., Carlisle, £1; "One of His Stewards," Wal. s., £7 4s; Mrs C., Stirling, £1; A. M., £1 1s; Anon., parcel used clothing; Mrs B., Edinburgh, a dress; gathered by children in connection with Stoneykirk Free Church, hamper of flowers; Mrs M., books, magazines, etc.; Mrs J. W. R., 29 Sc-rs; Mrs H. H., Barrhead, for girls going to Canada, three shawls; F. H. M., Belgrade, Serbia, for emigration, £0 0; "Nemo," £10; Elton Free Church S.S., per W. F., 8s 9d; M. S. A., Tighnabruich, £1; T. F. M., £7 15s 6d; Misses W., Sandbank, 25 articles clothing; Misses C. J., Moffat, 23 articles do.; Miss G. and Miss L., Kirkwall, Orkney, 15s; Mrs E. K., £2; Mr M., Mount Florida, £10; D. H., £2; Y. W. C. A., Strathmiglo, Fife, per M. A. T., 22 articles clothing and four scrap albums; Anon., parcel used clothing; Mrs C., Hamilton, 11 articles clothing; Work of S.S. Class and other small girls, Carnforth, per Mrs P., 10 do.; Mrs D. L., Kirkcaldy, £1; "Young Law," Caithness, 5s; A. B. S., Cleland, £1; T. C., Motherwell, 10s; B. M., Muirhill, for emigration, £1; M. W., Lausanne, Switzerland, £1; D. R., Airdrie, 5s; Miss I. B., Edinburgh, for emigration, £1; Mrs J. M., Strathaven, seven articles clothing; Mornington S.S. Presbyterian Church of Otago, N. Z., per E. S., £3 10s 1d; Mrs H., used clothing; Mrs D., Greenock, 16 pairs stockings; M. H., per Charity Organisation Society, £1; M. N. & S., per do., £2; Mrs A., Edinburgh, £1; per rail, box of tea; Miss C., Galashiels, £3; Mrs J. C., Kilmalcolm, per J. E. F., £2; St. Columba Free Church S.S., per T. S., £1 6s; a Friend, Stewarson, £1; do., seven articles of clothing; A. B. C., Pollokshaws, 5s; St. Andrew's Peace U.P. Church Congregational S.S., Leith, per W. D., £1 4s 6d; Strathaven postmark, eight articles clothing; Carfan Mission S.S., Motherwell, per A. S., 10s; "In memory of 4th May, 1887," Carlisle postmark, £2; a Friend, do., 4s 6d; J. F., Carstairs Junction, £1; W. S., 2s 6d; Misses T., Helensburgh, 10s; St. Mark's Forenoon Meeting, per R. B., 8s; T. S., Grahamston, box straw hats; Mrs W. B. C., Lenzie, parcel used clothing; W. C. H., number school prizes; Mrs M., scones, etc.; Mrs F. C. G., two pairs stockings, five pairs socks; Misses R., High Blantyre nine articles clothing, magazines, etc.; a Worker, a Thank-offering, £1; Mrs W., Forfar, 5s; Mrs G., of Pitberg, per F. & D., Aberdeen, £1; A. T., Paisley, £1; Alice Willie, and Jessie, Grangemouth, £1; found in boxes City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes during May, £7 6s 11d; Highland Brigade Working Party, Aberdeen, per Miss M'D., and Mrs M.K., 11s articles clothing; J. O. H., Uddingston, £1; D. D. S., £3; Argyle Place U.P., Church Sabbath School, Edinburgh, per J. C. L., £2 10s; Kelvin-side Free Church Sabbath Morning School, per G. P., £2 10s 4d; Elton Hall S.S., Crosshill, per Mr L., £1 2s; E. L., Paisley, 10s; "Whip Money," £1 5s; Highbury postmark, 5s; St. James' U.P. Church S.S., Paisley, per F. G., £2; D. M., £3 10s; Shawlands Parish Church S.S., per J. A., £1 3s; a Friend, 12 loaves and some rolls; Pollok Street U.P. Church Congregational S.S., per W. B., £1 10s 4d; Mrs C., 2s 6d; R. F. M., quantity remnants shirting; A. W., Addiewell, by West Calder, £2; Miss J. B., Keswick, £1; Small Sabbath School Kapuni, Egmont County, New Zealand, per C. L., Perth, 6s 10d; E. and E. B., Ibrox, 11s; Mrs P., Largs, parcel used clothing; Mrs S., Oban, 10s; J. B., Douglas, Isle of Man, £1 3s; Net-erhouse postmark, £2; J. C., Paisley, quantity framed texts; Mrs C., Aberdeen, £1; C. F. T., Broomhouse, 5s; P. M., Cold-tream, 2s 6d; Miss G., Hawick, per J. C., six articles clothing; F. C., Bearsden, £1; J. K., and S., £3; J. W., Tillicoultry, £10 10s; Misses S., Lesmahagow, £2; extra from estate of the late A. L. X. Adam, "a shore labourer," Aberdeen, per Mr D. Gullan, £1; J. M. M., jun., Greenock, 5s; M. R., Paisley, box of poems for library; Anon., parcel used clothing; Minister's Bible Class, Calton Parish Church, £1; Rutherglen Free Church Bible Class, per R. M., £5 6s 1d; "In gratitude to our Father," for my brothers and sisters, A. W. R., Edinburgh postmark, 10s.

June 18.—Mrs D., Strathbungo, used clothing; Mr H., four dozen loaves; Mrs C., £2; W. & J. R., for work done, per Dr S., 10s 6d; a Visitor, 5s; D. M'C., a tent; J. A., Girvan, £4; J. W. A., £1; Miss M., Oban, £1; A. M., 10s; Mrs G., Hawick, 24 articles of clothing; M. M. T., Largs, hamper used do.; W. W., Bathgate, parcel do.; Anon., Kilsno, parcel do.; a Few Children in New Free Church S.S., Grangemouth, per J. D., one screen and two articles clothing; a Friend, two baskets rolls and scones; "Valuation," 10s; W. R., Lockerbie, £3; Mrs F., Edinburgh, £2 2s; J. & J. B., Croft, 10s; Mrs H. K., Largs, £2; L. K., do.; Mr B., do.; Mr E., do., £1; Mrs S., do., £1; Mr P., do., 10s; Mrs B., do., 10s; Mrs B., do., 10s—above sums from Largs were collected by Mrs B.; Downvale Free Church Sabbath School, per D. S. R., £1; M. M., Paisley, parcel used clothing; Miss B., Edinburgh, £1; Mrs S., £2; a Friend, basket rolls and seven loaves; Dennistoun U.P. Church Sabbath School, per J. G. C., £3 13s 9d; H. B. W., 15s; Mrs M., Lanark, £2; Mrs M., do., per do., 5s; "In Memory of my Mother," Crosshill postmark, £1; X. Y. Z., Greenock postmark, four pairs stockings; J. E. M'G., Crieff postmark, 4s; D. W. S., for emigration, £4; a Friend, 1 basket rolls; Mr H., five dozen loaves; "A Friend," £5; Miss C. A., Stranraer, 7s 6d; Mrs C., parcel used clothing; D. C., £1; Mothers' Meeting, Broomhouse, per Mrs T., 5s 6d; Muirkirk postmark, 10s; Mrs H., Millport, £1 2s; Galashiels Parochial Association, per P. T. G., £5; Isle of Man Industrial Home, Douglas, per W. T., for passages and outfits of eight children to Canada, £50; W. S., Moulmein, Burma, £1 1s; Mr and Mrs S. M. L., Monifeth, £2; Miss B., 10s; Mrs W., Leith, 5s; Mrs D., Ladykirk, 5s; Mrs C. M., Duns, 10s; Glasgow postmark, 10s; M. W., Aberdeen, 10s; L. M. B., Milton of Campsie, 5s; "Mrs Josiah," 10s; A. H. I., Innellan, 5s; E. M., Dumfries, 10s; E. M., an old City Home Girl, £1; M. P., Dundee, straw hats; Anon., parcel used clothing; Mrs W., Helensburgh, box do.; L. C., of Luss, articles fancy work to be sold; D. H., £1; J. W., £1; T. N., Carlisle, £1; Longforgan Y.W.C.A., Dundee, per Mrs A., 36 articles clothing; A. M. B. S., Paisley, six pairs stockings; Bridge-of-Allan postmark, two pairs socks; J. K., £2; W. B., Newport, Fife, 10s; Mrs and Miss M., Edinburgh, £1 17s 6d; J. O., jun., Airdrie, £2 3s; J. F. D., 10s; Mrs B., 10s; Lyessland U.P. Church S.S., Paisley, per T. M. I., £1 1s; A. P. F. P., Alloa, £50; J. E. S., £100; Mrs S., Dumbarton, 10s; a Friend, do., visiting Homes, 10s; from the late Miss Susan Park, per P. M., Greenock, £50; S.

W., Grangemouth, parcel used clothing; G. S., Kilmarnock, £5; X. Y., 2s 6d; Miss R., Hillhead, 10s; Mrs H., Helensburgh, six pairs stockings; Tullibody Free Church Sabbath School, per D. S., £1 0s 8d; D. W., Edinburgh, 5s; A. S. H., Wemyss Bay postmark, £10; Dr and Mrs H., Kilmalcolm, £5; Free West Church Male Bible Class, Airdrie, per J. T., £1 3s; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, £1; a Friend, 1s; Laurieston Parish Church Sabbath School Society, Strathaven, £1; Mrs D., Dumbarton, per Mrs F., Ellon, 2s 6d; Miss H., Aberdeen, 5s; T. J., Edinburgh, £5; Stirling postmark, £5; S. M. B., part of bursary, 5s; Barrhead Co-operative Society, per R. S., £2; J. W., Kirkmuirhill, £1; J. G. O., towards keep of Bethesda, £150; Miss R., parcel used clothing; Mrs B., Bothwell, do.; Anonymously, do.; R. H., 18 loaves; Mr B., 18 do.; K. S., with love 2s; Mr F. M.'s Bible Class, Paisley, per A. S., £1 15s; Pupils at Mrs S.'s School, £2; Miss H., St. Andrews, 5s; Miss A. K., Gourcock, 17 articles clothing; Bible Class, per J. D., Paisley, 5s; City Road U.P. Church Sabbath School, Brechin, per J. M. A., £2; Mrs S., Dumoon, £2; "From a Friend," £5; Miss D., Fairlie, £1; Mrs T., Ayre, £1 1s; Miss C., East Kilbride, £1; H. S., Hamilton, 10s; Mrs S., Whiting Bay, 10s; Finnieston Free Church Young Men's Bible Class, per A. D. A., £1 2s; W. M., Edinburgh, £2; "One of His Stewards," Wales, £4 8s; Ibrox U.P. Church Congregational Sabbath School, per R. F., £1; Mrs T., £1; Mrs H., £2. The following has been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund—P. M., Campbelltown, £250.

July 2.—W. N. B., £5; Ladies' Working Society, Crown Terrace Baptist Church, Aberdeen, per Mrs C., 89 articles clothing; Teachers and Pupils N.M. School, per W. S., 10s; C. W. B., Elgin, 5s; Mrs J. C., parcel used clothing; Miss S., five petticoats; J. J. & Co., £1; W. B., Coupar-Angus, £1; Intermediate Class, Knox's Free Church S.S., Arbroath, per W. H., 10s; Mrs H., Haslem-re, box toys for doll's house, scraps, etc.; Elderslie Girls' Class, per Mrs S., 25 articles clothing; Miss C. A., Stranraer, 10 articles clothing; Senior Class of Boys, Viewforth U.P. Church S.S., Edinburgh, per R. C. N., £1 2s 6d; Miss M. C., Aberdeen, 1s 6d; Glasgow Charity Cup Football Competitions, per J. M. C., £20; T. K., per Mrs T., Haddington, £2 1s 1d; J. D., Fenwick, £1; Young Ladies' Seminary, Kilmalcolm, per Miss M., 27 articles clothing; books, pencils, etc.; Trinity Free Church Sabbath School, per C. M'D., £5; Misses M., St. Andrews, £2; P. P., Edinburgh, £2; collected from friends in Moffat by Mrs N., £1 16s; Senior Boys' Class of Viewforth U.P. Church, Edinburgh, per H. M., 19s 2d; G. B., Edinburgh, £2; Potterrow Bible Class, do. per do., 6s; W. F. S., £3 3s; Augustine Congregational Morning Sunday School, Edinburgh, per D. M. P., £3; D. B., £2; Mrs S., Linlithgow, 4 caps, 1 pair stockings; Miss M.K., 2 dresses; Mrs M. and Miss K., 12 pairs stockings and few magazines; a Friend, basket rolls; collected mostly in pennies by pupils in Ashmount School, Helensburgh, 10s; a Work, 10s; Miss M.'s Bible Class, Claremont Church Mission, £1 18s 3d; Mrs J. F. D., hamper used clothing; a Friend, 20 loaves; Aberfoyle postmark, 2s 6d; W. S., Brighton, Otago, New Zealand, £3; saved by little boy, A. R., by doing without butter and jam for three months, 7s 6d; collected at Children's Seaside Service, Dunoon, per D. M., £1; B. M'R., Applecross, 10s; Young Law, Wick, 2s 6d; A. R., £10; Mrs W., Aboyne, 5s; Mrs B., six pairs socks and £2; J. T., £2; Martyr's Free Church Sabbath School, Loches, per W. W., 10s; J. H., Bathgate, 5s; children, per do., 8s 6d; Mr M., fish; W. M.B. & Co., one piece shirting; per rail, parcel periodicals; Mrs S., Bridge-of-Allan, parcel used clothing; Glenluce postmark, 5s; a Friend, basket rolls; Miss R. G. C., six scarfs and three pairs stockings; T. F. M., £5 11s 5d; M. and S., Lerwick, 9s 5d; Dudhope Free Church Sabbath School, Dundee, per Miss M., 14s 8d; parish Church Sabbath School, Dunlop, per R. W. jun., £2; P. B. C., Edinburgh, £1; R. E., Hawick, parcel used clothing and 5s; Working Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, Stirling, per B. F., £1 13s 5d; Free St. Mark's Y.M.C.A., per R. M'D., 4s 5d; Plantation U.P. Church S.S., per J. C., £2; Queen's Park Baptist Ch. S.S., per J. S. K., £3 12s 6d; a Friend, basket rolls; Newton Parish Church Bible Class, Dalkeith, per A. F., 9s; Mrs D., Helensburgh, 10s; J. T., Aberdeen, 10s; J. F., a thankoffering for restored health, 10s; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, £1; O. G., Tottenham, Mid-lexes, £1 1s; H. M.B., £2; C. R., £12 10s; a Friend, basket rolls; Barrowfield Free Church Bible Class, 10s; Jennie's first stockings for a wee baby; per Miss H., Fenwick, 6 pairs stockings; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 2 pairs socks; Glasgow postmark, in stamps, 10d; collected at children's seaside services, Dunoon, per D. M., £1; West Free Church Young Women's Bible Class, Broughty Ferry, per G. G. T., £2 2s; F. J. S., Toronto, Canada, £1; Causewayend Free Church S.S., Aberdeen, per A. T. R., £1; collected by boys and girls attending forenoon service Christian Mission, Tayport, per D. Y. W., £2 8s; Elgin Place Congregational Church Mission S.S., Clyde Street, Port-Dundas, per J. M., £1 11s 7d; collected at meeting in Leithghilfed Baptist Ch. £1 4s 6d; J. G., £1; a Friend, 22 loaves; Mrs C. M., Lenzie, 10s; Mrs S., Perth, 39 articles clothing and some used do.; a Friend, 16 loaves and some rolls; Mr and Mrs J. A. A., per Charity Organisation Society, £5; H. D., Tynemouth, North Shields, 500 copies "True Stories," by Josiah Speirs, for children going to Canada; J. D., £1; J. M. C. mbuslang, per D. M. jun., £1; A. J., Kirkcudbright, £1; J. S., do., per do., £1; J. T. K., do., per do., 2s 6d; J. M'L., Balmuir, by Guthrie, 15s; H. C., Ayre, 47 articles clothing and 3 dolls; found in boxes, City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes, £4 5s 1d; West U.P. Church Bible Class, Selkirk, per G. M., £1; J. M., Leith, 5s; Anonymously, Bridge-of-Allan, parcel clothing and 2s; R. H., some rolls; Miss C. F., Campsie, 10s; J. P., Kintore, 10s; Miss K. W., Aberdeen, £1; Two Friends, do., per do., £1; Mrs H., Largs, 10s; Mrs J. K. B., do., 10s; J. M., do., 5s; Mrs A. H. M., do., 5s; Mrs C. O., do., 5s; Miss M., do., 3s; Mrs B., do., 5s; Miss O., do., 2s 6d; Mrs J., do., 5s; Mrs F., do., 10s; Mrs J. B., do., 10s; Mrs H. P., do., 5s; Mrs F., Fairlie, 5s; H. C., do., Barker, Aberdeen, with interest, per Morice & Wilson, £107 10s 6d; do. for City Home, £50; Govan Parochial Board, on account of children helped, £10 10s; a Worker, £1; Mrs D., Dumbarton, £6; St John's Free Church S.S., Hamilton, per R. W. D., £1; Mr C., New Kilpatrick, £2 2s; R. S., jun., Dunfermline, £2; G. B., £10; W. C., Dundee, £3; a Friend, Fraserburgh, 8 bundles fish. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund—A. D., for servants' cottage, 5s; legacy of the late Mr A. C. Barker, Aberdeen, for furnishing of Aberdeen Home, per Morice & Wilson, £200.

July 16.—J. B., Leith, £1 10s; Miss M. D. P.'s Young Women's Class in Greenside Mission S.S., Alloa, per T. C., 8s 6d; D. L., Dundee, £5 3s 6d; T. F. M., £25; J. M., Glenluce, parcel used clothing; Killiecrankie, parcel magazines; C. F. P., Alloa, 110 articles clothing; M. D. & Co., five boxes useful and fancy articles; J. E. M., High Fenwick, 4s; C. J. M., Kirriemuir, £1; G.



L. Annan, £1; collected by the boys of Elie, Fife, per Miss B., £1; Radnor Park U.P. Church Bible Class, per W. O. B. Dalmuir, 10s; collected at Children's Seaside Services, Dunoon, per D. M., £1; East U.P. Church S.S., Duns, per P. W., 5s; Miss W., do., 2s 6d; Miss F., do., 2s 6d; a Working woman, Beith, 2 pairs stockings; C. F. P., Alloa, 161 pairs stockings and socks; D. M. S., for emigration, £4; members of the Inverkeithing Young Abstiners' Union, per Mrs G., 2s articles clothing, etc.; J. W., Kirkcaldy, £5; Mrs M., Tenby, £5; Misses M., 5s; R. H. B., London, £1; "A Reader, Maryhill," per Editor, *Christian Leader*, 10s; "an Old Woman," Glasgow, per do., 5s; G. M. F., Govan, 5s; J. M. C., 10s; G. F., Cullen, 3s; a Sympathiser, Aberdeen, 2s; per Globe Parcel Express, 12 pairs stockings; Miss Y., Helensburgh, £1; Cambuslang Parish Church Sabbath School, £2 0 4d; "For the Children," Kirkcudbright postmark, £5; Mr and Mrs R., Greenock, £2; family do., per do., 5s; A. C., £1; Gorbals Cross Mission, per A. H., £2 10s; a Friend, Helensburgh postmark, £1 7s; "a Worm," £1; "Windsor," £2; R. H., rolls; a Friend, basket do.; L. C. Luss, crochet shirt, texts, odds and ends, etc.; Mr K., Milton of Campsie, parcel used clothing; Mrs L., Bridge-of-Weir, £1; Minister's Bible Class, East U.P. Church, Strathaven, per A. M. D., 17s 9d; captain, officers, and crew of the ship *Marion Crossie*, per J. M., £2 3s; teachers and pupils of Ardrossan Academy, per C. D., 16s 8d; Miss L. W., quantity buttons, worsted, etc.; J. C., Fort-William, £20; a Friend, £2; Mrs S. L., Monifieth, £5; Mrs L., Hamilton, £10; Greenock, parcel used clothing; J. A. A.'s children, £1; a Friend, A. B., 5s; Alice, Willie, and Jessie, Grangemouth, £1; collected at children's seaside services, Dunoon, per D. M., £1; J. L., Polmont, per T. F. C., £5; J. R., Paisley, £2; Misses P., Kirkcudbright, £1; Mrs G., Hawick, £10; Glasgow postmark, 2s 6d; A. Irvine, do., 5s; Aberfoyle, do., 2s; M., Greenock, do., for "a wee Sarah," 5s; Misses M. and M. S., Ayr, 7s 6d; J. M. & Co., £1; a Friend, 2s loaves, one basket biscuits, and basket rolls and pastry; Mrs G., Hawick, nine articles clothing; a Wife's Thankoffering, £1; a Sailor, £1; a Friend, 10s; Polmadie Branch Foundry Boys' Religious Society in connection with Queen's Park U.P. Church, per R. Y., 15s; Mrs K., parcel used clothing; anonymous do., R. H., some rolls; a Friend, box joiner's tools; anonymous, trousers and vest; D. M., Edinburgh, £5; "For the Master," £10; "One who loves Jesus," Maryhill, £1; Mrs G., Sanquhar, £1 12s; "For Little May," £5; Mrs D., £1; Linthouse Sabbath School, Govan, £2; "A When Thistles," 1s; "For the Sick Ones," 2s; A. H., four dozen loaves; J. G. M., Greenock, £1 8s; W. M., £1; A.B.C., Pollokshaws, 10s; R. L. A., a parcel tracts; a Friend, 33 loaves. The following has been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund, legacy of the late Dr George Miller, Ibrox, per Messrs Hill & Hoggan, £150.

July 30.—I. J., Linwood postmark, "Thankoffering for renewed health," £5; H. M. F., £5; Misses E. and E. B., Ibrox, 7s 6d; W. and E. R., Antwerp, £1; Mrs N., Edinburgh, 15s; W. B. I., Stonehaven, £1; Members of Tayport Y.W.C.A., per Miss M. D., £1 and 36 articles of clothing, booklets, etc.; Mr B., basket rolls; a Friend, 24 loaves and basket rolls; Mrs S., Nairn, 12 pairs socks; Proceeds of Sale of Work held by E.B.W.J.C. and D.R., Dollar, 12s 9d; Collected at Children's Seaside Services, Dunoon, per D. M., £1; "Inasmuch," £1; a Friend, 31 loaves and basket rolls; E. A., Kilmarnock, £1; Friends, Penicuik, per Miss C. P., 10s; C. H. G., Perth, 1s 6d; Tollcross Free Church S.S., per R. L., 10s; Family, Greenock, £20; Miss M. A., Annan, £1; Mrs A., do., per do., 10s; Mrs F., Lanark, 39 articles clothing; Anon., Bothwell, parcel used clothing; D. M. S., parcel straw hats; Anon., six pairs socks; Children's Sabbath Morning Service, Cockenzie, 10s; T. C., £1; Miss H., Dollar, £1; Miss H., Edinburgh, £1; R. F., Clarkston, £1; Miss N., Bowdon Cheshire, £10; Anon., Douglas postmark, £5; a Friend, 21 loaves; Do., 18 loaves; D. A., Leslie, 5s; Miss F., Perth, £1; a Friend, 22 loaves and basket rolls; Mrs M., 24 pairs stockings; Kineardine U.P. Church Bible Class, per J. S., 4s 6d; W. B. H., Matlock, £5; R. S., Fraserburgh, 30 boxes fish; Mrs W. S., Edinburgh, 7s 6d; Mrs C., 5s; a Friend, 43 loaves; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, £1; Collected at Children's Seaside Services, Dunoon, per D. M., £1; "X. Y. Z., Maybole," 10s; Miss C., Edinburgh, 5s; Collected by Miss B.'s Pupils at Caversbank Ladies' School, Paisley, £1 16s; D. M. S., quantity straw hats; Miss W., Coatbridge, box used clothing; a Friend, 46 loaves; a Friend, £2 9s; an Admirer, Kirkintilloch postmark, 2s 6d; a Wellwisher, 3s; Kelso Free Church Sabbath School, per W. B., £1; Proceeds of Sale of Work held by the Misses D., Tynemouth, per Mrs D., £5; Mrs R., Airdrie, box flowers and set china; M.C. & Co., Limited, per Charity Organisation Society, £2 2s; J. M. I., 10s; Mrs T., Aberdeen, £4; W. P. M., £2; W. F. B., Aberdeen, 10s; a Friend, 26 loaves; Found in Boxes City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes during July, £13 4s 11d.

August 13.—J. M., Kingussie, £2; K. S., 2s; "A Christian Brother," 5s; Mr D., Coatbridge, £2; a Friend, Paisley, quantity worsted and thread; "A Sister in Christ," Paisley, 7s; Y.M.C.A. Boys' Class, Aberdeen, per G. R., 5s; Free Church S.S., Laurencekirk, per Mr C., 10s; D. M., Helensburgh, 10s; a Worker, 10s; A. D., South Ronaldshay, Orkney, 10s; collected at Children's Seaside Services, Dunoon, per D. M., £1; W. E., Kirkintilloch, 10s; Alloa postmark, in stamps, 5s 6d; "Thankoffering for four little ones spared through scarlet fever," Edinburgh, 10s; J. C. J., do., 2s 6d; Mr M., parcel used clothing; a Friend, Fraserburgh, barrel of salt herring; J. D., Arbroath, £9; R. H., Oban, 10s; D. M., quantity hats; R. M. G., jun., per W. & Co., £2; Y.M.C.A., Elton, per J. A. C., 8s 3d; J. I. B., Carlisle, £1; Free High Church S.S., Dundee, per A. S. F., £1 5s 4d; Whiteinch S.S. West, per A. N., 15s; a Wellwisher, Pollokshields, 2s; Miss G., Forres, per W. W., £2; collected by three classes in Carrubbers' Close; Mission Sabbath Evening School, Edinburgh, per Miss J. M. L., £1 4s 6d; J. C., Dundee, 10s 6d; D. R., Prestonkirk, 10s; Miss R., Kilmalcolm, £2; a Friend, 22 loaves; M. P., Govan, 10s; D. M. S., for emigration, £1; Kirk Session, parish of Morven, per J. C., £1 1s; J. R. L., Perth, P.M., 5s; Dunn Sabbath School, Caithness, per Miss D., 10s 6d; "D. F." on behalf of boy W. M., per W. M. E., £3; Mrs L. E., Newport, Fife, 10s; L. C. Luss, 2 shawls and parcel odds and ends; Miss W., St Beatenberg, Switzerland, three pairs stockings; a Friend, 17 loaves; Anon., used clothing and three pairs stockings; Miss A., Carstairs, 2 hampers black currants; Miss D., Saltcoats, 10s; Miss W., £1 10s; Mrs G., parcel used clothing; Maryhill Gospel Mission Sabbath School box, per P. S., £3; "In memory of a loved one gone home," Saltcoats, 7s 6d; Mrs K., London, £1; Miss L., Bridge-of-Weir, quantity of used clothing; readers of the *Christian*, per Morgan & Scott, London, £3 13s; E. P. F., 5s; W. W., Largs, £1; a Friend, per Mr H., 12 loaves; Y.W.C.A., G. Marie, Baillif, per D. S. D., 10s 6d; Mrs A., Langside, £5; J. J., Edinburgh, £3; Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, Rothesay, per M. S., £7 3s 6d; Mrs B., Stirling, per A. R., 7s; a Friend, basket biscuits; R. F., 2s 6d; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, £1; Miss S., Gourcock, 8 pairs stockings; a Friend, 27 loaves and basket rolls; Friend of boys received, £2; A. H., 6 dozen loaves; Miss C. S., Hamilton, 24 hats and 5 articles clothing; A. I., Edinburgh, 10s; Mrs G. and Friend, Fraserburgh, per Mrs A., 16s 6d; Mrs A., 3s 6d; Two Workers, £70; A. & S. W., Aberdeen, 10s; collected at Children's Seaside Services, Dunoon, per D. M., £1;

M. E. C. Y., Johnstone, suit used clothing; Mrs L., Kilmalcolm, three cheeses; Mrs J., 10s; J. T., Alexandria, 5s; C. E., Uddington, six pairs stockings; a Friend, basket cookies; Mr and Mrs D. G., £5; Mrs E., Paisley, £5; cards, patterns, print, etc.; Miss S., Bridge-of-Allan, 5s; Mrs R., Langbank, hamper cast-off clothing; Y.W.C.A., Wishaw, per Miss R., 36 articles clothing; Anonymously, Stonehouse, 71 articles clothing and remnants wincey; Mrs D., Greenock, 12 pairs socks and two petticoats; Misses M., Helensburgh, 120 articles clothing, remnants, cloth, and hamper used clothing.

August 27.—"Of Thine Own," £5; "Mizpah," 10s and three pairs of stockings; Rait Sabbath School, Errol, per Miss M. S., 8s 10d; Mrs A., £1; W. R., Greenock, 10s; J. C., Beith, £1; T. P., Brockville, Canada, £1; Mr and Mrs R., Paisley, 5s; Motherwell Branch Scotch Girls' Friendly Society, per Mrs S., 32 articles clothing, a few children in Free Church, Muirkirk, per W. P., quantity "Children's Records"; Rutherford Free Church B.C., Aberdeen, per J. D., £1; Mr D., 290 pies; Miss M., two codfish; G. E. P., £1; A. S. F., Garnkirk, 10s; Miss M., seven articles clothing; anonymously, with 1st Peter iii. 3-4, a gold chain; Mrs F., Ayr, £6; R. it and Kinnaird Y.W.C.A., 25 articles clothing; a Friend, 38 loaves and half basket rolls; G. S., 7s 6d; Anon., scrap-books, games, etc.; a Friend, 21 loaves and quantity biscuits; Friends, Johnstone, per Mr G., 15s; collected at children's seaside services, Dunoon, per D. M., £1; C. S., £1 1s; Dunfermline Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per P. K., £2 17s; B. B., 5s; Anon., Crossmyloof postmark, seven articles clothing; Miss W., 13 petticoats; Mrs H., Inverness, £1; a Sunday School Boy, Carlisle, gathered in pennies, per Mr G., 2s; Mrs J. F., Elie, for Invalid Home, 10s; D. M. K., Ayr, 7s 6d; J. C., Inveraray, £1 15s; R. F., Strathaven, £5; "Tris," £2 and seven pairs stockings; Cove postmark, five pairs socks; Stepps Road, basket fruit, etc.; R. H., quantity rolls; a Friend, 15 loaves and half basket biscuit; do., 38 loaves and half basket rolls; A. P., quantity periodicals; Mrs F., Blenheim, New Zealand, per J. S., Dundee, £1; Mrs N., do.; per do., 10s; "M." Perth, 10s; Mrs B., Melrose, £2; Dalry postmark, £5; a Friend, Buncrana, Londonderry, £1; C. D., Saltcoats, 4s 6d; "A few thistles frae a Brither Scot," 1s; H. J., London, £1; Mrs A., £1; proceeds of sale of work held by a few girls about Brisbane Street, Greenock, 10s; Mrs D., 5s; B. B., £50; Mrs H., Huntly, 5s; a Friend, 26 loaves; made by three little girls, per Mrs M. S., Dundee, 11 articles clothing, etc.; "Savings of little girl gone home," per Mrs L., Keith, 16s; "Give us this day our daily bread," Greenock postmark, vest and 3s 6d; from proceeds of sale of hall belonging to the late Mr Archibald, Tillicoultry, per R. B. A., £103 11s 6d; E. & E. B., 9s; J. & W. C. & Co., £25; "Egao," Alexandria, £1; Mrs L., Castle Douglas, £10; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, £1; collected at children's seaside services, Dunoon, per D. M., £1; A. M., 10s; Parochial Board, Parish of Redgorton, Perth, per Mr B., £5 5s; S. G., 10s; J. D., Montreal, per D. C., 5 dols. (£1); D. C., do., 5 dols. (£1); Mrs M., Symington, Kilmarnock, £4; C. A. R., £15; G. K. M., New Brompton, Kent, £5; L. H., St. Andrews, 5s; Mrs A. B., Kingskettle, 5s; Anon., with "Your Heavenly Father knoweth what ye have need of these things," 6s; K. S., 2s; R. H., Strone, £1 and parcel books; Mrs D., San Fernando, Trinidad, £3; Miss R., Edinburgh, 12 pairs socks; C. L., Newport, 7s; Mrs M., 15 cravats; a Friend, 29 loaves; J. K. & Co., per Charity Organisation Society, £1 1s; a Friend, per do., £20; Miss F., Edinburgh, 38 articles clothing; Mrs W., Port-Glasgow, 3 do.; Helensburgh Working Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per M. S., £6 10s; Mrs W., parcel used clothing and hats; Miss C., Montrose, 43 articles clothing; Mrs B., Aberdeen, £10; Mrs M. G., Dundee, £2; a Friend, one dozen loaves; Anon., used clothing; Chapelhall Miss. School, per G. M. R., 12s 6d; Mrs N. F., Muirkirk, £1.

September 10.—Sydney Place U.P. Church S.S., per G. C., £2 19s 6d; Miss F., Wigan, seven articles clothing, etc.; Mrs H., Murrayfield, £1 and seven pairs stockings; Uddington, parcel used clothing; Anon., do.; Miss G., Dunfermline, 10s; G. W.'s Bible Class, Paisley, 5s; Mrs J. M., Mauchline, £4; Miss M., Kinross, Bath Chair for invalids; C. S. M., London, £10; Collected at Children's Seaside Services, Dunoon, per D. M., £1; a Thankoffering, £1 13s 4d; Mrs C. H., Ayr, per Mrs M. L., five dress s and remnants; Salvation Army, parcel "Young Soldiers," Proceeds of Small Bazaar held by Girls in Farnart Street, Greenock, per J. M. N., 5s; R. B., £5; Paisley postmark, £1; R. and J. M., £2 4s; E. N., Stonehouse, 5s; M.P.S.S. and M.C., Paisley, per E. H., £1 9s 6d; Found in Boxes City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes during August, £5 7s 11d; R. M. H., £1; a Friend Abroad, £2; J. J. B., £1; a Friend, 26 loaves; D. S., Altyh, £1; J. M. L., Guthrie, for emigration, £1; English Free Church S.S., Oban, per R. W., £1 10s 4d; Falkirk Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per G. I., £1 5s; J. C., Perth, 10s; J. C., Perth, 5s; J. L., Dundee, box of remnants, hats, odds and ends, etc.; D. D. S., £5; J. B., £1; G. S., 1s; Mrs M., Grangemouth, parcel clothing; Holm Street Mission S.S., per J. A. W., 14s; T. S., Lochee, £1 1s; S. S., Lochee, per T. S., 9s; Dunoon, 9 dozen hats and 5 dresses; A. W., sen., Addiewell, £2; Mrs J. B., Cardross, parcel clothing; J. G. A., £1; Cambridge Street Baptist Church S.S., per R. C. K., £1; W. E., sen., £5; Thankoffering Vale of Leven United Evangel Association Fellowship Meeting, per J. G. P., £2 17s; J. M. C., Paisley, parcel used clothing; Dundee postmark, six boys' caps; a Lay in Morocco, per M. N., Mauchline, £1; Mrs H., Jedburgh, £1; Mrs M. K., Elderslie, "In Memoriam," £10; a Friend on the West Coast, £10; P. S., Airdrie, per Mrs R., 10s; Mother of Boy helped, 10s; a few Spellers and Writers, Anchor Mills, Paisley, £1; Mrs B., 12 pairs stockings; J. M. C., £1; Misses M. K., Proceeds of Bazaar, £1 7s; a Widow's Mite, Perth, 5s; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, £1; T. K., Tillicoultry, 5s; Miss M. M., Edinburgh, £2; Miss B., do., per do., £2; a Fisherman, Fraserburgh, £1; "One of His Stewards, Wales," £3 5s 1d; D. H., Campbeltown, 5s; Uddington, two boxes old hats; C. N., £1; "In Loving Memory of our only Son," Mrs T., Broomhouse, 5s; Mrs F., £1; Collected by D. W., Port-Glasgow, £1; Mrs F., Torquay, ten articles of clothing, etc.; Mrs L., current cake; a Visitor, ten pinafores; a Friend from Gourcock, three pairs socks; J. M. A., Dumbarton, £5; Mrs M. D., Bonnyrigg, parcel remnants cloth; a Friend, 10s; Mrs P., Gourcock, 5s; "For the Master," £10; Mrs S., Greenock, 10s; L. C. Luss, large lace scarf to be sold and box pears; Collected at Children's Seaside Services, Dunoon, per D. M., £6 5s 4d; Found in Boxes and Collections at Services, Thanksgiving Day, Bridge-of-Weir, £11 15s 5d; Mrs S., Oban, £1; Mr H., jun., £1; Miss T., Eskbank, seven articles clothing; Hillhousehill Children's Church, Leith, per J. B., jun., £1 12s 6d; D. H. J., £10; "A Lover of the Lord," Helensburgh, 10s; W. A. W., Silksworth, £3; C. B., Darjeeling, India, £3; Mrs W., £1; Cowlawr Co operative Society, Limited, quantity hat; Law, Wick, 10s; Mr P., Bridge-of-Weir, 15 lbs. roast; Mrs L., Douglas, Isle of Man, £1 0s 6d; C. A., 10s; "A Tithe," 2s; Dundee postmark, 5s; J. M. C., 10s; a Friend, £10; J. and R. T., 12 plants; Govanhill Church S.S., per J. M., £3 3s; Mr S., Airdrie, 2s 6d; D. M. S., for emigration, £4; Mrs W., £1; a Fatherless Child to fatherless at Bridge-of-Weir, 8s; Miss W., Fauldhouse, parcel clothing. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund—Miss C., £1; Mrs M. C., £1; Mrs M. I., £1; Mr D.,

£1: Miss B., 10s; Miss M.C., 10s; Mr C., 10s; Mr M., 10s; Mrs H., 10s; Mr W., 10s; Mrs and Miss F., 1s; Mrs H., 10s; Miss F., 6s; Mrs M., 5s; Miss M., 5s; a deceased friend, per G. G., 10s; Mrs W. D., 7s; Friends, £1 10s; Mrs L., 10s; Mrs W., 10s; a friend, 10s; Mrs C., 10s; Two Friends, 4s 6d—above sums from Ayr were collected by Mrs M.I. towards furnishing the Ayr Home—Mrs T., Prestwick, for do., 5s.

**September 24.**—Mrs Y., Elwin, £1; J. A., £5 and parcel oddments; Mrs E., Queensferry, £10; "A Working Woman," 13 pairs stockings; Anon., Bents, parcel knitted articles, etc.; "Birthday Thankoffering for Two Sisters helped," 3; Mrs T., Largo, parcel clothing; "In Memory of Two Little Ones gathered home," to help others, £50; J. M. P., £3; "G," £20; Gr. inside Church Evening Mission School, Edinburgh, per A. H., £1 10s; Collected at M. & T.'s official excursion, per Mr P., 10s 1d; Miss E. B., Hawick, parcel used clothing; J. C., Paisley, four framed texts; Mrs J. B., Irvine, odds and ends; a Worker, 10s; E. R., £1; E. & J. P., Northam-on-Tweed, £1; Palmerston Place Mission Sabbath School, Edinburgh, per B. H., £1 1s; Glasgow Typographical Society, for emigration, £2 2s; Free Anderson Church Morning Sabbath School, per W. F. S., 15s 4d; T. A. B., £5; H. S., Barking, 10s; J. A. D., London, £7; Anon., bag of sugar; Mrs D., Perth, £2; P. S., Edinburgh, £5; Mrs R., Airdrie, set china and parcel lavender and cloth; J. M., Carlisle, £2; Ladies' working party and girls of the "Busy Bee," Thornhill, Dumfriesshire, per Miss W., nineteen articles clothing; Children, Bank Street Mission, Thurso, per J. C., 8s; R. H., rolls and bread; L. H. M., Lochearnhead, box used clothing; Mrs S., five articles clothing; Miss B., £1; Mrs J. G., £2; Darvel Free Church Sabbath School, per R. H., £1; "12th Sept., in memory of little Willie's birthday," 10s; W. T., Stirling, magazines; R. W., Patrick, £2; J. A., Gibraltar, £4; C. S., Stevenston, a ham; Mrs A. T. A., Alloa, seventeen articles clothing; Mrs R., Hamilton, £3; Miss M.L., parcel clothing; Mr H., four dozen loaves; Mrs S., two parcels books; a Fisherman, Fraserburgh, 4s; Anon., £1 5s; A. L., 10s; "Of Thine Own," £3; D. R., Wick, £7; Mrs C., Annan, £1; a friend, rolls; T. M., £5; J. M., Greenock, £2; "In Memoriam, Sept. 11th," J. M., Perth, 10s; a friend, £2; J. B., Strathaven, £1; D. M., Leven, quantity school books; T. M.D., Bonnyrigg, £10; Kirkcaldy postmark, 10s; Mrs M., Fraserburgh, 12s 6d; a friend, Falkirk, 5 pairs stockings and cuffs; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, £1; Mrs G. S., Uddingston, £1 1s; a friend, Fraserburgh, £3; Mrs A., 5s and 21 magazines; a friend, basket rolls; "A Paisley Flesher," £3; Miss C., Ayr, 42 articles clothing; W. & J. W., London, £1; Mr H., do., 2s; M. S. B., £1; J. M., Aberdeen, £5; "K. S.", 2s; A. P., Ayr, parcel clothing; Kirm postmark, parcel stockings, etc.; a friend, Paisley, 10 boys' straw hats; Mrs T., Largo, parcel Christmas card; R. L., Lanark, £5; a friend, basket rolls; Mrs R., Port-Allen, Islay, one deer; A. B. C., Pollokshaws, 10s; Crief 9 and G. R., Society, per D. M., 4s 8d; W. W., Paisley, £50; "Sambro Ginger," 5s; Busby S.S., per Mr C., £1 7s; "In memory of a dear son taken home," £5; a Mite, Broughty-Ferry, £1; Miss S. C., do., £5; a friend, do., with 1 Chr. xxix. 14, £2; Miss J. S., do., £2; C. S., do., £6d; a friend, do., £1; A. M., parcel magazines; T. C., Stirling, 10s; Peebles Parish (Ch. S.S.), per Mr B., £2; M. H. T., Greenock, 2s 6d; a friend, 2s loaves; Free St. Luke's S.S., per J. P., £1 5s 6d; J. S. P., and crew, Fraserburgh, barrel herring; J. S., do., do.; R. S. and crew, do., do.; R. R., do., do.; W. C., do., do.; a friend, do., four do.

**October 8.**—R. M. H., £1 5s; proceeds of small bazaar got up by a few girls, Greenock, per A. C., 8s 6d; J. G., Broughty-Ferry, £5; Mrs G., do., £1; Miss G. G., do., £1; Miss W. H., Beatenburg, Switzerland, two pairs stockings; Misses G., Campbelltown, box clothing; L. C., Luss, cravat articles, etc.; J. and M. B., Paisley, parcel hats and clothing; I. I. M., £1; G. H., Shettleston, 10s; W. L., Portobello, £1; A. A. K., Liverpool, 10s; R. W. C., Edinburgh, two books; found in purse, per M. C. G., Crief, 4s 7d; a Fisherman, Fraserburgh, 4s; Miss C., Montrose, 42 pairs stockings and three petticoats; a Tishe, Helmsdale postmark, 2s 6d; Miss A., Helensburgh, £2; Saltcoats Y.M.C.A., Children's S.M. Meeting, per L. F., 11s 9d; Helensburgh, hamper used clothing, etc.; I. L., Berwick-on-Tweed, parcel do.; Gallowgale Branch Y.M.C.A., quarterly amount for keep of child, £3 5s; "An Helensburgh Friend," parcel used clothing; P. four do.; Willing Helpers' Society, per Miss M. B., Uddingston, large box clothing; a friend, 24 loaves; Anon., £2; W. Y., jun., Kilmacolm, £10; Mr R., Airdrie, "Firstfruit of increase of salary," 10s; Kirm U.P. Church S.S., per A. G., 17s 5d; Mrs M., Falkland, 10s; Misses G., Dunfermline, £1 10s; J. S. N., £2; a friend and Wellwisher, £1; Mrs T., parcel magazines; Holytown, do.; S. G., Blairgowrie, £1; Langside U.P. Church S.S., per Charity Organisation Society, £1 2s; a Fisherman, Fraserburgh, £1; T. C., Leith, £1; R. W. C., Edinburgh, four books; a worker, 13s 4d; do., 10s; Mrs R., Dumoon, £1; R. I., Greenock, £1; G. F., do., £1; M. G., 10s; part of Sabbath collections of children at Bridge-of-Weir Homes during year, given to help their poorer brothers and sisters, £2 6s 5d; R. H., rolls; a friend, do.; a friend visiting H. mes., £1; found in boxes City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes, during September, £5 5d; L. C., Luss, box odds and ends; "A Birthday Thanksgiving," with Ps. cxxvi. 3, £1; Mrs H., Helensburgh, £10; I. N., Tarbolton, 10s; J. A., Paisley, £1 1s; Miss L., 12 pairs stockings and some clothing; E. M., Edinburgh, for Bethesda, £5; do., for Elim, £5; Miss M.G., 12 articles clothing; C. M. A. S., Pitlochry, £1 1s; P. M., Greenock, £10; Two Children, a brother and sister, Kilmacolm, 2s; "a few thistles frae a Brither Scot," 1s; C. and H., two bags nuts for Hallow'e'en; a family, per B. M. S., £1; Grand-mother of Children helped, 5s; a friend, basket biscuits; T. C., Motherwell, a thank offering, £1; "For the Children," £1; a Worker, a birthday thankoffering, £1; M. L., Greenock, 5s; Alice Willie, and Jessie, Grangemouth, £1; L. C., Luss, box used linen, etc.; Greenock postmark, 11d; J. T., Kilmacolm, £12; Mrs J. T., do., £5; A. T. T., do., £3; a friend, basket rolls; A. B., four dozen loaves; per Lenzie Carrier, parcel used clothing; M. L. & Co., £1 1s; J. F., Alloa, £3 and 10 articles clothing; Free West Church S.S., Stirling, per A. R., 9s 4d; "In Memoriam, 1st October, Stirling," £5; W. W., Kinross, £1; a sincere friend and wellwisher, Ayr, £1 1s; "Beta," Pollokshaws, £1 5s; a friend, Alloa postmark £1; Winter Work-Party, Kelso Parish Church per Mrs R., 7 pairs socks and stockings; M. H., Edinburgh, 12 petticoats and quantity wool; Mr C., Montrose, per C. F., 10s; Mrs C. A. F., 10s; Barony F.C. S.S., per J. M., £2; Bellahouston Parish Church S.S., per Mr K., £1 14s 7d; G. D. C., London, 10s; Greenhead U.P. Church S.S., £2; a friend, Ardishaig, £1; a Birthday Gift, £1; a friend who visited Homes lately, £1; Mrs M., quantity of used clothing; Money of two girls helped, 4s 8d; Friends, Hillside, Montrose, per C. F., 22 articles of clothing and 7 remnants of cloth; Mrs M., £1; Mr P., parcel clothing; P. R. B. & Co., London, per R. H., 2s; N. M.O., Dumoon, £2; H. B., Dunfermline, £30; A. C., £2; two Workers, a thankoffering on anniversary of wedding-day, £1 10s; U.P. Church S.S., Kilbarchan, per A. M.C., £1 14s; J. W. A., Dumoon, 10s; Mrs N.'s Class, Coldstream S.S., 5s; W. F. & Sons, Paisley, quantity serge and dress material; "Frae a Friend," Falkirk postmark, 5s; Miss A., 18 dresses and 34 articles

underclothing; D. M. S., for emigration, £4; Houston Free Church S.S., per W. K., 10s. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes building Fund:—a friend, to buy a house at the coast for children and workers requiring rest and change, £750; C. L., Perth, to provide a door or window in cottage, £1; A. D., for servants' cottage, 11s.

**October 22.**—H. F., £50; Mrs N., Fraserburgh, per R. S., 2s 6d; Caithness, Edinburgh, £1; H. B., Aberdeen, £1; W. S., Blairgowrie, £1 10s; a friend, per do., 1s; "In Memoriam," M. B. H., 56 articles clothing, etc.; a friend, £2; Jemimaville S.S., per B. M. M., £1 3s; R. S., Tayport, £4; S. C., Douglas, Isle of Man, £1; Mr and Mrs T., Skerries, 4s; Mr and Mrs G., do., 4s; S.S. Children, do., 1s 6d; A. H., E. Isle, do., 2s 6d; R. C., do., 2s 6d; S.S. Children, E. Isle, do., 2s 6d; do., W. Isle, do., 5s; Skerries Mission Collection, 2nd Oct., 6s 6d; Mr and Mrs M. L., do., 7s 11d—above sums from Skerries, sent by Dr M.L., saved from tobacco to buy oatmeal for the children; J. G. S., Upper Preston, Australia, £6; Mrs M.L., Kilbarchan, two small remnants cloth; Mrs T., Tarrington, 15 articles clothing, etc.; C. J., Valparaiso, per J. H., 5s; a Gentleman in Train, £4; Miss F., Wishaw, £1 and parcel clothing; T. A., Morpeth, remnant wincey; W. R. P.'s F. Ch. B. C., Chapellon, 18s; a friend, £5; J. N. C., Carlisle, quantity tracts and booklets; G. P., Kirkcubright, six pairs stockings; Kent Road U.P. Church S.S. Society, per W. K., £3 2s 4d; D. B., £2; L. C., Hastings, £5, part proceeds of sale of work, Thornhill, Dumfriesshire, per Miss W. G., £15; a friend visiting Homes, £20; J. P. B., Helensburgh, £1 15s 6d; D. B., Edinburgh, £1; Mrs W. B., Kingskettle, £1; D. D., Colmonell, Ayrshire, £2; A. W., Dundee, 10s; G. S., Bridge-of-Weir, £3; W. B. G., £3 3s; North Woodside F. Ch. S.S. collection box per R. C., jr., £5; Collected in Small Sums by a Child of 12, V. B., Edinburgh, 3s 6d; Lochwinnoch postmark, box used boots and shoes; Miss A., 10 pairs socks; T. F. M., large quantity stationery, brushes, etc.; a friend, basket biscuits; Helensburgh, used boots; J. C., Govan, parcel magazines; A. G., Cathcart, used clothing; a friend, do.; M. L., Birkenhead, 10s; C. H. B., Rotterdam, £1; Mr W., Huasco, Chill, per do., 7s 6d; Miss G., Hawick, 11 articles clothing; the Peter Brough Bequest Fund, per J. G., Paisley, £50; Anon., £1; Legacy of the late Miss Jane Brown, Johnstone, per J. B. and P. J., Stirling, £70, less duty, £7—£63; Roseneath Work Party, 24 articles clothing; a friend, £2; Mr Y. S. B.C., London Road U.P. Church, Edinburgh, £1 10s; a friend, few fish; a friend, Citadel Mission Children's Church, Leith, per J. M.D., 10s; Benevolent Com. Masonic Lodge, 551, from lodge in Barbadoes on behalf of family received, per J. C., £3; Mr M.K., 24 loaves; Mrs T. C. M.T., £2; G. G., Edinburgh, £5; a friend visiting Homes, £5; a Worker, 10s; J. P. B., Helensburgh, five pairs boots; a friend, Ferryden, £2; A. M., Darvel, £2; "Sympathy, Glasgow," £40; Mrs W., Uddingston, 10s; H. M., Crief, £1 10s; H. C. and S., quantity oatcakes; A. B. C., Pollokshaws, 5s; L. C., Hastings, parcel clothing, etc.; a friend, £1; Forfar Odd Minutes Society, per Miss W., 32 articles clothing; E. and E. B., Hastings, 8s 6d; F. O. S., quantity cards, etc.; R. A., Portobello, £1; Alice, Willie, and Jessie, Grangemouth, £1; Mrs M.F., Portobello, £1; Mrs M.C., £1 and 17 pairs stockings; Mrs S., Kilmarnock, £1; Strathaven Free Church Sabbath School, per G. S., 10s; Hill town Free Church Fellowship Association, Dundee, per K. M., 5s; Mrs J., Langholm, 23 articles clothing; Grangemouth, parcel used clothing; "Caithness," Edinburgh, 10s; W. C., Dundee, £3; a friend, two baskets rolls; H. R., Dunlop, £1; J. F., Paisley, £1 1s and 12 pairs stockings and socks; Mrs A., parcel used clothing; Queen's Park U.P. Church Mission Young People's Meeting, per Mrs A., £1; Partick Free High Church Sabbath Schools, per J. K., £2 10s 6d; J. P., Avondale, two bags potatoes; a friend, basket rolls; Mrs J. R., Callander, 50 articles clothing; C. T., used clothing; E. U. Sabbath School, Leith, per B. H., jun., £3 2s; W. W., Ayr, £1; Mrs J., Moffat, £20; D. H. A., Helensburgh, £10; Mrs M., 5s and parcel used clothing;

**October 31.**—M. G., Helensburgh, 7s 6d; A., do., £1; Newington U.P. Church S.S., Edinburgh, per A. D., jun., £4 5s; "In Memoriam E. H. B., October 24, 1891," £2; R. K. W., Liverpool, £10; Mrs J. L., Greenock, £5; a Worker, 13s 4d; do., 10s; Two do., a thankoffering, £1; Mrs A., Edinburgh, ten pairs socks; B. M.K., 10s; R. S., 10s; T. B. G., £1; A Thankoffering from poor children attending S. Class in Shore Street Evangelical Hall, Campbelltown, per A. C., 5s; Mrs B., Milt-on-Campsie, £5; Mrs J., Moffat, £30; J. F., Greenock, £1; M. C., £1; D. M., Cardross, parcel clothing; Proceeds of carving work done by invalid boy, £2 1s; Miss S., Paisley, hats, trimming, etc.; a friend, basket rolls; do., "to help with the orphans," 5s; G. L., Annan, £1; Lanark, nine scarfs and six pairs stockings and socks; Douglas Y.M.C.A., per J. W., £1; a friend in Greenock, two pairs stockings; Two Workers, "to help the helpless," £1; Balance from North Woodside Free Church Sabbath School collection box, per R. C., jun., £12 14s 7d; Brethren Meeting in Central Hall, Edinburgh, per G. S., £2; A. H. L., Inneshaig, 5s; J. & J. G. S., £1; W. S., 10s; a friend, 4s; Miss K. F., Greenock, 41 articles clothing and wool balls; L. C., Hastings, parcel clothing; D. L., £3 7s 6d; per Charity Organisation Society, 10s 6d; Mrs K., Milngavie, per do., £1 1s; Found in boxes City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes during October, £6 12s 5d; a friend visiting, Holvie Junction, 10s; George Square Congregational Church Young Men's B.C., Greenock, per J. H. M., £1 4s; Whip Money, 17s 6d; R. A. B., £20; Miss M., Lasswade, 5s; Larkhall Free articles of clothing made at girls' sewing meeting; G. B. and L. B. A., Pandez, pres Lutrey, Switzerland, £1 19s 6d; a friend and Wellwisher, Coatbridge, £1; J. J. H., Doull, £1; Mrs C., Jam. do., 2s 6d; Mrs H., do., 2s 6d; Mrs D., do., £1; Mrs K., do., 5s; Miss W., do., £1; M. L. E., do., £1; Miss A., Dollar, £1; E. H., do., 2s 6d; J. B. H., do., 2s 6d; C. B., do., 2s; J. M., do., 2s; Mrs H., do., 10s; Miss M. M., do., 10s; J. L. S., do., £2; M. F. B., do., 2s; Miss S. M., etc., collected by Mrs S., Dollar, M. M.K., £1; "The Lord's pennies," 2; J. B., Arbroath, 6s; J. M., parcel used clothing; a friend, basket rolls; Mr H., quantity rolls; Mrs H., Helensburgh, 14 pairs little boy now gone home, 2s 6d; J. W., Kilmear, £0; from the Master's Treasury, Grangemouth, £3 2s; a friend, M. E., £2; Mrs M.F., £10; a Wellwisher, £1; Teachers and Pupils, N. M. School, per Stevenson, Holytown, "In memory of deceased sister," £1; A. A., Johnstone, 2s 6d; A. R., do., 7s 6d; L. A. S., Houston, 10 pairs pheasants. The following has been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund—W. H., Ayr, who gave £6000 to build new school, for teachers' house, £2000.



# ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND, DESTITUTE CHILDREN'S EMIGRATION HOMES AND CITY HOME AND MISSION. *Abstract of Income and Expenditure for Year ending 31st October, 1892.*

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31st October, 1891.		31st October, 1892.	
To Balance on hand and in Bank, ..	£934 13 5½	By General Expenses at City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes, ..	£6,758 3 6
" Donations and Legacies received during the Year, £11,118 15 6		" Allowance to Workers, ..	1,488 12 0
" Found in Boxes and Collected at Special Meetings, 169 1 3½		" Furniture, Repairs, Taxes, and Insurance, ..	843 8 11
" Proceeds of Gifts, Photographs, and Sundry Articles, 327 9 8½		" Emigration Expenses, ..	1,936 2 1½
" Amount paid by Insurance Company for damage done by Fire, ..	100 10 0	" Money sent for Upkeep of Canadian Home, ..	500 0 0
" Wages earned by Working Boys, ..	843 19 10	" Evangelistic Expenses, Printing, Stationery, School Books, Postage, Photos, and Advertising, ..	424 13 2½
" Interest from Bank, ..	17 12 8	" Rewards to Children and Premiums to Working Boys on Wages Earned, ..	198 6 9
	12,577 8 7	" Relief given to Neccessitous Cases, ..	92 5 11
(In addition to above a sum of £719.56 has been received in Canada from Children and friends, and expended upon the Home there.)		" Medical Charges at Bridge-of-Weir, ..	19 18 6
		" Cash in Union Bank, ..	£1,247 16 8
		" Cash on hand, ..	2 14 5½
	£18,512 2 0½		£13,512 2 0½

GLASGOW, 3rd Nov., 1892.—I have audited the Books containing the Intrmisions of Mr. Quarrier for the year ending 31st October, 1892, 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 One Thousand Two Hundred and Forty-Seven Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Eightpence, and a sum of Two Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Fivepence Three Farthings in Mr. Quarrier's hands.

## ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND BUILDING ACCOUNT. *Abstract of Income and Expenditure for Year ending 31st October, 1892.*

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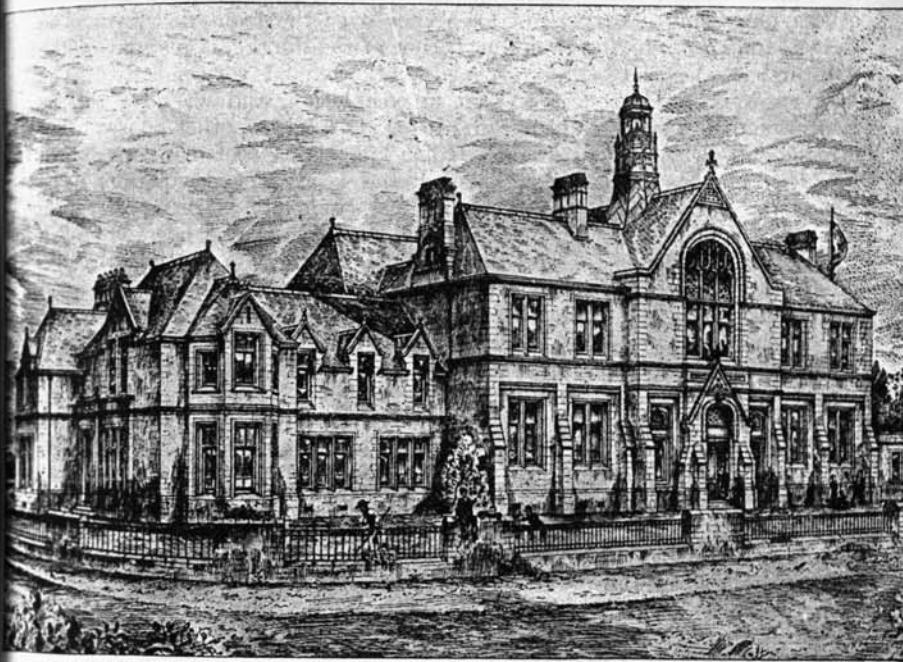
31st October, 1891.		31st October, 1892.	
To Balance on hand and in Bank, ..	£15,188 16 1½	By Payments to Tradesmen for work done during the Year, ..	£12,894 1 9½
" 31st October, 1892.		" Cash in Union Bank—Deposit Receipts, ..	£5,800 0 0
" Donations and Legacies received during the Year, £4,053 13 1		" Cash in Union Bank on Current Account, ..	797 14 0
" Interest from Bank, ..	222 0 6	" Cash on hand, ..	2 13 10½
	4,275 13 7		*6,600 7 10½
	£19,464 9 8½		£19,464 9 8½

\* This Balance will be absorbed by the completion of Buildings in course of erection.

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JAMES HUTTON, C.A.

## NEW BUILDINGS AT THE BRIDGE-OF-WEIR HOMES.



NEW SCHOOL AND TEACHERS' HOUSE.

Throughout the course of the year there has been steady progress made in building operations, although not to the extent we had wished. There are difficulties to contend with in the pushing forward of work in our locality, in the distance from the station, etc. Our large new school which was dedicated on Thanksgiving Day in September is now in full working order. The above sketch gives an idea of the outside of the building, but to describe the arrangements, fittings, etc., inside would involve more space than we have at our disposal. It is one of the finest of its size to be found in all Scotland, and is a grand monument to the memory of the loved one gone home, as well as a bright expression of practical sympathy on the part of the generous donor who supplied the £6,000 for the school proper and the £2,000 for the teachers' house, the latter sum given in the year just closed. The building is one hundred and seventy feet long by sixty broad, and seventy feet in height, and in style and character is in complete harmony with the rest of the houses in the national group. The school contains fourteen class-rooms, giving accommodation for about eight hundred children, which, with the old school, will give us capacity to meet the increasing wants of coming years.

In the beginning of spring the "Jehovah-jireh Home," built on one of the corners of Love Square, was opened, and is now filled with boys. Mr. R. A. Bryden, our architect, has spared no pains in making new plans suitable for each site, and this house has many points of architectural beauty, and it also is a splendid memorial of a loved father and

husband gone home. Towards the end of the summer "Sagittarius Home," situated at another corner of Love Square, was opened, and is now filled with boys. Some special designs distinguish it from the others, one being a carving of an archer over the front doorway. The "Ayr Home," occupying the other corner of the Square, is just out of the painters' hands, and will be opened and occupied very shortly. The "James Wilson Home" is well on to completion, and we hope will be ready soon, as we are really needing it for girls, all the other houses being already full. The "Renfrewshire Home" is getting roofed in, and it will be some months before it is finished and ready for occupation. The "Sabbath School Home" is in the masons' hands and is rising above the ground. We have already spoken in our narrative of the opening on 7th May of "Elim," our Invalid Boys' Home, given as a birthday thank-offering for a dear husband, and set apart on the anniversary of the day for the use of the sick and delicate boys among our number.

We have not yet received the money for the "Michael Rowan Home," of which we spoke before, owing to a law plea having been raised, and delay caused thereby. In addition to ground set aside for this house, we have still one building site left in Love Avenue, and are looking to the Lord to send through one or more of His stewards, the money to build a cottage on it. There are three or four other sites on which we could have houses when the money is sent, and this will fill up all the building ground we have left on our present farm. As the work is a national one, we should rejoice if friends in Dundee, Perth, Stirling, and other places not yet represented in the group were led to give the houses still required, but whether this will be or not, we feel sure the money needed will be forthcoming at the right time, as in all the past years of our trust in the Lord for the needs of the Homes.

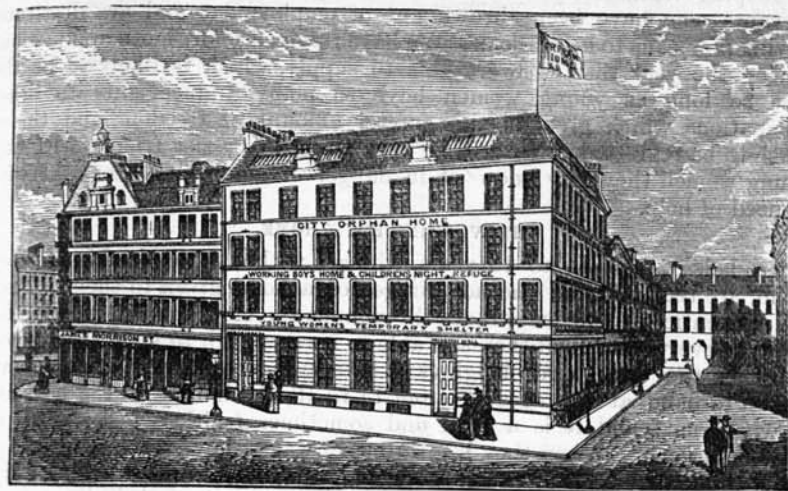
We are also looking to the Lord to send money to buy a large farm near the Homes for the increasing work, the buildings on our own having taken up the ground used for agricultural purposes. From £6,000 to £10,000 will be required to do this. We believe there are many of the Lord's stewards who would esteem it a privilege to do this piece of service for Him, and thereby leave a lasting memorial of their generous sympathy for the needy orphan and fatherless little ones, as well as indicate their obedience to Him who has said, "Freely ye have received, freely give."

No money given for the help of the needy will accomplish more lasting good than that which saves the children of our land from becoming paupers, and fits them for being useful members of society.

The National Homes are 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 one 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.

In view of the abounding sin around, and the havoc strong drink is making, the careless indifference of many, and the hatred and malice of the wicked one, we need to hear the Master's words with increasing reality: "Be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord."

## CITY HOME REFUGE AND MISSION WORK.



We have now to give some account of the work accomplished in connection with the above house during the past year, to do which adequately would involve more space than we have at our disposal in this narrative. By reference to the year's summary, some idea will be obtained of the laborious, and in many cases discouraging character of the work we have to undertake, and were it not for the sustaining grace and wisdom which the Lord imparts from day to day we would have given up before now. The City Home comprises a Working Boys' Home, a Temporary Home for training young women for service, Children's Night Refuge and Evangelistic and Mission Hall. It is also the receiving house for the Bridge-of-Weir Homes, every child admitted passing first through it. The usefulness of the Home 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, night's lodgings, money to pay rent, etc., according to their need. The investigation of the cases applying before being received involves a large amount of labour to our fellow-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. The help afforded is not to the city alone, but also to the country as a whole, for from all parts needy ones are sent or brought for help and advice. Many a wayward boy and girl who have run away from home and come to the city, have found a temporary shelter and have afterwards been restored to anxious parents; and oftentimes have we been thanked for help afforded in this way, and also in giving advice as to dealing with self-willed and wayward children, etc. We will briefly touch on the four departments of work connected with this building.

### YOUNG WOMEN OR SERVANTS' HOME,

where 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, when we think them fit, situations are found,



and on leaving we give them a suitable outfit, and so put them in the way of helping themselves. The Home also provides a shelter for young servants who have been thrown out of employment and are destitute, having no means to keep them. We have received many more applications during the year than we were able to supply, which is likely to be the case so long as young women have so many inducements to other occupations which give them a greater amount of freedom, and this is much to be regretted. We will be very pleased to assist friends with any young women they may know of in danger of going astray, or otherwise in need of help.

#### 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. They are apprenticed to various trades throughout the city, and we 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. Taken in hand at the ages of from 14 to 18, the habits of the boys are nearly formed, and it is a hard and sometimes fruitless task to try to overcome them. When they begin to earn wages, however small, some of them think they are conferring a favour on the Home by remaining in it; and others, again, persist in the dishonest practices they have been accustomed to. Notwithstanding these drawbacks, there is much encouragement from others, and in after years we believe there will be greater fruit in well-doing and gratitude from the labour now bestowed.

The next department is

#### THE CHILDREN'S NIGHT REFUGE.

where, at any hour of the day or night, we are ready to receive children from infancy upwards, 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 cases, and, if found deserving, would keep them. In finding out the true history of some of the children brought to us we have often some difficulty, for many of them, though young in years, are old in deceiving, but past experience among this class enables us to estimate their real character before they are very long under investigation. The fourth department of labour connected with the City Home is

#### THE EVANGELISTIC AND MISSION WORK.

In addition to the regular visitation of the district and lodging-houses by our voluntary helpers, our resident workers are at all times ready to visit the sick and dying; and in this way not only has spiritual counsel been given, but in many cases temporary help, which was very much needed. Gospel meetings have been conducted in our hall on Sabbath and Wednesday evenings, also Sabbath morning gatherings for children; and during the year we have had some weeks of special services also. Thousands of tracts have been distributed, so that in these various ways the Gospel is carried to a large portion of our non-churchgoing community. In dealing with the hundreds who have sought our help during the year there have been numerous opportunities of speaking a word in season, and thus in many different ways the "good seed of the kingdom" has been sown, the results of which eternity alone will reveal.

### SUMMARY OF THE YEAR'S WORK.

**CITY ORPHAN HOME.**—On 1st November, 1891, we had 57 boys and 29 girls in the Home, and these numbers have been augmented during the year by 314 boys and 247 girls, thus giving a total of 647 cases, disposed of as follows:—

**Boys.**—259 were sent to the Cottage Homes, Bridge-of-Weir; 5 went to lodgings; 21 left, etc.; 10 were dismissed; 1 died; and 17 were returned to friends in different places—leaving 58 in the Home.

**Girls.**—195 were sent to Cottage Homes, Bridge-of-Weir; 24 were placed in service; 4 were adopted, 4 left; 2 to other institutions; 20 were sent to their relatives in various places; and 27 are still in the Home.

**ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND, BRIDGE-OF-WEIR.**—The year commenced with 731 children; 454 new cases were received from City Home, giving a total of 1185, disposed of as follows:—Sent to Canada, 249; sent to City Home, 9; to other institutions, 2; to sea, 3; adopted, 3; died, 16; returned to friends, 55; left, 3; dismissed, 2;—leaving at present in the Homes, 843.

Thus it will be seen that during the year we have helped 1,378 children; and in the same time 669 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, 35 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 very great, and during the past year thousands 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 £843 19s. 10d. earned by working boys, £12,577 8s. 7d.; and for Orphan Homes of Scotland Building Fund, £4,275 13s. 7d.—the total amount for all purposes being £16,853 2s. 2d., 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 1000, our expenses for maintenance amount to about £40 a day, or £1,200 a month; but as new members are being constantly added, the needs are daily increasing. One more cottage will fill up the group in Love Avenue, and we have the desire, if the Lord send the money, to build a Home for Consumptives, also to have a large farm near the Homes for the increasing work, the buildings on our own having taken up the ground used for agricultural purposes.

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. We are always pleased to send shapes or patterns of articles of clothing useful for the children to friends desiring such, and are also glad to give any information that may be wished regarding sewing or other work. £10 pays for the passage and outfit of one child to Canada, and £12 keeps a child in the Homes for one year. 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."

The following gentlemen are the Trustees of the property:—Provost Binnie, Gourcock; Robert A. Bryden, Esq.; Dr. Charles Cameron, M.P.; W. A. Campbell, Esq.; Thos. Glen Coats, Esq., Paisley; A. Cameron Corbett, Esq., M.P.; J. H. N. Graham, Esq.; A. P. Forrester Paton, Esq., Alloa; Alex. Thomson, Esq., Bridge-of-Weir; William Quarrier.

### In Memoriam.

THROUGHOUT the year many of our valued friends and tried helpers in the work have been removed from their earthly labours to the higher service above.

Mrs. Finlay, of Lynedoch Street, who entered into rest in November, was from the beginning of the work until the day of her death a hearty sympathiser with us, and of her it may truly be said, "She hath done what she could."

On the 8th December Miss Margaret Ramsay, of Biggar, a frequent helper for many years past, was called home. Although in failing health for some time, she not only laboured for our little ones herself by gifts, prayer, and work, but also interested others to give. Miss E. Lamb, of Edinburgh, who entered into rest on the same day, was a kind helper for many years past, and by word and deed sought to minister to the needs of the large family under our care.

Mr. Wm. Costley, of Rothesay (formerly of Glasgow), who died on 17th December, and his dear wife, who passed away on 5th February, were both from the first greatly interested in the work. Although not possessed of much wealth they gave as they were able, and their fellowship from time to time was a source of strength and encouragement to us in our service for the Master. They were both ready for the change, and we do not sorrow as those who have no hope, but rejoice in the prospect of meeting again when our part of the battle is fought.

Mr. Hugh Rose, of Edinburgh, who entered into rest on 25th December at the age of 85, was one whose hearty sympathy from the beginning of the work until called away was a constant source of joy and thankfulness to us. He was greatly interested in Christian work in Edinburgh and elsewhere, and was ever ready to help deserving objects. We shall miss his cheery salutation and kindly sympathy, but our loss is his gain.

Miss Susan Smith, of Kilmalcolm, who died on 12th January, was interested in the work for some time, and by her will has bequeathed £500 and the residue of her estate to the Homes.

My old friend, Mr. A. C. Barker, of Aberdeen, who passed away on 18th January, was, along with his dear wife, who died many years ago, among the first outside Glasgow to take an interest in our work, and through his efforts the Aberdeen Home was built in 1881. He was most energetic in forwarding the interests of the Homes, and Christian movements in Aberdeen and elsewhere always found in him a warm friend. While we shall miss his kindly greetings and help, nevertheless we rejoice that re-unions have taken place in heaven, and we look forward to meeting again on the other shore.

Mrs. Robert Leslie, of Clifton place; Mr. James Wilson and Mrs. Nisbet, of Dunoon; Mrs. Turnbull, of Perth; and Mr. George Brown, of Aberdeen, who were called home in the beginning of the year, were interested friends for many years, and by their prayers and practical sympathy did much to strengthen our hands in the work of the Lord. Mrs. Turnbull has also remembered the Homes in her will by leaving a legacy of £200.

Mr. B. P. Bilbrough, of Croydon, father of my former fellow-helper in Canada, entered into rest on the 1st February. He was always interested in the Lord's cause at home and abroad, and in many ways sought to help forward His work. We pray that the dear ones left to mourn his loss may realise the up-keeping power of the Good Shepherd who leads His sheep by the right way.

On 18th February our valued friend Mrs. Alex. Allan was suddenly called away at the age of 62. For thirty years I have known and esteemed her for her sterling Christian character, and throughout all that time I have met with none who have worn the honours of wealth more gracefully and generously than she has done. Her mother, the late Mrs. Smith, and she built the City Home, as well as bought the ground, at a total cost of about £12,000. No equal amount of money spent in the city that I know of has accomplished so much real good as this house has already done. It has sheltered thousands of orphans, and been an influence for good to thousands of the non-church going population. Her discreet and constant giving to Christian benevolences was an example which others might follow. Her husband, Mr. Allan, entered into rest on 2nd April, just about six weeks after his dear wife's death, and his fellowship with us in the work was also a cause for thanksgiving. Their deep interest in the cause of the orphans under our care, as well as in other Christian efforts, leads us to praise our Heavenly



Father for the lives they have led, and our desire and prayer for the dear family left behind is that they may follow in the steps of those gone before, who, through faith and patience, now inherit the promises.

Alex. Adam, Aberdeen, a shore labourer by occupation, who passed away on the 8th of March, was a frequent helper for some years past. Out of his scanty means he ministered to the needs of the little ones from time to time, and at his death he left a legacy of £10. The riches of his liberality abounded out of his deep poverty, and now he has gone to receive the Master's "Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

On the 15th March Miss Steven of Bellahouston passed away. She, along with her sister who died in 1888, were givers to the work from the first, and their frequent fellowship was a source of joy and encouragement to us. Now they have passed from the visible to the invisible, and their large fortune has been left in the hands of trustees to be disbursed among Glasgow charities.

Mrs. Nicolson of Partick, who died on 17th March at the ripe age of 87, was a frequent helper to the work, and we shall miss her kindly sympathy and interest. Miss Susan Abernethy of Aberdeen, who died in April, was an interested friend in the work, and by her deed of settlement has bequeathed the half residue of her estate to the Homes.

On the 6th May Miss Helen Macfarlane of Edinburgh, formerly of Paisley, a kind helper from the first of the work, entered into rest at the age of 92. Her frequent gifts and sympathy cheered us from time to time, and in her will she has remembered the Homes by leaving a legacy of £100.

In July the Rev. Peter Leys passed away to his rest and reward. He was a preacher of rare ability among men, with a true evangelical spirit, and his hearty sympathy in the work of the Lord in our hands, as well as other Christian efforts was most helpful and cheering. The great and sore trial through which he passed in the defence of his grandsons raised him in the eyes of the Christian world as a hero for the truth. Now he rests from a well-fought fight, and will ever be remembered by what he has done.

Mrs. Whitelaw of Stirling, a dear friend and fellow-helper from the first of the work, entered into rest in July at the ripe age of 90, full of works for God and man. For many years she had a private school, and was very highly esteemed by her pupils, my own dear wife among the number. She took a real living interest in each, and sought by word and deed to draw out their sympathies for missions and other Christian work; and in later years it gave her great joy and encouragement when she heard of her children walking in the truth.

Mrs. France of Edinburgh, called home in July, was much interested in the work, and according as she was able ministered to the needs of our little ones.

Mrs. Buchanan, of Callander, who passed away in July also, took a warm interest in the work for a number of years past, and by her needle and otherwise laboured for the children, whom she ever called "the little Quarriers."

Miss Anderson, of Helensburgh, who died in October, was for many years a constant friend and helper, and just a few weeks before she passed away we were cheered by a gift from her. With many others we shall miss her kind sympathy and practical interest, but we know our loss is her gain.

Miss Laurie, of Parkgrove Terrace, who was gathered home on 14th October, was, along with her two sisters, a frequent helper to the work under our care. May the sisters left behind know the upmaking portion of the Brother born for the adversities of time.

Mrs. Howden, an invalid helper in Edinburgh; ex-Bailie Bertram, Glasgow; Lady Grisell Baillie, St. Boswell's; Mrs. Wilson, Glenluce; Mrs. Tyre, Millport; Mr. Jas. Crawford, Castle-Douglas; Mr. Archbold and Miss Short, Wooler; Mrs. Bisset, Irvine; Mrs. Jack, Gourrock; Margaret Graham, Glasgow; Mrs. Barr, Uddingston; Mrs. Purves, Dunbar; Mrs. Clark, Kinross; and Mrs. Dalziel, Cambuslang, who have been gathered home during the year, were among our fellow-helpers in the work whose practical sympathy and interest we valued much.

There may be many others of whose removal 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.

In closing the records of the twenty-first year of our trust in the Lord for all the needs of the Homes and the twenty-eighth of our work among poor children, we cannot do so without feeling truly grateful to our Heavenly Father who has so abundantly blessed and guided us throughout all the past months. He hath indeed done great things for us, "whereof we are glad." Many more details might have been given of the Lord's goodness in supplying all our needs, and of the hundreds of children rescued; but the facts stated will give some insight into the year's work as a whole. The cheering practical sympathy of our fellow-helpers throughout the land has been a matter for constant thanksgiving on our part, and while we have greatly missed the fellowship of old and tried friends who have been gathered home, the Lord has raised up others to fill their places, and has laid it upon the hearts of all to work together for the good of His little ones and the glory of His name.

The year has been one of steady progress, for which we do praise God, and we are looking forward to accomplishing more in the new year on which we have just entered than in any of the past. About £14,000 will be needed for maintenance and emigration expenses, or in other words, £40 a day, besides money for building purposes; and suitable fathers and mothers, teachers, and other helpers will also be required for the increasing work. As the promise of God to supply all our need still stands to-day as our ground of trust, we would rest anew in it for the unknown future, feeling sure that as in the past He has done exceeding abundantly above our asking, so He will in this coming year. The money to buy the 200 acre farm, etc., which we anticipate will cost about £10,000, will we doubt not be sent in good time.

As a Scotchman I am grateful to our Heavenly Father that, through the agency of the local institutions in the cities and towns throughout Scotland; by the boarding-out system, and also through the agency of our own National Homes, we are able to cope with all the legitimate wants of the land for the helping of orphan and fatherless children. We regret, however, that against the expressed private and public protest of many friends and well-wishers, a certain London institution has seen fit to establish a receiving home in Edinburgh, and to draft children and young people to London, all of whom could be well dealt with, and at less expense, by the local and national organizations of our country. It is desirable that Christian voluntary workers should study one another so that there may be no overlapping or wasting of the Lord's money laid to our hands. We receive children from all parts of Scotland when local institutions are not competent to deal with them, and are most anxious and willing to render all the help we can, so that we may be found working together as a united whole. The cost for the yearly keep of a child in the Homes is £12, inclusive of educational and all other expenses, and when economy and efficiency go together we may expect the Lord's blessing, and this we have abundantly had in all the past years of His work under our care. To Him we give all the honour of the results accomplished in the year that has just gone, and to Him shall be the glory of the coming one, for He alone is worthy. That there will be trials and difficulties in the way we doubt not, but we know our God is faithful, and will not suffer us to be tempted above that we are able, and we go forth resting in the sure promise, "Certainly I will be with thee." We are sure the prayers of you, our fellow-helpers, will be constant for us that the Lord

will strengthen and encourage us as the days go by, as ours are for you that He may accept your offerings and fulfil all your petitions.

We close with the following lines:—

"For the year before us,  
Oh what rich supplies!  
For the poor and needy  
Living streams shall rise;  
For the sad and sinful  
Shall His grace abound;  
For the faint and feeble  
Perfect strength be found.

"He will never fail us,  
He will not forsake,  
His eternal covenant  
He will never break.  
Resting on His promise,  
What have we to fear?  
God is all-sufficient  
For the coming year."

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 Orphan Homes, Bridge-of-Weir. Cheques and Orders to be made payable to WILLIAM QUARRIER. If more convenient, donations can be left at City Home, 13 James Morrison Street, Glasgow, or 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, on receipt of a post-card from any part of the city, a messenger will call for parcels. Telegrams should be sent to City Home, James Morrison Street, as we have to pay on delivery of them at the Bridge-of-Weir Homes, they being two miles from the Post Office. We are now connected with the National Telephone Company, and telegrams sent to City Home will be communicated to us from there.

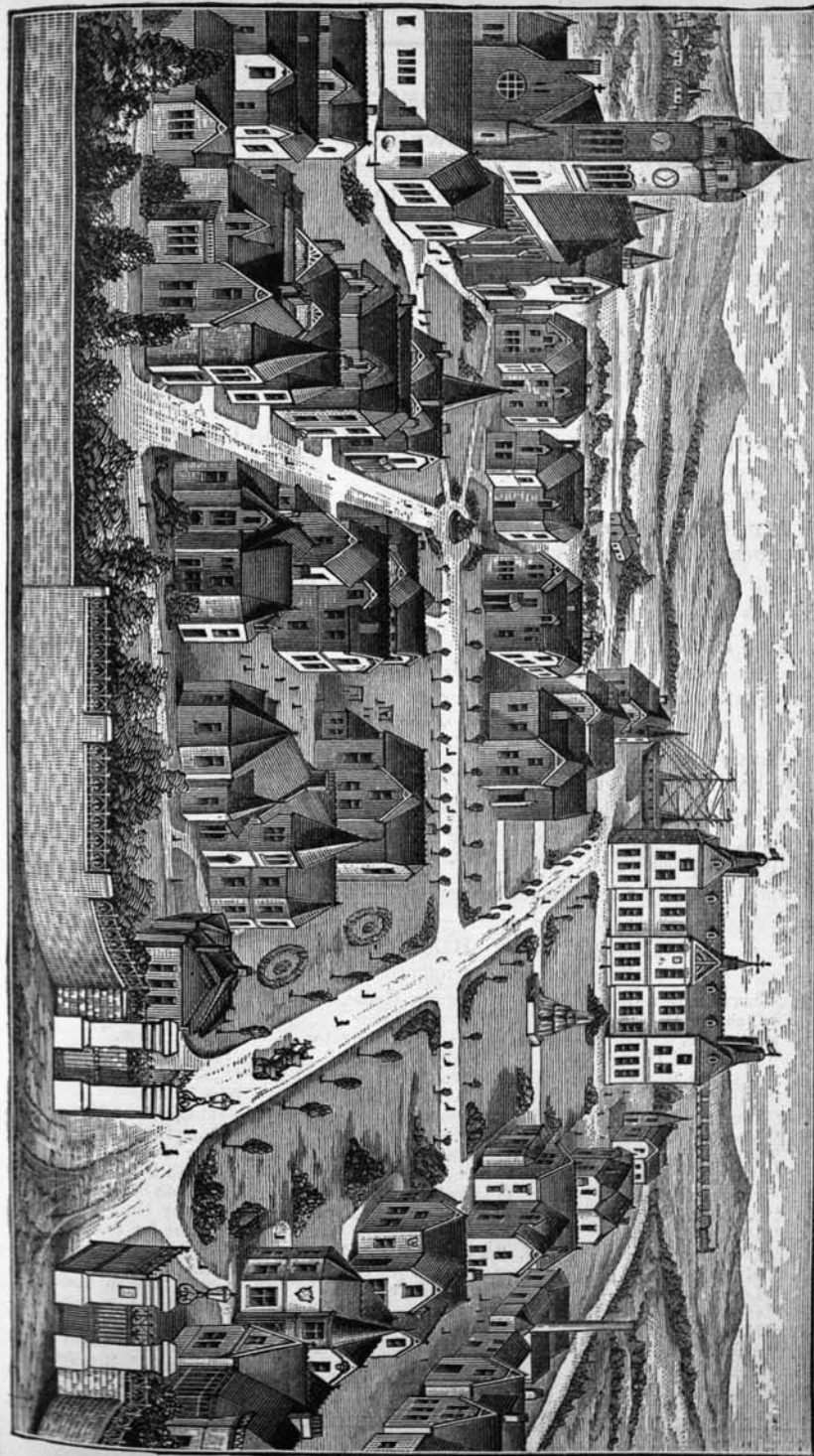
All donors, whose names and addresses we have, will receive the Annual Report, and if additional copies are desired we will be glad to forward them.

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 the fortnightly statements, will please communicate with me at once, in case the money has gone amissing.

WILLIAM QUARRIER.

ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND,  
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There are 44 Buildings connected with the work, which have cost over £120,000; more houses will be added as the money is sent.



## CLASSES OF CHILDREN ADMITTED INTO THE HOMES.

**Bridge-of-Weir, Renfrewshire.**—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.

**Children are admitted** at the City Orphan Home, James Morrison Street, off London Street, from 3 to 5 o'Clock P.M. daily (except Saturday).

**Mr. Quarrier can be seen** at same place and hours on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday; 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 Superintendent, Central Building, at the hours of 11 A.M., 1 and 3 P.M. From 1 to 2 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 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 44 Buildings:—*

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| 1. "CENTRAL BUILDING," in which are Hall, School-rooms, etc. | 20. "Ashgrove Home."  | 31. "Gatehouse."  |
| 2. "Broadfield Home."  | 21. "Kintyre Home."   | 32. "Gardener's House and Poultry Farm."                |
| 3. "Glasgow Home."   | 22. "Marshall, Bridgeton, Dalmarnock Home."                         | 33. "Homelea."  |
| 4. "Dalry Home."   | 23. "Lincoln and Garfield Home."                                    | 34. "New School Buildings."                             |
| 5. "Dumbartonshire."   | 24. "Edinburgh Home."   | 35. "Jehovah-Jireh Home."                               |
| 6. "Ebenezer Home."  | 25. "Bethesda," for Invalid (Incurable) Girls.                      | 36. "Sagittarius Home."                                 |
| 7. "Washington Home."  | 26. "Elim," for Invalid (Incurable) Boys.                           | 37. "Ayr Home."   |
| 8. "Aberdeen Home."  | 27. "James Arthur," training ship on land.                          | 38. "James Wilson Home."                                |
| 9. "Greenock Home."  | 28. "Ferguslie Offices," comprising Laundry, Workshops, etc.        | 39. "Sabbath School Home."                              |
| 10. "Anderston Home."  | 29. "Stores," including Stable, Coach-house, Byre, Greenhouse, etc. | 40. "Paisley Home No. 2."                               |
| 11. "Paisley Home."  | 30. "Church and Class Rooms."                                       | 41. "House for Teachers."                               |
| 12. "Cessnock Home."   |   | 42. "Seaside Home, Ardnamadam."                         |
| 13. "Mizpah Home."   |   | 43. "City Orphan Home," James Morrison Street, Glasgow. |
| 14. "Leven Home."  |   | 44. "Canadian Distributing Home," Brockville, Ont.      |
| 15. "Overtoun Home."   |   |   |
| 16. "Montrose Home."   |   |   |
| 17. "Mitchell Home."   |   |   |
| 18. "Allan Dick Home."                                       |   |   |
| 19. "Somerville Home."                                       |   |   |