

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

A NARRATIVE OF FACTS  
RELATIVE TO WORK DONE FOR CHRIST,  
IN CONNECTION WITH THE  
ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND,  
DESTITUTE CHILDREN'S EMIGRATION HOMES,  
AND  
CITY HOME AND MISSION, GLASGOW,  
FOR TWENTY-SEVENTH YEAR, ENDING 31st OCTOBER, 1898.  
BY  
WILLIAM QUARRIER.

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

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CITY ORPHAN HOME,  
WORKING BOYS' HOME,  
CHILDREN'S NIGHT REFUGE,  
YOUNG WOMEN'S SHELTER  
AND  
MISSION HALL,  
JAMES MORRISON STREET  
GLASGOW.

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CANADIAN DISTRIBUTING HOME,  
FAIRKNOVE, BROCKVILLE  
ONT., CANADA.



BETHESDA AND ELIM HOMES  
FOR  
INCURABLE ORPHAN CHILDREN,  
BRIDGE-OF-WEIR.

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SHIP ON LAND  
TO TRAIN BOYS TO BE  
MISSIONARY SEAMEN,  
BRIDGE-OF-WEIR.

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TRAINING HOMES FOR BOYS  
AND GIRLS FOR CANADA,  
BRIDGE-OF-WEIR.

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CONSUMPTION HOSPITALS  
FOR SCOTLAND,  
BRIDGE-OF-WEIR,  
RENFREWSHIRE.

*"Naked and ye clothed me."*

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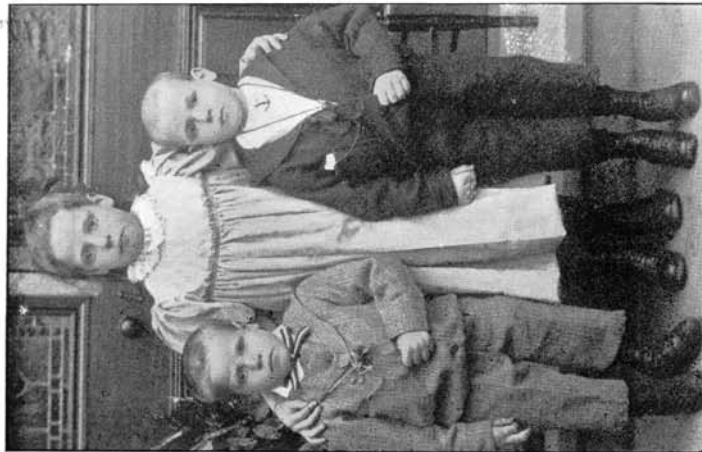
1898.

DEAR FELLOW-HELPERS,—Another year of blessed work has just closed; and as we take pen in hand to record in some measure the path by which we have been brought, we are lost in wonder and praise in view of the many and varied ways the Lord has taken to carry on His work under our care, as well as to teach us how to trust Him more and serve Him better. In all the past twenty-seven years of our trust in the Lord for the needs of the work and the thirty-four of our service amongst poor children, there has been no year that demands from us a song of praise more than the one just gone. In the trials through which we have passed we have been gently led, and we believe by the right way. The relapse in my illness has been one of the trials which we could not at the beginning see would be one of the all things that would work for good. But we are able to praise God to-day for this also; and for the strength restored, the new hope imparted, and the joy we still have in service for Him, we magnify His name. The great

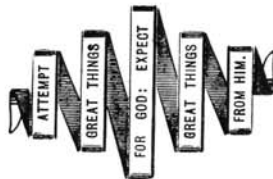
trial we had in the burning of portion of the Executive Buildings in connection with the Consumption Hospitals, was a path which we had never passed through before, and yet the Lord sustained me in comfort and peace, although I was just recovering from my illness at the time; and as soon as the conflagration was over we were able to praise Him for mercies manifold, and the deliverance so strikingly given in answer to prayer in saving the best half of the whole block, when from a human point of view, there was no hope of anything being spared. Then, again, there has been trial in the Court of Session case regarding the rating of the Homes, in the decision of Lord Pearson, which was against the Homes. In our "Occasional Paper" we gave a full explanation of the case in all its bearings, and need not enlarge much on it here. There is no Act in Scotland which has power to exempt rates on Institutions such as ours, but the one passed in 1869, entitled: "An Act to exempt from Rating, Sunday and Ragged Schools." We claim to be Ragged and Sunday Schools in the truest sense of the Act, but Lord Pearson decided that we were more than Ragged and Sunday Schools, or to quote his own words: "Mr. Quarrier's

Homes may be said to be a large and very highly developed Ragged School." It is on this point that we should have had honour and help given from those in authority, in doing not only what the law prescribes, but more. From the reading of the Act there is no hindrance set to the mode of education, the extent of the education, or the place of education, but only that it shall be "for the gratuitous education of children and young persons of the poorest classes, without any pecuniary benefit being derived therefrom by the teacher." Now, our whole system involves this, that teachers and all associated with the work have no guaranteed salary, and are voluntary in that respect, although the Lord takes care of all of us in His own marvellous way. The County Council have been arbitrary in

Suspense as to  
Legal Issue of  
the Rating of  
Homes.



Orphan Family in Prosperity.



Orphan Family in Adversity.

their prosecution of the Homes, scarcely to be looked for from the promises made of being interested and anxious to help such work if they could. Not content with our plain statement of facts, they got an order from the Court for a Commission to search our books for the past ten years, to find out if we received any children for payment, but from all that, they were unable to find one case. Not content with this, they got an order to have a number of the houses photographed so as to show their villa-like appearance, but refused to have the children in front of them, and took no cognisance of the internal arrangements showing the educational work. They have indeed put themselves at variance with all voluntary social progress of the county and country at large. Seeing that they got the houses thus photographed it was necessary that the internal working of the school plan should be brought before the Court, and therefore we had a number of photos produced which shewed clearly that every house is a school as well as a home, and that they were for homeless children that they might be trained, so as to fit them for becoming useful, intelligent, and industrious citizens of the country at large. The Ragged and Sunday Schools Act gives provision for holding meetings or classes, and doing other work of a voluntary kind; and this is what we contend for, that the whole concern is for the gratuitous education and feeding of the hungry, which the Act does not prohibit being done. Who can conceive of a child being educated who has no home to live in, and no moral surroundings: the thing is out of reason. Every Ragged School from the first one of John Pounds the cobbler, down to the present day, has not withheld food as well as lodging for the homeless; and because we do our work better are we not to have the benefit of all that the law can do for us? Instead of restricting it to mean this and that, should it not be enlarged to a just and equitable meaning? I maintain that his lordship never gave a more contradictory interlocutor than when he declared that "the Homes might be said to be a large and very highly developed Ragged School," but that they included more than a Ragged School and were therefore not entitled to exemption of rates.

**Our Claim for Exemption from Rates.** Maintaining as we do that we are Ragged Schools carried on according to law and therefore entitled to the benefit of the exemption rating clauses of the Act, we have taken the case to the Inner Court of Appeal, and this, we expect, will come up for decision in a few days. We are grateful for all the help which friends have given towards the law expenses of the action, but we shall need much more for this purpose to carry us through to its final issue, so that if possible justice and equity may be established in the land for the homeless and the destitute. It is a national question which should be of importance to all interested in philanthropic effort, that institutions such as that of the Homes, established solely for the gratuitous education of the poor, as well as infirmaries, etc., supported by voluntary gifts, should be exempted from rates, local and otherwise; and we look for the practical sympathy and co-operation of the Lord's stewards in this most important question. We give details throughout the Narrative regarding the various prints, so that friends may get a little more information as to the points of difference between the County Council and ourselves in regard to this question of rating.

Throughout the year we have had no epidemic or serious outbreak in our Children's City, such as we had last year, when about 150 were laid down with measles. The general health of the village has been good, and for these temporal blessings we have indeed much to

praise our Heavenly Father for. Spiritual blessing has also been vouchsafed to our efforts put forth in house, church, and school, by which the moral and spiritual character of our large family has been built up. Our large Christian Endeavour meeting is a manifest token of the spiritual interest among the children, hundreds of whom declare themselves on the Lord's side, and we believe seek in their daily life to serve and follow the Saviour. We have to praise God for the opening of the Consumption Hospital this year, and we are thankful for the good results which have been accomplished in the few months this important work has been in existence, and expect to see greater things in the year to come.

**Practical Sympathy and Support from Lord's Stewards.** The kind, practical sympathy of the Lord's children throughout the land has been equal to any former years, and the thousands of sympathizing letters sent from friends known and unknown, far-off or nearer at hand, have been very cheering, and a great source of strength to me in the midst of the many trials through which we have been called to pass.

During the year which commenced on November 1st, 1897, there have been sent in, in answer to prayer for daily maintenance, £15,149 0s. 1½d., and large quantities of clothing and provisions; for the building fund of the Orphan Homes, £3,294 4s. 3d.; and for the Consumption Hospitals, £6,266 4s. 7d.; giving a total of £24,709 8s. 11½d. That such a large amount should be given without anyone being called on, or collectors sent out to gather it, declares plainly there is a God who hears and answers the prayers of His children.

The year commenced with 1,015 under our care in the Homes, and since then 286 new children have been admitted, from the infant of days to the older lads and girls, from all over the country, making a total of 1,301 who have passed through the Homes during the year. **Destitute Orphans Received without Class Distinction.** They have come from all classes of the community; the children of sailors, soldiers, policemen, farmers, and civilians in almost every social position in life being represented in the number, and they have been received without respect to person, creed, or any class distinction, each case being considered on its own merits; and no really destitute orphan child has been refused admission. In addition to the children dealt with in the Homes, 683 homeless, friendless wanderers were provided with a night's shelter in the model lodging-houses, and in many cases with food; besides hundreds of other needy ones temporarily helped with means, provisions, advice, etc. While I look back and praise God for the great results of the past, I am not satisfied with what has already been done, and will not, until we see every orphan child in Scotland removed from the poorhouse and put into a better position than the poorhouse can ever do. The Golden Rule is, "As ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them," and are there any of us who would like to live out our life in the poorhouse or see our children there, so in the coming days we will still go forward, striving to lessen the misery, pauperism, and crime of our country as the Lord shall enable us with His help and strength bestowed. A few of the Parish Councils of Scotland have sent small donations to the Homes for services rendered to them in the receiving and helping of children, and this generous action on their part has been objected to by the Local Government Board as unlawful, and yet by the helping of such, pauperism has been reduced, crime lessened, and the children brought up in a better way than could ever be done in the poorhouse. Surely it is time there was a modification of a law which prohibits such gifts, as well as giving any special treat to



the inmates of the poorhouses without special permission, etc. We never take children for payment, but it is nice to see service rendered to others acknowledged by gifts, be they small or great.

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 for 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 for the maintenance and development of the work and also for the needs of my family and myself; and hitherto this has always been the case.

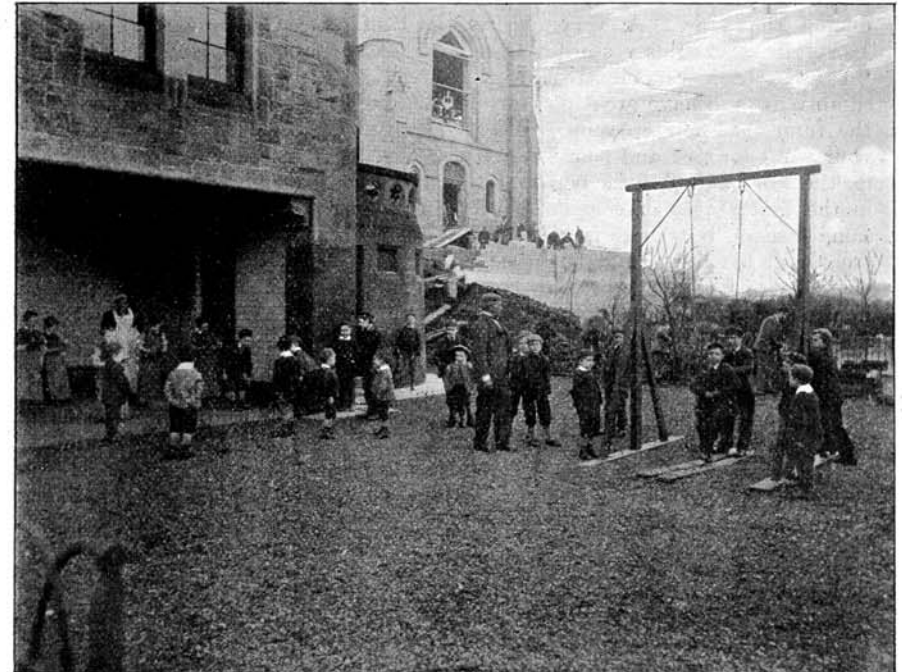
The work of the Homes from the first until now has, we believe, been a standing rebuke to the sceptic who denies that there is a God or One who hears and answers the prayers of His children; and it is also an evidence to the fact that there are thousands of Christians throughout the country who, in giving of their means, act from the high motive of not letting their left hand know what their right hand doeth.

The following details will give friends some idea of how the Lord has supplied day by day, week by week, and month by month, the daily needs of the work—money, wisdom, guidance, and all things required, with a constancy and minuteness which are wonderful in our eyes, and we pray that in and through all the Lord may be magnified.

**November 1, 1897.**—Once more we enter on a new year of service for the Master, the twenty-seventh of our trust in the Lord for the supply of all need, and the thirty-fourth of work among poor children. As we look back on the year that has gone, with all its trials and blessings; and look forward to the days before us, we feel how helpless we are in ourselves; but realising that "in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength," we would go forward, knowing that "no good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly." We begin the year with only about £180 in hand, sufficient for three days' provision, and the needs for the coming months will be greater than in the past; but the promise "My God shall supply all your need" is as sure to-day as in days of old, and as we step out into the untried way before us we would seek to rest anew on our covenant-keeping God, "who faileth never." £50 from a Well-wisher in Carlisle, and various other sums, amounting to £29, are the earnest of the new year's gifts, and we are privileged to rescue a girl of fifteen in great danger of going wrong through evil surroundings and influences.

**Nov. 6.**—One of our little ones, Josephine Strathearn, passed away to-day from our care here to the Home above. She was one of a very delicate family of four children we took from Dunoon five years ago. The parents both died of consumption, and Josephine inherited the disease; but we hoped the fresh air and good food would have enabled her to throw it off; this was not to be, and she has gone to enjoy the better part of those who sing "around the throne of God in Heaven." A number of gifts are sent to cheer us these opening days of the year, 1s. comes as "a poor man's gratitude for an answer to prayer"; £5 is sent from a Bridge-of-Weir friend "as a small token of sympathy"; £2 comes from a donor in Paris; and anonymous friends in Greenock, Dunoon, Pershore, and Edinburgh, send £5 17s. 6d.; 3s. 6d. for the Consumption Hospital; £150

comes towards upkeep of "Bethesda" Invalid Home from bequest of the late Mr. Gordon Oswald; a firm in the city send thirty-eight dozen loaves; another friend in Dunlop forty loaves; and from helpers in various parts come many articles of clothing. We were able yesterday to hold out the hand of rescue to a young girl of sixteen, in great danger of going wrong. She was sent to us by a missionary who had come in contact with her. She has never been at school, and has tramped the country with her mother, never staying more than three days in one place. Her mother deserted her in Perth, and the poor girl has no friends able to keep her. She will be taken into our City Home, and given a chance to fit her for making her own way in the world.



This sketch is one which we submitted to the Court of Session to show that, although from the outside the houses may have a villa-like appearance, they are in reality schools in action. It represents the playground and covered shed connected with the "Somerville Home." The boys play here when they get out from lessons, as well as at other times, and the same may be seen in every house in the village. We feel sure every one will admit that it looks more like a school playground than a villa residence.

**Nov. 13.**—From Alexandria, Helensburgh, Tigbabrauaich, Edinburgh, Strathaven, Mauchline, Lenzie, East Wemyss, Monifieth, and Glasgow, £9 2s. 6d. and quantity clothing have come for our daily needs to-day; also £12 for the Consumption Hospitals. Among the many gifts received these past few days are £5 from an anonymous friend in Portsoy; £1, an "In Memoriam gift"; £2 from a city missionary and his wife, "praying that God may still use and bless you much for His glory"; £1, and 5s. for personal use, "A thankoffering for God's goodness" from an Alloa friend; £10 "for the Master"; £50, a legacy from Edinburgh; 5s. from an anonymous donor, "Inasmuch"; 10s. from "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," our frequent helpers; 1s. 9d., "with kind love," the savings of a little boy



in Broughty Ferry; 6s. from two little girls in Lockerbie; and £5 5s. from the employees of a firm in the city, for the Consumption Hospitals.

**Nov. 18.**—Our Twenty-Sixth Annual Meeting was held to-day in the Christian Institute. The day was rather a showery one, but notwithstanding there was a good gathering of interested friends, whose presence and kind words of encouragement greatly cheered us in going forward in the work of rescue.

We had a pleasant gathering in the evening in our church for the children and workers, when a very happy hour or two were spent listening to hymns, recitations, etc., given by the children. Towards the close of the meeting the boys and girls who had been successful received prizes for the best kept garden plots planted and tended by themselves during the year. A very cheering gift of £50 for the Consumption Hospitals reached us yesterday from a friend in Edinburgh, who writes:—"I have been very interested in reading about your Homes for Consumptives, and have great pleasure in sending a donation of £50 towards the fund for their erection. May God give His continued blessing on your work for sick and poor." A friend in Alloa yesterday, sending £25 for the work and £25 for personal needs, asks our aid with a young man in the first stages of consumption. His brother has just died with the same disease, but there is hope that if this young man could get proper treatment his life would be saved. We were very sorry we could only write to say that the present Hospital being for females, we could not hold out any hope of receiving him, and our regret is, that this is the only answer we can give to the many applications that come to us for help from men suffering with this disease in all parts of the country. We have been prohibited from opening the present Hospital until the sewerage scheme, now in course of erection, is finished, and we are pushing this on as speedily as possible, and hope to be able to open the Hospital in the Spring. We trust the Lord will lay it upon the hearts of some of His stewards to provide the means soon to erect an Hospital for males, for the need of such is very great.

**Nov. 26.**—We were surprised to learn to-day that a sheriff officer had been at our City Home pointing the furniture, desks, forms, etc., belonging to the mission hall there, and this at the instance of the City Parish of Glasgow. For the past thirty-three years we have not paid any rates on this building, but this year the City Parish have charged us with poor and school rates. Although appealed against on the ground that we were an institution for the charitable education of the poor, and therefore should be exempted, they have set that appeal aside, and seem determined to proceed with the utmost rigour of the law. When we heard that there was a likelihood that they would levy rates, we appealed against the high valuation of £310 that was placed years ago on the property, and got this reduced to £50; but the City Parish are not satisfied to impose the rates on the reduced rental, but insist on us paying on the high valuation. As we considered this manifestly unfair we declined to pay, and this is the result. This action is not what one would have expected from a Board that we have helped so largely in the past, by rescuing hundreds of children who would otherwise have been a burden on its rates. There is need for a law being passed remitting all rates on charitable rate-saving institutions, such as infirmaries, orphanages, etc., and we trust that this will speedily be got. Amid the trials by the way, the following letters from two of our children in Canada come to cheer and encourage:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I received your last letter, and I was well pleased with it seeing it was on my birth-day. You were telling Edwin my letters were very brief. I would have sent you a longer letter if I had had the time. I just thought I'd like to drop a short letter anyway. I suppose you folks away there had a jolly time at hallowe'en. I remember the last hallowe'en I spent in the Homes. I sang a piece at the entertainment. We had Mr. A. Burges around seeing us: he gave Mrs. A. and me a lovely photo frame, and if you send me your photo I'll put you in it. We had a convention at our church for four days; there were eight or nine ministers to preach to us. I am sorry to say we hadn't very good weather. We had two ministers staying at our place during the meetings; one was Dr. Jackson, the other Rev. Mr. Orser. I enjoyed them very much. I don't know how some people can listen to God's promises and know that His Holy Spirit is striving with them to try and lead to the Saviour. Their hearts seem to get so hardened all the time, till at last it is too late. The Rev. Mr. Johnstone while preaching was saying that there was a time in a person's life that the Holy Spirit would never strive with them. I am thankful that the Holy Spirit never left me till I fully yielded. I am going to send a bundle of Sabbath Readings to my cottage at Christmas for the girls to read. I thought, maybe some of the stories may be the means of leading some of the girls to Jesus, and my prayer is that it may. We've had a beautiful summer and fall. The men are busy ploughing, and I am busy working; I am rocking the baby and writing with all my might. We have a fat time at our house; we eat lamb every day for dinner. Fruit has been cheap. I have helped to eat lots of grapes this year. I think I'll have the dyspepsia this winter, I've ate so much this summer. Now, dear Mr. Quarrier, I've told you lots of news, and I want lots off you. I must close. I hope you're well; kindly remember me to Mrs. Quarrier.—I remain, ever your loving friend, C. J.

DEAR FRIEND,—It is such a long time since I have written to you. You will be thinking I have forgotten the Homes and the friends there. But although I have not written lately I often think of you all. I am well, and hope you have fully recovered from the severe illness you had some time ago. I suppose the children had a fine time at Hallowe'en. If some of us older ones were to come back I suppose we would hardly know the place now. I will never forget the good I learned there. I hope Mrs Quarrier and Miss Quarrier are well, kindly remember me to them. Tell them I am trying to follow Jesus.

He's been better to me than all my hopes;  
He's been better than all my fears;  
He made a bridge of my broken works,  
And a rainbow of my tears.  
The billows that guarded my sea-girt path,  
But carried my Lord on their crest;  
While I dwell on the days of my wilderness march,  
I can lean on His love for the rest.

The last letter I had from Willie he told me he had given his heart to Jesus; I cannot doubt but he will get along all right. I attended the Epworth League Convention held at Brighton, where Mr. W. was pastor of the church; you will no doubt remember him. He took the service at our Church on Sunday evening, and in conversation with him he told me he was well acquainted with you. He was enquiring about you and Mrs. Quarrier. The Convention I enjoyed very much. The young people's papers were excellent. I will close now.—Yours truly, N. B.  
£46 1s. 2d., quantity bread, and some clothing from friends in Perth, Edinburgh, Mauchline, Milton of Campsie, New Burnet, Bucklyvie, Balfour, Dundee, Crathie, Kilmarnock, Alloa, Cannes, and Glasgow, are our gifts to-day.

**Nov. 30.**—From all parts of the country the cry of the needy little ones comes to us, and during the month we have been able to help quite a number. Among them, a family of three, 11, 9, and 6 years of age, whose father died some years ago in an asylum, and since his death mother has sunk very low, and is now a moral wreck, and totally unfit to have charge of the children. A boy of 15, from Dundee, who has been up before the court for petty offences, and, unless taken in time, would in all likelihood go to swell the criminal ranks; his father, who was in business for himself, died a year ago; mother is also dead; and grandmother, an old woman of 80, who has had him, is unable to control. He is a smart-looking boy, and we hope, by God's grace, will yet become a useful member of society. A boy

of 10 is brought from Edinburgh. Father died three years ago, and mother, who has other three children, has endeavoured nobly to struggle through without parochial relief; she has had a hard struggle, and would have managed, only this boy will not attend school, and School Board will require to prosecute, but, before doing so, advise her to try here. Two children of 13 and 9 are taken from Govan. Their father, a master-jeweller, died in 1895 of consumption; mother has given way to drink; and children, who are very delicate, have been much neglected, and are in a sad state of rags and dirt. A lad of 16 is taken into the City Home; whose father and mother both died with excessive drinking; and step-mother, who inherited father's business, lost it and whatever money was left in three years. She is a woman that is scarcely ever sober, and entirely unfit to have anything to do with boy. A friend in Edinburgh writes about a very sad case as follows:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I enclose the letter I received this morning from the minister of our church about two boys. We should all be very thankful if you could take them into the Orphan Homes. Their father was a respectable man, a mason, and died some years ago. Since his death the widow took to drink, and died last week in delirium tremens; it was a terrible scene, as she never recovered consciousness. The two oldest girls now left in charge, are most godly girls, and have suffered terribly from their mother, to whom they always behaved well. But one of them must go out to work and the other must keep the house. There are two older boys, I think, who bring in a little, but none of them can stay at home to take these two younger ones to school. Of course, for the last few years these poor things have been left like wild creatures, to do as they liked. I should be sorry if they were sent to a reformatory, which will be the end, if they never attend school. As I said, we shall be most thankful if you can take them.

and the minister writes:—

I have just seen K. R., and she tells me that the two youngest boys (8 and 10 respectively), refuse to go to school, and will do nothing but what they like. The youngest was carried to school to-day by the eldest brother, but made off the first opportunity, and would not go back. The little rascals will not listen to the advice of any of the friends, but have taken up an attitude of defiance. They have been allowed to run wild, and have not been at school for some time, and this is the result. It cannot go on, and what is to be done? Do you think that the two could be got into Mr. Quarrier's Homes? If they do not go to some such place now, I fear they will have to go to a reformatory later. It would be well if that could be spared for the boys' sake. What do you think of that proposal? The girls and friends would all be agreeable. Would you write and make enquiries? If you would do so it would be a great kindness.

We replied at once that we would gladly take these two little ones who are so much in need of being brought under restraining influences. £45 9s. to-day and £53 1s. 8d. yesterday have been sent with words of cheer, and we are enabled to close this the first month of our financial year with a balance on the right side of the ledger, for which we praise our Heavenly Father.

**Dec. 3.**—Not the least acceptable of our gifts are the numerous articles of clothing which our kind helpers, young and old, all over the country, make and send from time to time. These past three days from Leith, Cupar Fife, Dundee, Edinburgh, Prestonkirk, Elgin, Lenzie, Inverness, Glasgow, and Bridge of Weir, very useful parcels have come. In the opening days of the month £104 9s. 9d. for daily needs, and £1 for the Consumption Hospitals have been sent. A friend, sending 10s. for the work, and 10s. for personal needs, writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Enclosed is £1, which please take 10s. for your own use, and 10s. for the work God is doing through you. May His richest spiritual blessing be given to you, your family, and fellow-workers, to equip you for His service. Your temporal needs are great, but they can be written down in £ s. d.,

etc.; but who shall write down the other? Yet most surely of that, also the words are true, "My God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory;" and "How much more shall your Father which is in Heaven give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him." "Thou drewest near in the day that I called upon Thee: Thou saidst, Fear not."—Lam. iii. 57.

and an invalid helper, who does what she can to interest others in the work, writes:—

MY DEAR FRIEND,—You have been often in my thoughts all this week, and yesterday I received your yearly Report. From it I was glad to learn that both you and Mrs. Quarrier were feeling stronger, and all the "bairnies" well at present. It must have been a very trying time while the epidemic of measles lasted. While the Lord lays us down with the one hand He upholds us with the other. I will be watching the papers to see the result of your case in reference to paying taxes, which I hope will be decided in your favour; but whatever it may be we know it will be best. It must help to cheer you a bit in the midst of your many trials to



This picture, submitted to the Court of Session, represents a Sewing-Class in the "Overton Home," with a mother in charge of it. Not only is there a Sewing-Class held here, but also Sunday School and Band of Hope Class; and here also daily lessons are prepared and other instruction imparted to the children.

hear about the well-doing of your big family across the seas. I lost a dear friend at the end of October, who was greatly interested about you and your work; often bought a good deal from time to time, but not so much lately. I have great pleasure in forwarding to you £2 13s.—£1 7s. from friends. You can use it as you see fit. And may the Lord bless you, and direct you, and strengthen you at all times, is my earnest prayer.

**Dec. 9.**—We had a meeting yesterday with the Advisory Board of the Consumption Hospitals work to consider among other things the applications that have been received for the post of resident physician for the Hospitals and Homes here. One of the applicants, Dr. Grace Mackinnon, who has been engaged for several years in mission work in



India, in connection with an Hospital there, is considered by the Medical Board a suitable candidate, and we trust the Lord will guide aright in filling up this most important position. A kind Samaritan yesterday came to the rescue of the City Parish, and paid up the taxes they were charging on our City Home, saving them from the disgrace of selling off the Mission Hall furniture, which they sent a Sheriff Officer to point last month. They have thus been prevented from proceeding to extremities with a work which has saved them hundreds of pounds annually, by rescuing children who would otherwise be a burden on the rates. A number of friends have done much to encourage us by their letters of sympathy with us in this rate question. A donor in Perth sending £7, writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I have to thank you for the copy of your Report for the last year, so kindly sent by you, and have been reading it with much interest. I have also been interested in your fight against the assessments sought to be imposed on the "Homes" by some of the Public Authorities, and wish you all success in these efforts to retain the voluntary contributions, for the objects for which they are given by the contributors. I cannot help thinking, in some cases at least, that these claims have been originated, and are being pushed, by some individuals or parties, who are bitterly opposed to your work, and trust that a sound public opinion may, if necessary, see that a remedy is provided to protect the "Homes" from this vexatious impost. I enclose a cheque for £7. You can acknowledge as formerly under the initials. With best wishes for you and all your large family.

and another helper, forwarding £1 from a Sabbath school, says:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I have much pleasure in sending you a small donation of £1 from the Sabbath School children for the benefit of your large family. I have been watching the proceedings of the County Council in the newspaper reports, and am grieved to think that those in authority are apparently not possessed of that true spirit of sympathy and Christlike character which we would have expected to have been shown to you in return for the great and good work which, in God's providence, you have been able to accomplish. Trusting that you and Mrs. Quarrier are keeping well, and that you may be long spared to do work for the Master. God can make the wrath of man to praise Him yet.

A very cheering gift of £56 1s. 2d. came yesterday from "Sympathy, Pollokshields." Among other gifts are £1 from Bessie, Ruby, Cissy, and Hal; 5s. from a young helper in Catrine, "trusting that God will continue His loving kindness to you in your labour of love for the children, also that they may all become true children of God, our loving heavenly Father;" £20 from two old friends in Chirnside; the same amount from another in Luss; £5, "a thankoffering," Blantyre; £1 from a friend in Winnipeg; and 5s. from a donor in Berwick, who, in sending it, writes: "I always feel so sorry that I am not able to afford more, but 'He knows,' and may He open the hearts of those to whom He has entrusted the care of the silver and the gold in more abundance to supply all your wants." A busy day at the City Home yesterday dealing with the numerous cases that came before us for advice and help. A family of four from Paisley, 12, 9, 7, and 4 years of age, were admitted. Mother died two years ago of cancer, and father last month, and there are no relatives to take charge of them. Two boys of 12 and 10, who have got beyond their mother's control, and wander about the streets getting into all sorts of mischief, are also taken.

Dec. 15.—The year is rapidly closing around us, and we are busy with preparations for the New Year's Day Treats, which are so long looked forward to by our large family. The means to provide these has already been sent by friends in the East of Scotland, whose fellowship with us in the past has been a source of much encouragement, and leads us anew to

praise our heavenly Father, who in such abundant measure supplies our every need. Another cheering gift to-day of £190, £10 for personal use and £180 for six months' keep of a Cottage Home; £25 for general needs and £25 for the Consumption Hospitals from "Dumfries-shire" also cheered our hearts yesterday. The needs for the consumption work are great, but so also are our Father's storehouses, and He will out of them supply all that is required. Among our gifts these past few days are £100 from a regular donor in Helensburgh; 10s., "a mite from a worm;" 5s., "with much sympathy from an old widow;" £1 from Stornoway; 35s. for the work and 5s. for personal use from Orkney; £5, "a mite," from Perth; £10, anonymously, from Ayr, "wishing you God-speed in all your undertaking for His glory and the good of mankind;" £1 "from a wellwisher;" £2 10s. from children's stall at a sale of work, Aberdeen; £5, "a thankoffering;" a dollar from a grateful boy helped, now in Canada; a gentleman's scarf pin and silver match box, to be sold, from a friend in Surrey; Large quantity of clothing, dolls, toys, etc., from a Branch of the Scotch Girls' Friendly Society in Callander, and also from a Young People's Sewing Meeting in the City. A friend sending £2 2s. writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—As the year is drawing to a close, the time has again come round for sending you a little token of our sympathy with the great work you are enabled to carry on for the little helpless ones of our country. I cannot tell you how we value the privilege of being able to contribute some little for this work for the Master. As I listened while you were speaking, at the annual meeting, of some of your difficulties, I felt that you were enjoying the sustaining grace which makes us more than conquerors over all obstacles to the progress of Christ's kingdom. May you and your loved partner in life have it given you still more abundantly! I enclose money order for £2 2s., being £1 1s. from my mother and £1 1s. from my wife and myself. We trust the approaching Christmas season may be a very joyous one to you and your large family.

and thus from day to day our needs are met in a way that is indeed marvellous in our eyes. Truly we can say "our cup runneth over, and goodness and mercy have followed us." Praise be to His name.

Dec. 22.—An aged helper whose fellowship with us in the work almost from the first day until now has been a source of much cheer to us, sending £5, quantity clothing, and a Xmas tree, writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Many thanks for sending me the very interesting report. You have again been enabled to do great work for the dear Master during the year that is now closing. Though having had to suffer much, from various causes, our Heavenly Father has indeed strengthened you in the past and will bless and strengthen you still. When He says "Go forward." He also says "My presence shall go with you." It has been so in the past and shall be so in the future. Therefore, "Fear not, be of good courage, the work is the Lord's." I enclose the small sum of £5 for whatever you please, and when convenient please send a box for a parcel of clothing, my little lot of articles for the Christmas treat to the dear invalids. I trust dear Mrs. Quarrier and self are keeping well, also your big family. With kindest regards to everyone.

and 5s. comes from a workman with the following letter:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Enclosed you will find P.O. for 5s. to help to support your very large family (sorry it isn't £5); but I am only a workman and have a wife and family of my own, but the Lord's work carried on by you is dear to both of our hearts. Our prayer is that you and your dear wife may be long spared to carry on the work amongst the children. I got your annual report; many thanks for it.

The Lord has been very good to us these past few days by touching the hearts of His servants to lay liberally to our hand of the means entrusted to them. A specially cheering gift was that of £100 towards the Consumption Hospitals from an Edinburgh friend, also £100 for general needs and £5 for personal, handed in to our City Home in notes by an



anonymous helper; £100 from a regular donor; and among other gifts received are £10 from our frequent helper "Nemo," 10s. from a stationmaster who writes:—"May my small mite have God's big blessing, and all shall be well. Trust you may have your heart cheered and your soul made joyful in Him this Christmas"; 10s. for the work and 10s. for personal needs from "Ivy, Coupar-Angus"; 5s. from a servant girl; 5s. to get some toys for the little ones for Xmas from the adopted mother of one of the little ones placed out in this country; 2s. 6d., "the first-fruits of a rise in pay"; £1, "with heartiest good wishes," from a friend in Markinch; some Xmas cards and a scrap-book from two servant girls; £2 for general needs and £1 for the Consumption Hospitals from a friend in Hamilton, with the prayer that "you may have much of His presence, for His presence fills with joy"; gifts of £2 and £1 from employees in ironworks in Motherwell and the city; a kind friend who has for many years helped in this way, sends a Christmas present, selected by themselves, for each child in our Invalid Girls' Home; from Stirling comes a box of oatmeal and provisions; some corn flour and semolina are sent by a friend in Pollokshields; "A Hearty Sympathiser" sends parcel of clothing; and a parcel comes from a friend in Campbeltown made by a party of village girls on her estate; quantity of books, cards, etc., comes from the Religious Tract Society in London; and a donor there sends three large boxes toys. Our numbers were to-day increased by the admission of a family of five—12, 10, 9, 6 and 4 years of age—whose father, a ship's caulker, died from injuries received by a fall downstairs. Mother, a very respectable woman, has striven hard to provide for the children, but finds the burden too heavy for her, even with help from the Parochial Board. A lad of sixteen from Stranraer is taken into our City Home. He was placed out by Board with a farmer, who now refuses to keep him, saying he is too small for his requirements. Among others received this month are a boy of four brought by the officer of the S.P.C.C. Mother died on the fourth of this month of consumption, and as there were no relatives able to help, asked that boy be got into a home on her death; two girls of twelve and six, whose father, a car conductor, died very suddenly in July, his wife having predeceased him; a friend took the girls on father's death, but is now tired of them, and returned them to a sister, a young woman, who is unable to provide for them; a little hunchback of eleven, who was found by a friend selling matches on the street, where he had been sent by his sister, with whom he lodged. Parents are dead, and he has been greatly neglected, and is much in need of care and training. A family of four, parents dead, and oldest brother—who has been providing for them—died in August, and there are no relatives now able to help. Such are some of the varied cases of suffering and need brought before us from day to day, and we esteem it a great privilege to be able to extend a helping hand to so many who would otherwise perish by the way.

**Dec. 25.**—£39 9s. 6d. for the children, and £2 6s. 8d. for the Consumption Hospital, have reached us on this Christmas Day from friends in thirty-five different villages, towns, and cities of the land, from Berwick in the south to Inverness in the north. A great many gifts have reached us from children and young people, who, amid their own enjoyment at this festive season, do not forget the needs of those less highly favoured than they are. We greatly appreciate their thoughtful kindness, and feel sure that the Lord will more than make up to them for any sacrifice they have made to help forward His work. Neil, Hilda and Colin

from their savings send 10s.; James and Evelyn, Barrow-in-Furness, the same amount; Lizzie and Katie, Irvine, 2s.; and Maggie and Mary, 5s.; Winnie and Charlie, Cardross, send over 100 toys; from Janet in Milnathort come some picture books; 10s. from an aunt and her nephews and niece; George, Jenny, and Maud, 3s.; 5s. with Sybil and Pat's love; from three little sisters in Stornoway, £2; £6 from "four little J's," Edinburgh; Berta and Andrew, in Kirkintilloch, £1; 8s. from the children in one of the girls' cottages; some used toys and books from three little boys in Crieff; "Maggie and Lena from their own savings with their love" send 10s.; from the young folks attending Cabmen's Mission in Edinburgh, quantity toys; and from Sabbath and Day Schools, Christian Endeavour, and Young People's Meetings in Kilmarnock, Lundin Mill, Montrose, Greenock, Braco de Prata, Lisbon, Cupar, Strathaven, Stow, Hallside, and Glasgow, £9 14s. 9d. Two friends in Aberdeen sending £4, collected from friends, and parcel clothing, write:—

DEAR FRIEND,—I have much pleasure in informing you that I have this day sent you a parcel of clothing (carriage paid) with two envelopes enclosed containing £4, which I have received with many kind wishes from the various donors. I need not tell you that our interest in your noble Christian work deepens as the days go by, and that when we think or pray about you and your fellow-workers how the village as we saw it rises up in front of us. We enjoyed the "Narrative of Facts" as usual, and the copies are in circulation; and we are glad to note that the health of Mrs. Quarrier and yourself is improved.

May He, whose noble service setteth free,  
Give you all good we see or can foresee,  
Make your joys many and your sorrows few,  
Bless you in what you bear and what you do—  
Yea, perfect you as He would have you be.

And another in Edinburgh forwarding £2 and some clothing, says:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—My sister and I are sending to-day a parcel of clothing for your orphans. There are some socks for "infants of days," some little flannels for babies, and hoods, etc., for children a little older; also a cheque for £2. I trust your health is being re-established, and that of Mrs. Quarrier. Your Report is as interesting as ever; indeed, as year is added to year it is always more and more wonderful. I sometimes wonder what you will get to do in that world where none are neglected, and there are no orphans! May God bless and uphold you more and more, and fill your heart with His love.

**Dec. 31.**—The last day of a year of time has been reached, and as we think of all the way we have been led, and realise how very many are the blessings we have received, how many tokens of the Lord's loving watchful care we have experienced, in how many times of trial and difficulty He has delivered, our hearts are filled with gratitude and our lips with praise for all His loving kindness. Truly we can say, "He hath done great things for us whereof we are glad." "How good is the God we adore, our faithful, unchangeable friend." On this, the closing day of the year, gifts of money, clothing, toys, books, sweets, etc., have reached us from eighty-seven different sources. £78 is sent from a dear helper in Edinburgh in memory of her husband, £1 for each year of his life; £2 comes from "a sister in Dumfries, unexpected conscience money;" 10s. "from a Schoolboy, for your boys and girls, wishing them all a Happy New Year;" Employees of a firm in the city send £4 4s.; "a little girl of 4½, who was much interested in her visit to the Homes last summer," sends 10s. of her own as a Christmas gift;" four Greenock working lads send 3s., and say, "we hope the Homes will go on prospering, and may the Lord's blessing go with you in all you take in hand;" "Cable, St. Andrews," sends £1 for the work and £1 for personal needs; "a working man" forwards 2s. 6d.; 5 scrap-books come from "Willie;" 10s. from Marion, Drury, and Bertha; £1 1s. 6d., proceeds of a small sale of work, from a

young helper in Whitley; 2s. 2d. from "Andrew, John, and Jane;" 12s. 6d. and 3 scrap-books from "Aggie, James, and Tom;" "15s. from Netta and Nan, for their young friends, with kind love;" £9 9s. comes from Stornoway, proceeds of a lecture given there by the Provost on behalf of the Homes; 1s. is sent by a young helper, with the following letter:—

MY DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—My brothers and sisters and myself got a shilling each from father, and he is to give a sixpence on New-Year's day to the one who will spend it best. I would like to give it to one of the girls in your "Homes" who has no nice father to give her a shilling. It isn't much, but it is all I have.—  
From your loving friend, BLANCHE M.

A friend, sending 2s. 6d. and quantity clothing, writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Many thanks for sending me the Report of your year's progress, it is most interesting and wonderful that so much money should be raised without any begging; and I think in this age it is quite remarkable, but shows that God is still able and willing to raise up and strengthen the hands of those who are engaged in His work and have a single eye to His glory and the good of all mankind. The promises are great for the orphan and the widow. I am glad your own health and Mrs. Quarrier's have been restored and I trust you may be long spared to carry on the good work. I sent a few things yesterday which I hope will be useful, the carriage was paid, and now I enclose a trifle for your work. Sorry it is so little, but my own circumstances are still not what they were. Still I have much cause for thankfulness and hope soon to be able to do a little more. With all good wishes for you and your large family. May the new year be a happy and prosperous one.

and £2 comes for the Consumption Hospitals from New Zealand, from a friend who writes:—

DEAR SIR,—Please accept £2 as usual, but we would like it used this time for the poor consumptives, as our eldest son has just died of that trouble after three years and seven months illness. He often spoke of you and read with very deep interest about the Homes for Consumptives, which you were preparing. We had great comfort in his long sickness, for as the outward man wasted away the inward man was being renewed day by day. "The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away, blessed be His name." May God bless you more and more in your great work for Him.

May these dear helpers in their time of trial and bereavement realise the upmaking portion of the Friend "born for the adversities of time." A great many applications reach us for admission into the Consumption Hospital, and it is with deep regret that we have to reply we are not yet able to receive patients. The applications for males are about as numerous as for females, and we trust that soon the means to build an Hospital for them will be provided. A minister in Thornhill writes regarding a sad case:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Are your Homes for Consumptives open? I am sorry to be so ignorant, but the question was asked me to-day by two lads far gone in the disease, but still with some possibilities of recovery. Along with a sister they are lying in a tiny room, unventilated, etc., are quite destitute and have not a chance as things are.

During the past month 26 boys and 20 girls have been added to our large family, which now numbers about 1200. One of those admitted to-day was a boy of 13, brought to us by a missionary to the navvies on the new Highland line. His father was one of the navvies on the line, and was found dead by the roadside. His mother died when he was very young, and the boy has been moving about with his father, living in huts, etc., and has consequently been much neglected, his education being very far behind. Another admitted to-day was a girl of 10, brought by Inspector of Poor, Dunfermline. Mother died in October of blood poisoning. Father a very bad character, was several times in prison, and eventually deserted seven years ago, and friends have not been able to trace.

January 1, 1898.—Another New Year of service entered on. May the Master's presence go with us and His blessing rest upon us even more abundantly than in the past. We commenced the year with a watch-night Service, when the work and workers at home and in Canada were committed to the care of our heavenly Father for the untold year before us. From early morning till late at night the day was one of glad surprises, not only for the children, but for the workers and ourselves also. During the silent watches of the night Santa Claus visited the village, filling the wee and big stockings, which were hung up in good faith of receiving his wonderful gifts. In the morning a special breakfast of ham and eggs, tea, etc., was enjoyed; then at 12.30 the New Year's dinner, consisting of roast beef, steak pie, turkey, potatoes, plum pudding, etc.,



This reprint, as submitted to the Court of Session, represents the Sunday School being held in the house on Sunday afternoon, and what may be seen from this picture is also in every house in the village. Singing and other classes are also held in the same room, and the picture is more that of a school than a villa residence.

was partaken of. At 2 o'clock all gathered in the church for the dismantling of the Christmas trees and ship's boat, heavily laden with gifts, which equally suited and delighted both old and young. In the evening a good tea was provided, after which we again assembled in the church, when a very enjoyable hour or two were spent listening to singing, recitations, etc., given by the native talent in the village. Our little invalids in "Bethesda" were not forgotten, but through the kindness of a friend had a special tree and gifts provided for them. We did wish that the many kind friends whose thoughtfulness provided these special treats could have been present with us and have witnessed the enjoyment of the little ones, but as it was, owing to the alteration at our church, which is



being enlarged, we found difficulty in taking in our own family here in addition to our City Home boys and girls, who always join us on this day. While we have been labouring in thought and work for the little ones, they too have been thinking of others more needy than themselves, and amongst the numerous gifts received we have been specially cheered by some from our rescued boys and girls who have sent of their saved pennies to help others. £91 18s. are sent for the children's maintenance to-day, and £53 5s. for the Consumption Hospitals.

**Jan. 8.**—£150, "a New-Year's offering from an old friend," £200 for general needs and £300 for the Consumption Hospitals from a regular donor in Paisley, were specially cheering gifts this week. Among our other gifts are £1 from an engineer in Prince Edward Island; the same amount "for the orphans from an orphan" in London; 10s. for the work and 10s. for personal needs from a friend in Austria; 7s. from a friend, "saved by sending fewer Christmas cards"; £1 from a Sabbath School in Midlothian—the minister sending writes: "Whilst we remember your work in our prayers, we do not forget that other help is required;" £5, contents of collection box at Sailors' Home, Leith; £1 from a farmer in Campbeltown; £5 from a friend in London, who signs herself "one of the oldest of your sympathisers"; £3 2s. 7d., amount of collections at watch-night and New Year's-day services in Free English Church, Stornoway; £1 10s. from a Sailor, "praying that the dear Lord may abundantly bless your efforts"; £1 7s. "fines for lates at breakfast table"; £6, half-year's keep of a child "for little May"; 2s. 6d., from three children, "a thank-offering for the recovery of their little brother"; £5 from a friend in London, "wishing you and yours a glad and joyous new year, rich in heavenly as well as earthly blessings."

**Jan. 15.**—Many cheering letters have reached us these past days from members of our large family on the other side of the Atlantic. Two of them write:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I received the books and papers you sent last week, and was very much pleased to think I had not been forgotten. I suppose I deserve to be forgotten, because I haven't written to you this long time, because I was always waiting until I had some money to send, to help along the work, but that time has not come yet. I came out five years ago next spring, and was sent to work in F. Ont. I stayed there 1½ years, at the end of which time, by your consent, I moved to A., where I began to earn a little money for the first time. The factory in which I worked, however, went on short time, and all I could make went to pay my board. Times got so dull that I resolved to try the farm again. I soon got a job with a good Christian man, and stayed with him for two years, leaving him to go to a place not far distant for higher wages. I have always had a great longing for a good education, so, after I had put in my term with this gentleman, I started to go to the public school about a month before last Christmas. In order to make my small stock of money last as long as possible, I accepted the offer of a gentleman living on the outskirts of A., to do chores for my board, while I walked to and from school morning and night. I studied in this manner until the midsummer exams., when I was fortunate enough to pass my exam. first among over 700 candidates. For this I received a handsome silver watch given by the publishers of our local paper. I got a situation as clerk in the store of Mr. G. C. W., where I remained until October, when, having made a little more money, I started to attend the High School. The principal of the school, Mr. P. C. M., who, by the way, is a Scotchman from Glasgow, advanced me into the second form, thereby saving me a whole year's work. I am studying, besides the ordinary school work, reading, writing, etc., Latin, French, algebra, book keeping, and botany, so that I am kept busily employed. I expect to graduate in other two years, when, if God will help me, I intend going to college, as I believe the ministry to be my calling. Sometimes the way seems dark, and troubles come, but my trust is stayed on Him Who is 'the Father of the fatherless.' I was very sorry to hear you had been in poor health, and I hope you have entirely

recovered and will be spared for many years to continue your good work. After having read your report of the work during the past year, I have to exclaim, like the Psalmist, "The ways of the Lord are wondrous, passing knowledge." I have written rather a long letter, but I want to add another favour to the long list I have already received at your hands, and it is this. Do you think you could find out for me the address of Miss C. B.? She used to have charge of the refuge in connection with the James Morrison Street Institute, and it was chiefly through her teaching that my heart was first turned to spiritual things. I think I will close now, hoping, if your time will permit, to hear from you soon, and wishing Mrs. Quarrier, yourself, and family a very "Merry Christmas" and a "Guid New Year" and God-speed in your work of love and mercy.—I remain yours very truly, one of your boys, J. C.

DEAR FRIEND,—I was indeed glad to receive my New Year's letter. It gives me great joy from year to year to hear of so many poor children who are sheltered under those roofs, which is the delight of that dear old country called Scotland. We look back with loving memory to the nice times we used to have on Christmas, and all the other amusements. Christmas is very dull in Kingston, excepting for the big dinners: there are lots of geese and turkey, plum pudding, and so forth. I do feel really ashamed of myself for not writing in return to your last letter. I should have been greatly disappointed had I not got my New Year's letter, although I would have felt myself quite deserving the punishment. I hope you will excuse me this time, and I will try to do better in the future regarding the letters. Now we will have a little talk about God's goodness to us during the year of 1897. There is no one on earth that I love to talk about religion to better than my dear mother and you. Well, God has been a very dear Friend to me. I have had a great many trials and temptations, but praised be His Holy Name, He has brought me through all. I never feel the least bit afraid to stand right up in church in the midst of a large congregation of saved and unsaved, and testify of the Lord's loving mercy and His readiness to forgive sin. I joined the Methodist Church about four years ago, and I have had no desire to withdraw. I have taken communion now several times. I want to be a shining light for the Master. Please to mention me expressly in your prayers that I may be kept faithful, and at last hear Him say, "Come, ye blessed; inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." The Lord has been dealing bountifully in your little city, we ought to thank God daily that there is such a place. The people of this country wonder how you can give us such a rigging out (I mean of clothes), we are better off than some farmers' own children. I am in a very nice place and I like it very much, everyone is so good to me. I have a great many friends here, but I have One that sticketh closer than a brother, as the words of the Scripture goes: "Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and all these things shall be added unto you."—Your loving girl, B. R.

From Sabbath Schools and Bible Classes in Dunoon, Lossiemouth, Oban, Bonhill, and Skeldon Mills, and other friends in Keith, Longforgan, Forres, Manchester, Arbroath, Strachur, Isle of Wight, Hamilton, Crieff, Prestwick, Bridge-of-Weir, Paisley, and Glasgow, £28 8s. 6d.; twenty-nine articles clothing and six dolls have come to-day. 17s. 6d. of the amount is sent with the following letter:—

DEAR SIR,—The enclosed money I'm sending belonged to a little baby boy of mine whom God gave but has taken again to Himself. I wondered what I would do with it and the thought entered my mind to send it to you for the benefit of God's orphan children as I have heard them called. It is not a very large sum, but perhaps like the widow's mite it may be the means of a little good. I think the thought must have been put in my mind by God, and you are very welcome to it.

May the God of all comfort, bless, and sustain this dear friend in her time of trial. £5 from the workers of a firm near Johnstone was a cheering gift for the Consumption Hospitals this week; amongst other sums sent is £5 15s. 7½d. from a Mission Sabbath School, Edinburgh, the sender writes: "The parents of the children, with one or two exceptions, belong to the labouring class. It has been a pleasure to me to find an occasional farthing in the box, dropped in by some tiny little hand." God bless our young helpers who so often deny themselves to do what they can to help forward the work under our care. A helper sending £2 2s., says: "My wife and I, with only two or three children to look after, feel it a great responsibility, and with your huge undertaking it can only be borne by



the help of a Heavenly Father. May you have all divine help, assistance, and strength." £2 comes from a missionary in Formosa; £1 "from the Nursery;" £12 for the keep of a child, "in memory of a little daughter;" 18s. from workers in a Paisley mill; \$2.50, "for Christ's sake," from British Columbia; £20 and £2, for personal use, handed in at our City Home by an anonymous donor; and £3 11s. 10d. from a Sabbath School in Port-Glasgow; the sender writes: "We have for some years allocated the mission box collections for November and December to you, and the boys and girls show their interest by making these two months the largest in the year."

**Jan. 22.**—A little one with a very sad history was to-day added to our number from Airdrie. She was brought to us by the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children. Her father was on Tuesday sentenced by Sheriff Mair to three months imprisonment for cruelly ill treating, neglecting, and assaulting his child, leaving her for hours unattended, without food and proper clothing. The evidence given at Court showed that since his wife died a year ago, his children were allowed to go wild. They slept outside in back greens, enclosures, and on door-steps. He married again in September, but instead of the state of the children becoming better it became worse. The stepmother and father lived in a house on the opposite side of the street, and the children would have starved but for the food given to them by the charity of neighbours. The Inspector of the S.P.C.C. was then called in, and their doctor made a report which showed that this, the youngest child, had been suffering from diarrhoea, cold, and starvation, and that its body was caked with filth, while there were open sores on the feet. The child is three years old, and only weighed 14 lbs., one half of what a child of its age should be. The Sheriff, in passing sentence, said this was the worst case that had ever come before him, and that the father had reason to be thankful his conduct was checked in time before the child's life was lost. Amongst other children admitted this month were a boy of nine, whose father, a seaman, was drowned in the Black Sea. Mother tried to support herself and boy by keeping lodgers, but has failed, and will require to go into service; a Jewish lad of 16, born in Russia, is taken into our City Home; he is working with a tailor, but cannot earn sufficient to keep himself. A boy and girl of 8 and 4 are sent to us by the S.P.C.C., Edinburgh. Mother is at present in prison for neglect of the children, and is quite an unsuitable guardian for them. A boy of 15, whose father, a quay labourer, was killed on board a vessel at Montreal. Mother died nine weeks ago in Govan Poorhouse, leaving boy in charge of her minister, who brings him to us. A young woman of 22, whose mother has had to give up her house and is unable to provide a home for her, is given a chance in our City Home. Such are some of the numerous cases we have been able to extend a helping hand to these past weeks. £15 5s. 9½d. for the children and 2s. 6d. for the Consumption Hospitals are our gifts to-day.

**Jan. 31.**—Another very sad case brought to us to-day. Three children from Airdrie, 7, 6, and 3 years of age. Father is at present in prison for neglect of his children. He is said to be a very lazy and weak-minded man, and refuses to work when given the chance. Mother is at present in New Monkland Poorhouse, and is also weak-minded, and it is considered that they are quite unfit to have charge of their children, and therefore, at the instigation of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children,

they are sent to us by the Sheriff. Paternal grandfather and uncle were both once in good positions as solicitors, but through drink were brought very low. Some more stringent law is needed to deal with those fathers and mothers who so ill-use and neglect their offspring, and most of whom are made brutish in their character through strong drink. When will we reach the time that this crying evil of our country will be done away with? Amongst the others admitted during the past week were two girls of twelve and five, brought to us by an aunt. Father died in Barnhill Poorhouse in August last, and wished children taken by us, signing form to that effect before his death. The Barony Board would not, however, hand the children over to us on his death, but sent them with an Inspector to Bradford to this aunt, who, however, is not able to keep them, and brings them to us, at the same time stating that Barony Board officials advised her not to allow the children to come here. One is greatly surprised at this action of the Barony Board in thus disregarding the last wishes of the father, and needlessly spending the ratepayers' money. £28 15s. 3d., 87 hats, quantity of clothing, and an Armenian cradle have come to-day. 6s. 9d. is sent from "Maggie and Nannie," "two little girls who were so interested when they heard of your good work, that they started to save their pennies"; 10s. comes "as a thank-offering for God's forgiving love"; 1s. "from Margaret"; 10s. "a thank-offering from a goods guard"; £2 from "Eric-vic"; £2 10s., prize-money earned by sheep; £10 "from a friend for the dear orphans"; £5 12s., the result of a lime-light lecture given in Langholm on behalf of the Homes, and 180 articles clothing from girls' sewing class and friends there. £1 1s. is sent with the following letter:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—In sending our subscription for 1898 I would assure you of our continued prayerful interest in your rescue work, training (mentally and physically, morally and religiously) boys and girls for the life which now is and that which is to come. Though you have many and varied trials and must have, for those who seek to do good and be good know and see constant proofs that the devil follows very jealously every act of the servants of the Lord. But the success of men like yourself and Leonard K. Shaw of Manchester, whom I have long known and revere, must know the Lord is greater than all other powers. What an upholding when Satan is seeking to overthrow your best endeavours to know the Lord is with you. I trust you and Mrs. Quarrier are in good health and may have a very happy, hopeful, and prosperous year, and that He will spare you and your fellow-workers for many, many years. I enclose postal order for £1 and stamps for 1s. and 6s. from an invalid friend, who, though laid aside himself, desires to do what he can to help others. He writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Please accept this small sum of 6s. for which I enclose P.O. I am a young man and have been laid aside for some time. Some of the friends who come to see me make me a present of a small coin. A few months ago I decided to lay aside one penny of every shilling I received in this way. After prayer and meditation I decided to send the money on to you to make whatever use you please of it. Kindly keep out the name and address of one of God's little ones.

We do praise the Lord for the number of dear friends, who, amid their own trials and sufferings think about and minister to our needs. May they ever realise that underneath and round about them are the everlasting arms, and experience the fulfilment of the promise—"As thy days so shall thy strength be."

**Feb. 3.**—One of our number, James McLeod, a lad of 18, was to-day taken from our "Elim" Home into the presence of the King. He, along with a brother was admitted to the Homes five years ago. He went to Canada but was returned eighteen months ago far gone in consumption,

and has gradually got weaker. He came to know the Lord while with us, and was very patient and so grateful for all that was done for him. Towards the end he had a time of great suffering and longed to be at rest, but his faith failed not. The matron of the Home who so faithfully ministered to him during his illness asked him, "Are you afraid, Jamie?" and he replied, "Oh, no, I have no fear, but it's a sore struggle. I can't think much, but it's peace, perfect peace." We do praise God for the privilege of tending this one of His children, and rejoice that now his sufferings and trials are over and he has entered into the presence of his Saviour and to the enjoyment of that perfect peace and rest which knows



The above picture, as submitted to the Court of Session, represents a Band of Hope meeting being held in one of our girls' houses, the "Edinburgh Home," where the mother is enforcing the principles of temperance and trying to inculcate lessons of self denial for the sake of others. In the same room at different times sewing, educational, and Sabbath School classes are also held, and how the County Council can make out that the houses are not schools in the true sense of the term it is difficult for us to see. But for this sub division of classes in the Homes the results could not be attainable that are already attained, and in fact, the scheme would become a failure in educating the wilful and the wayward.

no end. Gifts of £300 for the general needs and £100 for the Consumption Hospitals from a friend very much in sympathy with the work greatly cheered us yesterday; also £50 from a donor in Avy for the hospital work. A fish-curer in Orkney sends £5 for the work and £1 for personal needs to-day; "Jack and his sisters" send 5s. and a parcel of their toys; a missionary in Stromness sends 4s. from a poor woman there; and from friends in Friockheim, New Cumnock, Macduff, Edinburgh, Dumbarton, Aberdeen, Newmains, Blairgowrie, and Glasgow, £18 1s. are sent.

Feb. 11.—The knowledge that very many of our givers are daily

upholding us in prayer is a great source of encouragement and strength to us amid the trials by the way. A friend sending 20 articles clothing writes:—

DEAR SIR.—I have brought through and left at the station a parcel for your "Homes" of my own work, and in doing it I can assure you every stitch was full of love and prayer for your most blessed undertaking. Not being strong and not rich, it is the only way I can show my appreciation of your good work. I hope as long as I live to send you a parcel from time to time.

A legacy of £1,000 for the general needs and £1,000 for the Building Fund, from the late Mr. Thomas Marr, who during his lifetime helped us much in the work, came in very acceptably to-day. The amount towards the Building Fund is specially acceptable, as the enlargement of our church and the building of the sewerage works will cost more than was anticipated. Both these pieces of work are being pushed forward as rapidly as possible, and we hope to be able to open the hospital in a month or two now. Dr. Grace Mackinnon, who has been appointed by our Advisory Board as medical officer for the work, joined us this week. Our matron and nurses are also engaged, and we are in a position to begin at once receiving patients if the sewerage works were finished. Applications from men and women suffering with consumption have been coming to us from all parts of the land, and we long to be able to extend a helping hand to them. Applications to help the children have also reached us from many quarters these past few days. A friend in Prestonkirk writes us to-day regarding a sad case as follows:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER.—Could you find room in your "Homes" for two orphan children, aged respectively ten and eight years, both nice, healthy children. Their father, a labourer, had to be removed to Haddington District Asylum three years ago, and he died there some weeks ago. The mother went out to nurse, and two years ago died of typhoid, contracted whilst nursing a patient. The children since then have been in receipt of parish relief, and have lived with their grandparents at the farm of Knows, where the grandfather is groom. He and the grandmother are both over 70, and are feeling the care of the children quite overwhelming. At the time of the mother's death a sum of about £40 was subscribed privately to give the children a start in life. Trusting to hear from you soon, and with kind regards.

The children of Sabbath schools in many parts remember our needs from time to time, and these past few days from Keith, Muirkirk, Nitshill, Cambuskenneth Abbey, Strathaven, Bishopton, Halkirk, E-kbank, Cluny, Broomknoll, Dumbarton, Castle Kennedy, Motherwell, Irvine, and Glasgow they have sent gifts towards the work.

Feb 16.—The needy cases brought before us these past days have been numerous and distressing. This afternoon we admitted two boys whose father met his death in a very sad way. He was a very hard drinker, and in November last was in a shebeen in High Street, and on the police arriving, maddened with drink, he flung himself headlong from a two storey window and was killed. Mother also looks as if she had given way to drink. Since husband's death she has tried to earn a living by cleaning stairs, selling pipe-clay, etc. The Parish Council offered her the poorhouse, but she prefers to bring children here, and hopes to make a living for herself. Amongst others admitted were two boys of 6 and 12 from Edinburgh. Father died there six years ago of consumption, and mother fell a victim to the same disease on the 12th of this month. Before her death she asked that children would be taken by us, and died happy in the knowledge that they would be well cared for. The family has been a most respectable one, but in destitute circumstances. During the mother's illness, 8s. 6d., the wages of a daughter who works in a shop,



were about their only means of support. A family of three children, 12, 10, and 7 years of age are also taken from Edinburgh. Father died in England, and on his death mother returned with her children to her native land, and has managed for some years to support herself and children, but has been out of work for some time, and having been put out of house finds herself unable to struggle on with the burden. A little girl of 3 years is taken from the mother, who is a professional beggar, and has been wandering around the country dragging girl with her. Two of her children were committed to our care some years ago by the Sheriff of Dundee, where they had been found begging and singing on the streets, at which they were known to earn as much as 10s. a day. They are now in Canada doing well, and this child will also be saved from the mother's influence and a life of sin and shame. A family of four, 15, 8, 6, and 3 years of age, in very destitute circumstances, is also admitted. Father died in December last, and mother has to leave her house. She fell behind with rent when husband was ill, and cannot make it up, as she has been poorly herself. The Barony Parish Council gave 4s. a week, but even with this help she was unable to struggle through. The oldest boy is very self-willed, and has been staying out at night, sleeping in model lodging houses, etc. A girl of 14 is sent to us by the Chief-Constable of Elgin. Father is dead, and mother and stepfather deserted her some months ago. She has had a very bad example set before her, and is in great danger of going wrong. She has a violent temper, and will require firm dealing. Such are some of the distressing cases we have been able to rescue during the past fortnight. £3 17s 6d.—£1 for the Hospitals—and an armchair and two tables, from friends in Dunfermline, Falkland, Edinburgh, Moffat, and Dollar, and £6 12s. from Sabbath Schools in Kirkintilloch, Trossachs, Aberfeldy, Edinburgh, and Glasgow, are our gifts to-day. A friend, sending £10 for the work and £5 for the Consumption Hospitals this week, writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Enclosed is cheque for fifteen pounds. You might give ten to Orphan Homes and five to Consumption Homes. Wishing you continued success in your hopeful labours. Personally, I feel very much privileged in being permitted to lend a little help even in this humble way. I feel that as members of the community we owe you a debt for your self sacrificing work that we can never repay. Of all our schemes for saving the perishing I consider yours the most hopeful.

Feb. 22.—We have been busy for some time in connection with the case to come up before the Court of Session on the 8th of next month, in which the County Council of Renfrewshire are suing us for payment of rates on the Homes here. Yesterday we had to appear at Paisley before a Commissioner appointed by the Court of Session to examine all the books, reports, letters, etc., of the Homes for the past ten years, and these had to be laid before him and left with him to go through at his leisure. To-day the County Council sent down a photographer to photograph some of the buildings, no doubt with the intention of trying to prove that the handsome buildings with their beautiful surroundings could not by any possibility be called a "Ragged School." The houses can certainly not be called "ragged" in their character, nor are the children within their walls, although very many of them were ragged and dirty enough when they came to us, but we claim that we come within the definition of the Act of Exemption, which says—"a Ragged School should mean any school used for the gratuitous education of children and young persons of the poorest classes, and for the holding of classes and meetings for the same object, without pecuniary benefit being derived therefrom by the teacher." £200 from a

regular donor to the work was a very cheering gift to-day; 5s. comes as a thankoffering from Dumfries; £1 1s. from an aged friend, 82 years old; £2 —£1 for personal use—from a frequent helper in Ayr; 23 boxes herring from Wick; 4s. from a missionary in China; £1 from "two servants"; £37 8s. from readers of the *Christian*; and some woollen shirts, stockings, caps, braces, gloves, scarfs, and other articles of wearing apparel, are among our gifts. A friend sending 12 boys' caps and 10 pairs stockings says—"I hope you can find heads for the caps and feet for the stockings now sent." As we have 1200 inmates of all ages and sizes, gifts of this kind never come amiss, and we much appreciate the kind help of friends in this way.

Feb. 28.—£2 1s. 6d. to-day and £42 4s. yesterday have come from various sources, and we are able to pay all debts and close the month with a balance on the right side of the ledger. The following are among many letters to hand this month from our children in Canada:—

DEAR BELOVED MR. QUARRIER,—I am almost ashamed to write to you. I am very glad you have not forgotten me, I receive your new year's letter and books and papers every year. I have been out in this country five years next May, and I have not written to you. I mean now to write to you once a year. I feel sorry about it when I think of you, how good and kind you were to me and I so neglectful. I love Canada very much, I am very much taken up with it. It seems to me I would be lonesome if I had to go back. I love farming. I live on a farm and no other place suits me better. We have cows, pigs, horses, hens, calves, kittens, and I love to feed calves and hens, and milk cows. We can have all the milk, butter, cheese, eggs, and buggy rides and sleigh rides, and we can have a joyful time. The people I live with are very kind to me; I often think I am not thankful enough to the Lord for His kindness. I don't suppose you would know me now. I am sixteen years of age and I am fat and healthy and well, never sick, always feeling well. But I thank the Lord for it all. My brother is just about a mile from me, I see him often. And Jessie my sister is near me, so we see one another often. I learned to skate this winter and I can go pretty good. I have a lovely time, kind friends all around me. Mr. Burges comes out to see me sometimes and I like to have a visit from him. Oh how I would like to see you, I remember how you looked, and how is dear Mrs. Quarrier? I remember Miss Brown, I used to live in number eight cottage. Are Mr. and Mrs. Paterson there yet? They used to keep No. 1 cottage. I would like one of your pictures so I could look at you once in a while, but don't go to any trouble. I have the group of children that came across the ocean the same time as I did. Alick G. is getting along well. I think he will be a farmer. I suppose you are busy most of the time. If you ever come to Brockville Home do try and come and see me. Oh how glad I would be to see you. The Orphan Homes of Scotland must look beautiful now since I left. I remember the first time I came to this country, oh how lonesome I was, I cried many a time, I was so lonesome; but I had to get over that and not act like a baby. I have lots of fun, I go skating quite often and I enjoy myself very well. I get wages and I get along well; but I am very thankful to the blessed Lord for the way He has brought me through, Whom I know every good and perfect gift cometh from. Dear Mr. Quarrier be sure and write to me and tell me all the news. I send my best love to Miss Mary and Mr. Frank Quarrier. If there are any dear children in the Homes now whom I used to know tell them I send my best love to them, and I hope they will all turn out well and live for Jesus. This is all I have to say at present, I will have to hurry up and feed my hens. Well, Mr. Quarrier, God bless and help you through this great work that you are engaged in.—Yours truly, J. K.

DEAR MR. AND MRS. QUARRIER,—I now take the pleasure of writing you a few lines to let you know that we are all well, hoping you are the same. I got your New Year's letter on Xmas day, and you can't imagine the pleasure it gave me. I always like to hear anything that is going on in the Homes. I always look in the *Witness* to see if there is anything. I saw the trouble you had last summer when you came out. I hope you will be able to keep bringing the children without submitting yourself to such a law, and by what I read in your New-Year letter I agree with you that every emigrant should be treated the same way. I was very sorry to see by your letter that both of you have been very sick, but am glad to see you are better and are getting strong. I did not get a letter last year, so I did not know



you had been sick. We moved over here last spring, and as we were very busy I neglected sending you my new address. Ma was very sick last winter; we thought we would lose her, but God was merciful to her and spared her for another little while. I was very sick myself, but with care we all pulled through. So now you know my address, I hope the first chance you get to come out here you won't forget to call in and see me. I would be pleased to see you. I was glad to see the good times the children had at New Year and 'Xmas. I remember when I was there, I had good times too. I often feel lonesome for some of my chums, but I don't know where they are now. I guess they are all grown-up like myself. It is ten years since I left over here and it is quite a long time, but it flies past so quick. I am always with Mr. and Mrs. R., and they are very good to me, and I thank God first and you after, for having found me such a good home. I only wish every girl could get one like it. I feel at home. Mrs. R. is just as good as my own mother would be to me. We passed a very happy 'Xmas receiving lots of presents. I thank you very much for the pretty 'Xmas card you sent me. I like staying here very much; they are so good to me. I have made up my mind to stay with my parents all the time now (they are getting old) and show them a little gratitude for what they have done for me in the past. I think I will bring my letter to a close, wishing you all through the Homes a happy and prosperous New Year, and many more of them.

A. S.

and one of our girls placed out in service in this country, sending 5s., writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—You must be thinking me very ungrateful not writing before. I had not forgotten, though, the benefits I received while in the Homes. I hope you are keeping better, also Mrs. and Miss Quarrier. I had a letter from A. J., who told me how kind you had been to her at Brockville. I wrote and told her that though I had not had a visit from you, I had been permitted to visit the Homes, which was just as good. I hope if ever you are in Edinburgh you will call and see me. Mr. — always tells me when he has seen you. Though I am so far from his church, I still continue going to his Bible-class; I can't go on Sunday night, it would make me so late getting in, and it is a lonely walk, I can get a 'bus on week days. I like the place I am in exceedingly well. I hope you had an enjoyable Christmas and happy New Year. I enclose a postal order for five shillings, just a little towards the debt I owe you. Please remember me kindly to Mrs. and Miss Quarrier.—I am, yours truly,

H. M. D.

**March 1.**—We have been hoping that some modification of the Act passed last year by the Ontario Government of Canada would have been got, to admit of our children entering Canada as any other emigrants are allowed to do, but no alteration for the better has been made in the law, and so for the first time in twenty-seven years we will not send any children to Canada. The Act is anti-British and alien in its character, and we cannot see that it would be right to put ourselves under its control. One enactment is that if children are placed in Ontario without a licence being first obtained we would be liable to three months' imprisonment, failing to pay 100 dollars of a fine. Another clause is that if we fail to record the antecedents of a child or tell its faults on being removed from one home to another we are liable to the same penalty. The stigma attached to the children if under Government control would be a great drawback in their future life, and we do not think it would be right to place them under this. What we contend for is that the children should be allowed to enter Canada on the same conditions as any other emigrant, namely, that strict inspection as to their moral and physical soundness should be made before they leave, and in addition, we would be willing to give a guarantee that no child should become a burden on Canada. More than this, we do not think the Government of any British Colony has a right to ask. We will have no difficulty in placing out our well-trained children at home, and many friends may think this is preferable to sending them abroad, but it will mean that the younger ones will require a longer training, and to do this more houses will be required. Nothing is impossible with our God, Who is the same yesterday,

to-day, and for ever; and we look to Him who has so marvellously guided our way, believing that He will still supply our every need. A donation of £100 for the emigration fund from an old helper in Edinburgh came this morning to say, "Be of good cheer." It will go towards the up-keep of the Home in Canada, which will need to be continued for some years until the younger ones already sent out are able to look after themselves.

**Mar. 4.**—Many friends, owing to the failure of banks, lessening of interest, and other causes, are not able to give as they would like and as they were wont to do. Yet the Lord does not allow His work to suffer need. Praise His name. A friend writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I enclose 5s. for your Orphan Homes—2s. 6d. from a friend, and 2s. 6 only from myself. It has been a great grief to me that I have



This picture, also submitted to the Court of Session, represents the united monthly meeting of our Christian Endeavour Societies. Each house has its own Christian Endeavour and holds a meeting weekly. These are held in the dining-room of the house and are conducted by the children themselves, one of the older members taking the lead. I meet with the united gatherings once a month, as seen from the picture given above. We take up a chapter of the Word, getting the children to give out their thoughts regarding any special verses, and perhaps give some of their experience in the meetings or classes held during the month. This meeting, the photo of which is reproduced here, took place in the old hall, formerly used for Church and School, and still occasionally used for religious purposes, and yet the County Council has charged rates on it at a rental of £110.

been unable to send any for the last two years; but in the Providence of God I have been unable to do so, and now can spare no more. I have been foolish in lending money, and have not been able to get it back; but I fear I shall never get all back. In other ways, too, I have been less well off; but I think by the summer I may be able to send some more. I feel so much pleasure in reading of sums—and large ones, too—sometimes being given or willed for your good work. Our God is a faithful God, and those that honour Him by entire trust in Him will prove in their happy experience that He is in very deed all that He, as the faithful Promiser, has

promised to be in His Holy Word. I pity the poor people of the higher criticism who would deprive us of so much of that Word, thus criticising the Lord of that Book whom they profess to serve. I trust you and your family are well, and your workers and their charges. May the Lord bless you more and more, and ever increasingly cheer and encourage you all in your labour of love.

Two cheering gifts of £100 come to-day from old helpers. Among other gifts are 10½d., the saved pennies of a little boy now gone Home; £2—£1 for our own use, with the message, "God can make all grace abound, as He is all powerful and ever faithful"; 11s. from young helpers in far-away Wakkerstroom, South Africa; 1s. each from three children and their father and mother; £1 "of Thine own"; 12s. from Wales "from a Scot from home"; £10 "for the Master"; and 16s. from "a few C.E. friends," with the message, "Attempt great things for God, expect great things from God."

**March 9.**—Was at the Court of Session yesterday and to-day, when the County Council case was before Lord Pearson in the Outer House. I was examined at considerable length as to the origin and conduct of the work, and several of our helpers gave evidence as to the ordinary day-by-day working of the different homes. We also submitted photos of the children at work and play in the various houses, showing how large a place "School" had in all our methods. Mr Johnston, Q.C., our advocate, debated the case in a very able manner, and Lord Pearson took the case to *avizandum*. We must just wait with patience for his decision, trusting that it may be such as shall be for the furtherance of the work in our hands. £20 from Broughty Ferry; £1 from Helensburgh; £5 from Aberdeen; £6 from St. Boswells; £1 11s. 3d. from a Sabbath School, Bridge of Allan; £5 "out of the Lord's increase," King's Lynn post-mark; and £1 "from a disciple of Jesus," are the gifts that have come to-day.

**March 15.**—We have been hoping for some time that the Lord would send the means to enable us to build or purchase a house in the city as a Receiving House and Dispensary in connection with the Consumption Hospitals work, but as yet this has not come, and we have been obliged to look out for temporary premises for the purpose. We have now made arrangements to rent part of the premises of the Medical Missionary Society in Moncur Street, which has been used for nurses' quarters, but is not required for that now. It will act as a house for receiving and examining patients before passing to the Hospital here, and will also enable us to make a commencement in dispensary work for those suffering from this disease. £28 19s. 11d., 49 articles clothing, 9 pairs socks, four gallons cod liver oil, and 36 loaves have come for daily needs to-day; also 10s. for the Consumption Hospitals.

**March 22.**—Yesterday we got the decision of the Court of Session case in regard to the rates. It is a very disappointing one, and one cannot but be surprised at the contradictory nature of it, in view of the evidence given. In his interlocutor Lord Pearson states "that in one sense the Institution contained all the elements which were set out in the statutory definition of Ragged Schools," and again he says, "Mr. Quarrier's Homes might be said to be a large and very highly developed Ragged School," and yet by his decision we are not a Ragged School entitling us to the exemption of rates. Because we do more than the original Ragged Schools in the way of feeding and clothing the children, therefore we are not to be considered a Ragged School, and are to be mulcted in rates. The

decision is a very unsatisfactory one, and as our senior Counsel, Mr. Johnston, Q.C., thinks we have a good case for appeal to the Inner Court, we have resolved to appeal, and we trust this decision may be reversed. The rates question is a national one involving many charitable institutions besides our own. We maintain that all buildings devoted to charitable purposes should be relieved of rates as churches are relieved, and we hope that an act exempting such may speedily be got. If we fail in our appeal to the Inner Court the past four years' rates amounting to over £600 will require to be paid, as well as all the expenses incurred in defence of the action. We look to the Lord to supply through His stewards all that will be required. The following letter is to hand from one of the boys who went out last year:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I am well and have a good home here. They are at work digging a canal at the St. Lawrence river. I go to school at the Point, and I am in the third standard. I go to Sunday School every Sunday. We had a Christmas tree here at Woodlands Church on Friday night, which is known as Christmas eve. We go to the Presbyterian Church. I am living with Mr. J. T.; he is a Scotchman, and I like him very well. When we were coming over to Canada we saw a whale and an iceberg, which looked very curious to us who never saw any before. There is little snow on the ground: people have their sleighs out. I like to hear the sleigh bells ring. I have been here about three months now. I got a pair of rubbers off the Christmas tree and a book and a box of sweeties. I got the book for Sunday School work. I have my Sunday School lessons good for my teacher to hear. Her name is Mrs. Y. I have my leaflet to learn memory verses, and I learn my Catechism. I wish you a merry Christmas and a happy New-Year. God be with you till we meet again. Your boy,  
J. J.

The party with whom he lives writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—You no doubt recognise the above name as belonging to a little boy who was sent from the Homes in Scotland to the Home in Brockville last spring. He came here October 2nd, and so far we like him very much. He is such an innocent and affectionate child. Our family numbers four—father, mother, brother, and myself. My brother is taking a course in law in New York City, so that leaves just three at home besides our little boy, who has already become quite a pet. He is also a good help about the house for one so young, and does well in school. He started to school the 1st of November and will continue to go all winter. The letter written you by him is original, not one word of it being dictated. He talks a great deal about you and Mr. and Mrs. Graham, and not without reason. If he continues to be as good in future as he has been in the past he is certainly a god-send. I should regret very much having to send him back. Wishing you a happy New-Year.—I am, yours sincerely,  
A. P.

A donation of £100 from a helper in Perth and a legacy of £100, less duty, from Glasgow were specially cheering gifts to-day, and among other sums sent are 5 dollars from two friends in British Columbia; 12s. 6d. from a little girl's missionary box in Aberdeen; £3 2s. 6d. from scholars and friends at Prestonkirk; £5 from an aged helper, "trusting that the trial of your faith and patience may abound to the glory and praise of God"; £1 1s. from a friend in Nice; £1, "the Lord's money," from another in London; £10, "a family offering," from Tillicoultry; 187 articles clothing from Ladies' Sewing Society, Dunfermline; 108 articles from Onward and Upward Association, Strathaven; and £2 collected by the poor mothers who meet once a week in the Vennel Mission Hall, Greenock. The sender writes, "The dear women have enjoyed listening to extracts from your report from time to time, and often wish they had more money to send you. They unite with me in asking the blessing of God to rest on you in the future as it has done in the past." God bless these dear helpers who out of their poverty have ministered to the needs of the little ones under our care.



**March 31.**—From north and south, east and west, the cry for help has been coming from the needy, destitute little ones of our land, and during the month it has been our privilege to rescue thirty-six of these. Four were taken in yesterday: two boys of 10 and 7 from Monifieth, whose father died about five years ago, and mother, a worker in a jute mill, has been laid up since beginning of year with weak action of the heart. She is at present in a convalescent home, and has small prospect of recovery. The children, in her weak state, have been doing what they liked, and are in danger of going wrong. A girl of 12 from Edinburgh, parents dead, and since their death she has been with a married sister, but she with a family of her own finds herself unable to manage girl, who is wild and heedless and in danger of being led astray by bad companions; and a little boy of 6, whose father is dead, and mother is in and out of the poorhouse. Among others admitted this month are a boy of 14 and little girl of 5, whose father, an engineer, died last year, and mother has sunk very low, and has been in prison for her bad conduct. The children look starved, have been very much neglected, and are much in need of being removed from the mother's evil influence. A family of four, 13, 9, 6, and 4 years of age, who were admitted last year, but two days after admission, mother removed them. Since then she has been for some time in City Poorhouse, and bitterly regrets she did not allow children to remain with us. They have been very much neglected, and are covered with rags and dirt. A boy of 11. Mother died three years ago, and father died sixteen months ago in City Poorhouse. An aunt took boy out of Poorhouse, but she has since died, and her husband will not keep boy, and ill-uses him so much that Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children had to interfere and bring him here. A family of four children, whose father died five months ago of alcoholic poisoning brought on by excessive drinking. Mother died last month, and since then the children have been in Barnhill Poorhouse, from which they are brought to us. A younger child is ill and cannot be moved just now, but will be brought later on. A young woman from Inverness is taken into our City Home. Parents are dead, and she was found by a friend in a house where she was in great moral danger. Such are a few of the cases dealt with this month. £9 18s. 5d. for daily needs and 1s. 6d. towards the Consumption Hospitals have come this closing day of the month.

**April 4.**—Yesterday (Sabbath) we had the privilege and joy of welcoming to the Lord's Table five of our gathered-in family, four girls and a boy, who have given clear testimony of their faith in Christ, and who desire to unite with us in commemorating His dying love. It is a great joy to us from time to time to hear of one and another of our children having decided for the Lord, and we are encouraged by seeing them come forward and thus publicly confess their faith in Him. May He ever bless and guide these young disciples of His, and enable them to let their light shine before others so that they seeing their good works, may glorify our Father in heaven. A great many of the children who have gone from the Homes write telling us of the result of the good seed sown, springing up, it may be after many days, and our hearts are rejoiced thereby. The two following letters are from two of our number in Canada:—

**DEAR FRIEND,**—It is a long while since I received your letter, but you will be thinking I have forgotten you, which I never will. I hope you are getting good health. I was sorry I did not get to see you last summer when you were out here. I had Mr. Burges to see me this week, he tells me there is not going to be any boys come out this year, which I am sorry to hear, the Government have taken such step

to stop them. I had the pleasure of being at Fairknowe at the New Year. I spent a grand time there, and was much pleased at seeing some of our old boys some whom I have not seen for ten years, who are grown up to young men. I also met with our old friend Mr. Thomson at Fairknowe, last summer, whom I was greatly pleased to see after so long a time. We are having very nice weather here, spring has come in very early this year, the sleighing has been gone for a week, sugar-making is keeping the farmers busy now. Canada is a fine country for poor boys or girls who would like to make a start in the world, but they don't want to be afraid to work hard. I am so sorry that our children are stopped from coming in as before, for there is a good demand for them in preference to any other Homes, but there has been good seed sown in Canada which is going to bring a hundredfold, and the fruits of the Bridge-of-Weir shall be seen here in years to come. I like to live in Canada, I love farming with all my heart, it seems as if it is my calling; all that I am sorry about is that I have not got means enough to buy a farm of my own, which I hope to do some day if the Lord spares me with health and strength. I am working for one of the largest farmers in Leeds County, who owns the finest farm property in the County of Leeds. This is the first place I came to, and I have been here ever since (all but a little over two years), and I am hired for another year for 150 dols. I am a kind of foreman on the farm; we have other two men, and when Mr. Johnston goes away I am left to look after his business. You need not think that I am boasting, but I just feel like telling you how I am getting on, as an old employer of mine told me the other day the Lord has blessed me more than any other boy that ever came from Scotland around this neighbourhood. But I think a good deal of it lies in a boy's ambition, and asking God's help each day for guidance. "Seest thou a man diligent in his business, he shall stand before kings." I think this is all I have to say at present. From your sincere friend,

W. S.

**DEAR MR. QUARRIER,**—I have just been looking through my writing-case, and saw your address on my envelopes, so I thought I would write to you. I am very much stronger and healthier since I came to Canada. It is such a delightful country, I have never regretted coming out, even after making my choice in such a short time. I never expected to find it so agreeable. The winters are so lovely, and the cold air is so dry, that one feels that one would like to stay out-doors most of the time. I haven't had a single cold or cough. The stoves keep the rooms warmer than the grates do in Scotland. I am so happy in my new home and country, my friends are so kind to me. The sun shines most of the time just now. It is so nice to look at the trees in winter when the sun is shining on them, they just glitter like you see them in Christmas cards. My master and mistress are in Montreal just now, they are staying there for a fortnight, and they trust me to take care of their beautiful house. It is so nice to be trusted; it learns me what it is to trust in God. I have joined the "Lord's Table." I joined last August. I hope you are stronger since your visit to this country. I hope and trust that the large family at the "Homes" are well. People often ask me about the homes, and I simply tell them they are such nice homes, and the people were so kind and good, and they say that was very nice. They often say it is so nice there is someone to look after God's little ones, who cannot manage for themselves. My friends in Canada are Christian people, and my master is the most experienced Elder of the Church. I would be so thankful if you would kindly send me a few yearly report-books of the "Homes," so that I could let the people see them. I hope Mrs. Quarrier, Miss Quarrier, and yourself, workers, and large family are well. I close with best wishes for the New Year to all. Yours respectfully,

B. N.

**April 9.**—It is encouraging from time to time to receive letters from the relatives of the children we have helped, expressing their gratitude for what has been done for their little ones. A mother writes as follows:—

**DEAR SIR,**—I am writing to thank you for the great kindness you have shown to my four little girls since going to the Homes 12 months last November. I went to see them and was delighted to see them looking so fat and fresh. They were so comfortably clothed and cleanliness itself: they are so greatly improved. I cannot express my gratitude to you for what you have done, and may the Lord bless and strengthen you to long continue your good work. My little ones speak so highly of your great kindness, and the mother being such a good kind mother. I am so proud to know them growing up giving their hearts to Jesus. I feel much stronger now as the air is so bracing. Hoping I may have the pleasure of meeting you next time, now with best wishes for Mrs. Quarrier and family, also yourself.

3 dollars are sent by a mother now in New York who writes: "I am



only sorry I cannot help any more as I feel very grateful for my little girl being in your care." 6s. from a Bible Class in Port Eglinton; 10s. 6d. from another in Montrose; £1 1s. anonymously from Glasgow; and the same amount from a friend in London are our donations for to-day. Among other gifts received these past days are £5 from a friend in Sydney "asking God's blessing on all your efforts for the orphans' good." £1 from a donor in Illinois; 15s. from a Band of Hope near Kilsyth; 7s. 9d. from an Edinburgh Boys' Brigade Bible Class; £1 "a thank offering" from Fort-William; £1 from the Mothers' Meeting of a Port-Dundas Mission; 2s. 6d. from a friend in Dorchester; 6s., "a mite from a working man;" 2s. 6d. from Egypt; 2 boxes crackers, slightly damaged in transit, from a Railway Company; 34 articles clothing from the members of a school in St. Andrews; 24 trimmed hats from two friends in Wooler; 3s. 9d. from a class of girls in Carnoustie, and 5s. from a Junior Girls' Bible Class in Perth. The sender writes, "It seems very small when compared with your necessities, but may the Lord bless it abundantly, and give you not only the daily bread but the daily wisdom and grace that you need."

**April 16.**—We have been greatly cheered and encouraged by the sympathy of friends with us in the decision of the Court of Session case, and by their help towards the expenses connected therewith. A friend to-day, sending £2, writes:—

MY DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—What a comfort amid all the trials and disappointments that Jehovah reigns. We have both been feeling very deeply the gross injustice of this Court of Session decision, and will not forget to pray that if it pleases God that decision may be reversed on appeal. I hope there is no doubt that it will be appealed. We are sorry we cannot give more, but we gladly enclose £2 towards the expenses of the appeal. I was needing a bit of comfort these days, and got it this morning from two verses in the 9th Psalm: "The Lord also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble; and they that know Thy name will put their trust in Thee; for Thou, Lord, hast not forsaken them that seek Thee." May He likewise comfort and strengthen your hearts and bless you all. With much regard, in which my wife joins.

and another, forwarding £5, says:—

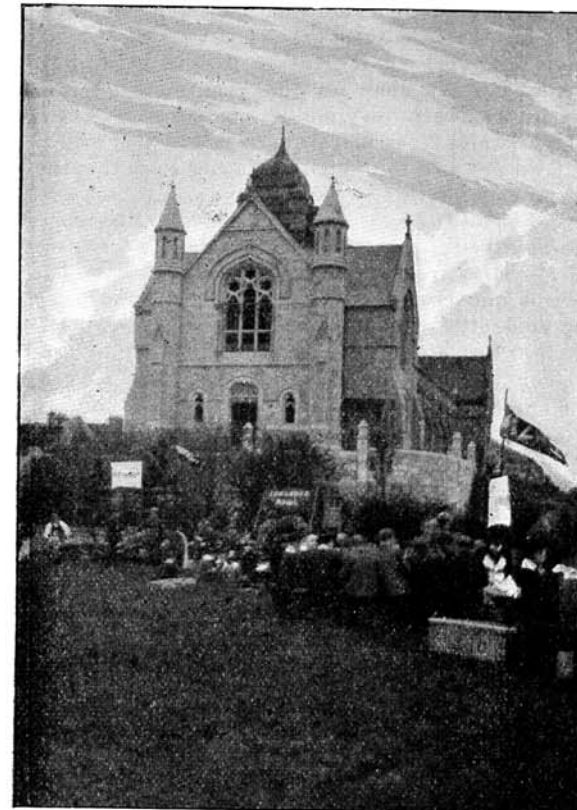
DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—You have been often in my thoughts and in my prayers since receiving the occasional paper. We know that all things work together for good to them that love God. Therefore we must trust that our God who reigns over all will bring good both to you and to the Homes from the trouble which has arisen. You have, I am sure, committed your cause to Him. Trust Him and pray for much grace to enable you to glorify Him by exhibiting the mind of Christ. Perhaps our God is trying your faith, and giving you an opportunity of glorifying Him in a way that you could not otherwise do. The £5 I intended to help law expenses, but you are at liberty to use it as you most need. "The soul of the people was much discouraged because of the way." David encouraged himself in the Lord his God. It is just—

"Day by day with strength supplied,  
Through the life of Him who died."

£20 comes for legal expenses from "a Sympathiser, Stirlingshire," who writes, "We deeply sympathise with you in this threatened taxation, but the Lord reigns, and He will provide for you in this as in all other matters;" £2 from two friends in Newcastle for the same purpose; also £1 from a minister in Edinburgh; £5 from an old helper there; £1 from another; and £40 (£20 for legal expenses) from an old donor who writes, "My son who has been bred to the law has gone over the case, and thinks Lord Pearson is wrong in his decision, and that it is a case to be tried with prospect of success."

**April 22.**—We have been pushing on the sewerage works as quickly as possible, and they are now almost finished, and we have sent an

invitation to the Medical Faculty to view the Hospital, Executive Buildings, and Sewerage Scheme on the last day of the month. The painters are busy in the Receiving House at Moncur Street, and as soon as they are finished, we will be able to admit patients. Two children of 9 and 5 years of age were added to our number yesterday from Peebles. The mother comes of a respectable family, but has sunk very low, and for some years has been an inmate of the poorhouse, where, by her activity and usefulness, she has, to some extent, retrieved the past, and a lady, who is interested in her, has given her a chance of a situation. Children have been brought up by the parochial authorities, who hand them over to us.



MAY-DAY.—BUSY AT CURDS, CREAM, AND BISCUITS.

A family of four, 6, 4, 3, and 1 years of age, were taken in on Monday. Their father, a Glasgow constable, has just died of consumption in a Home for Policemen in Fife. Before his death he requested the matron of the Home to bring the children to us. The mother died last summer of typhoid fever, and also two of her children, and since then the house has been kept by a housekeeper who has turned out very badly, and, on father's body being brought home, had to be turned out of the house because of the state she was in with drink. £6 10s., seven articles clothing, and 254 loaves are our gifts to-day.

**April 30.**—On the invitation of the Advisory Board of the Consumption Hospital work, over 150 members of the Medical Faculty of the city and friends paid a visit to the hospital to day. After seeing over the hospital, the Executive Buildings, and sewerage scheme (which was fully explained by Dr. Campbell Munro, medical officer of health for the county), a meeting was held in our Central hall, where, after tea, Sir William T. Gairdner, chairman of the Advisory Board, Dr. Eben. Duncan, Mr. Cameron Corbett, M.P., and others, delivered short addresses, commending the work as a most necessary and useful one. The day was rather showery, but all seemed to enjoy their visit and expressed themselves as highly pleased with the very suitable situation of the buildings, as well as with the external and internal arrangements. Donations of £50 and £10 for the hospital work were very cheering gifts yesterday. The needs for this work in the future will be great, but the Lord will supply these, as He has done for the work among the children in the past. The Lord has been very mindful of our daily needs these closing days of the month, and from many quarters has sent sufficient to supply them, so that we are able to pay all debts and close this the last month of spring owing no man anything.

**May 7.**—This being the first Saturday in May, our large family had their annual May-Day treat, which is long looked forward to by them all. The usual curds and cream, biscuits, fruit, etc., were disposed of in our large playing field, after which, for about two hours, games such as tug-of-war, press-gang, races, etc., were engaged in heartily by the boys and girls and by the older folks also. After these were over, all got into line and with banners and flags flying, and led by our Ship's Band, we marched in procession to view the new sewerage works, which are just completed. We were there photographed, and I am pleased to be able to show a reproduction of this that friends may get some idea of the appearance of these works. A great many gifts have come to cheer our hearts these opening days of summer. £2 comes from an old helper, who writes, "The God of the Bible is the living God, and He will sustain you, although it will be through human agency. He knows where His money is." £5 is sent "as a thankoffering" from far-away Darjeeling; £1 19s. 7d. is from Belgium; £5 and £1 for personal needs comes from a frequent helper in Stirling; 5s. is from uncle of children helped, with "sympathy and prayers in the trials you are suffering in Christ's cause"; £1 from a friend in England, who writes, "Although I usually send my contribution to your Homes through the *Christian*, I write to you this time direct, just to say how much I sympathise with you in that amazing decision of Lord Pearson"; and £10 from an old helper, who says, "The decision of the Court against you is not, I hope, overwhelming. It is something to know by the judgment that because your institution is something more than a Ragged School it should be mulcted in rates, which it would save if it did less." Yesterday a grave in our little God's-acre was opened to receive the body of another of our number, Lizzie Quin, a young woman of over 20 years of age, who this week passed away from our Bethesda Home to the Home above. She came to us fourteen years ago, and was then in a very delicate condition with spine disease, and requiring constant care and nursing. She recovered from this, and was able to walk about and do some light work, and she then took a desire to go out to her mother and sister who wished to have her. She went, but they soon tired of her and she became chargeable to Kilmalcolm Parish. Rather than it

should be burdened with her, we agreed to take her back, and she again came under our care. The seeds of consumption had been sown in her body, and she had not the constitution to throw off the disease. She gave evidence of a saving change of heart while with us, and we sorrow not as those who have no hope, but rejoice that she has now exchanged the sorrows and trials of her earthly pilgrimage, for the joys and pleasures which are for evermore.

**May 14.**—£50 a day are required for the daily maintenance of our large family now numbering over 1200. Only £9 5s. 6d. are sent to-day, but yesterday £94 1s. came, and thus from day to day our needs are met. The following cheering letters are to hand from two of our rescued ones in Canada:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—More than two years have passed since I wrote to you, but I did not realise that it was so long, as time seems to pass rapidly with me, but your last letter was dated December, 1895. It is not that I have, or ever will forget you, or the many kindnesses received from you, or those connected with the Home. A number of those I will never see here, for I have read in your annual letters that the Angel of Death has unsheathed his sword many a time since I was at the Home. I heard with much regret that you and Mrs. Quarrier were both ill during the last season, but I was pleased to hear in the annual letter that both of you have been restored to health, and my wish is that you may yet be spared many happy years in the useful work you are engaged in, and may your declining years be like our beautiful Indian summer, which has a softer charm after summer's verdant beauty has fled. As for myself, I have had very good health since I have been here. I have been troubled with rheumatism and weak eyes this winter, but I am better of both now. I am no longer the little white headed girl that you knew, but have grown somewhat, for I have grown some, as perhaps you may see some day. I will send you one of my photos when I have them taken. Mr. Alex. Burges was at our place this summer, and he gave me one of yours, which I will always prize. We have Christian Endeavour meetings on Friday evenings; they are very instructive as well as interesting, and I enjoy them very much. I am corresponding secretary for the Women's Missionary Auxiliary, and I also belong to the Children's Mission Band. I am engaged in a number of good works. I am trying to lead a better life, and I ask an interest in your prayers, that I may not be found wanting in that day when He cometh to make up His jewels. I joined the Presbyterian Church last summer, and I am not sorry for the step I have taken. I am the youngest member on the church roll. One of our former students, Mr. F., has returned from your side of the seas, where he has been completing his education in Glasgow and Germany. Our church is only a mission, and students preach from March to November, and strange to say they are all Scotch, or of Scotch descent. I think the "land of brown heath and shaggy wood" is well represented in Canada. Since I last wrote, I came across a brief description of your work, also a picture of yourself, in the *Montreal Weekly Witness*, and I cut it out. There are great numbers rushing for the Klondike, but I don't expect to, as it is cold enough here. I think I will close, as my letter is quite long. With kindest regards and best wishes to all. —I remain, yours respectfully, M. M.

DEAR FRIENDS,—It is some time since you heard from us; and, indeed, we are very guilty of neglect. We will now try to give you a little news. One thing above all the greatest blessing that can be bestowed, is *health*. Mrs. B— has greatly improved since going to hospital some time ago, and now we are all spared to enjoy good health together. We do all hope and trust your health has improved, and that you may be spared for a great many years yet, to enable you to carry on your noble and Christian work in rescuing the little ones. May the blessing of God be with you and yours for what you have done and are still doing now. Now I daresay you would like to know something about our welfare. As we have said, we have good health and are busy at work, have plenty of it. The past year has been our best since starting up in business, and we are happy to say we managed to put up a shop and dwelling-house last summer. Although it is not finished we are able to live in it, and are very comfortable in it. We intend to pay for it and furnish as we are able. We would be very much pleased to see some of you this year if it is at all possible. If it were at all possible we would like to see you when coming out to Brockville, it would be very pleasant to meet at what we might call our old home



and parents as well; we might well say home and parents which are worthy of the name. We have just the three children who are nice company now, and are getting now so as to help in the house nicely. Bella still makes her home with us, she is quite a young woman and strong and hearty, only troubled at present with a sprained foot, but hope it won't prove any way serious. Lizzie is doing very well; she has settled her lot on a farm, she has her fourth child. We are all delighted to read your annual letter, and look for it, and much would we like to see the Homes again—the home of our childhood—our first step to rise in this world, and hope it is the step to rise for the other world. Your annual letter is very interesting as well as full of instruction, the improvements and other buildings must be wonderful. It shows what can be done with the prayer of a righteous man, *it availeth much*. We fully believe in your work, and that God has appointed you for His servant to work for Him and to care for the little ones. Just for one moment can we think how many have been saved from the sin and wickedness of this world, and have been led to believe that Christ died for us. Now may the blessing of God be upon you, is the wish of us, your dear friends,  
E. & M.

**May 21.**—Our City Dispensary and Receiving Home in Moncur Street has been getting a thorough overhauling, and is now finished, and made suitable for dealing with consumptive patients; and this week on Tuesday and Thursday our doctor was in attendance to see applicants, and advise and help with other cases. A number of those suffering with the disease called, some of them were suitable cases and will be passed on to the Hospital, in others the disease had got too strong a hold for us to admit, but these were helped with medicine and advice. The room at our disposal being so limited, we will only be able to take those, where the disease is in the early stages. Only 10s., six pairs stockings, and some used clothing for general needs, and £1 from Christian Endeavour meeting in one of the Boys' Homes, for the Consumption Hospitals, to-day.

**May 24.**—£475 6s. 5d. from friends to complete the "Ebenezer Maclay" Home, sent with words of encouragement and sympathy, came to cheer our hearts to-day. Among our gifts these past days are £5, two frocks, and a boy's suit from "a Parishioner of Kilmalcolm," 2s., "The Lord's pennies" from an invalid friend, with the message, "The joy of the Lord is your strength," £5 "in memory of little Alick, Grangemouth," £1 1s. from Austria; and £1 from a friend who writes, "I have felt condemned as my eyes lighted on Proverbs iii. 9, as I have lately had an increase of £5 to my salary. I have pleasure in sending £1 with continued earnest prayer for guidance and blessing in the work."

**May 31.**—After many years of prayer, thought, and work, we have at last reached the position of being able to extend a helping hand to the poor consumptives of our land, and on Friday the first patient (a young woman, a mill worker from Glasgow) was taken into the hospital, and since then six others from Houston, Johnstone, and the city have been admitted. We do trust that these dear women, and all who come within the walls of the hospital, may not only find healing of body, but that their souls also may be blessed by their residence amongst us. During the past month a number of needy children have been added to our large gathered in family, among them a very sad case of three children from Greenock, where the mother has been brutally cruel to her little ones, assaulting the eldest girl of 11 years with a red hot poker, burning her so severely in many parts of the body that she had to be taken to infirmary, and for a time there was doubt if she would recover. The mother has been sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment for her deed, and the children find a refuge with us. Among others admitted are a boy and girl of 10 and 7, whose father died on the 27th of this month from consumption, the mother

having predeceased him with same disease; a family of four, 11, 9, 6 and 4 years of age, whose father died in the beginning of the year and mother last week, of consumption; two boys of 10 and 8, father, a labourer, was killed in Phoenix Foundry; mother was accidentally drowned by falling into canal one dark night; an uncle and aunt have tried to keep but are unable to do so longer. A girl of 15 whose parents are dead, and who is getting beyond control of her aunt, who is afraid she may go wrong, if not brought under restraining influences. A little girl of 6, brought to us by the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children, Edinburgh, who removed girl from mother, a confirmed drunkard who is utterly unfit to have charge of her. These are a few details of some of the cases of destitution and moral depravity and cruelty we have been called on to deal with this month, and we cannot but bless God for the great privilege He confers on us, and on our givers in enabling us to rescue such from lives of sin and shame. From Ardrossan, Montrose, Kirkintilloch, Arbroath, Edinburgh, Nairn and Glasgow £14 9s. 3d. 2 pinafores and some rolls have come to-day.

**June 7.**—We were greatly cheered this morning by receiving a letter from a gentleman in the East of Scotland promising the amount required to build the second block of the Consumption Hospitals. This friend visited the Homes for the first time at the end of last month, and was greatly pleased with all the arrangements. We do praise our Heavenly Father for this generous gift from an unexpected quarter, a fresh token to us of His interest in the work on behalf of the poor consumptives of our land. The gift has been sent at a most opportune time, as our builder is just about finishing the work he had on hand, and will be ready to commence work on this new block as soon as our architect can get plans prepared. This hospital will be for males, and we trust will be a place of healing and help to many thousands of our fellow-men. This kind friend also sends £200 for the daily needs of the work. £100 from a regular donor in Crieff also came in very acceptably to-day. Among other gifts were £4 14s. from friends in Kilmalcolm for the Consumption Hospitals work; £10 from "Ceylon" for the same purpose; £2 from Otago, New Zealand; £43 8s. 3d. collected from friends in Campbelltown by two helpers there; 10s. from Schoolhouse children, Lochgilphead; £1 12s. from a Sunday class at an isolated farmhouse in Selkirkshire; and 40 pairs stockings, a very useful gift, from a young women's guild in Lochgelly.

**June 15.**—£20 towards expenses of Court of Session case from a friend in England was a cheering gift to-day; £3 comes from a friend in Dunedin; £20 are sent by two lady helpers in Chirnside; 2s. comes for the Hospitals, "the Lord's tenth," from an anonymous helper; £1 is sent from "Dot's Missionary Box"; a line for the Royal Infirmary, which we will be able to make good use of for one of the needy cases who come to us from day to day; 15s. comes from "Ivy, Coupar-Angus"; a double-seated mail-cart is sent by a friend in the City; and a large quantity of clothing, household utensils, some sheets, blankets, mattresses, etc., are sent from a friend in Innellan.

**June 22.**—The recent advance in the price of flour means a very considerable addition to our expenses—about £50 extra monthly to make good the forty dozen loaves we consume daily. The advance is an unexpected one, but we know our Heavenly Father will make good all the additional money that will be required to provide for this. A firm in the city send us a very cheering gift to-day of £50 for general needs and

£50 for the Consumption Hospitals; friends in Garelochhead, Motherwell, Edinburgh, Kincardine, Paisley, and Glasgow, send £8 5s. additional, and quantity clothing, some loaves and rolls, and a patchwork quilt made by little school-girls, have come. An anonymous friend in Edinburgh sending £5 writes, "Enclosed you will find £5 for the benefit of the orphans in whom you take so fatherly an interest, from one who was once a newspaper boy, but having accepted Jesus as my Saviour in the days of my youth, all other things have been added unto me."

**June 30.**—The call for help from needy little ones and from the suffering consumptives has been coming to us these past weeks from many parts. Yesterday six children were added to our family; three of them from Largs, 8, 6, and 5 years of age, whose father and mother both died of consumption, and there are no relatives able to keep the children, who look very delicate, the young one especially so. A boy of 10 from Alloa, and two children of 7 and 4 from Paisley, whose father died on the 7th of this month. Mother has had to sell her things and go to share a two-roomed house with another woman. Her husband was so long ill that there was nothing left when he died, and there are no friends able to assist. Four more patients were admitted to the Consumption Hospital from Edinburgh, Airdrie, Port-Glasgow, and the City. These closing days of the month £173 15s. 0½d. and quantity clothing and provisions have been sent for daily maintenance, and £8 16s. 6d. for the Consumption Hospitals. £10 of the amount is from a farmer in Kilmalcolm; £10 "for the Master;" £15 from a Friend in Strathpeffer; £50 from Valparaiso; 10s. 6d. from "Cable," St. Andrews; £30 left at the City Home; 4s. 6d., "Found Money" from a young helper in Joppa; £2 from "a disciple;" and £5 left at the Homes by an old lady of 82 years, from a village in the Highlands, one who, although not rich in this world's goods, yet desires to do what she can for the advancement of her Redeemer's Kingdom. The following letters are among many others from our children in Canada:—

DEAR SIR,—I now take the pleasure of writing you a few lines and hope they will find you all well as they leave us at present. I thought of writing you before but neglected doing so. We are having very fine weather just now and it has been a very early Spring. The farmers are almost through sowing now. There is a great talk of war here, how is it where you are, I hope it wont amount to much. I am living in B—now and going to the business College taking the course of Book-keeping and I think I will take up Shorthand and Typewriting, it will cost quite a little but hope it will pay me in the future. If you should happen to come over to Canada next summer I hope it will be so, you can call on us, it would not be much out of your road and we would be pleased to see you. I am living with Mrs. O—yet. Mr. O—died about two years ago and we have been living here now about a year. It is a very pleasant place to live but there is not much business done. It is very quiet. I would like to see Scotland again. It has greatly improved I suppose since I was there. I hope you will continue on in your work and be spared a long life to enjoy it. I will bring my letter to a close. Give my love to Mrs. Quarrier and all who may inquire of me. Please write soon. Yours respectfully, A. F.

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I now take the pleasure of writing to you to let you know how I am getting along. I have got on to a farm where I like it pretty well. It is kind of late hours at night; but, for all that, it is fine work. We have got all our spring work done, and will soon be ready for taking off. We will be starting to cut the rye in about two weeks from now. We have been very busy this last while back. We have got 10 cows, 4 horses, 26 sheep, and a lot of fowls. I am keeping quite well, hoping this will find you the same. We are quite near church here. I was at Brockville Home this week, and they are all well. I was going to see my sister. She is 15 miles away from Ottawa, and I am 16 miles from Kingston, so we are quite away from one another; but as soon as my time is finished here, Mr. Burges thinks I would be better to go beside her. Her master is wanting me very bad, and he says he will wait until October for me to come to him, as my time is out

in September; so I think I will go. I think this is a fine country—nice and healthy. I like it awfully well. I also enjoyed the voyage coming over very well, although I was sick most of the time. I had no idea that it was so far. I hope that Mrs. Quarrier is keeping well, and yourself, also Mr. Frank and Miss Mary. I hope Mr. and Mrs. Findlay are keeping well. You might give them my kind regards. I also hope you are getting along with the great work all right. I think this is all at present. From one of your boys, T. M.

"I am thy shield and thy exceeding great reward."

**July 6.**—We were pleased to see from the papers to-day that the Ayr Parish Council had taken a decided stand against the red tapeism of the Local Government Board, who are objecting to a donation of £10 which the Council gave to the Homes. During the past five years we have taken 27 destitute children from Ayr, who would otherwise have been a burden on its rates, and this donation is but a small part of the amount we have saved the parish. One cannot but be surprised at the



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action of the Local Government Board in thus objecting to the Parish Council acknowledging their indebtedness by a gift. £20 collected from friends in Largs; £4 from Edinburgh, Glasgow, Forfar, and Newport; £1 3s. collected by a young friend and his brothers and sisters; £1 from Children's Seaside Services, Dunoon; 15s from a Bible Class in the City; and 10s. from a Sabbath School in Blairgowrie are our gifts to-day. The following letters are from grateful mothers of children helped:—

DEAR SIR,—Will you allow me to tell you how grateful I am for sending my boy to your Homes. I went to see him last Wednesday and he has now left school and is learning a trade. He is looking so well and seems so happy. He is improved so much since last I saw him, being now at that age when children alter a great deal. Will you forgive me for writing thus; I have been wanting to do so before but did not know if you would approve of it. John has also, I believe, given his heart to Jesus, which is best of all. May God bless you very abundantly and spare you for many a year to come in that blessed work is the prayer of a widow.



DEAR SIR,—I feel I must write and tell you how delighted I was to see my three children looking so well, happy, and comfortable in your Homes. I cannot help feeling grateful that they have been placed where they have all that is needful for their good. If the distance is great for me to come and see them, the Lord will provide when it is needful for me to come once more. I beg you will accept my grateful thanks for all your kindness.

**July 15.**—Although this is the middle of summer, there are many needy ones seeking our help from day to day, and during the past fortnight a number have been added to our family, while to others temporary help has been given. Among those admitted are two boys of 13 and 10, whose father once in business for himself as a draper, gave way to drink, and in May last, while in a despondent state, committed suicide. The mother, who was a teacher before marriage, has also sunk very low through drink, and is just shortly out of prison. Three children, 9, 6, and 3 years of age are taken from Grangemouth. Father dead; mother left her house three months ago in company with a tramp, and walked to Falkirk and Stirling, taking children with her. She there left them to find their way back as best they could to an uncle. He, however, has a family of his own, and is unable to keep the children, and brings them to us. A boy of 14 is admitted from St. Andrews. Father, a gardener, a very respectable man, died in Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh, a month ago. This boy has been causing his mother trouble, playing truant from school, and getting beyond her control; and she is anxious he should be brought under restraining influences. A family of four, 11, 9, 7, and 4 years of age, also admitted, whose father was another victim to the drink curse, having, when under its influence, stepped into the Canal and was drowned. Mother died last month, leaving her children in care of a Bible-woman, who brings them to us. £46 3s. 10d. for general needs and £15 for Consumption Hospitals have come to-day.

**July 22.**—£1 from "a sympathiser," Greenock; gifts of 2s. and 10s. from donors in Edinburgh; and 34 loaves from a friend in Dunlop, who frequently remembers our needs in this way, are all our gifts to-day. We were greatly cheered this week by receiving a cheque for £800 from a friend in England, as an "In Memoriam" gift in memory of his wife, who during her lifetime was greatly interested in the work. She gave £3,000 as a birthday thankoffering, to build and furnish, "Elim," our Invalid Boys' Home, and by her sympathy and gifts did much to encourage us. May her dear partner left behind realise the comforting and sustaining grace of the Lord, who makes no mistakes in leading His flock, whether it be by the green pastures or "through the valley of the shadow."

**July 31.**—During the past month our children have had their holidays from school, and have been thoroughly enjoying picnic outings, and excursions to the hills and glens in the surrounding country. During the Glasgow Fair week the older boys and girls from our City Home, got away for a week's change from the smoke and bustle of the City, the girls coming here, and the boys going to Cockenzie on the East Coast to enjoy and be benefitted by the sea breezes there. £5 8s. 1d. are sent from various sources for our daily needs to-day. Among other gifts these past days are £80 for the Consumption Hospitals from a friend in Luss; £2 from an anonymous friend, "praying that the Lord may bless you and cause His face to shine more and more upon you and the Children's City;" 2s., a thankoffering from first week's wage; £3, "A spinster's donation for the Consumption Hospital;" 50 boxes kipper herring from "Fellowship, Fraserburgh;" £2

from a minister in Cape Colony, who writes, "our sympathy" and "prayers are with you in your trials and efforts;" 5s., "a holiday thankoffering" from Pittenweem; £1 from Chipping Norton "with every best wish for present and future prosperity"; 73 useful articles clothing from a friend in Lenzie; £1, from a few hand spoolers in Thread Works, Paisley; £6 18s. collected from friends, by two aged helpers 90 and 94 years old; £10, "wishing it were a hundred times more," from a friend in Glasgow; £25, a very cheering gift towards expenses of Court of Session case from a friend in Valparaiso; and £1 from Australia, with the following letter:—

MY DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—I was very much interested in reading an account of your "Homes for Children," which was kindly sent to me. It is delightful to hear of hands held out for the rescue of these poor orphaned little ones in the large cities of the old country, and also to know how "your work of faith and labour of love" has been blessed. It must be a thought full of comfort to you that you have been the means of rescuing so many who, without help, would have died in sorrow, suffering, and ignorance. I enclose a small sum (£1), for your little children, and I wish it were much more, with the fervent hope that their Father and yours will continue to bless your work as He has done in the past, and I am quite sure He will. With kind regards to you and your fellow-workers.

**August 4.**—One of the boys from our training ship left us to-day to begin his seafaring career. He will be followed by many prayers, and we trust in his new surroundings he will be guided and blessed by the Master. The following letter this month is from one of the boys who went out from the training ship about ten years ago. He has done very well, and is now captain of a pearl fishing schooner:—

DEAR MR. AND MRS. QUARRIER,—Years before this letter reaches you you must have thought of me as one of your ungrateful boys, so I must crave your forgiveness. I had a letter from Captain Aitkenhead last week and he told me all about the Homes and the changes there. I am glad everything is flourishing and that you are both keeping well. I daresay Captain A. has told you all about me, how I have left the deep water sailing ships and have joined the pearling fleets in the Torres Straits. I am sailing-master of the schooner "Aladdin" and like the business I am in very well. I am not quite at the top of the tree yet; my certificate is a coasting one. I can only take charge of a vessel trading on the Queensland coast, but I intend to try for the highest certificate when I have served sufficient time, which will be two years hence. I met two of the old boys in Brisbane just before I came up here, they were both going to London from there. I should like very much to see the old place again, it must be three times the size it was when I left. I intend to go home in a few years if I am spared, and will spend some time at Bridge-of-Weir. My little ship is not as large as the "James Arthur," but I often wish my cabin was as comfortable. In this company there are four schooners, and each schooner has a fleet of small vessels similar to the fishing vessels at home. There is a diver on each of these small vessels and he searches for pearl shell. The boats drift about a good deal in this work, so we follow them with the schooner and send a boat round daily if the weather is fine to collect the shells they find. The shell is opened by us (white men) and we search for pearls. We never allow the blacks to touch the shell while it remains unopened because they would steal the pearls. We do not find any very valuable ones very often, but we do find them sometimes. The weather here is very nice, not too hot, and there is nearly always a breeze. I had a touch of Dengui fever at the beginning of the year, but it did not last long, otherwise I am always in pretty good health. I hope Mr. Frank and Miss Mary are keeping well. I had a letter from my old father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest, and they told me a lot about you and all the old folks at the Homes. It is sad to think so many of the dear old people have departed this life, but joyful to know I can meet them all again in heaven. I must now close, hoping this will find you all well. Give my kind regards to Mr. Douglas. With kind regards to all.—I remain, yours very truly, J. D.

**Aug. 10.**—A great trial to-day in the burning of part of the Executive block of the Consumption Hospitals. About 2.30 in the morning I was awakened with the news that the building was on fire, and that there was little hope of saving it. For the past five weeks I have

been confined to bed and the house from the effects of a chill which settled down on the weak spot left by my illness of two years ago. I had not yet been out of doors, and was therefore unable to venture out, and could only help by laying the matter before the Lord, and plead that He would save the property gifted for His work among the sick and suffering. I knew that the building was only partially insured, and also realised that if it was entirely destroyed we would require to shut the hospital also, and we therefore earnestly besought the Lord that He would stay the conflagration. The flames were first noticed by Mrs. Wilson, sister-in-law to Mr. Jack, who at once summoned him, and he, after seeing the inmates of the burning building to a place of safety, sent for help to the "fathers" of the various cottages, who were quickly on the scene, and did their utmost to keep the flames from spreading from the boiler shed and baths, in which they broke out, to the Laundry and Washing House and residential portion adjoining, but in this they would not have been successful if God had not caused an east wind to blow which kept the flames in the western side of the building until the Fire Brigade from Paisley, which had been telephoned for, arrived on the scene, and quickly extinguished the flames. The damage done is probably about £3000, and this will be covered by the insurance. The boilers which provide the heating and ventilating power to the hospital have not been much damaged, so that we will be able to use the hospital as before. The trial has been a severe one, but the silver lining of our Father's mercy in preserving life, and His interposition in answer to believing prayer, have been very manifest, and our hearts are filled with thanksgiving for all His loving kindness.

**Aug. 16.**—£450, a legacy from Edinburgh, was a very acceptable gift for our Building Fund to-day. £20 from a friend in Helensburgh, sent in memory of his son; £3 10s. from Bible classes in Glasgow and Camelon; and 5s. and 45 loaves from friends in the city are our gifts for daily needs.

**Aug. 24.**—A great many letters of sympathy with us in the recent trial have reached us these past days. A friend sending £30, writes:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—With you I desire to lift up my heart in gratitude to God for your recovery from your recent illness and trust your valued life may be long spared for the Master's use. I cannot say I am sorry about the fire, as I do not look upon it as a calamity, but rather, either as a test of your faith, or as a proclamation to the world of the power and efficacy of believing prayer, that all may admire the manifold wisdom of God, and adore His power, truth, and love. I have pleasure in handing you crossed cheque, value £30, as a donation for your good work, in which I wish you increased prosperity.

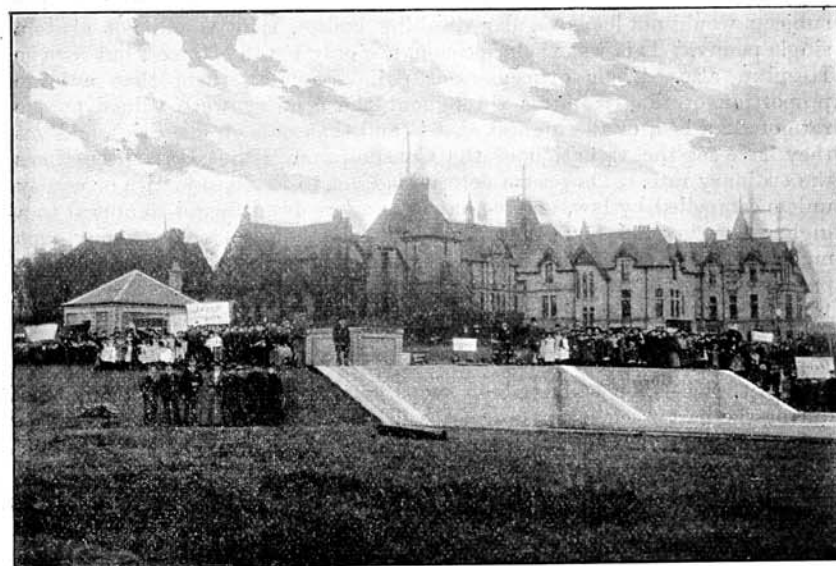
A kind friend in the city sends £100 towards repairing the damage done; other friends in Alloa, Edinburgh, and Glasgow send £15 4s. 6d. for the same purpose.

**Aug. 31.**—I have been gradually gaining strength this past fortnight, and am now able to be about again; the severe pain I suffered for weeks has entirely gone, and for this and all the Lord's loving kindness we praise His name. He has been very mindful of the needs of His work during the month, and has sent sufficient for each day's supply, so that at its close we are able to pay all debts. A specially cheering gift of £250 is sent from a friend in the city towards rebuilding of the Executive Block; a Parishioner of Kilmalcolm sends £5 for the same purpose. Among our gifts for daily supply these past few days are 20 cwt. sugar from a friend in Greenock; £35 "for the dear orphans" from an anonymous friend; £1, "In memory of a dear son," from a helper in

Longriggend; 5s. "from a Falkirk bairn," £50 from a new donor in Larne; and £1, "a thankoffering for having been preserved from what might have been a very serious cycle accident."

**Sept. 5.**—£12, collected by a friend in Lauder; £10 and £2 2s from donors in Chertsey and London; £2 from Uddingston and Greenock; £5 from "Fides"; 2s. 6d. from "Netta," Crosslee; four articles clothing from a friend in Cupar, and 10s. for the Consumption Hospitals are our gifts to-day. Among our gifts these opening days of the month are 10s. in loving memory of dear ones gone Home; £1 from a friend in Inverness, who writes: "It is a source of joy to me that the Lord has thus enabled me to have fellowship with you and Himself in this blessed work. We have had our ups and downs since I wrote you, but I'm glad to be able to say, 'Hitherto hath the Lord helped me'; £5 are sent from Trinidad with the following letter:—

DEAR MR. QUARRIER,—Once more I am privileged to send you my small



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subscription, you will please find enclosed a P.O.O. for £5. £3 will go as usual towards the maintenance of the Homes. The other £2 we wish you to devote, if necessary, to the "expenses of the Court of Session case and the payment of rates." We have read your "Occasional Paper" with interest, and sincerely sympathise with you in all your late troubles and annoyances; it does seem very hard that an institution such as yours, which does so much to benefit the whole of Scotland (and particularly your own neighbourhood), should be so heavily taxed, instead of getting help and assistance from the County Council. We do most anxiously hope you will succeed in your "Appeal" and pray that this trouble may be a blessing in disguise, by helping on your good work in a way that we cannot anticipate. We hope your own and Mrs. Quarrier's health is quite restored. We were very sorry to hear how ill you had both been last year. With kindest regards.

**Sept. 14.**—Owing to my recent illness and the present state of my health my medical advisers think it would not be advisable for me to undertake the extra strain of a public Thanksgiving Day this year, and we



have therefore reluctantly been compelled to postpone this. That the children might not be disappointed, however, in their special enjoyment connected with that day, we to-day gave them a whole holiday and a special tea, and afterwards we all gathered in the church, where two hours were happily spent in singing, recitations, etc. The articles made by the children in preparation for the day were exhibited in the school room, where they were viewed and greatly admired by all the inmates of our village, as well as some strangers who had come to visit. The articles were indeed very creditable to the genius and industry of the children, and quite a number were sold, and orders for more given. Mr. Jack and I were at Greenock to-day before the Appeal Committee of the County Council, protesting against the high valuation placed on the Consumption Hospitals and the Homes. We found the Committee quite as unsympathetic as before, and they refused to reduce the valuation of any of the buildings. It is quite within their power to make a large reduction in the valuation, as it is not according to what a building costs it should be rated, but at what it will rent for, and although it was pointed out to the Committee that the subjects would not let as regular dwelling houses, they would not abate a single penny. This was their decision, not only for the Homes, but for the Hospital also. Their own assessor pointed out to them that a large proportion of the Hospitals throughout the country were valued at the rate of £2 a bed, or the highest at £4 (and that only in one case), and yet they have set the valuation of the Consumption Hospital at three times the ordinary rate. They seem determined not to listen to justice or equity unless compelled by law, and we have therefore been forced to appeal to a higher Court. £2 for general needs is all that has come to-day, not much has been sent these past days, but we are not in debt, and the promise "My God shall supply all your need," is still sure. We look to Him to fulfil His promise on our behalf in these closing months of this year.

**Sept. 23.**—The call for help keeps coming from many quarters, and during the past week letters asking us to help needy cases have reached us from Helensburgh, Cambuslang, Prestwick, Jedburgh, St. Andrews, Crail, Rothesay, and Musselburgh. £9 10s. to-day and £24 12s. 6d. yesterday have been sent for daily needs. £20 is from a new donor in Airdrie, a thank-offering for God's goodness in saving his family from almost certain death; 7s. 6d. is from a young friend in Edinburgh; £3 5s. is sent from a donor in Largs, collected from friends there and in Fairlie; £1 and 13 pairs stockings and socks comes from "Duet, O.K."; £8 3s. 6d. is from Dundee Boys & Girls' Religious Society; £1 from workers in a paper mill, Penicuik; 10s. from a teacher in Shetland; 2s., "The Lord's pennies," from an invalid helper in Elie; £1 10s. sent anonymously from a sailor; 4s., also anonymously, from Malta; 41 articles clothing from Y.W.C.A. in Brechin; and 5 pairs stockings from an aged helper in Fifeshire, just entering her eighty-second year, who writes, "My mite is small, but the Lord blessed the widow's mite, and my earnest desire is that He will still continue to bless and prosper you in your work of faith and labour of love." We had a visit this evening from the Rev. Henry Montgomery, of Belfast. We gathered the children together in the church, and had a time of much blessing, many of the children testifying to their desire to find the Saviour, and quite a number were brought into the light. He also addressed our weekly workers' meeting, when we had a blessed season of soul searching and refreshing from the presence of the Lord.

**Sept. 30.**—A number of little ones have been added to our number during the past month, and nine needy sufferers have been admitted to the Consumption Hospital, making now a total of 26 within its walls. They have come from various parts of the country, from Port-Glasgow, Houston, Johnstone, Airdrie, Edinburgh, Bellshill, Auldgrith, Arbroath, Lochee, Greenock, Fraserburgh, and Glasgow. Some of them are young married women, others are millworkers, dressmakers, weavers, domestic servants, shop-assistants, seamstresses, etc. The abundance of fresh air inside and outside the Hospital, as well as the stuffing with food and other treatment have produced very satisfactory results. Some have already gained over two stones in weight, and the temperatures are becoming more normal, indicating increased vitality, and we expect that in a month or two several will be able to return to their work cured, and fitted to hold their own in the battle of life. The hopes we cherished of being able to meet the needs of this terrible disease are in some measure being realised, and it is with a grateful heart we bless God to-day for the open door in our beloved land for those of our fellow-creatures who are falling by the way on every hand. These closing days of the month £59 0s. 1½d. have been sent for daily needs, and we are able to meet all our indebtedness, and close with a balance on the right side of the ledger, as in all the past months of the year.

**October 5.**—We have again reached the last month of another financial year of the Homes, and are looking to the Lord to make good all that will be required for these coming days. Since the month began £94 14s. 11d., quantity clothing, and some bread have been sent; also an encouraging gift of £50, a "thankoffering" for the Consumption Hospitals from a friend very much interested in the work. Among many applications for help to needy cases, is the following from a friend in Irvine:—

DEAR SIR,—A miner has just died after a long illness, leaving several children by his first respectable wife in utter destitution, and his second wife, a bad young woman, who has several children of her own, is illtreating the two little boys (fine healthy children of 8 and 10). Their sore backs and bruises have been seen to by a neighbour, but they cannot be left with the stepmother, and I write to ask if you could possibly take them in and give them the benefit of a Christian training. Till I hear from you, I must board the two little boys with a decent woman, but I have so many claims on me that I cannot continue this, and the Poorhouse is their only future, unless you can save them. There is an elder brother of 14 who is earning 1s. 4d. a day, four times a week in the pits, but it takes him all his time to feed and board himself, poor boy. I believe the Parish will give help to the woman for herself and her own four children, (the last was born this morning). There will be no interference about the two little boys, for they have no relatives left, and they are fine little chaps, but have been shockingly knocked about. Trusting to have a favourable answer.

We replied that we would gladly take these two young boys, so much in need of rescue.

**Oct. 13.**—Our usual Wednesday Evening Meeting with the children had a special interest attached to it last night in the disbursing of their Sabbath Collections for Missions during the year. This year they amount to £85 8s. 6¾d., which with a special collection of £16 1s. 10¾d. given on the last Sabbath of September to Mr. C. F. Reeve, of the Poona and Indian Village Mission, who was our preacher for that day, makes a total of over £100 collected for Missions by the children during the year. The children give very heartily from week to week of their halfpennies and pennies, and last night voted the combined gatherings of the year with great pleasure to Missions in China, Africa, India, the New Hebrides, and

other parts of the Foreign field, as well as to some Missions nearer home. £8 12s, 1 dozen loaves and basket rolls have reached us for daily maintenance, and £2 5s. for the Consumption Hospitals.

**Oct. 22.**—A great many gifts have come with words of encouragement and cheer these few days past. An old helper in Arbroath, sends £25 for general needs and £25 for the Hospitals; £12 comes for support of a child for a year from London; £1 is sent "Frae a Gleska laddie" there; £5, and £2 5s. 6d., collected in threepenny pieces, are sent from a friend in Burntisland, who writes, "Your late pupils, the girls S., now in Edinburgh, doing well for themselves, often speak of the valuable training they got at Bridge-of-Weir in grateful terms;" Aunt of children helped, an out-door worker in poor circumstances, sends 5s. as a thankoffering; £3 comes from two helpers in Melbourne; £3 and £2, for personal needs, are sent by a friend in Edinburgh; a grateful mother of boy helped sends £1; 5s., a tenth of earnings, come from an anonymous donor in Edinburgh; £1 "for the orphans from an orphan," is sent anonymously from Dunfermline; and £5 is a legacy from an engineer in Clydebank.

**Oct. 31.**—A very happy afternoon and evening spent by the children to-day in holding Hallowe'en in the usual merry style. The School was closed for the afternoon, and after the inmates of each of the separate Homes had enjoyed themselves to the full disposing of the large pots of "champed" potatoes, with their ingredients of various kinds, ducking for apples, burning of nuts, etc., we all met in the Church, where for over two hours an entertainment provided by one or more children from each Home was listened to with great enjoyment by all. Owing to the inclemency of the weather, the march out with Chinese and other lanterns, false faces, etc., had to be postponed. The inmates of the Hospital were not forgotten, but had also a special tea, supper, and entertainment in honour of the occasion. A few outside friends gathered with us, but we wished more could have been present to witness the enjoyment of the children, as we feel sure their hearts would have been gladdened thereby. The Lord has been very good to us these closing days of the year, and has sent from various sources sufficient for all our needs, so that we are able to close the year with a balance on the right side of the ledger.

Another year of blessed service for the Master ended, and as our thoughts dwell on the way we have been led, and we realise the many blessings our gracious Father has bestowed upon us, our hearts would go up to Him in loving thankful praise, and we would anew dedicate our lives in glad service to Him for His work among the little ones. There have been trials and difficulties in the way, but the Lord has given the needed grace and wisdom. Praise be to His name. Truly we can say, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped me," and, "There hath not failed one word of all His good promise."

## DISTRIBUTING HOME, FAIRKNOWE, BROCKVILLE, ONT.

25th October, 1898.

DEAR FRIENDS,—This is the twenty-seventh year of our Canadian work, and different from all others in that we have had no augmentation of our Canadian family from Bridge-of-Weir. It does not mean, however, what a good many suppose, and some have said, that we had nothing to do but stand idly by. It made practically very little difference in the way of work. Placing out each party entailed about a fortnight's extra work, but we have had applications to answer as usual, for they will flow in, in spite of our precautions to prevent it. Then we have been deprived of the help for visiting by friends coming with the parties, which more than fully counterbalances the other.

We know that the stoppage of emigration from the Orphan Homes of Scotland has been a great disappointment to very many, for our children have made for themselves a good name in the districts where they are placed. Whatever others have to say in the matter, we can honestly affirm, that the opposition to our work is scarcely worthy of notice, for, including the city labour organizations, all the arguments used can be summed up as "selfishness, prejudice, and ignorance."

We have been hearing a good deal lately about the superior class of immigrants under the strict government supervision, while as a matter of fact we do not believe that it has made a whit of difference in that respect.

The weather is getting broken now and preparations have to be made for the approaching winter, but we have had a long, and on the whole, pleasant and propitious season from spring on, thus yielding very fair returns for the husbandman's toil. The snow disappeared a fortnight earlier than I anticipated, leaving me 24 miles from home with my horse and cutter, which meant a good long walk, sometimes ankle deep in mud.

Since then I was out visiting through Carleton and Lanark counties during July and August, and I find that the high number of 98 per cent. still continues to do well. This has also been the experience of my brother, who is constantly out visiting the children, and whose reports you have now in hand.

Quite a large number of the older boys went for the harvest in the North-West, so as to judge of the land and crops for themselves; while others have settled down there, taking up Government land or buying claims.

Many of our lads, by their own indomitable courage and perseverance, have got so far, rung by rung, up the ladder which leads to fortune and to fame, and fill honourable positions as ministers, missionaries, school teachers, clerks in mercantile establishments, but most generally as successful farmers.

Nor are the girls behind, for although none can aspire to "gown" or "wig," they are occupying the niches they are qualified to fill, as school teachers, trained nurses, seamstresses, domestic helps, and even as mistresses of happy homes and loyal hearts.

We have had many visitors for longer or shorter periods, some of the married girls bringing their babies with them to receive the admiration due to all such prodigies of beauty. Although we have not established a matrimonial bureau, 44 of our boys and girls have gone to the hymeneal altar, and we rejoice with them, trusting they have made a wise and happy choice.

While not consulted in each particular case, we try to make it plain to



all that this is not a step to be taken rashly or until they are in a position to start housekeeping in a respectable if homely way, even if the affianced be made by one apparently mentally and physically suitable.

Above all things, we enjoin that they "marry only in the Lord;" and when these suggestions are complied with we cannot but feel grateful to God on their behalf. There have been 7 deaths recorded, which surely is a very small percentage, considering that we have about 5,000 children in Canada. Three of them had been 13 years in Canada, and another 12. It is not alone with reference to those who have passed away that we magnify God's saving grace, but for many others who by letter or verbally profess their faith in Christ and claim redemption through the blood, for we know if they are fitted to live they will be prepared to die.

Our girls working in town come to see us once or twice a week usually, and already are questioning about Hallowe'en, which will be held in a quiet way amongst ourselves next week. We were glad to be able to send a few barrels of apples across this year, although the crop is small. We had a company of about 120 welcome guests at last New Year gathering, and all seemed to thoroughly enjoy themselves. Most of them remained over Sabbath, and although some were many years away from the direct Home influence and control, they knew how to behave so as to reflect credit on themselves and us, at a season when so many despise all rule and run riot. Between church services, and after the evening one, we had Bible reading, singing, short addresses from boys, and testimonies from all as to God's saving and keeping power and grace, so that we trust our meeting was not merely a festive reunion, but a season of blessing.

Just before Christmas, along with Mr. Quarrier's letter and card to each boy and girl, we send a package of helpful literature, including some direct personal appeals to saved and unsaved, and also circulate a large quantity while around visiting, besides what are enclosed in letters, believing God will make them a means of salvation and blessing to others as well as our children.

The number of boys and girls who decide for Christ ere they come to this country has always been a matter of great thankfulness, and we try to place them in homes where precept and example will be helpful to spiritual development. Our hearts are rejoiced also by knowing of many conversions every year; since God's indwelling power and all-embracing love alone can safeguard them from "the wiles of the devil."

In closing, we desire to record our grateful acknowledgments of the professional services, cheerfully rendered, and without remuneration, in connection with our children and work, by Dr. W. F. Jackson, and E. J. Reynolds, Esq., barrister, etc., and for all the practical sympathy and help of ministers and others in town and country.

When the great apostle Paul so frequently desired the prayers of his converts, and the churches he had planted, we may well crave your continued earnest prayers, for the thousands of young lives involving eternal destinies; and that we may have fuller consecration and zeal in the work "Over the which the Holy Ghost hath made us overseers."

Mrs. Burges, and our fellow-workers here, join me in fervent prayer, and earnest hope for every department of the work at home, and all identified with it, knowing that "God is able to make all grace abound" when difficulties and opposition arise, and that "He is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think." Yours in His service,

JAMES BURGESS

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**November 15, 1897.**—P. E. E., Dundee, £20; St. Clement's Church S.S., do., per C. S., £1 10s; Bethel Mission, Whiteinch Fund, per D. H. J., £3; Mrs W. J., £2; "A Wellwisher," Carlisle, £50; J. M., Leith, 10s; Misses M. and M. S., Ayr, 18 articles clothing; A. C., Dingwall, 45 hats, 7 cards lace, &c.; Anon., parcel used clothing, boots, &c.; A Friend, 17 loaves; Miss A., Paris, £2; J. W. G. O., "towards upkeep of Bethesda Invalid Home," £150; R. W., Bridge of Weir, £5; M. and J. C., Ayr, 5s; Senior Bible Class, U.P. Church, Airdrie, per J. P., £1; J. M., Hurlford, £1; T. C., Baillieston, £1 9s; J. K., Auchengill, 2s 6d; London Road Free Church S.S., per W. S., 15s 6d and quantity magazines; Mrs W., 13 scarfs; P. & L., quantity magazines; Gourcock Sabbath Forenoon Meeting, per Miss C., £1 15s; J. E., Govan, 2s 6d; Y. W. C. A., Kilmaccolm, per Mrs M., 18 articles clothing; Mrs H., Dundee, £1; Miss A. M., 12 rabbits; Mrs A., Edinburgh, 10 articles clothing; Mrs C., £1; Anon., 2-lb loaves; Miss A., Dartford, 2s 6d; Bible Class, Greenock, per J. W., £1; Langside U.P. Church S.S., per A. C. A., £1 15s 9d; "Topaz," 1s 6d; T. P., Bonness, 2 waggons coke; 1-40 share of residue of estate of the late Mr George M'Farlane, per Messrs Kidstons, Watson, Turnbull, & Co., £3 1s 6d; R. H., basket rolls; Miss H., Kelso, £2; Miss C., Newport-on-Tay, 5s; Mrs L., Douglas, Isle of Man, £1; J. N., Dumoon postmark, £5; "A poor man's gratitude for an answer to prayer," 1s; Mrs R., 13 articles clothing; Mr P., large quantity clothing, bedding, household effects, &c.; "Beta, Pollokshaws," 10s; B. B., 38 dozen loaves; T. A., Girvan, 107lbs cheese; S. and S., Bowling, £1; T. C., Stirling, 10s; Kilmartin Free Church S.S., Lochgilphead, per A. M., 4s 6d; "J. R. A., Perthshire postmark, 2s 6d; "Two Friends visiting," 3s; "A Sympathiser," Greenock, 10s; A. T. Kilmaccolm, £5; W. S. W., £1; L. T., 10s; A. M., Lochgilphead, £1 5s; Anon., 2s 6d; do., 6s; Mrs W. L., "In Memoriam," 10s; J. C., Edinburgh, £10; Anonymously, Portsoy, £5; Mrs K., Lochranza, 6s; Mrs M., Guildtown, 6 pairs stockings; J. K. C., £15; "Conscience Money," per W. M., Aden, £2; Charlie S., Bright Ferry, 1s 9d; J. O., Alloa, £1; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 8 pairs socks; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; Mr and Mrs J. G., Edinburgh, £2; Miss L. D., do., 2s 1d; G. F., Greenock, £5; Miss T., and Miss S. C. G., St. Andrews, 2 articles clothing; Uddingston Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per R. L. A., £1 16s 1d; Mrs R., Edinburgh, 5 pairs socks; Miss H., Dollar, 10s; Mrs S., Dumoon, £1; Mrs M., Edinburgh, 10s; "For the Master," £10; Mrs J., 3 pairs socks and parcel used clothing; R. R., Hamilton, £10; G. F. B. R. S. Church Branch Senior Bible Class, per J. R. S., 10s 6d; Mrs W., parcel used clothing, &c.; Cathcart U.P. Church Mission S.S., £1 12s 2d; Incorporation of Maltmen, per J. W. H. J., £3 2s; Mrs C. and Mrs F., Helensburgh, two bundles used clothing, hats, &c.; L. C., Luss, two articles clothing, &c.; Miss D., for New Year's treat, £1; "M., Perth, £1; Mr and Mrs M., Inverness, £1; Mrs G. W., Johnstone, 10s; Mrs P., Cupar-Fife, 6 articles clothing; Peebles Parish Church S.S., per J. H., £4; Anon., Bearsden postmark, some collars and ties; W. R. Lockerie, £2 6s; Savings of Two Little Girls, per do., 6s; Mrs R. C., Edinburgh, £6 Miss A. P., do., £4; Kirkcinner Parish Council, per J. C., £6; Miss D. W., Port-Glasgow, parcel copy books; A. D., £0; Gospel Hall Bible Class, Springfield, per W. R., 10s; Miss H., Haddington, £2; West Free Church, S.S., Dundee, per P. G., Jun., £1 2s 6d; W. C., do., £3; "Inasmuch," Jedburgh, 5s; A Friend, Paisley postmark, 1s; Legacy of the late Miss M. Barron, Edinburgh, per Messrs Watson & Mathers, £50; J. J., London, £12; Mrs S., £2; Mrs J., Langholm, 25 articles clothing; Mrs J. H., £1; W. K., Paisley, parcel used clothing, &c.; G. D. F., Edinburgh, £1; Anon., some books; Mrs L., 5s. The following have been sent for Consumption Hospitals:—P. G., £5; Anon., Edinburgh, 3s 6d; Mrs W. L., "In Memoriam," 10s; Employes of Messrs Alley and M'Lellan, £5 5s; Bible Class, Airdrie, per Mrs R., 5s; Mr S., do., per do., 10s.

**November 29.**—E. M., Alexandria postmark, £1; J. L. G., £1; Misses A., Tighnabruich, £1; Miss A. G., Helensburgh, £1; J. E., "a thankoffering," 2s 6d; Miss F., 12 pairs stockings; Anon., Edinburgh postmark, two silk handkerchiefs; Mrs W., Strathaven, quantity straw and felt hats; Mrs B., Mauchline, box used clothing; A Friend, one dozen loaves; Girls' Sewing Party, East Wemyss, per Mrs G., 37 articles clothing, etc.; Mrs L., Monifieth, for New Year's Day treat, £3; Mrs A., £2; Miss K., Lenzie, 12 articles clothing; Mrs R. D., Duns, £1; W. K. S., Dumbarton, £1; Collecting Box, Polwarth Grove, Edinburgh, £1; O. D., Bangor postmark, 4s; Mrs J. T., £1; Anon., Edinburgh Box, 6 pairs socks; "A. B., £10; "L., £3s; A Friend, 14 loaves; G. M., Monkton, £2 2s; postmark, 6 pairs socks; "A. B., £10; "L., £3s; A Friend, 14 loaves; G. M., Monkton, £2 2s; Pitlochry United, Established, and Free Church Children's Service, per A. T., £1 10s 6d; Mrs S., Ardnam, £1; W. A., Ayr, £4; H., Mrs A. Y. B., Lanark, £5; Miss M. L., do., 5s; S. C. C., Greenock, for expenses of children going to annual meeting, £5; A Friend, £1; M. D. B., Clydebank, some used clothing; Anon., do.; A Friend, 48 loaves; "Ladies of the Round Table," Newton-mearns, per Mrs G., 8s and 25 articles clothing; Miss W., £5; Miss F., Maybole, 27 articles clothing; Mrs R. Selkirk, 15 do.; Miss C., Edinburgh, 5s; Lylesland U.P. Church Junior C.E. Society, Paisley, per W. B., 10s; Miss N., Edinburgh, 8 articles clothing; Mrs S. Leamington, £1; Mrs D. I., Kirkcaldy, £1; E. M., Greenock postmark, £2; "A Friend and Wellwisher in Greenock," 2 pairs stockings; J. J. D., Alva, 12 pairs do. and 1 semmit; Y. W. C. A., Wick, per Miss G., 15 articles clothing; Mrs R., do., per do., 2 do. Miss F. P., Alloa, £25; Miss M., 2s and 12 articles clothing; Miss M. and Miss G., Newquay, 10s; Mrs K., Milton of Campsie, parcel used clothing; Mrs M., Bridge-of-Allan, 22 articles clothing; Mrs A., Edinburgh, £1 and 10 pairs stockings; R. R. Motherwell, £1; M. F. H., Kirkcowan, 14s; J. and C. S., Hamilton, £10; Anon., in stamps, Bala post mark, 10s; "A Scot from Home," Maerdydo, 5s; Mrs T., £2; Mrs G. and Mrs F., do., 10s; Uddingston U.P. Church S.S., £5; Mrs M., Bonnybridge, 15s; J. S. N., Hamilton, £5; Mrs M., 10s; W. S., Aberdeen, 4 cheeses and 4 pots jelly; W. W., London, 10s; D. and G. D. C., do., £1; Pollokshaws Free West Church Bible Class, per J. I., 9s; W. D. and C. M. A., Rothsay, £2 0s 3d; Collected from friends by Mrs H., £25; H. M., Mauchline postmark, £5; Mrs Y., Elgin, £1; Anon., box used clothing; Mrs D., Helensburgh, 2s 6d and parcel used clothing; Miss W., Leuchars, £1, 5 pairs stockings, and some collars; J. S. B., Londonderry, per editor  *Herald*, 10s; Miss G. I. M., £2; Mrs A., £1; Miss R., Ardrossan, £1; W. B., Knock, 2s 6d; Mrs C., Edinburgh, £20; do., do., for City Home, £10; A Friend, 17 loaves; G. F. B. R. S. Workers' Annual Conversazione, hamper bread; R. K., £1; Mrs D., per Miss F., Maybole, 2s 6d; St. George's Parish Church S.S., per J. M., £1 10s; N. H., Lochmaben, £1; S. W. H., Aberdeen, £5; Miss S., Edinburgh,

Church Mission S.S., per D. K., £1 5s; Free Middle Mission Intermediate Young Men's Bible Class, Greenock, per R. A. R., 11s; J. S., Edinburgh, £5; Mrs A., £2; Messrs B., Kirkcudbright, 10s; Mrs D., Chryston, £1; Mrs H., Stonehaven, £5; Mrs M., Edinburgh, £1; W. M., Newton-Stewart, £1; R. C., £4; J. W., Hamilton, £5; M. C. B., Galashiels, £4; "A Friend", £20; do., giving, at meeting in Christian Institute, £1; W. S., 2s 6d; Miss K. F. M., Shotts, 5s, 9 articles of clothing, 1 piece fannelette, and some Christmas Cards; Mrs S., Uddingston, three pairs stockings; W. S., £3; Chryston Free Church S.S., per Miss L. F., £1 4s; A Friend, per Mrs H., £1; Children's Sabbath Forenoon Service in Bridgland Hall, Perth, per Miss C., £1 is 1d; Bessie, kuby, Cissie, and Hal R., Hamilton, £1; Mrs G., Carnforth, 100 yards dress material; Victoria Park U.P. Church S.S., Whiteinch, £1; Mrs B. G. and Friends, Milngavie, 29 articles clothing; Miss L., Ormskirk, £1. Crossford U.P. Church S.S., per W. W., Carluke, £1; Stevenson Free Church Senior Bible Class, per A. S., 10s; "Thankoffering, Blantyre", £5; "A. F., Clifton street." £5; Mrs P., Galashiels, £5; Misses P., do., £3; "Sympathy, Pollokshields", £56 1s 2d; Miss J. M., fourteen trimmed hats; A. G., Liverpool, £2; Miss M., Cupar Fife, £2; J. W., 10s; Anon., parcel used clothing; "Duet, O. K.", twelve pairs stockings; A. A. S., Houston, twelve pheasants; M. C., rates on City Home, paid to the amount of £21 17s 4d; Mrs W. T., eight pairs stockings and two articles clothing; D. M., Lochee, £1; Miss H., Bridge of Allan, £2 and twelve articles clothing; K. S., "for Xmas treat," 5s; L. C., Luss, £20; "Carrick," 5s; Mrs W., 10s; J. A. W., Edinburgh, £1 1s; Mrs W., Greenock, £1; Miss T., Berwick, 5s; Anon., Taynait, box used Christmas Cards; Do., sack used clothing; Mrs W., St. Boswells, £1; Mrs T. H., £1; "M. S., Aberdeen," £1; Miss P., part proceeds of furniture sold on behalf of family helped, £4; Free Church Bible Class, magazines, etc., A Friend, basket loaves; Mrs W., Edinburgh, 21 articles clothing; Anon., small hamper used do., J. B., 9s Girls' hats, caps, hoods, and quantity ribbons, etc.; W. F. Winnipeg, Canada, £1; Miss D., St. Andrews, 2 articles clothing; Miss C., Woking, scarf pin and silver matchbox, to be sold; Mrs D., Great Malvern, £3; Mrs W. M., Aberdeen, £5 5s; Miss A. M. S. J., Edinburgh, £1 1s; Mrs C., Ayr, £1; W. R., 10s; Mrs do., 10s; "Neil, Hilda, and Colin S.", 10s; "From an Old Widow," Greenlaw post-mark, ts; A Grateful Boy Helped, Canada, 1 dol. (4s 2d), Anon., Alexandria post-mark, 10s; Miss E. F. P., Alloa, £1; Mrs A., Duns, 2 scarfs; Misses E. and S. C., Stranraer, 2s 6d; Y. W. C. A., Stepps, per Miss W., 110 articles clothing; Mrs and Mrs F. P., Alloa, £150; Do., to give New-Year's treat to all in the Homes, £200; Mrs S., Huntly, 7s. The following have been sent for Consumption Hospitals:—J. S., London, £1; Anon., Edinburgh post-mark, £2.

**December 27.**—T. O. H., Uddingston, £1; Mrs M. M. F., Helensburgh, £1; J. S., Biggar, £1; A. and M., quantity flower roots; J. B., £1; Mrs M., Nairn, £1; Mrs R., £1; Association for Improvement of the Poor in Leith, per A. B., £2; Mrs C., 16s; Mrs C., Paisley, £20 and 12 articles clothing; R. C. K., Helensburgh, £100; Mrs M., Giffnock, £1; Mrs G., three pairs stockings; J. W. G. R., Watten; J. F. M., Stornoway, £1; Mrs H., Ayr, 16s; A. Friend, Neilston, two hoods, Mrs W. G. R., Watten; 17 articles clothing, a few pamphlets, and scrap book; C. A., Sanquhar, 5s; Mrs R., Edinburgh, six pairs socks and 24 pairs cuffs; Misses M., Elgin, 7s 6d; H. R., London, £3; Miss D., Dess, £1; Miss A. M. D., do., £1; Mrs D., Perth, £5; Mr and Mrs R. L., £1 10s; Mrs H., per do., £1 1s; Miss L., Perth, twelve pairs cuffs; Miss M., Strathaven, 8s; Dalziel U.P. Church Sabbath School, Motherwell, per H. C., £2; Mrs G., Berwick, £1 1s, shirts, and 11 pairs socks; W. W. Dunlop, 45 loaves; Mrs D., Langholm, 10s; Miss G. and Miss I., Kirkwall, Orkney, £1 15s; Mrs S., Helensburgh, £2; J. L., Glasgow, £2; Young People's Sewing Meeting, per Mrs F., 40 articles clothing, 13 dolls, some books, toys, etc.; J. M. C., Ayr, £10; Miss S., Surbiton, 5s; Miss L., Aberdeen, £2; J. C., Paisley, 16s; Scotch Girls' Friendly Society, Callander, and friends, per Miss R., 466 articles clothing, 912 Christmas cards and booklets, 122 toys, 88 books, some packets papers, etc.; do., do., collected at meeting, per do., £1 4s; collected by little dog in Dumbarton, per do., £1 1s; "A Friend and Well-wisher," £1; Miss G., Hawick, 10 articles clothing; Mrs B., Callander, "In loving memory of M. B. H.," 56 articles clothing; Barhead Free Church Sabbath School, per Miss D., £1 1s; Nerston S.S., per Mr G., £2; "A Thankoffering," £5; W. A. Eoyndie, 10s 6d; Misses S., Prestonkirk, 5s; Mrs M., Edinburgh, 10s; Mrs N. M., 5s; Miss H. P., Ayr, £2; Part proceeds from Children's Stall Free South Church Sale of Work, Aberdeen, per Miss M., £2 10s; C. J. M. T., Colinton, £1 1s; Mrs D. O., Barhead, £1 and 5 pairs stockings; "From Dumfriesshire," £25; A. Friend, 12 loaves and some rolls; A. S., 4s; Misses P., Kirkcudbright, £1, 3 pairs socks, and 6 pairs cuffs; M'Lellan Street S.S., per J. J., £1 8s 3d; A. M. S., Liberton, £1; Mrs R., Greenock, £1; J. C., New Kilpatrick, £3 3s; "Three Friends," Edinburgh, £2; St. George's Cross Tabernacle Children's Sunday Afternoon Meeting, per J. J., £3 4s 1d; J. S., Edinburgh, 4s; Cumberland Street U.P. Church S.S., per J. P., £1; J. W., Southend, £1 10s; Mrs R., Hamilton, £3; J. P., Biggar, £5; G. M., £2; Mr and Mrs B., Whitehouse, 3s; Mrs C. G., £4; Mrs M., Stirling, 10s; Miss M., Londonderry, £2; R. H. B., London, 10s; J. W., Lochgoilhead, 10s; J. U., £2; Kilmalcolm U.P. Church Dorcas Society, 13 articles clothing; M. and M., 1 case preserves; D. A., £5; Paisley Road F.C. S.S., £2 16s; Mrs C. M., Cardross, two boxes used clothing; A. T., Kilmalcolm, hamper do.; collected from friends by Mrs S., Dollar, £12 0s 6d; Miss A., per do., three pairs stockings; H. K., Stirling, £20; M. and L. H., for six months' keep of cottage home of 30 children, £180; share of fund from special services in connection with Crown Terrace Baptist Church S.S., Aberdeen, per A. G., £1 1s; J. K. M., Edinburgh postmark, five articles new clothing and some used do.; W. P. T., 2s 6d; B. S., Ardrossan, 16s; Mrs J. C., Montrose, £1; Miss S., Brechin, 7s 6d; Miss M., Crieff, £5; Mrs B., £1; J. R. M., Motherwell, 5s; Miss B., Lyndrum, 5s; Miss L., Hamilton, £2; Miss B., Earrow-in-Furness, 10s; W. J., Carlisle, £2 2s; Mrs S., Dundee, 24 articles clothing; J. Ayrton, per D. F. W., £1; Mrs C. G., £100; Miss L., Dundee, £10; R. B. F., £1; Winnie and Charlie M., Cardross, over 100 toys; D. J. M. F., Edinburgh, £1; G. S., £10; R. B. F., £1; Winnie and Charlie M., Cardross, over 100 toys; W. L. C., Paisley, 10s, and parcel magazines; Misses G., London, 5s and S. G. G., large quantity books, tracts, magazines, etc.; J. L. M., Biggar, £2; Employees of Messrs D. Colville & Sons, Limited, Motherwell, per W. C., £2; W. J. A., Coatbridge, £1 1s; Mr and Mrs S., £1; family, per Mr and Mrs S., 10s; P. P., £1; Mrs T., Hawick, 10s; High Street U.P. Church S.S., Dumfries, 10s; Miss M., Hamilton, 10s; Leader Mission S.S., Dumbarton, per A. M., 12s 6d; "B. Family," 16s; "A Friend, per G. W., do., Publishing Company, quantity magazines; G. W., Clydebank, 5s; A. Friend, per G. W., do., 2s 6d; Mrs W. Fearn, 8s 6d; Miss E. M., Stranraer, 7s; J. M. O., Ardishaig, barrel herrings; J. M., Edinburgh, £1; G. A., £2; John Street Baptist Church S.S., £2 9s; A. Friend, two baskets bread; St. Paul's Parish Church S.S., per D. W., £2; "From a Servant Girl," Galston postmark, 5s; Mrs and Miss L., box articles for Christmas presents; from a friend in the north, 10s; D. C., Kilmarnock, 15s;



J. B., 10s; Miss W., Paisley, 10s; D. F. W., Edinburgh, 10s 6d; D. M. W., £7 10s; Anon., parcel used clothing; M. C., Lenzie, 24 articles clothing; Miss S., Millport, 9 articles clothing and some Christmas cards; Mrs E., North Queensferry, 15 articles clothing; Miss M., Motherwell, 34 articles clothing; W. B., Blairgowrie, 10s; Mrs M., Peebles, 10s; Mrs M., Huntly, 5s; Mrs S., Leamington, £1; Miss W., North Berwick, 10s; Bible Class, per Mrs S. Douglas, £1; J. A., Paisley, £3 3s; Anon., Dumbarton, eight pairs socks; Anon., Lockerbie postmark, three pairs stockings; Do., ten pairs stockings and seven petticoats; Two Servants, scrap books and quantity used Christmas cards; Anonymous, £5; Ivy, Coupar-Angus, 10s; A Friend, per Miss W., Irvine, £1; Maggie and Mary's pennies, per do., 5s; Lizzie and Katie's do., per do., 2s; Effie and Mary's do., per do., 4s; L. W., per do., 2s 6d; I. R., per do., 4s; M. I., per do., 2s 6d; Mrs M., per do., 2s; I. W., per do., 12 knitted mufflers; Wee Maggie and Mary, per do., 2 articles clothing and some Christmas cards; I. R., per do., 4 articles do.; S. M., per do., 3 do.; J. H. N. G., Larbert, £10; Mrs K., £1 and 11 articles clothing; Downhill U.P. Church Mission Forenoon Meeting, £1 13s 4d; Made by party of village girls, Campbeltown, per Mrs M., 14 articles clothing; Mrs W., Port-Glasgow, 10 do., etc.; D. R. M. M., Ayr, 8s 6d; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; do., do., Santa Claus, 2s 6d; do., do., for New Year's dinner, 2s 6d; Mrs M., Kelso, 10s; Miss D., Aberdeen, 10s; Mrs F., Edinburgh, £2 2s; Mrs W., for Christmas treat, 10s; Mrs E., 15s; A. C., £2; Mrs C., Eaglesham, 4 pairs stockings; A. L., £10; D. P., Lenzie, £5; W. G. and C., £1 1s; Mrs A., Cambuslang, £5, Christmas tree, 20 articles clothing, quantity books, dolls, etc.; Miss H., Melrose, £2; Miss H., do., per do., £1; Mrs B., do., per do., £1; Somerville Memorial Free Church S.S., per S. R., 10s; J. S. C., Auchinleck, £5; Boys' and Girls' Meeting, Barr, Girvan, per J. M., 5s; J. D., Bonnyrigg, £1; Mrs W., Prestonkirk, £5; Miss G., 5s; M. and M. E., Uddingston, 10s; C. M., Edinburgh, 2s 6d; Miss A. W., Uddingston, 5s; A. G., Paisley, £5; From Gatehouse-on-Fleet, 11s; Miss T., Greenock, £5; do., for New Year treat, £1; Miss W., Alloa, £10; Friends at Maryburgh Manse, 6s; London Road Ironworks Accident Fund Society, per W. W., £1; R. L., Wishaw, £1 1s; Mrs J. D., Dumbarton, £1; A Friend, 4s; Mrs L., £1; D. W. S. A., Chapel-en-le-Frith, £2 2s; G. R., Springburn, 5s; Mrs W., Forfar, 5s; R., Leuchars, £10; Miss M., Cupar, 6 pairs stockings and socks; Miss D., Stirling, bag meal and parcels rice, sago, etc.; Proceeds of sale of work, per J. P. M., Edinburgh, £4 8s 6d; Mrs and Miss L., £3 10s and 3 articles of clothing; A. E., Edinburgh, 14 do.; Mrs R., Bothwell, hamper used by do.; M. A. M., Prestwick, 10s; St. Leonard's School, St. Andrews, 20 articles clothing; Gelston S.S., Castle-Douglas, per P. B., £1; A Friend, Duns, 5s; Jamestown Parish Church S.S., per J. H., 10s; R. and W. S., Carlisle, £5; Mrs D. W., Carnoustie, 10s; J. M., Shikens, 5s; W. M., Dumbarton, 10s; Mrs W., Aberdeen, 2s 6d; Camphill S.S., Lumphannan, do., per do., 5s; Mrs K., Aberdeen, 10s and 6 articles clothing; W. M., Dunfermline, £10; J. S., Galston, 6s; J. S. E., Paisley, £5; J. H. M., 5s; D. M., £10; Mrs W., Duns, £1; W. S., Glenboig, £1; Mrs M., Fraserburgh, 12s 6d; A. S., Liverpool, 5s; R. A., Johnstone, 10s; Children's Service, Forfar, per J. A. D., 12s 6d; J. M., 5s; R. H., some bread; J. G. M., Newmans postmark, 5s; Miss J. M., Milnathort, some picture books, etc.; Miss T. C., Galashiels, £3; Mrs R. T. J., 15 articles clothing; A Friend, per do., 18 do.; Mrs G., 5s; Three little boys in Crief, box used toys and books; J. K., £5; Mrs W., £1 1s; Mrs F., Colinton, £1; Mrs D., box tea; Claremont Church Juvenile Missionary Society, per W. W. S. R., £1; From a Friend, £100; L. T., 10s; "Nemo," £10; "Mrs Josiah," £1; Mrs H. and Mrs A., Paisley, 5 articles clothing; A Friend, 40 loaves; Mrs M., Kilmalcolm, New Year's Day present for each child in "Bethesda," A. C. C., London, large quantity toys; Mrs R., Helensburgh, £2; Mrs M., Dundee, 5s; N. D., parcel used clothing; J. & R. T., large quantity bulbs; Sybil and Pat. M., Dunkeld, 5s and some Christmas cards; Young people attending Cabmen's Mission Meeting Hall, Edinburgh, per A. M., quantity toys and cuffs; Mrs B., £1; A. W., £2 2s; Miss L. S., Montrose, 10s; Mrs L., Boneth, South Wales, £1; J. P., Moffat, £5 5s; R. P., Alloa, £10; Mrs M., Ibroxholm, £4; Miss C., 5s; Mrs M., 5s; Collected by May G., Biggar, 5s; W. B., Belfast, 5s; Miss L., Peebles, 10s; J. W., £100; R. C. M., Dundee, £1; Miss P. S. H., Edinburgh, 10s; Mrs H. M., do., per do., £1; Mrs M., Oban, £1; Hall-side C.E. Society, per Miss P., 10s; St. Clement's Parish Church S.S., per J. B., £1; Christian, James, Norah, and Ella M., Broughty Ferry, 5s; Mr and Mrs A., 10s; do., and friends, 20 articles clothing; J. A., Bervie, 10s 6d; Mrs B., Jedburgh, box hats and parcel used clothing; "A Falkirk Bairn," 5s; "Caithnesshire," £1; Lewis M. and friends, Edinburgh, 10s; "A Neighbour," per J. W., Kirkmuirhill, £1; Boghead Kitchen Meeting, per do., £1; Draffan Mission, per do., £1; Auchinheath Sabbath Morning Class, per do., 10s; A Friend, per do., 10s; Mrs W., 10s and 18 balls; J. L., Garnkirk, 10s; George, Jenny, and Maud M., Milnathort, 3s; Anon., Leslie, 5s; Mrs G., parcel used clothing; Mrs S., Nairn, twelve pairs socks; Mrs and the Misses A., 12 articles new and some used clothing; Anon., seven used jackets; Longforgan Y.W.C.A., Dundee, per Mrs A., 166 articles clothing, toys, dolls, sweets, etc.; P. M., Greenock, £20; A. P. F. P., Alloa, large quantity cards, booklets, etc.; W. W., Paisley, £50; "Four little J's," Edinburgh, £6; P. S., Bellshill, £1; M. G. M. and L. F. M., Helensburgh postmark, £1 5s; Anon., Edinburgh, 10s; "Friend," Stranraer postmark, £1; Sabbath School, Stow, Midlothian, per Mrs H., £1 2s; "Children at 6 Hampton Terrace," Edinburgh, 10s; Miss B., Milnathort, 16 fancy articles for Christmas tree; Mrs C., Tillicoultry, three pairs stockings; Mrs J. M., Dalkeith, 5s; Newton Branch Women's Guild, Dalkeith, per Mrs M., £1; J. W., Polmont, £2; Annie, Charlotte M., Stornoway, £1; Sister Tina, per do., 10s; Sister Katie Ann, per do., 10s; Aunt, Miss M., per do., 10s; Mrs W., North Berwick, six pairs socks; W. B., Garnethill, £1; Mrs J. M., Stonehouse, £1; Mrs L., Paisley, 8 articles clothing; Mrs B., do., 10s; Mrs A., do., 10s; A. M., do., £2; G. M., Edinburgh, 7s 6d; Miss A., Dunoon, 10s; Mr and Mrs J. P., Kennethmont, 10s 4d; G. L., £5; D. W. R., Edinburgh, £1; Queen's Park U.P. Church, per W. B. C., £5; L. H. M., Lochearnhead, 5s and some Christmas cards; J. C., £1; Mrs G., Alva, 10s; Miss J. B. M., Hamilton, 2 articles clothing; United Co-operative Baking Society, Limited, per G. A., £5 10s; Mrs M., Edinburgh, £1; do., for Christmas treat, 10s; Mr and Mrs C. B. A., Cove, £2; St. Luke's Parish Church S.S., £1 1s; A Friend, basket small bread; East U.P. Church S.S., Strathaven, per G. M., £1; W. K., Paisley, £1 and parcel used clothing; Mrs S., Larkhall, 2s 6d; Miss S., do., 3s 6d; H. T., parcel used clothing; Mrs H., Ruthwell, 5s; Mrs G. and Mrs M., Rothesay, 4s; Mr and Mrs W., Edinburgh, £1; G. R. H., 10s 6d; J. S., Anderson's Bay, Dunedin, New Zealand, £1; G. W., Edinburgh, 7s 6d; Girls' Castlehill School, Cupar, per Miss B., 13s; Part proceeds of gate collection Paisley Auction Mart Christmas Show, per R. W., £3; Mrs B., £1; Scottish Co-operative Wholesale Society, Limited, per J. M., £16; Kenneyhill Bequest Fund, per Mitchells, Johnstone & Co., £20; Miss J. S. J., Stewarton, 10s; Braco de Prata S.S., Lisbon, per J. D., £2 10s; Mrs D., Helensburgh, £1; "Compassion," £2 and parcel used clothing; "A Grateful Girl Helped," 1s; Miss B., Keith, 2s 6d; "A Wellwisher," Greenock, box toys and books; Miss K., Lauder, 2s 6d; Mrs R., Biggar, 10s; J. & W. A., Glencarse, £1; J. C., Arrochar, £1; Mrs P., Jamestown, 5s; "Ayrshire," 5s; W. B., Grangemouth, £1; "Maggie and Lena's savings," Broughty Ferry, 10s; Miss C., Kilchattan Bay, 5s and parcel cards; D. M., per do., 2s 6d. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—One-third of dividend on D/R in the Federal Bank of Australia, Ltd., in liquidation, from the late Miss G. I. Small's estate, Dundee, 16s 10d; one-third of interest on D/R in Queensland National Bank, Ltd., from do., do., 15s 10d; Overnewton U.P. Church S.S., per Miss Y., towards building of a Girls' Home by Sabbath School children,

£1. The following have been sent for Consumption Hospitals:—Mrs R., £1; "From Dumfriesshire," £25; Miss L., Hamilton, £1; S. E. S., £1; W. F., £3 3s; Class of boys, per W. L. C., Paisley, 5s; Miss B., Edinburgh, £100; G. G., do., £2; R. A., Johnstone, 5s; Anon., Campbeltown, 2s 6d; D. D. C. Thurso, 10s; Broomhouse Mother's Meeting, per Mrs T., 6s 8d.

January 10, 1898.—Mrs A., Edinburgh, 7 articles clothing; W. B. M. F., 2 articles used do.; Mrs W., Berwick, 2 articles do.; P. E., Crief, 8 pairs stockings; Girls' Greenock Academy, per Miss M., £1; Proceeds of Children's Bazaar, per Miss B., Greenock, 15s; Misses W., 3 dolls, 3 pairs gloves, and some sweets; Ph. T., Lundin Mill Sabbath School, 5s; "A Thank-offering," Greenock postmark, 2s; B. J. G., 10s; "The Widow's Mite," Dumbarton postmark, 3s; Free St. Andrew's Church Sabbath School, Kilmarnock, per D. F., 11s 8d; Berta and Andrew C., Kirkintilloch, £1; Mrs D., Johnstone, 5s; W. W., Kinross, £1; Mrs B., Hamilton, 7s 6d; Mr and Mrs E., Kinross, £1; Mrs D., Berwick, some new and used clothing, dolls, books, &c.; Miss J. I., Cardross, quantity dolls, toys, &c.; Mrs F. C. G., 6 pairs stockings; J. M., Old Cumnock, £1; H. S., £1; Eastern Co-operative Society, Limited, per R. B., £2; G. F. R., Coatbridge, 10s; G. D. F., Dundee, 5s; B. G. O., £1; Anon., 10s; J. W. & S., Ltd., £9; A Worker, 10s; Mrs S., Aberdeen, 5s; Mrs R., 2s; Miss R., 2s 6d; Mrs R., 5s; Mrs E., 2s 6d; Miss G., 2s 6d; Mrs S., 6d; D. B., 5s; Miss R., 1s; Lizzie, Jeanie, and Margaret F., 3s; J. D., 1s; Mrs M., 2s; Mrs B. and Mrs D., £s 6d; A Friend, 5s; E. W., Leith, 1s; Miss A., 2s; Mrs B., 1s; Jeanie and Georgie F., 3s; Mrs M., 2s; Miss R., 1s; M. R., 1s; Willie, Georgie, and Andrew M., 2s 6d; W. P. M., 6d; Miss M., 2s 6d; A. & S. W., £1—above sums from Aberdeen and Leith were collected by Mrs W.; Mrs W. and Friends, do., 73 articles clothing, &c.; Miss U., Conon, 5s; Mrs H., Inverness, £2; Children, per A. H., Penicuik, 15s; Murray Lane Mission S.S., Montrose, per L. S. S., 11s 9d; Anon., Airdrie, £1; J. L., Leslie, £1 1s; Miss M., Montrose, £1 10s and 8 articles clothing; Miss L., Stirling, 5s and some Christmas cards; Children in one of the Girls' Cottages, 8s; J. B. and C., box almonds; Miss L., Kilmalcolm, 2 fowls; Miss A., Kilbirnie, 10s; Elsie and Margaret R., Grant's House, 5s; Sister, per do., 1 pair cuffs, muffler, and some wool; J. T., Dundonald, £1; David C., Oban, 5s; T. C., Barrhill, £1; A. M., Renton, 10s; J. M. M., Perth, 5s; Miss B., 10s; J. D., Kilmarnock, £2; Mrs C. D., Swaffham, 10s; Mrs W., Innellan, £1; M. R., Dunlop postmark, three pairs stockings; Mrs C., Irvine, 10s; "A Friend, Fergushill," 4s; A. N., £10; R. H., London, £100; Mrs D., £2; Mr W., Keith, 5s; J. T., £3; R. J., Bearsden, £4; Abbotsford Parish Church S.S. Association, per J. B., £1; Miss W. and Friends, Leslie, 17 articles clothing; E. G., Longhope, Orkney, 1 article clothing; Mrs D. M., Inverary, £1; Langbank U.P. Church S.S., £2 16s; Renwick Free Church S.S., £2 18s 8d; Girls' Sewing Class, School Row Chapel, Newmans, per Mrs W., 10s, 12 articles clothing, four boxes sweets, &c.; Mrs A., quantity toys; St. Andrew's Parish Church, per D. P., Christmas fir tree; A Friend, 50 loaves; A. P. B., Kilmarnock, £10; Teachers, Scholars, and Friends, Congregational Church, Annan, per Mrs C., 135 articles clothing, some dolls, remnant shirting, &c.; Anon., Tillicoultry postmark, £20; F. L. M., Kilmalcolm, £5; Drummond Tract Depot, Stirling, quantity, tracts, booklets, &c.; H. S. R., £1; Two Workers, "A birthday remembrance of a loved daughter," £2; Mrs J. M., Millport, 3 pairs stockings and 1 pair boots; J. D. & Family, Dollar, £2 10s; Mrs D., Brechin, £2; A. C., 2s 6d; J. T., Newton-Stewart, 10s; Mrs L., Dunfermline, 10s; the late Miss Gilmour, Crief, per do., 12 pairs stockings and socks; Misses G., Roseneath, £5; M. G. T., Innerleithen, £5; collected by Miss E. P., Ayr, £1; J. P., £1 1s; E. L., Aberdeen, £5; Mrs W. O. C., Broughty Ferry, 10 articles new and some used clothing, 2 boxes sweets, &c.; Old Aberdeen F.C.S.S., per J. T., 10s; Whins of Milton S.S., per A. C., 13s 9d; Port Elphinstone S.S., Inverurie, per J. R., 8s; Greenlaw S.S., Paisley, per Miss G., £1; Clackmarras S.S., Elgin, per G. D. B., 5s; Lanark Juvenile Missionary Association, per Mrs B., 10s; Mrs M., Newmans, 12 articles clothing; Miss M., per do., 1s; J. G., per do., 1s; W. W., per do., 1s; M. M. I., per do., 1d; Aggie, Jamie, & Tom S., Paisley, 12s 6d and 3 scrapbooks; Fenwick F.C. S.S., per R. M. W., 12s; 9 Free Gaelic Church S.S., Greenock, per A. M., £1 17s 6d; Established Church S.S., Pitlochry, per A. T., 12s 6d; S. and S., quantity hyacinths and tulips; A Friend, a cake; Mossgreen S.S., Crossgates, per J. C., 2s 6d; W. Y. M., Bridge of Allan, £5; G. G., Coatbridge, £5; T. and J. D., do., £5; "A Working Man," 2s 6d; M. K., £2; "C. Dumbane," 2s 6d; D. S., £1 1s; W. M., Sunderland, £5; Maxwelltown F.C. Mission S.S., per J. K., 16s; "Gathered at breakfast table," per J. M., Hamilton, £3; Drysdale children, 8s; Free Church S.S., Houston, per J. L., £1; J. M., basket small bread; Lochwinnoch Parish Church S.S., per R. 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T. & C., £1 1s; Free Church S.S., Tighnabruich, per G. W., 9s; New Prestwick Baptist Church S.S., per F. M., £1 5s; Miss T., per do., 2s; Hazelbank S.S., Lanark, per A. H., £1; Miss M., 10s 6d; Miss S., Gourcock, £1 10s; Maggie R., Paisley, 2s 6d; Anon., Melrose postmark, 12s; Anon., Dalbeattie postmark, 2s 6d; J. C., Auchinleck, £3; J. M., Bridge of Weir, 2 pinks; "From an Orphan," London postmark, £1; W. W. & C., parcel tea; Mrs B., Dundee, £2; R. H., some rolls and bread; Miss C., Edinburgh, 18 pairs stockings; Mr R., box gloves; Campbell U.P. Church Tradeston Mission Forenoon Meeting, £1 12s; Broomhouse Evangelistic Association S.S., £2; A. W., Strathaven, £3; "For the Little Ones," £1; J. M., £1; J. M., for Mission, 10s; W. G., 5s; Large Evangelistic Mission, per R. D., 18s articles clothing; W. A., £5; Miss M., 5s; Anon., box tea; Longforgan Y.W.C.A., per Mrs A., Dundee, 40 articles clothing; Mrs B., London, £5; Mrs N. Fraserburgh, 2s 6d; A Worker, 2s 6d. The following has been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Kitchen Missionary Box, Lanark, per Mrs B., for servants' cottage, 5s. The following have been sent for Consumption Hospitals:—Eastern Co-operative Society, Limited, per R. B., £2; Mrs D. M., Inveraray, £1; Mrs H., £2 10s; A. C., 2s 6d; Mrs J. H., Wellington, Ohio, New Zealand, £2; Cathedral Square U.P. Church S.S., per J. H. S., £1 1s; R. L., Greenock, £2; D. B., jun., £1; Miss R., 6s; J. R. D. S., £4; A Worker and Children, 10s; Mrs C., £1; A Worker, 5s; W. F., £2; Anon., £1; D. Y., to furnish doctor's room, £50; W. I., Paisley, from insurance money, £1; S. T. G. C., Paisley, £300; G. D. M., Dumbarton, 5s; Mr and Mrs J., Dunscore, 5s.

**January 22.**—E. T., Aberdeen, 5s; Burnside Mission, Dumbarton, per Miss B., £1; Crawford Lane Mission Sabbath School, per T. M., 10s; Miss L., from Christmas tree, £6; Miss A. M., 3 turkeys; A Friend, Edinburgh, 10s; Mrs C., Comrie, 10s; Crossford S.S., near Dunfermline, per A. B., 16s; Sunday Scholars, per Misses M., Alexandria, £1 10s; Children, Clunie, Paisley, £1; J. D., Fenwick, 10s; J. H., Kilmarnock, 10s; Miss M. T., Ayr, £1; J. & T. N., Glenboig, £1 12s 6d; J. M., Kirkintilloch, 10s; E. S. C., Paisley, £5; P. M., Perth, 10s; Miss C., Slateford, 5s; Mrs M., Saline, £10; "An Old Worker's Mite," Edinburgh, 2s 6d; A few boys and girls in Shilford, per Mrs C., Neilston, £2; Dumfries and Maxwelltown, Y. W. C. A., per Miss K., 13 articles clothing, and some odd pieces of cloth; D. R., Lockerbie post-mark, 5s; A Friend, Victoria, B.C., post-mark, 2.50 dols. (10s 3d); Mrs M. M., Tobermory, £1; proceeds of small sale of work, per Misses C., Wick, 8s; Miss P., Cunnock, 6s; W. M., Inverness, 10s; Free St. George's S.S., Montrose, per D. R. B., £1; Anstruther Baptist Church S.S., per A. M. H., £1; John Kerr Memorial U.P. Church S.S., Edinburgh, per W. T. F., £2 0s 3d; Miss R. E. C., Montrose, 10s; Rattray Street Baptist Church S.S., Dundee, per W. R., £1; employees of Eagle Pottery, per F. G., £1 1s; H. M., Crieff, £1 5s; Belhaven Sabbath School Society, per J. M., jun., 14s 6d; A Friend, 60 loaves; Mrs J., £1; Mrs D., £15; Mrs D., Galashiels, £1; Heiton S.S., Kelso, per J. H., £1 4s 3d; Mrs C., Forres, 6 articles clothing; A Friend, £20; S.S. Scholars, Fauldhouse, per T. K., 12s 6d; Mrs A., Paisley, £20; Miss S., Edinburgh, £14; T. S., Dunfermline, 10s; R. M., Saltcoats, £1; "Rosneath," £1; Free Church S.S., Bannockburn, per H. S., £1; Hamilton Free Church S.S., Port-Glasgow, per R. B. H., £3 11s 10d; Congregational Church S.S., Helensburgh, per Miss J. P., £2 13s 6d; John Knox Church S.S., Edinburgh, per J. P., 18s 1d; Mrs M., Perth, 10s; T. B., Formosa, £2; D. S., East Kilbride, £1; Mrs M., Forfar, 4s; Mrs B., Wishaw, £1; Mrs J. D. B., Dundee, 10s; "S." Motherwell, 6d; W. W., Dunlop, 43 loaves; A Miss M., Lochgilhead, 4s 6d; T. C. C., Edinburgh, £2; Anon., Beverly post-mark, 8 hats; A few workers on 5th flat, New Mill, Clark & Co., Ltd., Paisley, per Miss S. B., 18s; Adelaide Place Baptist Church S.S., per A. G., £1; Queen Street Congregational Church S.S., Arbroath, per T. B., £1; "A Friend," per do., 3d; Miss L., 1s, 17 articles clothing, and 4 balls; Miss S., Kelso, 10 articles clothing; "Inasmuch," 20 pairs stockings; W. R. S., Dundee, 10s; Mrs S., Gargunnoch, £5; Mrs A., Tillilcountry, £1; Miss A., do., 10s; Free Church S.S., Tealing, per Dundee, per N. E., 18s; Kinning Park Co-op. Society, Ltd., per G. C., £4; Do. Parish Church S.S., per J. B., £1; K. K., Kilcregan post-mark, 4 pairs stockings and 3 petticoats; "M., Maxwelltown," Dumfries, £5; A Friend, Banchoy, 5s; G. C., Paisley, £100; Misses T., Chirnside, 22 articles clothing; Mrs S., Coatbridge, "for keep of a child for one year in memory of a daughter," £12; Mrs M. and



Family, £8; W. S., Bittin Hill, near Bristol, 21s; Ibrox U.P. Church S.S. Society, Govan Branch, £1 1s; "A. H. M.," £10; Cowlares Co-op. Society, Ltd., per D. L., £1; Mrs J. A. I., West Culls, £1; Victoria Street Baptist Church S.S., Galashiels, per D. H., 16s; Irvine and Fullarton Work Party, per Mrs D., 24 articles clothing; Miss C. and Friends, Anstruther, 48 articles new and some used clothing; Mrs B., Callander, 8 articles clothing; "From the Nursery," per M. C., £1; N. and C., £1 1s; Mrs B., 12 articles clothing, 2 bedmats, a doll, etc.; Misses M. and M. S., Ayr, 10s; Mrs B. C., Ormisdale, £3; Free Church S.S., Pluscarden, Elgin, per R. G., 10s; East Bank U.P. Church B.C., Hawick, per H. I., £1 8s; Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, do., per J. L., £1 19s; Free Church S.S., Old Meldrum, per Mrs U., 10s; Partick East U.P. Church S.S., per Miss P., £1; Miss J. W., Kilmarnock, 18s; Mrs L., £1 8s; Edinburgh, 2s 6d; Ayr Parish Council, per R. P., £10; "Through one of His stewards," Wales, £2 7s 9d; A. C., Edinburgh, £5; Miss P., Kirkcudbright, £1; Clydebank Union Church Congregational S.S., per A. M. K., £1; G. M., Huntly, 10s; W. T., Nairn, £5; M. L. B., £5; Springbank U.P. Church S.S., per Miss E. F., £2; P. W. R. S., Auchterarder, 3s 6d; J. M., Methven, £10; Camphill U.P. Church S.S., per A. A., £6; Miss F., Auchterarder, 2s; Mrs and Miss G. I. J., Moffat, 7s 6d; Miss A., Huntington, £1; N. K. C. P., £1 0s 8d; "One Deeply Interested," Aberdeen post-mark, £1; W. L., £1; W. R. W., St. Andrews, 17s 6d; T. W., £2 2s; Y. W. C. A., Lochgilphead, per Mrs H., 27 articles clothing and three picture books; Troon Children's Church, per E. M., £1 12s; Glemarnock U.P. Church S.S., per R. B. A., £1; E.U. Church S.S., Tilllicoultry, per J. D., 10s; Thomas Coats Memorial Church S.S., Paisley, per D. N., 14s; Udney Free Church S.S., per W. D., 10s; D. G., Wick, 2 barrels haddock; D. Y., Brechin, 13s; Portnacraig S.S., Pitlochry, per Miss K. M., 13s; Miss B. and Miss K., Melrose, £1; S. C., and J., £2 10s; Strathbungo Parish Church S.S., £1 12s 3d; Morningside U.P. Church, Edinburgh, Stenhouse Mills S.S., per J. M., £5 15s 7d; Corstorphine Free Church Girls' Sewing Class, per Miss H., 11 articles clothing; Wilson Hall Children's Meeting, Paisley, per P. E., £3; Proceeds of small sale, per Miss J. R., 10s; R. T., Wishaw, 6s; Pans S.S., Campbelltown, per D. M., £1 9s; Tradespark S.S., Nairn, per C. B. R., £1 1s; West U.P. Church Bible Class, Strathaven, per G. C. M., 15s; Sabbath School Class, per Miss T., Reston, 10 articles clothing; Mrs G., do., per do., 8 do.; Friend, do., per do., 8 caps; Friends, do., per do., £1 5s; Miss M., 17 hoods; Sunday School, per E. B. M., Carnoustie, box toys, books, etc.; Stepps S.S., per Miss B., £3; Friend, per Mrs M., Ayr, £2; Do., per do., 5s; W. J. S., Keith, 5s; Free Church B.C., Lossiemouth, per C. T., 2s; Dunoon U.P. Church S.S., per J. M., £1 10s; Parish Church S.S., Oban, per A. M., 8s 6d; Bonhill U.P. Church S.S., per N. S., £1; Skeldon Mills S.S., by Ayr, per J. B., 10s; Mrs B., Longfargan, per C. H., 10s; Mrs A., £5; Miss G., Forres, £1; Mrs M. and daughter, Manchester, 18s; Money belonging to baby boy now gone Home, per Mrs M., 17s 6d; R. J. M., Arbroath, 1s 6d; J. C., Strachur, 18s 6d; Do., from Family Box, 6s 6d; Miss C., Ryde, I. O. W., £10; Miss B., Dundee, 5s; Young People, Fernlea, Hamilton, per P. C., 1s; J. K., Crief, £1; W. W., London, "For Christ's Sake," 1s; Mrs M. B., Crief, 4 dresses; I. W., Prestwick, 7 pairs stockings, and 6 pairs gloves; Mrs C., Bridge-of-Weir, 6 pairs stockings, 6 handkerchiefs, and 6 dolls; "Wee Dorothy," £1 1s; Cedar Street Y. W. C. A., per Miss B., 15s; Miss B., 10s; "For Jesus Sake," Paisley post-mark, 10s; D. K., 10s; Tullymet S.S., per P. F., Pitlochry, 7s; Miss M. J. A., Bournemouth, 5s; J. B. W., Aberdeen, £5; Sir Michael Street U.P. Church Mission S.S., Greenock, per J. S., 19s; Milburn Free Church S.S., Renton, per J. M., £1 3s 4d; J. G., "In remembrance of a dear one gone home," £5; J. M., Newton, £5; Anon., Bridge of Allan, 6 articles clothing; Dowanhill U.P. Church S.S., per A. L., £1 2s; Mrs R., "a first pay," 3s 6d; A Friend, 15 leaves; A. P. B., Kilmarnock, 1000 temperance magazines; Crosslee S.S., per T. J., £1; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; Class of Boys in Ferniegair Mission S.S., Hamilton, per Miss C., 7s; H. L. W., parcel used clothing; Bathgate U.P. Church Mission S.S., per A. M., £1; Ardshead S.S., Ballachulish, per Mrs A., 9s 6d; "A friend for the dear orphans," £10; Bridge of Teith U.P. Church Minister's B.C., per W. H., 12s 6d; J. J., Edinburgh, 10s; F. C. S. S., Colliston, by Arbroath, per A. M., 4s; F. E. P., Bristol, 3s; Alexandria U.P. Church S.S., per A. D., £2; A. T., £1; Miss M., Windermere, £1; Miss A. K. K., Langbank, £5; A. S., Tilllicoultry, 6s; W. R., Glenluce, 10s; J. S., London, £1; J. H., Bathgate, 11s 3d; Children's after-dinner Sunday collection box, per do., 3s 9d; R. A. R., do., per do., 10s; Miss A. P., Fraserburgh, £1; Miss C. S. B., £2; Shankrock Street U.P. Church Juvenile Missionary Society, per C. B., £2; Chapelhill Free Church S.S., Rothsay, per Miss M., 13s; Friends, Broughton, Peebles-shire, per Mrs G., 70 pairs stockings, 16 cravats, 21 pairs cuffs, gloves, 7 knitted petticoats, and 2 chemises; Free Church S.S., do., per do., wool to the amount of 5s; Mrs M., Wishaw, 5s; "Margaret," 1s; Mrs D., 10s; Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, Dunfermline, per P. K., £2 15s; Kirkmuirhill U.P. Church S.S., per R. B., £1; Do. B.C., per do., 10s; Hamilton West Free Church S.S., per J. B., 19s; Wishaw Baptist Church S.S., per T. P., jun., 10s; Gilcomston Free Church S.S., Aberdeen, per G. G. W., £1 5s; Y. W. C. A., per Mrs O., £1; Mr John Lightbody's S.S. Class, Wishaw, per J. M., 10s; A grateful Girl helped, Edinburgh, 5s; Mrs K., £4; Mrs D., Kilmalcolm, 5s; "A thank-offering from a goods guard, Princes Pier," 10s; Anon., Newhaven post-mark, £1; "Eric-Vic," Cupar-Fife post-mark, £2; Mr and Mrs W., Leven, 3 overcoats; W. T. S., Bonnybridge, box used clothing; Miss L., Peebles, do., bed-clothes, etc.; Greenside Parish Church Evening Mission School, Edinburgh, per A. H., £3 10s; Miss M., Lochans, £1; J. W., quantity of firewood; Newhills S.S., per Mrs S., 5s; Friend, per British Linen Company Bank, Dundee, £5; J. D., Fenwick, proportion of prize-money gained by sheep at show, £2 10s; Mrs W., Milton of Campsie, £2; Legacy of the late Miss Jane Berwick, Dumfries, per Mr John Henderson, £300; Mrs S., £1; Mrs S., Edinburgh, 10s; Mrs S. and Family, Wishaw, £1 12s 6d; R. B. and Two Brothers, 10s; Baptist Church S.S., Lossiemouth, per W. S., £1; Lads' Bible Class St. Nicholas West Parish Church, Aberdeen, per A. M., 11s; Coatbridge East Free Church S.S., per J. T. F., 14s 6d; W. A. F., St. Andrews, 5s; Mrs F., per do., 5s; P. G., Glenlyon, £2; Mrs F., £1 1s; Airdrie Town Mission S.S., per W. K., £1; S. G. F. S., Pitlochry, per Miss M., 33 articles clothing; Mrs H., 4 pairs stockings; "G., Avenue Road, Springburn," £1; West U.P. Church S.S., Strathaven, per J. H., £5 6s; Original Secession Church S.S., Kirkintilloch, per Miss A. C., £1; "A Few Believers at Plashetts," North Tyne, per G. W. N., £1; Junior Society C. E., Helensburgh, per Miss J. M., 10s; Crief Parish Church S.S., per W. P., £1; Galatoun Free Church S.S., Kirkcaldy, per G. W., 16s 3d; Anon., Perth, 7 pairs stockings; Mrs W., £5; D. R. H., Windygates, box used clothing; Calderhead Parish Church S.S., per W. J. C., £1; Nicholson Street U.P. Church, Catterrow Mission S.S., Edinburgh, per J. W., 10s; Carstairs Junction S.S., per J. F., £3 10s; Newhills Free Church S.S., per W. C. C., 10s; Shettleston Free Church S.S., per A. J. S., £1 4s 10d; Y. W. C. A., Crail, per Mrs J., 39 articles clothing; Miss W., £1; D. C., £1; Mr and Mrs P., New Barnet, £5; Mr and Mrs S. and Family, Lurntsland, £10 10s; C. M., do., £1 1s; W. T., Peebles, for maintenance of a child for one year, £12; Miss A. S., Huntly, 2s 6d; U.P. Church B.C. Logiealmond, per J. E. M., 6s 8d; Sunday Afternoon Y. W. Bible Class, Lancaster, per

J. B., 5s; Mrs M., Newton, parcel illustrated papers; Rockvill U.P. Church B.C., per M. B. M., 15s; Anon., parcel used clothing; A Friend, piece Astrachan Cloth; "V. V. Bay," £1. The following have been sent for the Consumption Hospitals:—Employees of Messrs A. F. Stoddart & Co., Limited, Glenpatrick, per W. M., £5; "From the Nursery," per M. C., 10s; Miss F., Auchterarder, 2s; D. Y., Brechin, 2s 6d; W. T., Peebles, £5.

**February 5.**—Parish Church Women's Guild, Bridge-of-Weir, per Miss G., £3; Miss A. M., £1; A. R. W. G., 10s; D. S., Bathgate, £2; do., do., "from children's tenths," 16s 10d; D. W. B. L., Stonehaven, £3; D. J. R., Oxford, £1; Mrs W. C. F., Dundee, £1; Yarrow Free Church S.S., per M. C., 4s 5d; North Free Church S.S., Kirriemuir, per J. B., 15s; Free Church S.S., Chapelton, by Hamilton, per G. G., £1; John Street U.P. Church S.S., per T. H., 10s; A Friend, 15 leaves; J. M., 5s; Ternemay S.S., Knock, Banffshire, per W. B., 4s 6d; A. H., Rothsay, £2; J. H., Omgar, £1; Miss R. H., Inverkip, 5s; D. M., Macbride Bay, Arran, 5s; Dyce Free Church S.S., by Aberdeen, per J. R., £1; E. U. Church Congregational S.S., Galashiels, per J. R., £1 12s; Lesmahagow U.P. Church S.S., per Miss C., £1; C. E. M., Bridge-of-Allan, per Mrs L., £3; G. F. T. R., Orkney, 2s; J. F., Greenock, 10s; Kilwinning Free Church S.S., per R. C., 10s; Anon., "Cluny Avenue," 5 pairs stockings; do., Crief postmark, parcel used clothing; Part balance from Technical School Social, Coatbridge, per H. B. S., 12s 6d; J. D., Busby, parcel children's magazines; Shamrock Street U.P. Church, per P. G. M., £1; Govanhill U.P. Church S.S., £1; Anon., Carlisle, suit used clothes; A Friend, 23 leaves; Miss G., Edinburgh, and Children's Mission S.S., Arbuthnot, 5s; R. H. and family, Kirkintilloch, £2; Baptist Church S.S., do., per do., 10s; Mrs M., Arbroath, 10s; Easton Memorial Free Church S.S., Darvel, per J. Y., £1; M. R. W., Edinburgh, £1; A Friend, Ayr, 3s; Three boys, per A. P., £1; Cousin, per do., £1; Free Church S.S., Tollcross, per A. M., 10s; Ballater Free Church S.S., per A. A., 6s; West Bridgend U.P. Church S.S., per F. E., £4; Mrs D., Kilmalcolm, 10s; Mrs and Miss R., 7 articles clothing; Miss D., Leslie, 4 pairs stockings; A Friend, 15 leaves; Messrs G. E. & S., £2 2s; A Friend, £5; D. J. W., £1; Scone U.P. Church S.S., per W. S., 10s; Mrs A., Edinburgh, £1; Miss J., do., 10s; E. G., Montrose, "for Montrose Home," £2 10s; "Thankful," Gourcock postmark, 10s; Mrs S., Prestwick, parcel used clothing; Mrs F., Dumbreck, 5s; R. N., £1; J. L., Aberdeen, "In memoriam, A. J. L., 25/1/98," 5s; R. N., 10s; R. M., Penicuik, 10s; B. M., Buckle, 5s; A Friend, per janitor Christian Institute, 12 pairs stockings; B. A., Wemyss Bay, £10; Miss G.'s Bible Class, South Parish Church, Aberdeen, 100 articles clothing; Mill S.S., Airdrie, per W. W., £1 6s; Collected at Sabbath evening service, Creamery Hall, Dunragit, per R. M., £2; W. L., £2; J. M. R., Alloa, £2 10s; D. L. S., Glasgow postmark, £1; Friend, Fraserburgh, per Mrs F., Dumbreck, 6 pairs stockings; Mrs R. J., Johnstone, seven pairs do.; Christian Leader Office, parcel periodicals; Lyon Street Free Church S.S., 12s; Telegraphic Department, G.P.O., per Charity Organisation Society, £1; M. T. F., London, per do., £2 2s; Mearns Parish Church S.S., per D. K., £1; A. M. R., do., 10s; Three Sunday Schools in connection with Whyte's Causeway Baptist Church, Kirkcaldy, per Miss A. S. R., £6 4s 8d; Dr and Mrs H., Kilmalcolm, £10; Miss M. C., Stranraer, 2s; Employees Clutha Ironworks, Plantation, per J. C., £1; Auchinloch S.S., per J. S., Lenzie, £1 0s 1d; Free West Mission S.S., Greenock per P. R. B., £1; First Free Church S.S., Forfar, per Miss W., £1; U.P. Church Mission S.S., Inverness, per J. H. D., 16s 6d; Duddingston Parish Church Women's Guild, Edinburgh, per Mrs S., £3 3s; Grangemouth New Free Church S.S., per W. A. F., £1; Newton Place Juvenile Missionary Society, Partick, per J. C., £1; "Maggie and Nannie," Dunlop post-mark, 6s 9d; R. E. C., Paisley post-mark, £5; T. M. S., Motherwell, 6d; Anon., Grand Hotel, 30 articles clothing, etc.; South Street U.P. Church S.S., Elgin, per J. S., £1; Partick Parish Church S.S., per A. M., £1 1s; M. W., Banff, £1; J. and T. E. S., Newport, £2 2s; Mrs A., Chapel-en-le-Frome, £1; J. M. & C., Howwood, £5; Proceeds of Lecture given on behalf of Homes by Rev. George M'Kendrick, Langholm, per W. D., £5 12s; A. J. K., £10; Anon., Newton-Stewart post-mark, 10s; Do., 10s; "Friends in Watten," Caithness, 4s 6d; Coatbridge East Free Church Junior B.C., per J. T. F., £1 10s; Mrs D., Castle Douglas, £1; Shettleston U.P. Church S.S., per W. C. S., £1; Miss S., Comrie, 5s; "Bessie and Jeanie's Pennies," 5s; Miss M., Greenock, £1 and 6 pairs stockings; Netta, Crosslee, 2s 6d; Net Surplus of Collection taken at Meeting in Temperance Institute, Greenock, on 19th Jan., 1898, per W. D. T., £13; Lenzie Parish Church S.S. Association, per P. C. G., £1 1s; Miss J. M., Oban, 5s; G. A., Lavender, Ont., 5 dolls=£1 0s 10d; A Grateful Girl Helped Canada, 2 dolls=8s 4d; Do., do., 50 cents=2s 1d; Young People and Friends, U.P. Church, Bridge of Allan, per Mrs L., 114 articles clothing; Trustees of the late Miss Annie Mitchell, Aberdeen, per Messrs Edmonds and Ledingham, £20; Mrs R. L., £1; D. G., Bridge of Allan, 5s; Whitburn Parish Church S.S., per J. U. B., 10s; "L., Elgin, "For Emigration Fund," 10s; Free Gaelic Church Mission S.S., Greenock, per D. C., 10s; Irvine Foundry Boys' Society, per W. C., 10s; "James Campbell's saved pennies," 3d; Torry Free Church S.S., per A. F. U., £1; Miss H., Hamilton, 5s; Miss J. C. M., and George, Ella and Euan S., Bridge of Allan, 4s; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; Mrs H., Airdrie, per Mrs R., 5s; W. M., per do., 2s; M. N., per do., 3s; Maryhill Free Church, Argyle Street, Sabbath School, per T. G., 11s; Misses J., Milnathort, 23 articles clothing, etc.; Misses L. and M., Paisley, 70 hats, 7 articles clothing, and parcel gloves; S. and C., 17 hats; Anon., Helensburgh, parcel used clothing; Mr M., £1; Miss S., Wick, £2; Ladies' Committee, Scottish Armenian Association, per Lady Gairdner, an Armenian cradle; Found in Boxes, City and Bridge of Weir Homes, during December and January, £2 0s 8d; Mrs W. £1 and see-saw; Free Church Sabbath School, Beaulieu, per J. F., 8s 6d; Collected by N. C., Oban, 12s; Miss S., Bridge of Allan, £3; E. U. Church Sabbath School, Dunfermline, per J. F., £1; Students Settlement Bible Class, per D. M., 15s; M. S., £4; M. W., per do., £1; Girls' Sewing Class, Langholm, and Friends, per Mrs D., 196 articles clothing; J. B., Kilmalcolm, 19s; Mrs J., Aldershot, 10s; Miss M., Perth, per Miss G., £1; An Old Lady, Edinburgh, per do., 5s; Misses M., Dundee, 10s; Anon., Hillhead post mark, 6s; M. & A. B., 49 leaves; Miss G., Edinburgh, 20 articles clothing; Ibrox U.P. Church Congregational S.S., per R. F., £1; Free Church S.S., Lockerbie, per E. M., £1; Kelvinside Free Church District S.S., per D. S., £1 14s 3d; Mr R., Bridge-of-Weir, 12 3-lb almond cakes; Mrs R., Dunfermline, 10 articles clothing; Young People's Sewing Meeting, per Mrs F., 3s do.; Mrs G., Elgin, 24 do.; J. B. K., per do., 6 do.; A Worker, 5s; Do., 3s 4d; W. M. R., Greenock, £1; Family at Scotstoun House, per W. T. C., £1; Children, per H. M., Crief, 3s; Airdrie South Bridge Street U.P. Church S.S., per Miss M., 10s; Baptist Church Y. P. Society, C. E., per T. B., 10s; A. F., Motherwell, £5; Lizzie and Nessie, per do., £1; J. P. M., £300; Miss B. L., Stromness, Orkney, 4s; Mr M., 10s; T. C. P., £1; Jack G. and Sisters, parcel used toys and 5s; Free Church B.C., Frickieoch, per G. B., 7s 6d; G. A. S., £2; New Cumnock Free Church S.S., per A. S., 10s; Maduff Parish Church S.S., per G. D., £2; Mrs M., Edinburgh, £5; Christmas and New Year Contributions from Young People, per do., 13s; J. S., Holm., Orkney, £5; Miss R. C. S., 11 articles clothing and some magazines; Mrs M., Edinburgh, 26 do.; M. B., 10s 6d and some used clothing; Mrs M., Dumbarton, £5;

A. D. H., Aberdeen, £1; Mrs G. M., Newmains, 10s; South Free Church S.S., Blairgowrie, per W. A. F., 10s; Mrs T., Kirkcaldy, £1; Mrs B., Greenock, 10s; Misses M., Moffat, £1; Mrs S., Dunfermline, 2s 6d; A Friend, Leith, 10s; A. C. C., London, for emigration, £100; Mrs B., 10s; A Friend, 10 loaves; Mrs H., parcel used clothing, boots, magazines, etc.; E. U. Church S.S., Hamilton, per W. B., £1; Congregational S.S., Free St. John's Church, Montrose, per Mr M., 10s; J. B., London, £1; D. H., Strathaven, £2; First U.P. Church S.S., Alloa, per J. S., £4; Miss F., Kilmarnock, 35 articles clothing; Hutchesontown U.P. Church S.S., per Mr M., £1; D. B. and S., £1; L. T., 10s. The following have been sent for the Consumption Hospitals:—M. S., 2s 6d; J. F., Greenock, 10s; Miss L., 2s 6d; M. H., Paisley, 5s; J. B., Bannockburn, 1s; Miss S., Bridge of Allan, £2; Students' Settlement B.C., per D. M., 15s; A. F., Motherwell, £3; J. P. M., £100; Miss C., Ayr, £50; Saved Pennies of a Boy now gone Home, 5s 8d.

**February 19.**—Mrs G. R., 5s; Mrs J. R., Killin, 2s 6d; Mrs G., Elgin, 2s; A. R., 15s; J. C. P., £1; G. H., Coupar-Angus, £1; Mrs E., Edinburgh, £2; Jessie, Violet, Richmond, and Nessie M. L., Grangemouth, £1 10s; Anon., 5s; do., Perth postmark, 5s; Mr G., Montrose, 5s; Nairn Mission Sunday School, per W. D., 12s 10d; Mrs M. H., Crief, 2 pairs stockings, scrap album, etc.; R. H., some bread; Luthermuir Young Women's Christian Association, per W. A. M., Laurencekirk, 2s articles clothing; Miss A. B. D., Edinburgh, £1; Mrs B., Kirkcaldy, £5; Free Church Sunday School, Linlithgow, per Miss R., 10s; Dunoon Established Church Sunday School, per J. D., £1; Maryhill Free Church, Kelvindale Sunday School, per W. R. D., 1s; A. G. & Co., £1 1s; Fullarton Free Church Sunday School, Irvine, per J. S., £1; R., Rothsay, 15s; Strathbungo Parish Church Sunday School, per H. I., quantity magazines; Burnbank U.P. Church Bible Class per F. D., £1 7s; Millbank Sunday School, Cluny, per J. W. L., 12s; Inch Free Church Sunday School, Castle Kennedy, per J. M. A., 10s; Dumbarton Parish Church S.S., per J. C., £2; Broomknoll Free Church Bible Class, Airdrie, per W. S. A., 5s; Motherwell Working Boys' and Girls' Sabbath School, per G. M., £1; C. D., Dundee, 10s; Miss F., Moffat, £1; Eskbank Wesleyan Methodist Sabbath School, per A. S., 12s; Free Church Sabbath School, Strathaven, per G. S., 7s 6d; Erskine Free Church Sabbath School, per T. P., 10s; T. M. S., Motherwell, 6d; Halkirk Free Church Sabbath School, per A. E. R., 6s 8d; R. H., some bread; A. W. E. M., London, 1s; Hilltown Free Church Sabbath School, Dundee, per K. M., 10s; North Bute Free Church Sabbath School, Rothsay, per J. H., £1; Clunie Free Church Sabbath School, per D. R., 7s 6d; Miss H., 3 pairs stockings; Urquhart Free Church Sabbath School, Elgin, per A. C. S., 2s 8d; Lhanbryde do. do., per do., 1s; S.S., Schoolhouse, Braidwood, Carlisle, per J. M., £1 15s; J. M., Aberdeen, 5s; Miss H. M., Irvine, £10; J. M., Calderbank, 5s; "A Thankoffering from a Friend," £5; M. M. & M., £3 2s; G. H. J., St Andrews, £10; J. S., Laurencekirk, 10s, 6 pairs stockings, and 6 chemises; Miss M., do., per do., 6 pairs stockings; Mrs J. M., do., per do., quantity dolls, books, etc.; Junior C. E. Society, Uddingston, per Miss D., 12 petticoats; Mrs M., Crief, 3 articles new and some used clothing; Anon., Bridge-of-Allan, 4 articles new and quantity used clothing; do., Broughty Ferry do., 2 pairs stockings; Free Church Sabbath School, Armadale, per W. R. P., 15s; Anon., 10s; Miss C., Stirling, £1 and 30 scarfs; "A Friend," Glasgow, 20 children's caps and hoods; Levern Parish Church Sabbath School, per A. C., 10s; A Friend, 45 loaves and some rolls; Cleland Free Church Sabbath School, per K. K., £1; Cambuskenneth Abbey Sabbath School, per A. C., Stirling, 12s 10d; Mrs H., Inverness, 8 pairs stockings and socks; C. S., Leadhills, 5s; A. L., Rothiemay, 3s; Free Church Sabbath School, Ardrishaig, per D. M., 10s; Young Men's Bible Class, per S. J. N. C., £1 10s 6d; Free Church Sabbath School, Coldstream, per J. B., £1 4s 6d; Mrs D. H. J., parcel used clothing; K. & C., Bootle, £2 10s; Free Church Sabbath School, Monquhitter, per W. S., 5s; Mrs A. P., parcel tea and some magazines; Mr S., Prestwick, quantity magazines; Miss C., Fdinburgh, 13 articles clothing; J. S., 5s; Tulliallan Free Church Sabbath School, per A. D., Kincardine, £1 1s; High Street Free Church Sabbath School, Arbroath, per J. L., 17s; M. and E. I., Paisley, 78 trimmed hats and 2 boys' caps; L. D., Edinburgh, £5; D. L. O., do., £5; Sabbath School, Blackburn, Aberdeen, per J. L., 2s 6d; Anon., Aberdeen, 7s; J. W. W., Annan, bundle magazines; Legacy of the late Mr Thomas F. Marr, Lenzie, per Messrs Mackenzie, Robertson & Co., £100; Mrs C., Paisley, 8 articles clothing and 67 trimmed hats; Mrs A., Crief, 5s; W. B., quantity magazines; Bridge Street Sabbath School, Keith, per P. I., 3s 1d; Muirkirk Free Church Sabbath School, per W. B., 16s 8d; Misses J., Perth, 7s 6d; Mrs J., do., 11 articles clothing; J. L., Douglas, 5s and parcel used clothing; Miss M., Stirling, 4 dozen pairs stockings; Mrs C., parcel used clothing; Miss D., a bed quilt; Montrose Street E.U. Church Sabbath School, 9s 1d; Cunningham Free Church Sabbath School Association, £3 14s; Mrs S., Nairn, £1; Sabbath School, Schoolhouse, West Side, Kilmacolm, per Miss B., 11s; U.P. Church Sabbath School, Buckie, per P. M., 10s; Mrs R., Edinburgh, £1; W. M., Newton Stewart, £1; Miss T., Portobello, £1; Readers of the *Christian*, per Messrs Morgan & Scott, London, £37 8s; J. A., £1; Mrs C., Dollar, office desk; Legacy of the late Miss Martha Bartholomew, Paisley, per R. & T. Russell, £20, less legacy duty, £2 1s, with interest 9s 9d = £18 8s 9d; Mrs W., Greenock, 10 articles clothing and 40 yards flannelette; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; Dingwall Free Church Sabbath School, per R. D. T., £2; Dunkeld Free Church Sabbath School, per K. M., 5s; J. S., Perth, 9s; A. M., Invergarry, 10s; J. M., £1; Cambuskenneth Free Church Sabbath School, Newmains, per J. L., £1; Misses E. and J. O., Ayr, 3s; Mrs C., 10s; J. C., Paisley, 10s; R. M., £10; College Street Church Sabbath School Edinburgh, per A. C., jun., 10s; J. W., Greenock, 10s; "A Wellwisher," Cathcart, £5; "Two Servants," Edinburgh, £1; A. B. C., Wishaw, 1s 6d; Free Church Sabbath School, Rosehall, per A. E. R., 8s; J. A. and C., Paisley, 10 stones oatmeal; Miss J. A. S., Montrose, 5 articles clothing; Mrs W., 6 scarfs; W. B., Blairgowrie, £1; D. H., Campbeltown, £10; Thread Street U.P. Church Sabbath School, Paisley, per M. S., £1 8s; West U.P. Church Sabbath School, Galashiels, per T. M., £1; Misses Smith, Prestonkirk, 11 pinafores and 2 pairs stockings; Elgin Place Congregational Church, Bishop Street Mission Sabbath School, £1; R. S. M., 5s; Mrs M., £1; Miss L., £1 10s and suit of clothes; Keltneyburn Sabbath School, Aberfeldy, per C. F., 12s; R. G., Dunfermline, 10s; Proceeds of collection in Trossachs Parish Church, per A. C. M., £1; Kirkintilloch U.P. Church Sabbath School, per Miss M. L. M., £1; Lothian Road U.P. Church Juvenile Missionary Society, Edinburgh, per W. M., £1; Pilrig Congregational Sabbath School, do., per W. W. F., £1; Mr and Mrs W. W. F., do., 5s; R. W. F., do., 2s 6d; Free St. Mary's Church Sabbath Schools, do., per D. R., £1; Westbourne Free Church Congregational and Mission Sabbath Schools, per J. W., £2; Mrs C., Dollar, arm chair, table, and washstand; Mrs G., Falkland, £2; Sewing Class, per Miss A., 11 articles clothing, and 2 wool balls; Gillespie U.P. Church Sabbath School, Biggar, per Miss F., £1; Miss B., Burrelton, 3s 6d, and Christmas Cards; Miss J. M., 24 articles clothing; Lansdowne U.P. Church Sabbath School, per J. D., £1 5s; Grateful Boy Helped, Canada, 1 dollar = 4s 2d; Mrs T., Bridge of Weir, £5; Mortloch Free Church Sabbath School, Dufftown, per A. E. R., 10s; Dunscore Free Church Sabbath School, Dumfries, per J. P., 4s 9d; Gilbertfield Young Men's Christian Association, Cambuslang, per D. A., 10s; South Grey's Close Mission Sabbath School, Edinburgh, per D. H. H., £1; Fieldsend Mission Sabbath School, Penicuik, per J. B., 10s 6d; Miss S., China, 4s; C. H., Strathaven, £1; H. L. W.,

12 boys' caps and 10 pairs stockings; "Breakfast Collection of a family in Dennistoun," 90 articles clothing, etc.; Mrs D., Kilmarnock, 12 boys' shirts and 12 pairs stockings; Spoutmouth Branch, G.F.B.R.S., 15s; Wellpark Free Church Sabbath School, £4 4s 6d; Miss J. T., Cockenzie, £1; Mrs A. T., do., £1; Children's Service, Mission Hall, per W. T., £1 10s; J. T., £1; St George's Co-operative Society, Limited, £4 4s. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Legacy of the late Mr Thomas F. Marr, Lenzie, per Messrs Mackenzie, Robertson, & Co., £1000. The following have been sent for Consumption Hospitals:—Jessie, Violet, Richmond, and Nessie M. L., Grangemouth, £1 10s; Mrs G. and Mrs F., 10s; R. M., £5; Miss D., Moffat, £1.

**March 5.**—H. M., Castle Douglas, £1; Free Church S.S., Edenkille, per A. A., 6s 4d; Baptist Church S.S., Cowdenbeath, per T. B., £1; Miss B., Thornton Hall, 10s; Miss A. H., Neilston, 10s; M. W., Orkney, 7s 6d; Abbeyhill Baptist Church S.S., Edinburgh, per G. M., £1; "An aged helper," per Miss C., £1 1s; Mrs M., Ayr, £1; E. J., £4; Miss M. M., Lochnaire, 2s 7d; Fishcurers, Wick and Pulteneytown, 43 boxes herring and 13s 6d; Y.W.C.A., Grangemouth, per L. S., 3 articles clothing; Miss F., Hamilton, 26 do.; Miss M., 6 do., and line of admission to infirmary; W. M., jun., 5s; Mr L., Helensburgh, £5 5s; "A Thank-offering," 1 umfries postmark, 5s; Hillhead Young Men's B.C., Kirkintilloch, per T. K. jun., £1; F. C., Clydebank, £5; Anniesland Hall B.C., per G. R., 10s; A Friend, 42 loaves and some rolls; Employees of P. & R. F. & Co., £2; Mrs D., per W. L., Greenock, 12s; Miss W., per do., 10s; Misses J. and A. A., Dalry, 5s; Mrs M. D., Pathgate, 10s; J. C., Melrose, £2; L. O., £200; R. H., some bread; Mrs B., Kirm, 38 scarves; Parish Church S.S., Port-Glasgow, per W. M., £2 2s; "Thank-offering from Jno." Stornoway, £1; Band of Hope S.S., Chapelhall, per G. M. R., 13s 6d; Mrs A. G. T., Edinburgh, parcel used clothing; Anon., Grangemouth, 10s; Farony S.S. Socy., per W. K., £4; R. H., £3 2s; Family, per do., 5s; B. B., hamper bread; Anon., Lochgilphead, 5s; G. S., Kilmarnock, £5; Balmullo S.S., Leuchars, per A. T., £1; Sheuchan Free Church S.S., Stranraer, per W. F., 16s; Boys' B.C. Parish Church Halls, Port Glasgow, per R. K., £1 7s; J. M. S., Windermere, £10; A. R. S., do., £10; "C," £10 0s 6d; Bridge of Weir Angling Club, per J. I., £1; J. G. A. B., Monkton, per Charity Organization Society, £0; N. B. G., per do., £3; J. C., Edinburgh, per do., £1; Mrs H. M., Dollar, £1; Mrs M., Dalnally, 7s 6d; Mr C. B. O., Spean Bridge, 10s; J. B., Balfour, quantity dress material and flannelette; collected by F. B. F., Ayr, 10s; J. I., Dunfermline, £1; "An Invalid Friend," per Mrs G., Hawick, £5; Miss H., Galashiels, 10s; Mrs and Miss R., Strathaven, 5 articles clothing and some periodicals; R. L. P., £1 1s; W. G., Cathkin, a sack meal; A Friend, 15 loaves; Mrs C., £1; Calton U.P. Church S.S. Society, per Miss M., £1 1s; S. C., Scapa, Orkney, per W. L., 10s; W. W., London, "for Christ's sake," 10s; Mrs G., 3 articles clothing; Mrs and Miss L., Edinburgh, £15; East-End S.S., Fordoun, per R. M. B., 11s 6d; Free Church S.S., Kinnassie, per Miss L., 60 articles clothing, 23 yds. dress material; Greenside Church Work Party, Brechin, £10; R. D., do., £10; Little Girl Helped, 2s 6d; Miss M., North Berwick, 16 articles clothing; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; Mrs F., Cullen, 10s and 3 pairs stockings; Miss W., Lochmaben, 12s; Halbeath S.S., Dunfermline, per W. A., 4s 6d; Mrs J., London, 2 pairs socks; found in boxes City and Bridge of Weir Homes, during February, £3 7s 9d; A Worker, 2s; Miss H., Edinburgh, for emigration, £100; Miss W., Dollar, for keep of a child for year, £13; "For the Master," £10; Mr and Mrs D. J. K., £1; K. S., 5s; collected by little boy, per A. M., Coatbridge, 9s; Livingston Free Church S.S., Mid-Caldor, per G. A. K. B., 10s; A Few C.E. Friends, Helensburgh, per A. B., 16s; "A Scot from Home," South Wales, 1s; A. S., Selkirk, 10s; R. M. G., London, 5s; contents of missionary box, from Bein and Mackie H., 2s; M. and A. B., 48 meat pies; Mrs S., Montrose, 4 articles clothing; collected from friends by do., 4s; "Of Time Own," £1; M. P., 5s; Lunanhead S.S., Forfar, per J. M., 5s; C. C., Crief, £3 3s; R. H., basket bread; M. A., £3; Mrs W., Bannockburn, 12 articles clothing; Anon., £1; do., Lanark postmark, 5s; Mrs R., Edinburgh, 2s 6d; Miss S., per do., 2s 6d; May M., Dreghorn, 1s; Alex. do., do., 1s; Tom do., do., 1s; Mrs do., do., 1s; T. do., do., 1s; "Collecting Box, Polwarth Grove, Edinburgh," per E. R., 18s; Muir S. S., Bannockburn, per A. W., 5s; Free Middle Congregational S.S., Greenock, per R. M., £3 1s 8d; Free Church S.S., Saltcoats, per E. S. W., 10s; Mrs F., St. Boswells, £1; A Friend, Busby, £1; Lyon Street Free Church S.S., 15s; Partick Free High Church S.S., per Miss A. J. C., £2 1s 4d; J. S. D., £5; C. K. G., Lybster, £2; Free St. John's Mission S.S., Edinburgh, per A. C. E. Y., £1 1s; Free Church S.S., Pitsligo, Rosehearty, per S. B., 10s; Mr and Mrs D. R., Portmahomack, £1; Miss C., Ryde, Isle of Wight, for emigration, £20; Y.P.S.C.E., Alloa, per D. D., 11s; Adult Endeavour Society, per do., 9s; Mrs R., Alloa, £2; Anon., Dunoon, 25 hats and jacket; A Friend, basket rolls; Mrs F., Airdrie, 17 trimmed hats, 4 articles clothing, some collars and books; A Worker, 2s; Mrs G., Kirkcudbright, 12s; G. S., £100; M. A., £2; G. M., Wackerstroom, South Africa, per T. R. M., 1s 2d; D. M., do., 1s; F. H., do., 1s; A. M., do., 6d; J. M., do., 6d; L. B., do., 1s; F. B., do., 1s; C. B., do., 1s; W. W., do., 3d; F. W., do., 3d; D. N. M., do., 1s; Mrs M., do., 1s; J. M., do., 1s; money belonging to little boy now gone home, 10d; Mrs M., Kilmarnock, £5; H. D., Linlithgow, £1; Miss C., Edinburgh, for emigration, £100; M. H. M., large bundle remnants cloth, some used clothing, etc.; Anon., 4 pairs stockings; do., parcel used clothing; do., Fort William, quantity hats and gloves; A Friend, 7 articles clothing; Partick Free High Church Y.M.B.C., per M. S., 10s; J. A. C., Bishopbriggs, 2s 6d; J. W. H., £2 2s. The following have been sent for Consumptive Hospitals:—Broomknoll Free Church Guild, Airdrie, per D. M., £1; M. M. and M., £3 3s; Anon., 10s; Misses R., 10s; Mrs H. M., Dollar, £1; R. L. P., £1 1s; A Worker, 5s; Mr and Mrs D. J. K., £1.

**March 19.**—W. S., Lochce, 15s; Newark Parish Church S.S., Port Glasgow, per J. C., £1; Miss R., Edinburgh, 2s, 14 articles clothing and some used do.; Pulteney Free Church S.S., Wick, per D. R., jun., £1; M. D., Fenwick, £1; Miss R., Roseneath, 1s; Clackmannan Parish Church S.S., per A. I. R., £1; Y. W. C. A., Isle of Raasay, Stromeferry, per Mrs C., 27 articles clothing; Miss M., Helensburgh, £1; Strathlachan S.S., Strachur, per J. C., 18s; Pupils, Ashmount School, Helensburgh, per Miss E. B. and Miss M. H., £1; J. H., Kilmacolm, 24 articles clothing, and quantity cuffs, collars, hats, etc.; W. M., £5; per A. M. S., Ayr, £6 10s; Mrs A. M., Church S.S., £4 3s 6d; A Friend, 46 loaves and quantity rolls; Mrs L., Bothwell, large quantity magazines; Macduff Free Church S.S., per J. H., jun., 13s 1d; Legacy of the late Miss Mary B. Lochhead, Dunoon, per Mr J. Valrose Clery, £20, less legacy duty, £2 = £18; Denny Free Church S.S., per M. M., 10s; Miss M., Greenock, 2s 6d; Miss P., Dalry, £1; D. S., Wick, £1; Mrs J. S., Leith, 5s; Alva Parish Church S.S., per A. H., £2; Free Middle Mission S.S., Greenock, per J. M., £1 1s; South Church Congregational S.S., Aberdeen, per G. C., £2; Calton E.U. Church S.S., 15s 2d; Hallelujah Mission S.S., Motherwell, £2; Free Church S.S., Bridge of Allan, per Miss P., £1 11s 3d; Miss M., Helensburgh, £1; "Out of the Lord's Increase," King's Lynn postmark,



Free East S.S., Inverness, per W. M., £1; Mrs C., Edinburgh, 22 pairs Harris stockings; Dalarnan S.S., Campbeltown, per T. H., 4s; Mrs L., Dundee, £5; Lesmahagow Parish Church S.S., per A. A., £1; M. B., Stepps, 10s 6d; Mrs W., Bridge of Weir, 21 pairs socks and 8 articles clothing; Mrs S., 1 article clothing and remnant cloth; Miss K., Helensburgh, £5; "A Well-wisher," £2; Langside F.C. Junior B.C., £1 15s; R. F. M., quantity remnants shirting; Anon., Douglas, box used boots, &c.; Renwick F.C. Branch G.F.B.R.S., hamper small bread; W. S., Moulmein, Burnmah, £2; U.P. Church B.C., Darvel, per D. R. W.S., £1 5s; W. A. S. D., Macbrilhanish, 0s; Mrs T., Aberdeen, 18s; A Friend, per do., 2s; Mrs T., 3 pairs stockings; Mrs G., 2 do.; Miss S., Dundee, £1 and 15 articles clothing; Avoch F.C. S.S., per A. E. R., 5s; G. A., 10s; B. B., 8 dozen loaves; fourth instalment of legacy £100, from the late Mr Mathewson, Dunfermline, £20; J. S., Larps, for emigration, £100; W. B., London, Ontario, £20 12s; Scotch Church S.S., Buenoa Ayres, per J. W. P., £1; Kildonan Sewing Meeting, Arran, per Miss M. C., £1 and 59 articles clothing; Mission S.S., Pulteneytown, Wick, per J. M., 7s 6d; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, £1; "Topaz," 2s 6d; J. & B. S., 21 loaves; A Friend, 12 loaves; W. S. P., a thank-offering, £3; A Worker, £1; Free Church B.C., Tullibee, per A. T., 10s; Wallace-ton Parish Church S.S., Ayr, per J. U., £4; Free Church S.S., Laureekirk, per W. I., 15s; Gourcock Free Church S.S., per D. M., £1; Free Church S.S., Blair Atholl, per A. M., 12s 6d; Blairhill U.P. Church S.S., Coatbridge, per A. M. B., £1; Banff Free Church Ladies' Working Party, per P. M., £5; Stewarton U.P. Church Ladies' Sewing Meeting, per Miss R., £1, 94 articles clothing, some wool; Mrs G., Paisley, 3 articles clothing; R. B. G., Holmes Chapel, £3; R. W., per editor *Christian Leader*, £1; T. M., Sydney, N.S.W., £5; R. H., basket bread; A. M., Ardishaigh, £1; Mr M., £1; J. M., Greenock, 2 barrels paraffin oil; H. N., Stornoway, 7 articles clothing; Free North Church S.S., Dumbarton, per T. F., £2; Troon Free Church S.S., per C. M., £1; Inverlief Free Church Y.M.C.A. Sabbath Morning Meeting, per J. H., Kirkcaldy, 7s 6d; Member of Moffat Y.W.O.A., per Mrs B., 5s; P. G., Falmouth, £5; "Of Thine Own," £1; Lerwick Parish Church S.S., per T. S., £1; Miss T., Huntly, 3 pairs stockings and socks and some wool; Miss s., per do., a dress; A Worker, 10s; Mr and Mrs A. H., Paisley, 15 articles clothing; St. James' Sabbath Morning School, do., per T. R., 16s 5d; A Well-wisher, Stanley, £2; E.U. Church S.S., Rutherglen, per A. S., 10s; A Friend, 1s; Willing Helpers' Society, Uddingston, per Miss B., £3 4s; Baptist Church Tea Meeting Committee, Cambuslang, per T. B., 10s; Misses M., Airdrie, 14 hoods and 20 hats; Children's Church, Charlotte Street, Aberdeen, per W. S., 15s; Miss F., Kilmarnock, £1, 8 pairs stockings, 2 books, and 18 yards shirting; Wester Pardovan U.P. Church Young Women's Guild, per Miss E. N., 20 articles clothing; Anon., large parcel used clothing; "A Friend," some rolls; Bristo U.P. Church B.C., Edinburgh, per Miss F., 12s; L. T., 10s; Found in Boxes City and Bridge of Weir Homes during March, £1 3s 6d; R. H. H., Edinburgh, £1 4s; Mrs W. O. C., Broughty Ferry, £1; Mrs W. A. F., West Ferry, by Dundee, £10; Midmar U.P. Church S.S., Sauchen, per J. D. S., £1 9s 6d; Kelyngrove U.P. Church S.S., per R. M., £2; Anon., 7 scarves and 3 pairs cuffs; J. B., Perth, 5s, 3 pairs stockings and 1 petticoat; Mrs J., London, 2 pairs socks; J. B., Dumfries, box hats and ribbons; Miss M., quantity used clothing; W. C., Dunlop, some bread; Mrs C., £12; Mr B., quantity used clothing; Anon., do.; Mrs T., do., hats, &c.; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 36 pairs stockings and 12 pairs socks; R. H., some bread. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Interest on deposit receipt in Queensland National Bank, Ltd., from the late Miss G. I. Small's estate, Dundee, 8s 5d. And for Consumption Hospitals:—Mrs B., Kilmacolm, £1; W. F., £5; "A Friend at Langside," £1; Miss L., 2s; T. & J. D., Coatbridge, £10; Mrs S., 5s; T.M., £40; Anon., 19 books; A. P. F. P., Alloa, "A Birthday Gift," £30; Lerwick Parish Church S.S., per T. S., £1; Anon., Port-Glasgow, 1s 6d; D. C., "A Birthday Thankoffering," 6s.

**April 16.**—Friends visiting, 3s; F. G. S., Dorchester, 2s 6d; Free Church B.C., Dumtoter, per J. E. F., £1; Misses D., Ayr, £2 7s 6d; A Friend, Kilwinning, 6s; A Sympathiser, 2s 6d; Mrs W., Forfar, 16 articles clothing, etc.; Anon., Balmullo, 4 pairs socks; Cambuslang Parish Church S.S., per T. M., £2 5s 4d; Hillhead Baptist Church, Port Dundas Mission Mothers' Meeting, per Mrs S., £1; Mrs K., Milton of Campsie, £2; Leith friends, per J. B., £9; Free Church Minister's B.C., Laurencekirk, per J. C., 12s 7d; Miss E. A. M., West Culter, 10s; Made by some young women near Huntly, per do., 11 articles clothing; Mrs M., Aberdeen, 30 do. Mrs T., Bridge-of-Weir, quantity magazines; Miss J., some used clothing, hats, boots, etc., Mrs F., Edinburgh, £2; Hamilton Free Church B.C., Port-Glasgow, per R. B. H., £1 6s 9d; Mrs W. R., Perth, 20 articles clothing; Y.W.C.A., Moffat, per Mrs B., 104 do.; Plantation U.P. Church S.S., per W. W. T., £3; Ardeonaig Free Church S.S., Killin, per J. M., 10s; 31st Co. B. B. Bible Class, Edinburgh, per P. F., 7s 9d; Mrs S., Portree, £1; E. R., 10s; S. M., Port-William, £1; W. S., 5s; J. L., Newport, 10s; "A Class of Girls in Carmoustie," 3s 9d; Anon., Edinburgh post-mark, 5s; P. S. H., Johnstone, 10s; W. L., Hinkley, £1; Mrs M., Tighnabruich, 12 pairs gloves, 5 pairs boots, and quantity hats; S. G., Edinburgh, £10; J. M. M., do., 5s; Miss E. G., Cupar, 11 pairs socks; Free St Paul's S.S., Perth, per J. M., £1 7s 8d; Miss S., Stonehouse, £1; Miss S., £5; Gallowgate Branch Y.M.C.A., per Mr M., quarterly amount for keep of a child, £2 5s; Mrs L., Camlachie, a toy barrow and parcel used clothing; "A Friend" 20 loaves; Mrs J. W., Stirling, 10 articles clothing and some magazines; G. & S.-W. Railway Co., 2 boxes crackers; J. S., Lerwick, £10; G. R., Paisley, £1; North Street Mission S.S., per D. S., 6s; Free West Church, Perth, Girls' Junior B.C., per Miss C. G. M., 5s; Twechar Band of Hope, per Kilsyth, per G. A., 15s; E.U. Church B.C., Stewarston, per G. W., £1; Mrs M., Rothsay, £1; F. and M. D. and Friends, Aberdeen, £1 5s; Per Mr F., £3; A Friend, Helensburgh, £2; Causewayside Young Men's B.C., Edinburgh, per J. B. G., £1; Mrs M., 18 pairs stockings and parcel tea; J. S. L., Rockford, U. S. A., £1; Free Church S.S., Carlisle, per J. J. W., £1; Mrs and Miss H., Dundee, £1; Collected from friends, per Mrs D., Brechin, £5 5s 6d; Anon., Port-Glasgow, "the Lord's tenth," 1s 6d; Queen's Park Church S.S., per J.M., £1 17s 6d; D. M. R. Anstruther, £5; F. H. R., £10; A Friend, 27 loaves; Mrs I. B., Bothwell, box used clothing; Zenana Society, City Road U.P. Church, Brechin, per Mrs M., 98 articles clothing; St. Leonard's School, St. Andrews, 34 do.; Misses A., Wooler, 24 trimmed hats; Mr J. D. M.'s Bible Class, Port-Eglington, 6s; R. M'D., £1 1s; Free St. George's Church Bible Class, Montrose, per A. W. Y., 10s 6d; H. L. M., London, £1 1s; "A Worm," 10s; J. P. T., Vidlin, Shetland, £1; Milngavie U.P. Church Sabbath Morning Fellowship Meeting, per Miss M., £1; Crieff Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, per D. N., 10s; Cardonald Parish Helping Hands Society, per Mrs L., 18 articles clothing; Baptist Church and a few Friends, Ballinluig, per J. E. S., 37 do.; Mrs W., 8 scarfs; Mrs D. H. J., a dress; Mrs K., £1; Mrs H., £1; Sunday Class, per Miss P., Row, 7s; Blantyre Free Church S.S., per D. D., £1; Scholars Grangemouth New Free Church S.S., per J. D., quantity scrap cards; Craig Free Church S.S., Dumscore, per T. M., 14s; Bo'ness and Carriden Free Church Congregational S.S., per W. S. H., £1 5s; Scone Free Church S.S., per A. E. R., 7s 6d; B. G., Bellingham, 10s; Father, per do., £1; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; A. M. B. S., 6-

**April 30.**—West Free Church, B. C., Broughty Ferry, per G. E. T., £4 7s 4d; West Free Church Young Women's Union, do, per do., 15s 5d; L. C., Luss, towards expenses of court case, £5; J. B. F., Aberdeen, for do., £1; Mr and Mrs D. J. K., for do., £2; C. O. P., Elie, for do., £1; D. B., Bridge-of-Allan, for do., £2; Miss G. R., Helensburgh, for do., 10s; J. D., Arbroath, for do., £20; do., for general fund, £20; Mr and Mrs P., Newcastle, for expenses of court case, £2; J. Y., Dumoon, 41 loav  
"For the Orphans from an Orphan," Chelsea postmark, £1; J. & W. C. & Co., £25; Mrs R., Edinburgh £2; Kirkmaiden Parish Council, per P. M. R., £14 15s; West U.P. Church B. C., Kirriemuir, per G. R., £1; Miss B., Edinburgh £1; Chapelton Free Church B. C., per R. K. H., 14s 6d; Whiteinch Free Church S.S., per A. M., £2 4s; Employees Messrs D. C. & S., Ltd., Motherwell, per W. C., £2 11s 10d; Miss G., Forres, per W. W., £1; J. M. and Mrs M., Irvine, £2; collected by Mrs W. C., Edinburgh, £20; J. S., do., £2; do., do., towards expenses of court case, £1; Anon., Stobo postmark, 5 pairs stockings, 5 semmits; legacy of the late Mrs Sproul, Whitman, Massachusetts, U.S.A., per Mrs Sproul, 100 dollars (£20 10s 4d); T. C., Baillieston, for expenses of court case £1; W. H., Stromness, Orkney, for do., £2; E. L., Aberdeen, for do., £1; Mrs S., Gargunnoch, for do., £20; Miss J. M., £2; D. K., Edinburgh, £2; H. L. W. a used overcoat; Anon., Shettleston postmark, 10s; Anon., Aberdeen postmark, 2s 6d; J. M., basket scones, etc.; Glassary Branch, Y.W.C.A., Lochgilp head, per Miss S., 39 articles clothing; deaf and dumb prayer meeting, Kilmarnock, per J. P., £1; Mrs K., per Mr F., £1; A. H., 6 dozen loaves; "A Friend," 24 loaves and some rolls; "A Friend, for the dear orphans," £10; Chalmers Free Church S.S., per T. M., £1; Jamestown Free and U.P. Churches do., per do., 10s; Elder Park Church do., per do., £1; Wellpark Free Church do., per do., £1 1s; Dennistoun Free Church do., per do., 12s 6d; Chalmers Free Church do., per do., £1; Milton do., Bowling, per do., £1; Gartcosh do., per do., £1; Miss J. B., Hunter's Quay, 6 pairs stockings; Crawfordburn Free Church B.C., Greenock, per A. R., £2; B. B., £5; M. A. B., 56 loaves; 89th Glasgow Company Boys' Brigade Bible Class, per R. L., £1 8s; R. H., Mr R., Edinburgh, 5s. 8 scarfs, and Miss W., St Bee's near Carnforth, for expenses of court case, £5; Miss R., Edinburgh, 5s. 8 scarfs, and 3 articles clothing; Stonehaven Free Church S.S., per J. A., £1 10s; J. J. and Miss J., Edinburgh, £1; "F. G.," Manchester, 10s; Mrs A., Milnathort, 5s; Two Friends, per do., towards expenses of court case, 5s; "A Thankoffering," from "A. B. C." 6s; Misses M., Helensburgh, for expenses of court case, £2; Sandyford U.P. Church B.C., per T.C., jun., £1; Fullarton Free Church K.B. Bible-class, per J. S., Irvine, 6s, "Through one of His Stewards," Wales, for expenses of court case, £1; Mrs H., quantity used clothing and scrap book; T. N., Carlisle, £1; J. S. G., s; W. B., East Linton, 10s; "A Thank offering" London postmark, 5s; West U.P. Church B.C. Irvine, per R. L. M., 14s 6d; Young Men's and Young Women's Guild, Relief U.P. Church, do, per B. B., 10s; Bank Street Church B.C. and S.S., per R. W. O., 10s; D. B., Greenock, 2s. "R," Perth, 5s; Young Street Free Church B.C., per J. M. F., 10s; Mr W., Forfar, £1; N. H., Lochmaben, 10s; J. D. W., Tarves, 15s; Legacy of the late Miss Margaret Forsyth, Lanrick Castle, Doune, per Messrs T. & J. W. Bartly, Dunblane, £26 11s 5d; Two Workers, £2; A Friend, per Mrs M., 6s; Mrs G., parcel used clothing; Mrs P., do.; Trinity U.P. Church S.S., Greenock, per W. P., 10s; Miss N., Edinburgh, 2 dresses and pair socks; Mrs B., Kettlebridge, 7 pairs stockings and scarf; "Duet O. K.," £2, 12 pairs stockings, and 1 petticoat; Miss B. Keith, for expenses of court case, 10s; J. D. F., quantity boots and shoes; Mr W., quantity small bread; Pollokshaws U.P. Church Mission S.S., per J. M. R., £1 Mrs C., Broughty Ferry, 7 articles clothing and 4 yards material; W. W. Dunlop, 44 loaves; B.B., 210 do.; Mrs A. W. L., Dufftown, 10s; Mr and Mrs A. M., 10s; A. F. H., Perth, 10s 6d; Parish Church S.S., Dalbeattie, per J. G. £1; Bridge of Weir Free Church Women's Working Society, per Mrs B., £2; Miss S., Surbton, 2s 6d; "A Worm," £1; W. D. M., Edinburgh, 15s; Mrs C., Perth, for expenses court case, 3s; Anon., Port Glasgow, 1s 6d; Misses L., Edinburgh, 5s; "Mrs L., Forbes Road," per do., 5s; Mrs H. A., Auldgrig, 4s; Wick Parish Council, per W. S., £10; Wick Free Church Minister's B.C., per do., 11s 2d; Mrs J. M., Dalkeith, 6s; legacy of the late Mrs Elizabeth Leggart, Bridgeton, per Messrs MacLean, Fyfe, & MacLean, £1; D. W., Milnathort, £; W. B., for expenses court case, £1; Russ, "Denholm," £2 11s; J. M., Largs, £1; Mrs G. A., do., £1; Mrs F., do 5s; Mrs J., do., 3s; Miss R., per G. G., £1 18s; Mrs A., Largs, £1; Mrs A. Y., do., 2s 6d; Mrs M., do., 10s; R. J., do., 1s 6d; Mrs M., do., 10s; Mrs F., do., 5s; Mrs A. B., do., 2s 6d; Miss P., do., 7s; Mrs A., do., 2s 6d; Miss K., do., 2s 6d; Mrs S., do., 8d; Mrs B., do., £1; J. J. O., do., £1; Mrs A. J., do., 2s. Above sums from Largs were collected by Miss B., Largs.  
"Nelson Street Reading Circle," Greenock, 10s; A. B., Clydebank, for expenses of court case, 5s; J. & H. L., Leith, for do., 2s 6d; High F.C. S.S. Paisley, per J. K., 10s; Mrs G. W., Greenock, 2s 6d; Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s, M. and M. S., Ayr, 19 articles clothing; "A Friend," 36 loaves and some rolls; "Two Condors" 5s; "Roeg," Coatbridge £20; Mrs C., Edinburgh, 24 pairs Harris stockings; Mrs R., the Lord's tenth, for expenses of court case, 10s; "A Grateful Boy helped," 3s 6d; Mrs B., 12 scarfs; Dun S.S., Watten, Caithness, per Miss D., 33 articles clothing, four scrap books, and box; Miss C. Edinburgh, 6s and 3 pairs socks; Mrs Y., Dollar, 6 pairs stockings; Mrs D., Stenhousemuir, quantity clothing, bedding, etc.; P. M., £5; F. D., Fortrose, 5s; J. W. M., Brighouse, 5s; W. M., Gilford, Co. Down, 10s; Mrs M., 10s; E. & B. D.,

**May 14.**—Miss F. Dumfries, 15s; Mrs M. Lenzie, 10s; Sister, per do., 10s; Mrs S., Leamington, £1; Calderbank U.P. Church Mission, per J. M., 9s 3d; J. E., 2s 6d; "The Lord's Tenth," Port-Glasgow, 1s 6d; H. C. Carlisle, £10; J. H. R., for expenses of court case, £5; found in boxes, City and Bridge of Weir Homes, during April, £2 19s 11½d; Miss J., 5s; G. N., 21 collars; Mrs T., a perambulator; Children, Y.W.C.A., Newport-on-Tay, per Miss S., 19 articles clothing; "Of Thine Own," £1; Anon., Shettleston, 10s; G. A. A., £1; C. G., Perth, £1; C. B., Tuckvar, Darjeeling, India, £5; J. M., Aberdeen, for expenses of court case, 5s; H. B., £10; collected at Adelaide Place Baptist Church on 24th ult., per do., £5 3s 8d; Mr D., Ayer, 9 pairs boots; Crown Terrace Baptist Church Working Society, Aberdeen, per Mrs C., 75 articles clothing; J. S., £2; "Amici," £1; Miss D., Hereford, £1; J. B., Kilmarnock, £1; Woodside U.P. Church S.S., Aberdeen, per J. U., £1 1s 6d; J. C., Harrowgate, per P. & K., quantity magazines; Bowling S.S., per J.M.T., £1 15s 4d; Anon., St. Andrew's postmark, 14 articles clothing, 2 dolls. &c.; B. L. P., Liege, Belgium, 50 francs (£1 19s 7d); Queen's Park Free Church Bible Class, per J. H., £1 14s 4d; J. L. H., £3; Ladies' Union, St. Thomas' Church of England, Edinburgh, per H. J. C., 70 articles clothing; Anon., 2 shirts and parcel used clothing; Anon., Laurencekirk, parcel used clothing; Belhaven U.P. Church S.S. Society, per J. M., £2 1s 8d; Mrs C., Lenzie, rocking horse, cradle, and quantity used clothing; G. R., Busby, 10s 6d; F. C. D., 5s; P. H. N., Aberdeen, towards City Home, £5; per Miss L. D., Uddington, 6s 6d; A. B. S., Cleland, £1; A Friend, 30 leaves and some rolls; Rutherglen East Free Church S.S., per R. P., 16s; per Mrs M., Govanhill, 9s; Hutchesontown U.P. Church Minister's Bible Class, per J. B., 10s; A. H., Edinburgh, 10s; Miss D., Aberdeen, 6 articles clothing; R. M., Penicuik, £2; J. R., Stirling, £5; South Free Church S.S., Peterhead, per W. S., 17s 6d; East Bank U.P. Church Bible Class, Hawick, per H. L., £1; W. B. S., Kilmalcolm, 10 articles used clothing; Mrs S., Brodie, 6 pairs stockings and a semmit; R. M., Markinch, £1 1s; Argyll Square Free Church S.S., Oban, per A. D. R., £1; Misses F., Edinburgh, £5; Finstown Y.W.C.A. Sewing Meeting, Firth, Orkney, per Miss M., 19 articles clothing, scrap-book, and 4 yards flannelette; A Friend, 11 leaves and some rolls; R. H., some rolls; J. L., quantity picture puzzles; "W.", 5s; do., for City Home, 10s; G. B. S., Leith, 7s 6d; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; Anon., Greenock, 5s; A. B. B., Dumbarrow, £9 10s; "A Well-wisher in Hamilton," two used overcoats; Mrs D., Dumbarrow, 8 pairs socks; L. C., Luss, £1; Mrs S., £2; Misses S., Edinburgh, 10s; Hood Memorial S.S., per H. A., £1; E. G., Greenhithe, Kent, towards expenses of Court of Session case, 5s; D. G., Dunfermline, for do., £5; G. T., for do., £20; J. & C., 15 articles clothing, 7 pairs gloves, and some furnishings; Work Party and other Friends Thornhill Dumfriesshire, per Mrs B. J., 122 articles clothing and scrap-book; Mrs Y., £1; A. L. C., Edinburgh, £1 1s; Girls' Missionary Association, Greenock, per Miss B., £2; Miss T., South Shields, 10s; Lesmahagow Prayer Union, per A. B., 12s 6d; Mrs D., Larbert, quantity used clothing; J. S. T., £25; J. T., £25; Mrs A. P., some magazines; Sanquhar South U.P. Church per W. K., £1 6s 6d; Free Church S.S., Portsoy, per J. C., 12s 6d; Kirkinner Parish Church, Wigtonshire, per J. C., £6 0s 6d; Anon., Alloa, £1; J. M. B., Brixen, Austria, 10s 6d; Portobello Free Church Congregational S.S., per W. M., towards expenses of Court of Session case, 15s; Miss S., Skermorie, £25; do., do., for expenses in Court of Session case £5; Miss M. P. D. S., Skelmorlie, £1; D. S., Edinburgh, £1 10s; Mrs S., Leamington, quantity used clothing; A. C. M., Leven, quantity drawing and school books; Misses A. A. and K. F., Kirkintilloch, 8 articles clothing; W. W., a perambulator; Mother of Children helped, Edinburgh, 4s; per Miss M., Kirkcaldy, 121 articles clothing; Friends in Chicago, per A. R., £5; "W.", Glasgow, for City Home, 10s; R. M., £5; Miss J. A., Perth, 10s; H. Mrs G. C., Honiton, 5s; J. H., Bathgate, towards expenses of Court of Session case, 5s; W. S., Aberdeen, box tea; "From Largo," 20 articles clothing and 2s; Miss T., Greenock £5; Miss B., do. per do., £1; Anon., 8 pairs cuffs and some used clothing; W. L., £1; Mrs C., Helensburgh, 2 parcels used clothing, &c.; A Friend, 31 leaves; D. K., 32 do.; Caltoun Parish Church Minister's Bible Class, £1; Lylesland U.P. Church S.S., Paisley, £1 10s; Mrs U. 5s; J. W. P., 27 pairs stockings; Anon., parcel odds and ends of wool; "A mite from one whose eyes have been opened," £1; Elgin Place Congregational Church S.S., per R. W. D., £1 16s; Adelaide Place Baptist Church, Waterloo Street, S.S. Mission Boxes, per D. L., 15s; Legacy of the late Mr Robert



Fergus, Strathaven, per Messrs J. & J. Barrie, £100, less legacy duty, £10-£90; "Alick," one ton sugar and 100 lbs tea; R. H., some rolls; Mrs D., Edinburgh, 10s. The following has been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—R. B., balance for building and furnishing Killearn Home, £380 15s 9d. The following have been sent for Consumption Hospitals:—A Grateful Girl now gone home, £2 4s 10d; Mr and Mrs L., £5; G. R., Busby, 2s 6d; Miss N., Edinburgh, £5; R. M., Penicuik, £1; Mrs S., Brodick, 5s; Mrs A. W., Elgin, £5; Miss S., Skelmorlie, £10.

May 28.—A. M., Invergarry, 5s; Miss J. B., Keswick, 1s; D. W. F. S., to help expenses in connection with visit of Medical Faculty, £1 18s; Miss C., £1 10s; Miss B., Greenock, 2s 6d, parcel used clothing, magazines, etc.; A. D., for emigration fund, £5; J. S. M., Bishop Auckland, parcel used clothing; "A Friend," 22 loaves; Anon., per parcel express, parcel used clothing, tracts, etc.; J. W. M., parcel used clothing; W. T. S., Bonnybridge, 2 parcels do.; Free West S.S., Stirling, per N. M., 11s 10d; "Alick," 3s 2d; Mrs B., per J. P. T., Vidlin, Shetland, 5s; R. M., Irvine, 10s; Miss M., do., per do., 10s; W. C., Dundee, £3; Collected in Peebles Free Church, per J. S., £5; Free Church S.S., Garmouth, per A. A. R., 13s; Gartgill Mission, Coatbridge, per W. M. Y., 15s; A Friend, 3s; Mrs H., parcel used clothing; Mrs A., Chapel-en-le-Frith, parcel do.; A. C., Wishaw, 1s; "A Friend" 11 loaves; Anon., Dunbar, bag used clothing; J. C., 10s; "In memory of little Alex.," Grangemouth, £5; Misses A., Tighnabruich, £1; Thomas Porter's Equipment Fund, per Mr Stanley Pearson, Manchester, £25; "A Sister," Larkhall post-mark, 5s; W. R., £2 1s; Collected at Children's Church, per J. K., 1s; Miss R., 5s; Bridgeton Free Church Mission B.C., per S. E. H., 10s; Mrs R., Edinburgh, £2; R. D. P., Perth, £5; J. C., £5; Miss J. B. B., Linlithgow, £10; Mr and Mrs M., Inverness, £1; M. and S., £2; Misses P., Kirkcudbright, £1; A. T. R., Aberdeen, 10s; Causeway Free Church S.S., do., per do., 10s; Free North Church S.S., Stirling, per J. G., £1 9s 4d; Bridge-of-Weir Free Church S.S., per W. P., £3; "The Lord's pennies," Elie, 2s; Miss B., Port-Bannatyne, 10s; "A worm," 10s; Mrs C., Edinburgh, 7 pairs stockings; Anon., London post-mark, 8 pairs do.; "A parishioner of Kilmalcolm," £5, 2 frocks and a boy's suit; Mrs R. G. K., Broughty-Ferry, quantity clothing; W. R. S., Dundee, towards expenses of Court of Session case, 5s; J. W. G. O., towards upkeep of Oswald Invalid Girls' Home, £150; Mrs A., Bridge-of-Weir, 10s; "A Friend," 27 loaves and some rolls; Broomhouse mothers' meeting, per A. L., 7s 6d; Junior Bible Class, East Campbell Street U.P. Church, per G. S. M., £1; Wages due late Constable P. Stewart, per S. S., £1 13s 9d; "A Friend," Alloa, £1; "Netta, Crosslee," 2s 6d; Mrs P., Renfrew, parcel used clothing; "W.," 10s; E. M., Dunfermline, 6 pairs stockings; Anon., 3s; Do., for Seaside Home, 10s; Mrs D. L., Kirkcaldy, £1; Mrs P., Aberdeen, 1 navy blue costume; Cathcart Free Church S.S., per A. B., 15s; Miss M. S., Walkburn, 10s; Steeple Church B.C., Dundee, per J. D., 15s; Mrs R., Bothwell, basket useful clothing, remnants, etc.; Mrs H. D., Johnstone, 9 pairs corsets; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie, Grangemouth," 10s; T. R., Crieff, £5 5s; Mrs F., Helensburgh, parcel used clothing; Mrs S., 8 knitted vests; W. H., Aberdeen, £1; G. D. F., Edinburgh, £1; Girls' Work Party, Y.W.C.A., Aberdeen, per Mrs G. F., 12 articles clothing; M. A., Dunfermline, £10; R. H., some rolls; "A Friend," 18 loaves and rolls; F. C., Clydebank, £5; Mrs N., Hamilton, £1; Mrs M., Bonnybridge, £1; Mrs S., Corstorphine, £1; Anon., Dundee, 2 oil paintings; Do., parcel used clothing; L. R. T., 10s; Ward Road Baptist Church S.S., Dundee, per W. A., 10s; R. C., Ayr, £4; J. R. C., do., £1; Miss M. F. T., Helensburgh, 10s; J. A., Edinburgh, £1; Markinch Free Church S.S., per A. R., 18s; Auchinblae Ladies' Working Party, per Miss H., Fourdoun, £2; Hawick St. Andrew's Free Church S.S., per A. H. B., £3; Women's United Guild of Parish Church and Free Church, Kilmelfort, per Miss M., 37 articles clothing; Mrs J., Dundee, 25 do. remnants, wool, etc.; Miss M., 9 do.; Miss M., 10s; Anon., Port-Glasgow, 1s 6d; J. O. H., Uddingston, £1; Young People's Gospel Meeting, Gaelic Mission Hall, Springburn, per J. M., 7s; G. S., Bradford, 5s; P. & R. F. & C., per Charity Organisation Society, £1 1s; M. H., per do., £1; J. C. A., per do., 10s; Mrs G., per F. and D., Aberdeen, £1; Mr G., 2s 6d; Mrs B., 12 pairs socks; G. W., Edinburgh, 5s; Mrs G., quantity hats, used clothing etc., Mrs R., 10s; W. R., 10s; Mrs T., Lanark, £2; Mr K., 76 loaves; Mr C., Lenzie, a bicycle; Miss M., quantity haddocks; Anon., quantity used clothing; Do., Broomhouse, box do.; Do., Dunoon, quantity do.; Miss L., Uddingston, quantity do., etc.; A Friend, 16 loaves; Anon., Crieff, 5s. The following has been sent towards Orphan Homes Building Fund:—J. P. M., balance for building and furnishing of "Ebenezer Maclay" Home, £475 6s 5d. The following have been sent for Consumption Hospitals:—Bishopbriggs Fellowship Association, per M. S., £1; Miss M., Edinburgh, £2; Thomas Coats Memorial Church S.S., Paisley, per D. N., 16s; R. D. P., Perth, £5; Mrs A., Bridge-of-Weir, 10s; C. E., Society in one of the boys' homes, £1; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; T. R., Crieff, £5 5s; "Motherless," £2.

June 11.—Mrs C., Alloa, 5s; Mr and Mrs B., Whitehouse, towards expenses of court case, 4s; H. R., London, £3; Mr D., 20 stones semolina; J. & L. B., Falkirk, £1; Miss A. S., Huntly, 2s 6d; Longforgan Y.W.C.A., Dundee, per Mrs A., 30 articles clothing; Miss H. M., Wemyss Bay, £2; M. A. B., £1; R. P., Johnstone, 1s; Mrs G., Barrhead, £5; J. P., Avondale, 1 bag potatoes; Uncle of children helped, balance of Society money, etc., £8 0s 8d; H. R., Dunlop, for emigration, £5; Anon., Grahamston, quantity used clothing; Miss W., Paisley, quantity do.; Mrs D., Bridge of Weir, some magazines; M. H., Dunning postmark, 5s; "A Scot from Home" Wales, 5s; M. S., Kilm, £1; Anderson Branch Scotch Girls' Friendly Society, per Miss T., 5 articles clothing; T. B., £1; E. H., Edinburgh, £4; A. J. L., Ardrossan, £2; D. T. & S., Greenock, bag mastic; Mrs L., Arbroath, £1; Miss D., Nairn, 2 pinafores; Waterside S.S., by Kirkintilloch, per W. W., 12s 6d; a Grateful Girl helped, 10s; "A Worm," 10s; Misses M., Montrose, towards expenses of court case, £1; Port-Dundas Y.M. and Y.W.C.A.'s per Miss M. B., £1 13s; R. H., some rolls; Found in Boxes City and Bridge of Weir Homes during May, £3 3s 9d; Cullen Free Church S.S., per R. M., £1; W. S., Loches, 15s; 7th Glasgow Company B.B., per D. B., jun., £1 4s 9d; Mrs M., Kilmelfort, 4s 6d; Corporation of Glasgow, per J. D. B., on behalf of four children of ex-Constable P. S., £40; "A Worker," 5s; Elie and Earls-erry Branch Ministering Children's League, 8 articles clothing, 4 balls, and 2 scrapbooks; Collecting Box, Polwarth Grove, Edinburgh 10s 6d; J. E., Govan, 2s 6d; J. S., Loches, 7s 6d; Free North Church S.S., Greenock, per W. N., £1 1s; J. & B. S., 17 loaves; A Friend, 5s loaves, 170 cookies, and some rolls; A. H., five dozen loaves; Mr K., towards expenses of court case, 5s; Mrs C., per Mrs M., 10s; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 4 pairs socks; Young Women's Guild, per Mrs B., Lochgelly, 40 pairs stockings; Miss K., Largs, 2 boxes used clothing; Miss C., Meigle, 5s; Some Girls in Sabbath School, per Miss B., Kilcreggan, 11 articles clothing; Valleyfield Paper Mill Workers and Friends, per Miss P., £1 10s; Chryston Branch Y.W.C.A., per Miss C., 36 articles clothing; A. and S. W., Aberdeen, 10s; L. C., Luss, towards a child's keep, £5; "Of Thine Own," £1; A. L., Edinburgh, £1; Mrs C., Leven, 10s; R. H., some rolls; U.P. Church B.C., Broxburn, per H. F., £1; A Grateful Girl helped, 10s; First fruits of wages, 1s; C. D., Saltcoats, £1 4s 2d; A Friend, Paisley, 10s; Mrs L., Keith, for Invalid Boys

Home, 5s 7d; Bridge of Weir U.P. Church, per J. W. B., £1; Mother of children helped, Edinburgh, 2s 6d; Miss H. C. and Friends, Dundee, 18s and 4 pairs stockings; "Schoolhouse Children," Ardfern, Lochgilphead, 10s; Queen's Cross Free Church Ladies' Working Party, Aberdeen, per W. A., £3; Miss W., and Mrs B., Bearsden, £6; H. S., £1; D. M., Mossiel, Ottago, New Zealand, £2; Mrs B., Campbelltown, £1; Mrs I. M. K., do., £2; Mrs C. C. G., do., £1; Mrs W., do., 2s; Miss C., do., 8s; Mrs G., do., 2s 6d; S. S., per Mrs C. Drumlembie, £2 8s 6d; Miss L., Campbelltown, 5s; Mrs W. M. K., do., £1; Mrs B., do., £1; Mrs C. M., do., 10s; Mrs J. M., do., 10s; Mrs H., do., 10s; Mrs D., do., 10s; Mrs D. M., do., 10s; Mrs B., do., 5s; Mrs T., do., 5s; Mrs J. M., do., 5s; Mrs M. M., do., 5s; Mrs W. M., do., 5s; Mrs A. M., do., 5s; Mrs W. M. N., do., 5s; Mrs J. M., do., 5s; Mrs M. M., do., 5s; Mrs M., do., 3s; J. M. Q., do., 2s 6d; Mrs B., do., 5s; Mrs K., do., 2s 6d; Mrs A. H., do., 2s 6d; Mrs D., do., 3s; Mrs S., do., 2s 6d; Mrs J. B., do., 2s 6d; Mrs G., do., 2s 6d; Mrs C., Campbelltown, £6; Miss R., do., 2s 6d; Miss M., do., 2s 6d; Mrs A., do., 3s; Mrs M., do., 2s 6d; Mrs J. N. M., do., 5s; Mrs C., do., 1s; D. S., do., 2s; Mrs P. M., do., 1s; Mrs M., do., £1; A. Miss L. C., do., 1s; Mrs F., do., 2s 6d; Mrs M., do., 10s; Mrs P. M., do., 1s; Mrs M., do., £1; A. M. S., do., 10s; Miss B., do., 10s; Mr M. S., do., 2s 6d; Mrs M., do., 2s; Mrs G., do., £1; Mrs J. M. P., do., 2s 6d; do., 2s; Miss T., do., 10s; Mrs S., do., 2s 6d; L. C., do., 5s; Miss G., do., £1; Mrs J. M. P., do., 2s 6d; Miss I. S., do., 2s 6d; R. W., do., 2s 6d; A. and C. R., do., 2s 6d; J. M. T., do., 2s 6d; A. H. D., do., 2s; M. B., do., 2s 6d; J. C. M. M., do., 2s 6d; Mrs C., do., 5s; D. H., do., 10s; Miss S., do., 5s; Miss L., do., 2s 6d; Mrs C., do., 2s 6d; Miss W., do., 5s; Mrs W. J. P., do., 2s 6d; D. M. C., do., 10s; Mrs R., do., 2s 6d; Mrs G., do., 10s; H. H., do., 2s 6d; Mrs D. M., do., 10s; Mrs G., do., 5s; W. G. C. P., do., 2s; Miss M. T., do., 5s; M. B., do., 2s; Mr D., do., 2s 6d; S. M. K., do., 2s 6d; J. R., do., 5s; S. M. N., do., 2s 6d; D. M., do., 2s; A. M., do., 2s 6d; Mrs L., do., 2s 6d; Mrs H. M., do., 5s; Mrs P. G., do., 8s; Mr M., do., 2s 6d; A. M., do., 5s; A. B., do., 2s; Mrs G., do., 10s; Mrs A., do., 5s; Mrs W., do., 2s 6d; Mr M., do., 2s 6d; Mrs M. M., do., 2s 6d; Mr M. L., do., 2s; Mrs F., do., 2s; Mrs C., do., 1s; Mrs F., do., 1s; W. H. F., do., 5s; Mr R., do., 1s; Mrs S., do., 2s; Mrs A., do., 2s 6d; Mrs M., do., 8s; Mrs R., do., 1s 6d; Mrs H. M. W., do., 2s 6d; Mrs T., do., 2s; A. D., do., 5s; Mrs M. N., do., 5s; Miss M., do., £1; Mr C., do., £1 10s; Mrs P., do., 10s; Miss M. C., do., 8s; Mr M. L., do., 6d; Mrs B., do., 3d; Mr T. H., do., 2s 6d; Mrs M. P., do., 2s 6d; Miss L. T., do., 5s; A. M., do., 2s 6d; G. G., do., 2s; T. L. B., do., 2s 6d; Mrs M. C., do., 2s 6d; R. S., do., 2s 6d; J. C., do., 10s. Above sums from Campbelltown and district were collected by Miss M. and Miss L. Sunday Class at isolated Farmhouse in Selkirkshire, per Miss E., Galashiels, £1 12s; H. M., Crieff, £1 5s; H. M., 3s 6d; J. M. D. A., Manitoba, Canada, per do., 16s 6d; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; J. C., Newburgh, Fife, £200; J. E. S., Crieff, £100; W. C., £3; Mrs M., Greenhithe, £1 1s; Easton Memorial Free Church, Darvel, per R. H., jun., 10s; Kelvinside Free Church Congregational S.S., per G. P., 16s 3d; Bristo U.P. Church S.S., Edinburgh, per J. H. T., £1; E. P. D., Hawick, box used clothing; Sabbath Schools, Parish Church, Clarkston, by Airdrie per W. G., £2 1s 6d; Mrs F., Stewarton, 2 used suits; Bridgegate Mission, per W. B. B., 10s; "Part proceeds of children's sale of work, Dixon Avenue," 10s; D. W., 56 loaves and quantity pastry; J. L., quantity picture puzzles; Mrs F., 12 school Bibles; M. and A. B., two dozen loaves and some small bread; A Friend, 26 loaves and basket rolls; Mrs C., Eaglesham, £1; Mrs J. H., Aberdeen, £4; Mrs S., Aberdeen, towards expenses of court case, £5; Two Workers, 16s; Cranstonhill U.P. Church Bible Class per D. G., £1 1s; Mrs M., mail cart and some used clothing; G. C., Paisley, Lochgilphead Free Church S.S., per C. M., 10s; "From Doth's Missionary Box," per Mrs H., Auchterarder, £1; Mrs B., Elgin, 10s; M. W., Hawick, £4; R. H., some rolls; Mrs T., £2; W. T. R., 10s; Free Church Bible Class, Grangemouth, per G. W., C., £1; D. W., quantity bread and folding bed; R. M., 5s; Gallowgate Branch Y.W.C.A., quarterly amount for keep of a child, £3 5s, and 29 articles clothing; Barrowfield Minister's Bible Class, per Mr E., 10s; Mr M., basket bread; Anonymous, in stamps, 6d; The Church in Eglinton Hall, per J. W., £3 6s 8d; Miss B. and Miss K., Melrose, £1; Misses T., Chirnside, £20; J. B., Paisley, 14s; St George's Road Free Church S.S., per J. T., 1s 6d; W. S., 2s 6d; Tayport Y.W.C.A., per Miss M. D., 4s 6d and 6 articles clothing; R. G., Paisley, box bedding patterns; A. R., Leith, £1; Mrs C., 10s; Mrs C. and friends, Perth, 76 articles clothing and some toys. The following have been sent for the Consumption Hospitals:—"Ceylon," £10; T. G., Kilmalcolm, £4 4s; Mrs T. G., do., 10s; Anon., Port-Glasgow, 2s. Mrs J. and Mrs W., an American organ.

June 25.—D. D., Girvan, £2; Miss A. B. C., Wishaw, 1s 6d; Mrs T., Walkburn, £1 10s; St. Mark's Forenoon Meeting, 6 articles clothing; G. E. P., 10s; Thomas Coats Memorial Church B.C., Paisley, £1 10s; Miss B., £1; B. B., 400 loaves; Mrs W., 13 pairs stockings; Anon., London, 12 pairs do.; Ladies' Working Party, Crown Terrace Baptist Church, Aberdeen, per A. M., 5 pairs do.; J. M., 4 dozen fancy loaves; Mrs T., £1; Mrs F., Strathaven, 6 dresses and some magazines; R. R., Hamilton, £5 5s; W. and L., £5; U.P. Church S.S., Gourcock, per G. R., 10s; Do., B.C., per do., 10s; Mrs R., Hamilton, £2; Mrs F., Edinburgh, £2 2s; J. S., Tarland, 2s 6d; "Ivy, Coupar-Angus," 7s 6d; "From an old servant," 5s, 2 pairs stockings, and few magazines; J. H., solid tyre bicycle; M. and T., 21 loaves; A Friend, 18 do.; R. H., Innellan, quantity clothing, 8 beds and bedding, and quantity utensils, etc.; "A Worm," 10s; Officers and Boys, 15th Glasgow Company B.B., per W. D., £1; Armadale Free Church Junior Bible Class, 10s; W. W., London, 10s; Mrs S., Whiting Bay, 10s; Tayport Young Women's Christian Association, per Miss M. D., 41 articles clothing; A. R. B., 10s; Miss H., Edinburgh, £1; Ardrossan Free Church Y.P.S.E., per J. C., 3s 6d; Sherwood S.S., Paisley, per R. L., £1 9s; Larkhall Free Church S.S., per W. S., 10s; M. & L. H., for six months' keep of a cottage home of 30 children, £180; Miss W., Aberdeen, proceeds of work done and sold, and from friends, £4; A Friend 86 loaves and rolls; St. George's-in-the-Field Parish Church S.S., £2 2s; Mr S., £3; Young Women's Christian Association and Friends, Helmsdale, per Miss B., 47 articles clothing; Mrs W. B., Hamilton, 5s; Part Surplus of Collection after paying expenses at Special Gospel Services, Annan, per J. M., 5d; J. R. A., Keswick, £10; Do., towards expenses of Court case, £10; W. S., Brighton, Ottago, New Zealand, £3; A Friend, 76 loaves; D. K., 45 loaves; Mrs C., Helensburgh, 9 hats; A Friend, 4s; J. C. J., Edinburgh, 2s 6d; St. John's Free Church S.S., Eyemouth, per D. D., 12s; Mrs H., parcel used clothing; Mrs J. D., Dumbarton, £1; Hope Hall S.S., Bridge-of-Weir, per Mrs W., £1; Mrs N., £1; From Mothers' Meeting, per Mrs M., Ayr, 7s 6d; Mrs A., Aberdeen, per C. S., £1 10s; Miss D., Fochabers, £1 5s and 7 articles clothing; Mrs S., Ardnadam, £1; Mrs G., Sanquhar, £1 10s; Mrs C., Annan, £1; Rait Work Parties Y.W.C.A., Errol, per Miss K. M., 22 articles clothing; Thankoffering, 10s; J. M. C., Edinburgh post-mark, £5; Friends, Perth, per Mrs C., £2 12s; A member of Barclay Church, Edinburgh, per J. H. W., £2; Mrs G., Gourcock, 3 pairs stockings; Mrs R., £1; Anon., 3s 6d; Mrs M., 61 yards prints; M. H., 2 lorry loads firewood; Dennistoun U.P. Church S.S., per J. R. L., £2 16s 1d; Mrs M., 10s; Mrs W., parcel used clothing; Victoria Free Church S.S., per Miss A., 16s 6d; J. L., quantity picture puzzles; A Friend, quantity rolls; Anon., per Lanark Carrier, 3 pairs socks, used jacket, remnants, etc.

Do, Galston, parcel used clothing; J. S., Kilmalcolm, 36 lbs butcher meat; "From an Orphan," Dunfermline post mark, £1; A. W. M., Edinburgh, 5s; Mrs W., do., £1; Gilbertfield S.S., Cambuslang per J. W., jun., £1 5s; A Friend, Duns postmark, 5s; Miss R., £1; A grateful girl helped 5s; "Affleck" Auchinleck postmark, 2s; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; Mr S. A., £1; J. A., Heidelberg, South Africa, £5; Miss W., Rosneath, £10; Miss R., do., £10; Mrs A., Wemyss Bay £6 and 17 articles clothing; Misses I. and A. H., Bo'ness, £1; Mr and Mrs S., Hawick, £3; Collected at Chapel, per G. W., Thornhill, £1 2s 1d; Miss A. B., Perth, £1; R. M., jun., Kirkintilloch, £1; Canobie Branch Y.W.C.A., per Miss C. Y., 19 articles clothing; Mrs B., 12 pairs stockings; Proceeds of share in Co-operative Store belonging to family helped, per A. W., £8 13s; Miss J. M., 10s; J. A., Edinburgh, 14s; Mrs D., Langholm, 39 articles clothing and some remnants; Mrs B., per do., some magazines; Mrs W., North Berwick, 8 pairs socks; Mrs M., Kincardine on Forth, 10s; Miss S., Edinburgh, a cape; Miss B., do., £1; Misses H., 10 articles clothing; B. B., £50; Motherwell U.P. Church S.S., per Miss L. C. C., 15s; Mr and Mrs G. H. K., Garelochhead, £1; Mrs B., £2; "A Friend," 21 loaves and rolls; T. K., £2; "E. F.," parcel used clothing; Anon., do.; Anon., parcel periodicals; Mrs C., Montrose, 10s; Mrs M., Applecross, 10s; W. M., Newton Stewart, £1; "A Friend," Forfar, 3 pairs used boots and shoes; Anon., Folkestone, 3 articles clothing; B. J. G., Perth, 10s; G. A., Aberdeen, £1; Miss G. I. M., £2; Mrs S., chair, perambulator, model yacht, grate, etc.; Anon., £5; Oakley Gospel Temperance Union, Dunfermline, per A. C., 5s; West Free Church S.S., Broughty-Ferry, per P. G., jun., £1; Maybole Free Church S.S., per T. D., £2 15s; T. T., Helensburgh, £1; A. H., 42 loaves; A Friend, 14 do.; Anon., Grangemouth, parcel used clothing. The following have been sent for the Consumption Hospitals:—"A Friend in Kirkcaldy," £3; Mr M., £1; D. H. and Mrs H., Kilmalcolm, £5; A Friend, 5s; W. L. R., £5; A Wellwisher, £2; Mrs S., Edinburgh, £1; Mrs W., do., £1; J. C., £10; Mrs L., Monifieth, £10; B. B., £50; Mr and Mrs K., Garelochhead, £1; "The Lord's Tenth," Port-Glasgow, 1s 6d; Overnewton U.P., Church Girls' Junior B.C., per Miss M. B., 10s.

July 9.—Mrs W., Leith, 5s; Miss R. G. C., 6 articles clothing; Mrs R., Inch, 13 articles clothing; H. B. Valparaiso, £50; Mrs R. C., Musselburgh, £6; R. H., some rolls; Mrs C., Motherwell, 10s; "Cable," St. Andrews, towards expenses of Court case, 1s 6d; G. A. S., £1; Miss L. T., 10s; Miss U., Conan Village, £5; Miss H., Joppa, 1s; Belmont Congregational Church B.C., Aberdeen, per A. S., 5s; Miss P. L., 1s and 20 pairs socks; West U.P. Church S.S., Coldstream, per R. C., £2 10s 8d; J. W., Stranraer, 10s; S. G., Joppa, 4s 4d; Mrs S., Shrewsbury, £1; Miss E. M., Strathpeffer, £5; do for Invalid Girls' Home, £5; do for Invalid Boys' Home, £5; "For the Master," £10; Yetholm Free Church S.S., per A. C. H., £1 11s 6d; "A Disciple," £1; Miss C. M., Edinburgh, 2s 6d; A. F., Clifton Street, £5; Mrs K., Milton of Campsie, parcel used clothing; Mrs W., Irvine, 2 parcels do.; A Friend, 29 loaves and rolls; Lansdowne Adult Forenoon Mission, per W. S., £1 15s 6d; R. L., Douglas, £30; Ladies' Sewing Society, U.P. Church, Melrose, per Miss D., 59 articles clothing; "Madge," Sandbank, quantity books, cards, etc.; Free Church S.S., Kilchattan Bay, per T. J., £1 7s; Miss C., do., 6s; Thornhill Mission S.S., Falkirk, per Miss J. M. G., 7s 6d; Mr and Mrs J. P., Greenock, 17s 6d; Mrs F., parcel used clothing; Anonymously Earlswood postmark, do; Langside Free Church C.E. Society, per G. S. C., £10; W. J. F., per Charity Organisation Society, £1 1s; J. L., Kilmalcolm, £10; R. H., some bread; Misses W., Stanley, £1; found in boxes, City and Bridge of Weir Homes, during June, 8s 10 1/2; A Few Hand Spoolers, Anchor Thread Works, Paisley, per Miss M. C., £1; G. F. N., £3; Erskine Place Mission S.S., Alloa, per J. Y., 6s; Free Middle Church S.S., Coatbridge, per R. W. S., 7s; G. M. F., 10s; Free College Church S.S., per G. M. R., £4 2s 3d; Free High Church Congregational S.S., Dumbarton, per W. D. A., £3 2s 6d; J. T., £2; "A Worm," £1; M. W., St. Boswells postmark, 10s; Mr and Mrs D. J., £5; Mrs C., Chipping Norton, £1; D. H., Strathaven, £2; Anonymously, Port-Glasgow, 1s 6d; S. S., Manse of Deviot, per A. A., 10s; Miss M., £1; Mrs C., Nelson, New Zealand, £1; T. C., Motherwell, 10s; Newmills of Keith S.S., per R. T., 7s 6d; "Cable," St. Andrews, 10s; "For Little Jay," towards maintenance of a child, £5; J. E., 2s 6d; Mr R., Bridge of Weir, 14lbs. smoked fish; J. C., Harrogate, parcel magazines; Mrs G. L., Montrose, parcel used clothing; J. F. D., 10s; Free St. Mark's S.S., per J. V., £1 7s 9d; Mr C., parcel magazines; Miss L., £2; Mrs H., Ardnadam, quantity used clothing; M. Crie Roxburgh Free Church S.S., Edinburgh, per J. G., £2 5s 9d; Anon., Moffat, £2; Mrs G., Blairgowrie, 7s 6d; Miss M., Edinburgh, £1; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; Pomerium Young Men's Guild, Perth, per A. M., 8s 3d; Mrs S., £1; collected by A. A. and his sisters and brothers, £1 3s; Misses W. W., £1; Henderson Memorial B. C., Overnewton, per J. A., 15s; Rattray Parish Church S.S., Blairgowrie, per J. H., 10s; A. F. A., some used clothing; A Friend, Forfar, do.; Mrs C., Largs, £5; Mrs L., do., £5; Mrs H. K., do., £2; L. K., do., £1; Mrs W., do., £1; Miss C., do., £1; Mrs G., do., £1; R. B., do., £1; Mrs B., do., 10s; Mr P., do., 10s; Mrs G., do., 10s; Mrs K., do., 10s; Mrs B., do., 10s; Mrs B., do., 10s—above sums from Largs were collected by Mrs B.; Collected by children at Seaside Services, Dunoon, per D. M., £1; Miss C., £1; A Friend, Edinburgh, £1; W. B., Newport, £1; Miss S., Hawick, 5s; W. K., Paisley, parcel odds and ends; G. D. M., Dumbarton, 7s 6d; Burnside Mission, do., per do., £1; Mrs M., Kilmalcolm, parcel used clothing; Miss E. E., Dundee, 10s; I. R., £2; R. H., some rolls; A Friend, 57 loaves; A. H., 47 loaves and some rolls; A Friend, £1; Mrs T. F. M., Lenzie, 73 articles clothing, &c. and box sundries. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—"Cable," St. Andrews, 10s; legacy from the late Miss Auld, per Mr Andrew Little, £100. The following have been sent for the Consumption Hospitals:—L. C., Luss, £5 5s; "A Disciple," £1; A. P. & C., £2; Spoutmouth Bible Institute, per J. H., jun., £1 5s; "Cable," St. Andrews, 3s 6d; Miss M., Edinburgh, £1; G. D. M., Dumbarton, 5s.

July 23.—Infant Class, North Leith Parish Church, S.S., per J. M., £1; Mr R., Bridge-of-Weir, 2 smoked fish; Anon., Aberdeen, 3 articles clothing; Mrs. J. S., £1; Dalziel Free Church, S.S., Motherwell, per Miss J. H., £2; B. B., 150 loaves; A Friend 20 loaves; Mrs K., 34 loaves and basket small bread; A. H., £2; "Topaz," 2s 6d; Miss D., Fairlie, £1; O. H. B., Dumbreck, £2; Anon., Port-Glasgow postmark, 1s 6d; "from an Old Friend," £1; R. H., some bread; Miss G., Perth, £5 5s; a Girl helped, 12s; do., Canada, 2 dols (s 4d); B. B., 8 hampers bread; gathered by children at annual picnic, per Miss H., Duns, 5s; a holiday thankoffering, Pittenweem, 5s; collected from friends, per Miss N., Moffat, £6 18s; Anon., Dollar, 2 pairs stockings, 1 pair gloves, and 1 yard flannel; G. F., Greenock, £1; Mrs B., Clydebank, quantity hard bread for poultry; J. & J. M., 5s; "from an Orphan," Dunfermline postmark, £1; A Friend, 4 dozen loaves; Miss L., Inverness, quantity clothing, etc.; J. M., £1; R. H., some bread; Miss E. R., Edinburgh, 18 pairs socks; per Miss M. and Friends, Largo, 16 articles clothing; Residue of Estate of the late Mr Alex. Robertson, per Mr James Fraser, £47 13s 10d; Largs Christian Endeavour Society, per A. B., 10s; B. B., 311 loaves; T. M., 32 do.; A Friend, 72 do.; Mrs M., some roast dripping; P. L. H., Mount Ayliff, Cape Colony, £2; J. S., Paarl, do., £2; Mrs K., Bridge-of-Allan, 18 articles clothing; J. H. W., Annan, 10s; Tarduff Sunday School Collecting Box, per Miss S., 6s 1d; Miss M., Crathie, 2s 6d; A Friend, Stewarton, 7 articles clothing; A Friend, 18 loaves; J. F., Marley, in memoriam of B. F., £500; Miss H., Fenwick, 10s; A Friend visiting, 2s 6d; J. D. M., Kirkcriston,

£3 articles clothing and some used do.; Mrs M., Wishaw, 5s; Mrs M., Auldgrith, parcel used clothing; E. K. L., Coupar Angus, £1; G. D. A., Saltcoats postmark, 10s; Kilsyth United Evangelistic Association S.S., per E. H., 15s; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; W. W., London, 10s; C. S., £1 1s; W. S., Tillicoultry, 8d; W. R., Coatbridge, 5s; A. C., £2; J. P., Thurso, £5; Free Church Christian Fellowship Association, Penicuik, per F. M., £1; "F. G.," Manchester, £1; Mrs D., Dumbarton, four pairs socks; Miss C., Montrose, 39 articles clothing; W. W., Dunlop, 34 loaves; Miss T., Edinburgh, 1s; "An Old Worker's Mite," do., 2s; "A Sympathiser," Greenock, £1. The following has been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund—"Topaz," 1s, and for Consumption Hospitals—"Umbrella," Dumfries, 2s 6d; M. E. B., £10; J. P., Airdrie, £5; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; L. C., Luss, £50.

August 6th.—Anon., 4 pairs stockings; do., Paisley, 2s; Mrs S. Nairn, 6 pairs stockings and socks; Misses J., Aberfeldy, £2; B. B., 6 hampers bread; "Of This Own," £2; Mrs G. and Mrs F., 10s; R. S., 50 boxes kipper herring; Parish Church S.S., Laurencekirk, per W. W. I., £2; R. M. G., Northiam, 5s; Anon., £1; J. M., 3 dozen loaves; A Friend, 24 dozen do.; E. W. basket fancy bread; Mrs M., do.; T. G., basket tea bread; Mr B., 100 loaves, board rolls, and some tea bread; N. S., £5; A Friend, 2s; A Friend visiting, 2s 6d; Mr V., Buda Pesth, do., 2s 6d; A. G., £2; Willing Helpers' Society, Uddingston, per Miss M. B., box used clothing, boots, etc.; Miss A. S., Pitlochry, some do. and magazines; J. B., Dumfries, 1 case hats; Glasgow Charity Cup Committee, per J. K. M., £12 10s; 10s; Anon., quantity used school books; Miss R., towards expenses of court case, 2s; Anon., Lockerbie postmark, 4s; D. R., Arbroath, a thankoffering, 2s; T. C., Largs, £1; Mrs R., 12 pairs stockings; A Sincere Friend, 2 books; H. B., Valparaiso, towards expense of Court of Session case, £25; J. D., Kilmarnock, for emigration, £10; M. & C., Ltd., per Charity Organisation Society, £2 2s; Mr and Mrs J. A. A., per do., £5; J. & J. W., per do., £10; A. S., Newport, £1; Anon., Port Glasgow, 1s 6d; Mornington Presbyterian Church S.S., Dumfries, New Zealand, per F. S., £1 18s 10d; R. J., £1; A thankoffering for a prayer granted, £2; Mrs W. J., 1 pair stockings; Mr S., Edinburgh, 5s; Collected at Children's Seaside Services, Dunoon, per D. M., £2; J. B., £1; Misses M. and M. S., Ayr, 10s; Miss S. and Friends, Hawick, £1; Mrs S., Lanark, £1; R. W. A. and Brother, £2; W. P. T., Greenock, 2s 6d; L. B. W., Johnstone postmark, £1; A Friend, 54 dozen loaves and some rolls; Anon., per Port-Glasgow carrier, parcel hats; J. C., 10s; A. D., £1; K. S., 5s; Found in Boxes City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes during July, £5 8s 1d; A. C., Tighnabruach, 30 pairs socks; Alice, Willie and Jessie, Grangemouth, 10s; Children's Pennies, Whittles, per Miss Y., Ayr, 6s; Collected at Free Church Flower Service, Inchinnan, per R. M., £1; Anon., 2 parcels used clothing, boots, etc.; W. S., Aberdeen, 4 cheese; Trautner Y.W.C.A., per Miss F., 22 articles clothing; A Friend visiting, £1; St. Leonard's School, St. Andrews, per Mrs B., 40 articles clothing; B. G. O., £1; J. M., £1 1s; J. A., £2 10s; Class of Boys, per W. R. W., Johnstone, 8s; "Two workers," a thankoffering, £2; Miss C., Paisley, 2 pairs stockings and socks; Arbroath F. Ch. S.S., Arbroath, per E. T. V., 17s; Mount Florida U.P. Ch. S.S., per M. R. G., £1 15s 6d; Mrs S., Shrewsbury, £1; R. M., 10s; A. R. B., £5; W. G. T., 10s; Miss B., £1; A Friend, 50 loaves; Miss A. M., three parts roll bacon; Mr J., £3 8s 1d; Cleland Christian Society, per J. P., 15s; A. S., Carlisle, 2s 6d; W. G., Edinburgh, 5s; D. M. R., Chiang Cheo, Shansi, China, 10s; P. E., Crieff, 12 pairs stockings; P. M., Clachan, £150; W. A., £20; Muiredd Dorcas Society, Buchhaven, per Miss C., 12 articles clothing; Y. W. C. A., Bervie, per Miss H., 20 articles clothing and box toys; Miss C., Newport-on-Tay, £1; Miss A. W., Uddingston, 10s; J. and J. G. S., £1; J. E., 2s 6d; "A Friend in Lochalsh," 11s; Bristol Place Baptist Ch. S.S., Edinburgh, per A. S., for Sabbath School Home, £2 2s 10d; Mrs B., Kilmalcolm, £5; Mrs B., Huntly, £4; Jessie M., Carlisle, a small dress and shawl. The following have been sent for the Consumption Hospitals:—"A Spinster's Donation," £3; J. C., first instalment for second hospital £2000; W. A., £20.

August 20.—Mrs S., Nairn, 6 pairs socks; Mrs W. M. T., 5s; Anonymous, basket used clothing; F. D., Aberdeen, 10s; Cambuslang F. Church S.S., per J. M., £1 2s 4d; Mrs H., £1; "Fellowship," Fraserburgh, 50 boxes kipper herring; Anon., Wishaw, 1s; A. C., Dublin 10s; A. C., Ayr, 6s; Mrs M., Newton, parcel Graphics; A Friend, 63 loaves and basket rolls; Miss M., 6 pairs socks; R. W. C., Edinburgh, 10s; R. P., Alloa, £10; Clyde Disaster Relief Fund per R. M., £8; Miss B., Wigtown, 2 pairs socks; Y. W. C. A., Dennyloanhead, per Miss J. P., 10s; J. L. S., Newport, 0s; J. O., jun., Airdrie, £2 2s; J. W. M., £3; Miss L., £1; do., "In memoriam of mother," £3; "A Well-wisher," parcel used clothing; Miss L. T., 10s; Mrs M., Broughton, £2; J. R. C. & C., £2 2s; Walkburn Junior Fancy Work Party, £1 6s; Mrs C., Inverkeithing, £3; "From an Orphan," Dunfermline postmark, £1; J. T. C. M., £10; Sabbath lass, per W. B. W., Johnstone, 3s 6d; Miss L., Dundee, 1 pair stockings; Mrs S., Peebles, 24 articles clothing; Anonymously, Lockerbie, £2; Mrs C., Ayr, 10s; A Friend, 49 loaves; Anon., Port-Glasgow, "the Lord's tenth," 1s 4d; D. M., £12; Mrs L., Douglas, Isle of Man, £1; "V.," £5; Miss F., Mythenquoy, 5s; J. W., Wishaw, 15s; Mr S., 10s; W. I. C., Paisley, some magazines; Anon., 4 blankets and some used clothing; D. M. W., Blairlogie, £7 10s; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; B. B., 2 hampers bread; Mrs K., Ochilgould, £4; A Friend, 5 doz. loaves; Mrs L., 5s; South Bantaskine Young Men's Bible Class, per G. B., £2 10s; St. Paul's Parish Church Bible Class, per F. M., £1; D. H. A., Helensburgh, money belonging to a loved son now gone home, £20; A Worker, £1; "God's Tenth, from a poor woman," Edinburgh, 7s; A Friend 40 loaves; D. and Y., hamper bread; Miss A., Millerston, £1; Redmyre S.S., Fordoun, per J. M. V., 15s 6d; Mrs M. D., Tayport, £1; Miss H., Braemar, 1s 8d; A Friend, per Mrs O., £2 10s; L. C., Luss, "A Thanksgiving," £10; A. P., Helensburgh, £10; "A Worm," 1s; "Willing Helpers' Society," Uddingston, per Miss B., £5; M. B., visiting, 34 pairs socks; Anon., 5s; Working Boys' and Girls' Religious Society, Helensburgh, per R. U., £2 15s 8d; B. B., 7 hampers bread; Mrs G., Tillicoultry, £10; Mrs S., Johnstone, £1; N. M., Liverpool, £75; J. Y., Leslie, 2s 6d; Miss J. H. S., Dirlerton, £1; Mrs A. S., Catlins, Otago, New Zealand, per Messrs Mylne & Campbell, Edinburgh, £50; A Worker, £1 1s. The following has been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Part residue of estate of the late Mrs Wilson, Greenlaw, per Messrs Romanes and Rankin, Lauder, £450. The following have been sent for the Consumption Hospitals:—L. T. G., towards rebuilding of Executive Block, £5. Mrs H., £2 16s; Mrs E., Edinburgh, for do. 7s; W. A., Paisley, £1; Mrs D., Priddle of Allan, £1; H. F., Ibrox, £1; J. S. C., per Larnie, £50; Dr W. F., Johnstone, 6s; W. P. M., Kilmalcolm, £5; J. P. M., towards rebuilding of Executive Block, £100; A Friend, per Mrs C., £2 10s; "Be of Good Cheer," towards rebuilding of Executive Block, £4.

September 3.—Anon., two scarves and one shawl; Mr H., 54 loaves; A Friend, seven loaves; J. B. O., Helfast, 10s; Mrs D., Kilmarnock, one dozen shirts; Mr C., visiting, £2; Mrs W., Aboyne, 5s; Mrs H., parcel used clothing, boots, etc.; M. and Mrs S. M., Elie, £5; Anon., Edinburgh, one neckerchief and six yards gingham; R. B., 5s; Mr and Mrs P. S. H., Johnstone, £1; M. M., £5; Miss C., Montrose, 16 pairs stockings; J. S. S., Newport, £20; R. W. M., £30; H. M. A., £3; D. S., Edinburgh, £2; Mrs M., Lasswade, parcel used clothing; Mrs S., Fraserburgh, contents of collecting box, 10s; Miss M. C., Cambuslang, 4s; Mrs C., North Berwick, £5; Free St John's, Queen Street Mission Hall S.S., Montrose, per G. K., 6s 6d; T. R. R., Skelmorlie, 5s; Readers of the Christian, per Messrs



Morgan and Scott, London, £11 5s; R. T. M., Peterhead, 5s; Miss A., Kirriemuir, 5s; Mrs F., London, 2s; "A Falkirk Bairn," 5s; Mrs D., Walkerburn, £3; G. B., Port Errol postmark, £2; Mrs R., Kilbowie, £1; Miss H. R. C., Greenock, 10s; A Friend, 10s; "Progress" Co-operative Society, Limited, per J. M. R., £1 1s; "A Friend," 13 loaves; D. J. A. M., Helensburgh, £2; Mr C. and brother, visiting, £1; G. M. B., per Charity Organisation Society, £1 1s; Mrs C., per do., 10s 6d; J. K., £3; D. M., Paisley postmark, £1; Miss H., Aberdeen, 5s; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; "A Friend for the dear orphans," £35; "Anonymously," 5s; Mr and Mrs J. F., Carstairs Junction, 10s; Mrs W. and Son, Longrigg, £1; Bristo U.P. Church S.S., Edinburgh, per J. H. T., £1; Anon., 5s; W. M., Alloa, 5s; Y. M. C. A., do., per do., 13s 8d; W. S., 10s; Free Church S.S., Ecclefechan, per J. L., 13s 9d; "A Worm," 10s; Polmadie U.P. Church Forenoon Meeting, per R. Y., £1 10s; M. S., Kinn, £1; Miss J. J., Stewarton, 10s; A Friend, per J. D. S., Greenock, 20 cwt. sugar; D. M., per Miss J., Aberfeldy, bundle used clothing; Blairhill United Presbyterian Church Sabbath School, Coatbridge, per R. E., £1 10s; R. H., some bread; Anon., Wishaw, parcel used clothing; do., Kirkcaldy, do.; Mrs M., New Lanark, do.; found in boxes City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes during August, £8 0s 8d; D. L., £2 9s; N. H., Lockerbie, 10s; Canal Street U.P. Church Young Men's B.C., Paisley, per D. H. R., 1 s d; Mrs M., Musselburgh, £2; part proceeds of collections at Rothsay United Meetings for the Young, per R. F., 17s; W. M. M., Ullapool, 5s; Anon., Wishaw, parcel used clothing; Cowcaddens Free Church S.S., per Miss S., £1; Mrs R., San Fernando, Trinidad, £3; do., do., towards expense of Court of Session case, £2; Mrs E. L. Kippen, £10; B. B., 240 loaves; Mrs R., Holytown, £2; Bannockburn Free Church S.S., per H. S., 2s; Miss A. Huntly, 2s 6d and six articles clothing; Anon., six pairs socks and parcel used clothing; Mr H., Inverness, £1; A Worker, 10s; Miss T., 10s. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Instalment of legacy of £50 from the late Mr John Clark, Edinburgh, per Mr William Manuel, £20; C. C. I., Stromness, £100. The following have been sent for Consumption Hospitals:—A Friend, per Miss C., towards rebuilding of executive block, 10s; do., Prestwick, per do., £1; A. M., Airdrie, £1; "A Widow's Mite," Dumfries postmark, £1; J. W. O., towards rebuilding of executive block, £5; "Topaz," for do., 2s 6d; Mrs L., Alloa, £1; J. and T. N., Glenboig, towards rebuilding of executive block, 10s; "A Parishioner of Kilmacolm," for do., £5; W. K., for do., £250; D. J. A. M., Helensburgh, for do., £2; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, for do., 10s; M. C., £10; Anon., Campbeltown, 2s 6d.

**September 17.**—W. W., Dunlop, 40 loaves; J. R. M., Falkirk, £1; collected in box at Buccleuch Arms Hotel, Moffat, £1; T. S., Lochee, £2; Miss C. J., £1; Friends, Tain postmark, 2s 6d; Mrs T., Cambuslang, 10s, "in loving memory of dear ones gone home"; Albert Square Free Church, S.S., Dundee per T. S. B., 5s; G. M., Inverness, £1; A. B., Port Ellen, 12 hats; collected by L. N. M., Lauder, £12; Mrs B., London, £2 5s; Mrs A., Uddingston, £1; Miss S. W. W., Cupar, 4 articles clothing; A Worker, 5s; Miss A. M., Greenock, £1; Mrs B., Chertsey, £10; "Fides," £5; "Netta Crosslee," 2s 6d; A Worker, 3s 6d; Mrs M., Elderslie, £10; G. A. R., Greenock, £2; "From the Master's Treasury," Falkirk, £2 2s; Miss A. C., Wishaw, 1s; H. B., London, 10s; A Friend, Perth, 10s; Anonymously, Wemyss Bay, parcel used clothing; Elmhall Young Men's B.C., per T. H., £2 2s; Miss M. W. and Friends, Bridge of Orchy, 7s 6d; W. M., Prestwick, £1; Mrs M., Ayr, £1; Mother's Meeting, per do., 10s; Misses S., Prestonkirk, 5 overalls; Mrs K., 7s; Mrs J. A. M., Scone, £4; Mrs D. D. R., Bridge of Allan, 1s and quantity used clothing; M. and A. B., 70 loaves and some small bread; Mrs Y., Elgin, £1; A Friend Uddingston, £1; J. E., 2s 6d; Miss S., Surrey, 10s; Sabbath-school Class, per Mrs A., Prestwick, 4s 2d; Given to avoid a prosecution, per J. B., Larkhall, 10s; Mrs E., Edinburgh, 2s; London Road Free Church Sabbath School, per W. S., 1s, and three parcels magazines; L. C., Luss, 4 small shawls; Miss M., Edinburgh, £1; J. W., 2 horses; Anon., 2s 6d; D. M. S., Philadelphia, 10 dolls. (£2 0s 5d); Mrs B., Kettlebridge, 5 pairs stockings and small dress; Mrs W., Forfar, parcel used clothing; B. B., hamper bread; "Stannore," 10s; Melville Free Church Sabbath School, Aberdeen, per J. S., £2 10s 6d; Mrs D., 5s; Mrs G., Blairgowrie, 5s, 11 rabbits and 1 hare; R. B. L., Malta, 4s; "V.", £5; Sabbath School, per Mrs R., Airdrie, £1; D. J. K., 1 box books, nursery rhymes, etc.; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; Mrs B., Edinburgh, 5s; J. B. M., Perth, an "In Memoriam" gift, 1 s; J. A. M., 3s; W. S., 10s; Bothkennar Parish Council, Grangemouth, per W. S. S., £18; "Of Thine Own," £3; D. C., Kilmacolm, £1; J. R., Paisley, 5s; "Sailor," Leith, £1 1s; J. H., Johnstone, 40 furnace bars; A Friend, 27 loaves; Mrs D. M., Ballinluig, 5s; Miss J., Paisley, parcel used clothing and 4 yards of lace; Mr M., 24 loaves; Mr K., 30 do.; A Friend, 27 do.; B. B., 11 hampers do.; C. P. W., 9 pairs socks; "Falkirk," £2; R. H., some bread; Mrs A., Portobello, £1; Miss S., Helensburgh, "a thank-offering," £1; J. S., Kelso, £2; Misses E. and M. T., Chirnside, quantity gloves, neckerchiefs stockings, etc.; part Collection taken at Children's Annual Flower Service, U.P. Church, Darvel, per D. R. W. S., £1; Mrs W., Golden Grove, £1; Free Church Sabbath School, Cupar, per A. E. M., £1 8s; Bellahouston Parish Church Sabbath School, per Mr K., £1 6s 7d; Mrs S. Houston, 6 pairs stockings; R. H., some bread; Mr M., some do.; Misses M. S., Crieff, 5s; Mrs M., Airdrie, £5; B. B., 6 hampers bread; Anonymous, Paisley postmark, 5s; X., London, 5s; Mrs F., Bishopton, £1; Mrs A., £2; A Worker, £1; A. S., Dunkeld, 8s; Forss Sabbath School, Thurso per K. C., £1 6s; "For the Master," £0; Mrs B., for emigration, £10. The following have been sent for Consumption Hospitals:—H. M., 1 s; A Friend, Perth, 10s; "A Scot from home," 7s 6d; J. T., Hyndland, £5; Mrs W. M., "a memoriam gift," 10s; A Friend, 2 family Bibles.

**October 1.**—Miss M., 12 articles clothing and 2s; Miss B., Coupar Angus, 3s; "The Lord's pennies," Elie, 2s; Mrs D., Edinburgh, parcel used clothing; Anon., Crieff, do.; Do., Murrayfield, 6 pairs socks; J. P. T., Vidlin, Voe, Shetland, 10s; Abbey Close U.P. Church S.S., Paisley, per J. M., £1 5s; Do., do., Graham Institute, do., per do., £1 1s; A Friend, Boroughmuirhead postmark, 4s 3d; Trinity U.P. Church Mission S.S., Greenock, per J. P., 14s; Elgin Parish Church S.S., per W. M., £2; C. S., Oldham, £1; Mrs M., Oban, £1 10s; Anon., 12 chemises and 6 pairs stockings; Dundee Poys' and Girls' Religious Society, per B. L. N., £8 3s 6d; Ward Road Baptist Mission S.S., Dundee per R. W., £1; Some Workers in Valleyfield Paper Mills and Friends, per Miss C. P., Penicuik, £1; Mrs B. D., Stirling, £2; Anon., 4 pairs slippers, hair-cutter, etc.; Mrs L., Birkenhead, £1; "Duet O. K.," £1, 13 pairs socks and stockings; A. H., Rothsay, 70 lbs. cheese; Miss W., parcel used clothing; Mrs C., Stirling, £1; Miss J. P., Cumnock, £2; E. M., Alexandria postmark, £1; Mrs T., hamper used clothing; R. H., some bread; A Friend, Strone, £1; Misses B., Gourcock, 15 straw hats, 2 pieces dress and petticoat material, 20 articles clothing, etc.; A. H., 10s; Mr L., 68 loaves and basket rolls; Mrs H., cradle and quantity used clothing; Proceeds of sale of furniture of late Mr M'Vey, per Miss M., Ayr, £2; Orphan Home Hall Branch G.F.B.R.S., per Mr L., £1; J. B., Strathaven, £1; Y.W.C.A., Forfar, per Miss B., 15 articles clothing; J. F. N., Edinburgh, 7s 6d; Made by Girls' Class Y.W.C.A., Brechin, per Mrs D., 41 articles clothing; Mrs H., Largs, 10s; Mrs B., do., 5s; Mrs L., do., 2s 6d; Mrs C., do., 2s 6d; Mrs A. H. M., do., 5s; Mrs J. K. B., do., 10s; Miss C., do., 2s 6d; W. C., do., 10s; J. M., do., 2s 6d; W. M., do., 5s; Mrs B., Fairlie, 5s; Mrs F., do., 5s—above sums from Largs and Fairlie were collected by Mrs B.; "Thankoffering, Airdrie," £20; J. M., Dundee, 10s; Miss

H., Kelso, £2; Mrs B., per do., £1; Mrs S., Dundee, £5; Y.W.C.A., Gamrie, 9s and 18 articles clothing; Mrs R., Kilmacolm, 2 tables, 2 doors, and piano; Mrs A., Lanark, £3; East U.P. Church S.S., Duns, per A. J. B. P., 10s; A Friend, Kirkcaldy, per Mr W., 5s; A Birth-day present from three girls, Motherwell postmark, 4s; Free Church S.S., Bridge-of-Weir, per D. M., 14s 8d; Miss C., Newport-on-Tay, 5s; A. G., Port-Glasgow, 1s; Miss T., £2 10s; Longforgan Y.W.C.A., Dundee, per Mrs A., 40 articles clothing; Mrs S., Sandbank, 6 pairs stockings; J. B., Paisley, box hats; Alice, Willie, and Jessie, Grangemouth, 10s; Mrs S., Nairn, 4 pairs socks and stockings; Mrs D., Dumbarton, 8 pairs socks; Miss A. M., Cupar, 5s and 6 pairs stockings and socks; J. M., Irvine, 10s; A Selkirk Friend, £1; Thomas Coats Memorial Church S.S., Paisley, per D. N., 15s; Dudhope S.S., Dundee, per Miss M., 12s 7d; O. B., £5; Miss B., £1; Miss W., £1; A. C., 2s 6d; "In memory of a dear Son," Crieff postmark, £5; L. C., Moffat, £6; Mrs H., 6 scarfs and 2 pairs stockings; Mrs S., 10 semmits; Anon., Grangemouth, parcel used clothing; A Friend 10 loaves and basket rolls; Anon., per Miss M., £5; Miss S., Plympton, 5s; A Friend, Helensburgh postmark, £1; J. M. H., tricycle and quadrant; Mrs F., 17 articles clothing, etc.; Mrs M., Moscow, per Messrs W. W. & C., £2; A Grateful Girl helped, 2s 6d; Mr C., quantity magazines; "A Birth-day Thankoffering," £1; C. Cockenzie postmark, 10s; Newark Free Church C.E. Society, Port-Glasgow, per A. M., quantity magazines; G. M., per Charity Organisation Society, 10s; Gallowgate Branch Y.M.C.A., quarterly amount for keep of a child, £3 5s; Anon., parcel used clothing; Mr B., 4 hats; Found in Boxes City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes during September, £7 3s 0d. The following have been sent for the Consumption Hospitals:—Miss R., Edinburgh, £1; Mrs B., London, griller and mincing machine; E. M., Alexandria postmark, £1; Calton E.U. Church S.S., per J. S. G., 15s 8d; G. D. M., and Mrs D., Dumbarton, 7s 6d; A. C., 2s 6d; Bridgegate Free Church Mission Bible Class per T. R., £1 5s; T. M., Leith towards rebuilding of executive block, £1; Erskine Place Mission Adult C.E. Society, Alloa, per D. D., 15s; A Worker, £1.

**October 15.**—A. H. M., Mauchline, £2; W. C. L., Mansfield, 2s 6d; Anonymously, £1; A Friend, 1s; Mrs M., Clydebank, 10s; Grangemouth West Free Church S.S., per D. S. A., £1 12s; J. and B. S., one dozen loaves; Miss T., Berwick, 5s; T. K., £2 10s 2d; Miss W., Edinburgh, £30. "Theta" Limerick, £1; A. T. T., Kilmacolm, £5 and quantity used clothing; London Road U.P. Church Bible Class, Edinburgh, per D. C. Y., £2 10s; A. G., South Ronaldshay, 2s 6d; Anonymously, Greenock, 2s 6d; do., Beith postmark, 16s; St Andrew's Parish Church S.S., per A. P., £1 8s 3d; Miss F., Montrose, 27 articles clothing, etc.; Two Workers, a birthday thankoffering, £1; T. G. R., Grangemouth postmark, 2s; A Worker, 5s; Anonymously, Paisley postmark, 5s; C. L., Perth, £1; Greenhead U.P. Church S.S., £2; Mrs O., Milliken Park, £10; "Of Thine Own," £1; Mrs R., Port-Ellen, Islay, portmanteau used clothing; Mrs W., Edinburgh, 23 articles clothing; Miss J. L., per Mrs L., Edinburgh, £1; J. W. O., £10; "Two Little Boys," Ayr 2s 6d; J. & J. C., Greenock, £5; R. H., quantity rolls; A Friend, do.; Anon., Luncaire, parcel used clothing; J. & B. S., six dozen loaves; Miss L., 5s; Paisley Co-Operative Manufacturing Company, per J. M., £2; Campmill U.P. Church Tradeson Mission Sabbath Forenoon Meeting, per W. T., £1 15s 6d; A Friend, one dozen loaves; Mrs J. M., Berwick on Tweed, 12 pairs stockings and socks; Anon., Auchincruive, a bed; B. B., five hampers bread; D. L. B., £1; Miss M., some pieces flannel; Mrs A. M., Cambuslang, £1 and 11 articles clothing; A. R., £10; Mrs W., 6 scarfs; A Friend, Ardnadam, set carpet balls, 4 tennis racquets, and tennis net; Mrs H. M. F., Helensburgh, £5; A Passenger Guard, Prince's Pier, £1; A Friend, per Mrs T., 3s; H. H., Aberdeen, £1; Mrs M., Bridge of Allan, £1; Miss A., Dumoon, 10s; Busby U.P. Church S.S., per J. R., £1 4s 6d; E. R., from Family Box, 10s 6d; W. S., 2s 6d; Mrs W., Elgin, £5 and 42 articles clothing; W. D., £10; Anon., parcel used clothing; J. Y., Dunoon, 47 loaves and some rolls; Miss M., Campbeltown, 10s and 54 articles clothing; legacy of the late Mr Andrew Henry, Clydebank, per R. W. Henry, Esq., £5; Scottish Co-operative Wholesale Society, per A. G., £1 1s; Mrs M., 10s; S. & C., Darvel, £1 articles clothing, hats, etc.; A Friend, 18 loaves and some rolls; Mrs W., Coupar-Angus, two parcels used clothing; Mrs A., £1; Anon., Dunoon, quantity hats; Miss K., six pairs stockings; Mrs M., parcel used clothing; Mrs N., Row, £1; Mrs L., Little Houghton, 16 articles clothing; J. M., Greenock, £2; J. W., do., £1; Mrs P. H., £1; Pollokshields Free Church S.S., per W. M., £2 11s 8d; C. S., 5s; Mrs B., Craigellachie, £1; Miss M., Crieff, 12 pairs stockings; Mrs P. M., Guildtown, eight do.; W. L., 1s; "Ignoto," 10s 6d; Rothsay Boys and Girls' R. S., per A. R., £4 14s 3d; Mrs G. S., Uddingston, £1; J. M., hamper bread, scones, etc.; T. B., £3; Mrs M., 14 articles clothing and 2 lbs tea; Cardross Y.W.C.A. Work Party, per Miss C. T. G., 18 articles clothing; Glasgow District Independent Order of Rechabites, per R. D. D., £1 1s; M. and A. B., 27 loaves; A Friend, basket rolls; Shettleston Free Church S.S., per J. A., £1 2s 2d; Tron Parish Church S.S., per Mr W., 16s 2d; Nithsdale U.P. Ch. S.S., per Mr G., £1 10s; Anon., Tighnabruich, 6s; Mrs W. and family, Greenock, £15; collected at Children's Seaside Services, Dunoon per D. M., £1 3s; D. H., Strathaven, £2; George Square Congregational Church Young Men's B.C., Greenock, per L. C., £1 11s; Misses B., Melbourne, Australia, £3; Miss F., Kilmarnock, 8 pairs stockings; "Alice, Willie, and Jessie, Grangemouth," 10s; Miss W., 1s; Mrs M., Edinburgh, 10s; B. D., do., 5s; Mrs B. B., Kinross, £1; Anon., Edinburgh, 6 pairs socks; J. D., Arbroath, £25; St. George's Cross Tabernacle Young People's Meeting, collected during September, per D. J. F., £25 6s 8d; J. P., Darvel, 2 bags potatoes and 1 cheese; Mrs B., Johnstone, 10s; B. B., 1 hamper cut bread; Miss J. B., Lauder, 6 pairs stockings; Anon., parcel used books; Typographical Society, £2 2s; J. M. P., £3; "A Friend," 10s; D. B., Paisley, "In memoriam of mother," £10; Sandford U.P. Church S.S., per J. D., £1; Anon., Edinburgh postmark, 2 scarves and 1 small shawl; "A Friend," Tighnabruich postmark, 5s; Anon., Langholm, 15 articles clothing; J. M., Edinburgh, £3; "For the orphans from an orphan," Dunfermline postmark, £1; Junior Working Party, Mannofield Parish Church, Aberdeen, per Miss L. D. H., £1 10s; R. T., Wishaw, 10s; A Friend, 1 doz. loaves and basket rolls; Barony Free Church S.S., per R. R., £2 2s; Anon., in stamps, 10s; Do., Edinburgh, quantity used clothing; Mrs C., do.; J. C. J., Edinburgh, 2s 6d. The following have been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Interest on D. R. in Queensland National Bank, Limited, from the late Miss G. I. Small's estate, Dundee, 8s 6d. The following have been sent for the Consumption Hospitals:—"A Thank-offering," £50; Scottish Co-operative Wholesale Society, per A. G., £1 1s; M. A. J., 5s; J. D., Arbroath, £25; J. F. M., Stornoway, 35 pairs P. £2; D. T. C. S., £3.

**October 31.**—D. J. F., 5s pairs boots; Free St. Andrew's Church S.S., Kilmarnock, per D. F., 18s; Keiss and Auchengill Free Church S.S., per A. E. R., 10s; J. E. D., Guardbridge "in memory of Little Willie's birthday, 10th September," £1; Miss D., Nairn, 10s; Peter Brough Bequest Fund, Paisley, per James Gardner, £5; A. M. C., Liverpool, 10s; Aunt of children helped, Ayr, 5s; Anon., Stirling, parcel magazines; Mr H., 5 dozen loaves; Miss M., Helensburgh, a water bed and large quantity of used clothing; Mrs G., Aberdeen, 2 parcels used clothing, boots etc.; D. K., Edinburgh, £5; Mrs K., do., £5; Mrs J. G. P., Hamilton, £1; "Geo." Greenock, 2s 6d; Miss C., 1 pair stockings and some used clothing; W. T. S., Milngavie, some used clothing; Mrs S., Kilmarnock, £1; Knitted by an invalid, K. D., per Mrs M., 4 pairs socks; N. M., Dunoon, £2; Crawfordburn Free

Church S.S., Greenock, per T. B., £1 1s; "Frae a Gleska Laddie," London post-mark, £1; R. K. W., Ayre, £20; I. T. G. G., Liberton, £5; Mrs S., Burntisland, £5; Gathered in Three-penny pieces, per do., £2 5s 6d; A Wellwisher, Greenock post-mark £1; J. S., Edinburgh, £1 1s; Mrs T., Leith, 6 articles clothing; R. A., Joppa, £1; Miss P., Liverpool, 5s; Thomas Porter, Equipment Fund, per Stanley Pearson, Manchester, £25; A. and Mrs M., 1s; Miss B. and Miss K., Melrose, £1; R. G., Kilm, £1 15s 6d; S. M. D., Oban, £2; Family collecting box, per Mrs G., Elgin, 10s; Y.W.C.A. Bible Class, Morningside, Edinburgh, per M. R. K., 15 pairs stockings; Rutherglen West Parish Church Sunday School and Bible Class, per T. L., £2 12s 6d; A. L. Rothiemay, 4s; K. and C., Bootle, £1; Uddingston Branch S.G.F.S., per Mrs M., 11 articles clothing; Mrs C., Castlebar, £1; Mrs J. H., £1; Mrs P., parcel magazines; J. J. and sisters, Edinburgh, £1 5s; Miss B., Loanes, 24 cuts worsted; Mrs F., invalid carriage and pair crutches; "The Lord's Pennies" left by the late M. McKay, Elie, 5s; Anon., Helensburgh, 8 nightgowns; Mrs M. O., 2 forelegs mutton; Mrs C. C., Arrochar, parcel picture magazines; Mrs G., Elgin, 12 scarfs and 12 pairs cuffs; Mrs L., per do., 1 pair socks and 13 pairs cuffs; Mrs P. F., per do., 2 pairs socks and 13 pairs cuffs; W. M., Newton-Stewart, £1; W. M., Edinburgh, £1; Misses A., do., £2; D. L., Dundee, £1 12s 2d; M. S., Kilm, £1; A. M., Ardrishaig, £2; Mrs G., Barrow-in-Furness, £1; Kent Road U.P. Church S.S.s, per R. T., £2 9s 2d; T. S., Dunoon, 5s; J. C., Perth, 10s 6d; J. C., do., 10s; A. C., do., 1s; B. B., 100 loaves; A Worker, £2; J. J., London, £12; J. T., Cockenzie, £2; "From an old lady in Greenock," 2 pairs socks; A. M., 2 hares; Miss W., parcel used clothing; Baillieston Free Church Bible Class, Easterhouse, per W. S., 7s 6d; J. S., Hamilton, 10s; Mrs J. and Mrs W., lime-light lantern gas cylinders, and screen; Mrs and Miss L., Edinburgh, £20; "A Worm," £5; J. C., Spean Bridge, £30; Mrs B., 2 parcels used clothing; Mr L., some bread; A Friend, rolls, etc., Union Free Church S.S., per R. S. N., £1; Mrs D. E., parcel used clothing; Mrs S., Killin, 26 articles clothing; Miss H., Kirkintilloch, 26 do.; A Friend, 18 loaves, rolls and scones; H. M. M., Cycle, J. C., £1; High Street U.P. Church Bible Class, Dumbarton, per J. C., £1; "Alice, Willie and Jessie," Grangemouth, 10s; Children's service, Falcarras Street Mission, per W. J. B., Edinburgh, £1; A. G. Y., Edinburgh, £2; J. B., Arbroath, 6s; W. J. R., Anstruther, 1s; Mrs S., Sandbank, 6 pairs stockings; Miss S., Skelmorlie, 3 pairs stockings and socks; D. L. S., £1; Young Women's Christian Association Kilcalmonell branch, Kintyre, per Mrs M., £1; South U.P. Church S.S., Duns, per J. E., £1 9s; J. S. M., Bishop Auckland, £2; Mrs B., £1; L. R. T., 10s; L. G., £20; "B.", Kirkintilloch, £4; M. & A. B., 6 dozen loaves and basket rolls; A Friend, 27 loaves and some rolls; Anon., Crieff, some used clothing, etc.; Children's Church, Coldwells Road, Crieff, per P. M., £1 10s; Ruthvenfield S.S., per R. E., £1 10s; Ruthvenfield Free Church Bible Class, Aberdeen, per R. P. E., £1 1s; A. J., Kirkcudbright, £4; "A Widow's Mite," Clydebank post-mark 10s; Anon., Lennoxton, £1; R. W., Bridge-of-Weir, £5; Two Workers, £2; 10s, £1; Do., £1; Mrs J. B., towards support of a child for a year, £10; Mrs M., Kilmaccolm, 10s, 2 sets used window curtains, some clothing, etc.; Mrs R., do., quantity furnishings, books, etc.; W. S., Glenboig, £2; C. and H., 2 bags nuts; R. G., per Charity Organisation Society, £3 3s; Mrs K., Milngavie, per do., £1 1s; Miss J. A., Arrochar, per do., £5; W. K., per do., £5 5s; Miss V., 1 pair socks; Free St. Mark's Forenoon Meeting, per R. D. L., 7s 6d; North Woodside Road Free Church Bible Class, per D. S., 0s; W. P. R., £1; W. R., Edinburgh, 3 articles clothing; A Friend, Irvine, 4 do. and some hats; D. M., £12; Blairhill U.P. Church S.S., Coatbridge, per R. E., £1 10s; N. A. R. B., 2s 6d, and some used clothing; Mrs M., Fraserburgh, 12s 6d; T. C., Motherwell, 5s; J. B., Hamilton, £2; Anon., Perth, quantity texts; "Topaz," 2s 6d; Dunlop Parish Church S.S. Society, per J. S., £2; Mrs M., Scoone, for emigration fund, 10s; A. C., Paisley, £0; J. B., Blairgowrie post-mark, £1; J. B., 2 hampers bread; Free High Church S.S., Dundee, per D. R., £1; Do., do., per do., £1 2s; Do., do., per do., £1 5s; T. A., some pastry; A Friend, 27 loaves and basket rolls; A Worker, 5s; J. C., Paisley, 10s; Elgin Place Congregational Church Mission S.S., Port Dundas, per J. W., £1 1s 6d; Found in Boxes City and Bridge-of-Weir Homes during October, £1 2s 7d; National Telephone Co., use of telephone at reduced rates. The following has been sent for Orphan Homes Building Fund:—Legacy of the late Miss Helen Cochrane, Galashiels per Messrs J. & D. G. Walker, £250. The following have been sent for the Consumption Hospitals:—Miss D., Nairn, 10s; Mrs B., Ayre, £1; Mrs S., do., £1; Mr S., Joppa, £1; C. of S., Kirkcudbright, £10.

### CONSUMPTION HOSPITALS FOR SCOTLAND.

**Dr. Abstract of Income and Expenditure for Year ending 31st October, 1898.** Cr.

October 31, 1897.		October 31, 1898.	
To Balance on hand and in Bank, £2,196 9 2½		By Payments made to various	
October 31, 1898.		Tradesmen for Building and	
" Donations and		Maintenance during	
Legacies received		the year, £3,898 8 0	
during the year, £3,905 1 4		" Legal Expenses, 197 4 2	
" Interest from Bank, 36 3 3		" Amount transferred	
" Amount paid by		to Orphan Homes	
North British and		Building Account as	
Mercantile Insurance		part Payment of	
Co., for Dam-		Sewage Scheme, etc., 300 0 0	
age done by Fire, 2,325 0 0			
	6,266 4 7		
		" Cash in Union Bank on	
		Deposit Receipts, £4,030 0 0	
		" Cash in Union Bank	
		on Current Account, 36 16 3	
		" Cash on hand, 0 5 4½	
			£4,067 1 7½
	£8,462 13 9½		£8,462 13 9½

\* This balance is already absorbed by buildings not yet completed and to be erected.

GLASGOW, 14th November, 1898.—I have audited the Books containing the Intrusions of Mr. Quarrier for the year ending 31st October, 1898, in connection with the Consumption Hospitals for Scotland, compared the relative vouchers and his various acknowledgments of Donations, etc., and hereby certify that the above is a true abstract thereof; and that it is correctly stated and vouched, and closes with a Balance in Bank of Four Thousand and Sixty-six Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Threepence, and a sum of Five Shillings and Fourpence One Farthing in Mr. Quarrier's hands.

JAMES HUTTON, C.A.

### ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND, DESTITUTE CHILDREN'S EMIGRATION HOMES, AND CITY HOME AND MISSION.

**Abstract of Income and Expenditure for Year ending 31st October, 1898.** Cr.

October 31, 1897.		October 31, 1898.	
To Balance on hand and in Bank, £1,571 11 2½		By General Household Expenses at City and Bridge-	
October 31, 1898.		of-Weir Homes, .. .. .	£9,157 11 2½
" Donations and Legacies received during the year, £13,824 3 8½		" Allowance to Workers, .. .. .	2,065 5 0
" Found in Boxes during the year, 36 4 7		" Furniture, Repairs, Taxes, and Insurance, .. .. .	1,599 1 9
" Proceeds of Gifts, Photos, and Sundry Articles, 316 2 8½		" Money sent for Upkeep of Canadian Home, .. .. .	600 0 0
" Wages earned by Working Boys, 932 9 8½		" Evangelistic Expenses, Printing, Stationery, .. .. .	527 7 4
" Interest from Bank, 39 19 5		" School Books, Postage, Photos, and Advertising, .. .. .	249 19 9
	15,149 0 1½	" Rewards to Children and Premiums to Working	30 18 9½
		Boys on Wages earned, .. .. .	50 15 0
		" Relief given to Necessitous Cases, .. .. .	309 0 6
		" Medical Charges at Bridge-of-Weir, .. .. .	£14,500 19 4
		" Legal Charges, .. .. .	£710 0 0
		" Cash in Union Bank on Deposit Receipts, .. .. .	34 5 7
		" Cash in Union Bank on Current Account, .. .. .	0 17 10½
		" Cash on hand, .. .. .	£745 3 5½
	£15,336 2 9½		£15,336 2 9½

\* This amount includes special donations for law expenses and other items not included in the right of County Council to exact Rates from the Homes.

GLASGOW, 14th November, 1898.—I have audited the Books containing the Intrusions of Mr. Quarrier for the year ending 31st October, 1898, 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; and that it is correctly stated and vouched, and closes with a Balance in Bank of Seven Hundred and Forty-four Pounds Five Shillings and Sevenpence, and a sum of Seventeen Shillings and Twopence-halfpenny in Mr. Quarrier's hands.

JAMES HUTTON, C.A.

### ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND BUILDING ACCOUNT.

**Abstract of Income and Expenditure for Year ending 31st October, 1898.** Cr.

October 31, 1897.		October 31, 1898.	
To Balance on hand and in Bank, £6,346 17 4½		By Payments to various Tradesmen for Work done	
October 31, 1898.		during the year, .. .. .	£7,891 6 6
" Donations and Legacies received during the year, £2,780 7 9		" Cash in Union Bank on Deposit Receipts, .. .. .	£1,600 0 0
" Interest from Bank, 145 12 5		" Cash in Union Bank on Current Account, .. .. .	148 19 2
" Rent of Farm, £210: less Rent of 20 acres adjoining, .. .. .		" Cash on hand, .. .. .	0 15 1½
" Rent of ground built on, Taxes, etc., £111 18s. 11d., 68 4 1			£1,749 15 1½
" Amount transferred from Consumption Hospitals			
" Account for Sewage Scheme, etc., .. .. .	3,294 4 3		
	£9,641 1 7½		£9,641 1 7½

\* This Balance is already absorbed by buildings not yet completed, and to be erected.

GLASGOW, 14th November, 1898.—I have audited the Books containing the Intrusions of Mr. Quarrier in connection with the Orphan Homes of Scotland Building Account, compared the relative vouchers, and his various acknowledgments of Donations, etc., and hereby certify that the above is a true abstract thereof; and that it is correctly stated and vouched, and closes with a Balance in Bank of One Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty-eight Pounds Nineteen Shillings and Twopence, and a sum of Fifteen Shillings and Elevenpence One Farthing in Mr. Quarrier's hands.

JAMES HUTTON, C.A.



## NEW BUILDINGS DURING THE YEAR. £20,000 still required.

As stated in our last "Narrative," the "Killearn Home," situated on one of the sites of our New Farm, was then in the painters' hands. It is a beautiful house, and since the spring has been occupied by a large and happy family. The "Glenfarg Home," beautifully situated near the New Bridge which connects the two farms, has also been completed and opened during the course of the year.

The enlargement of our "Mount Zion" has gone on during the year, until now it is completely finished and out of the tradesmen's hands. The Church was beautiful before, but now with its enlarged capacity giving us 500 additional sittings, it is even more so. Our architect, Mr. R. A. Bryden, has certainly excelled his usual ability in the alterations of our beautiful "Zion," so that it will still be the joy of the whole land. It is a lovely sight to see the large congregation of young people that worship in it Sabbath after Sabbath, and week by week, and the good seed sown will, we doubt not, bear abundant fruit in the days to come as it has done in the past.

There has also been the completing of our sewage scheme, involving about four thousand pounds in its construction, and, in fact, exhausting the whole of the funds we had at our disposal, with the exception of the balance in our hands for the erection of the "Macfarlane Home," which is yet to be built.

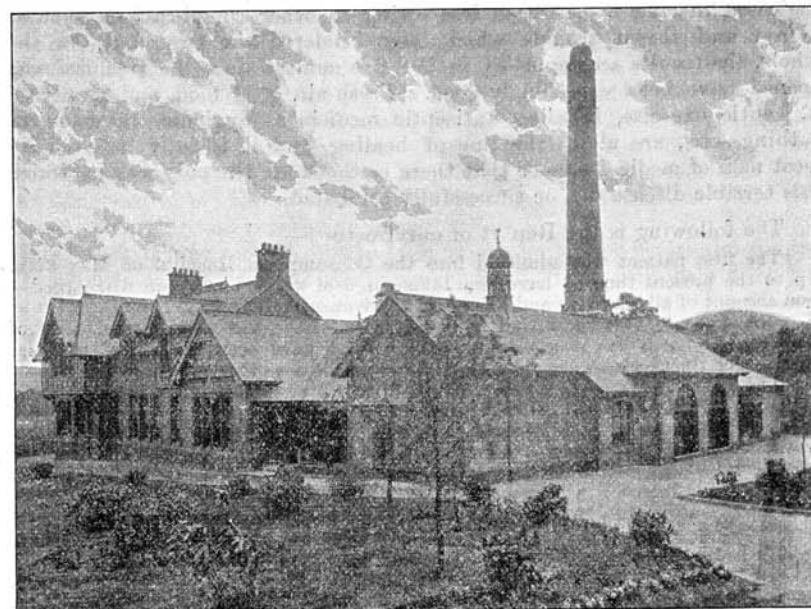
For the development of the work in the future, and the carrying out of our new plans with regard to keeping our children at home rather than sending them to Canada, training our girls for domestic service, and apprenticing the boys to trades, we anticipate ten additional houses will be required, costing in all about £20,000.

We consider a girl should be fit for service about the age of 15 or 16, and if well trained she should be able to command sufficient wages to maintain herself in the future. The boys we will place out as apprentices from the City Home until they are able to make enough to keep themselves. By these means, we hope to be able to take in and hive off annually about the same number as we have sent yearly to Canada, namely, about 250.

With the increase in cost of material and workmen's wages which have taken place of late, it will now require £2000 to build and furnish a Home to hold 30 children, so that the ten additional houses we contemplate will be needed for the housing and longer residence of the children in them, will amount to £20,000.

Are there not many of the Lord's wealthy stewards who could give this entire sum required? It would be a splendid investment to receive the hundredfold reward in time, and at last to hear the Master say, "Well done, good and faithful servant." Those who have the money in their possession are just as responsible as we who labour to help our neighbours, who are dying before our eyes and before their time. The widow's mite, and the seamstress's and servant's few shillings are all needed, and will be acknowledged by the Master in the proportion, "according to that a man hath;" for while the rich cast in much to the treasury of God in the days of our Saviour, He saw the poor widow's sacrifice in the gift of her two mites, and acknowledged the worth of them. We shall each one be measured by the ability and opportunities we have of working for His dear name's sake, among the needy and perishing ones of our land.

## CONSUMPTION HOSPITALS FOR SCOTLAND.



EXECUTIVE BUILDINGS—BEFORE THE FIRE.

THE long-thought-of and long-delayed work on behalf of the poor suffering consumptives of our land has at last become an accomplished fact. As reported last year, our Sewage Scheme was being carried forward under the superintendence of Dr. Munro, Medical Officer of Health for Renfrewshire; and it was only completed about the beginning of April last. It is calculated to meet all the needs of the Hospitals as well as the Homes, and bears out the claim put forth for it as being a most effective plan for the disposal of all sewerage matter.

On the 30th April, by invitation of the Advisory Board of the Consumption Hospitals, the Medical Faculty visited the Homes. They inspected the Hospital, Executive Buildings, and Sewerage Scheme, and were highly pleased with all they saw. Our next difficulty was the procuring of a City Office or Dispensary for the examination and reception of patients before passing them into the Hospital. We had hoped to be able to buy a house suitable for this purpose, but were unable to do so, and decided just to rent premises for the present; and these we secured at 113 Moncur Street, formerly connected with the Medical Mission. The house had to be placed in the painter's hands, and it was about the end of May before it was ready for use. On the 27th of that month the first patient, passed by our Doctor, entered the hospital, and gradually others were admitted, until at the close of our financial year thirty-one in all have been received. We were happy in securing as matron the voluntary services of Miss Lennox, whose large experience in hospital work has been gladly given on behalf of the poor and suffering ones. A staff of nurses and other helpers has also been provided, and at present the Hospital is in harmonious working order. The proposed time of treatment

was from three to four months for each patient, but some have already exceeded that period. There has been marked improvement in many of the cases, in some it has been less, owing to other complications, such as kidney and throat trouble which have hindered the cure, but, on the whole, the results accomplished in the five months since the Hospital was opened have been exceedingly good. Fresh air, good food, and plenty of it, gentle exercise, inhaling antiseptic medicines, hygienic treatment in bathing, etc., are all in the line of healing, and it is fully believed by most men of medical science that these methods are the only way by which this terrible disease can be successfully combated.

The following is the Report of our Doctor:—

The first patient was admitted into the Consumption Hospital on May 27th. Up to the present time 31 have been taken in, 6 of whom have been discharged—5 on account of albuminuria and 1 because of advanced pregnancy.

Out of the 31 cases admitted no fewer than 7 have had albuminuria. In 2 of these the albumen has now disappeared; 5 cases have been discharged to other hospitals or their own homes, by reason of serious disease other than consumption.

The age of the patients varies from 15 to 42. 8 are under 20; 17 are between 20 and 30; 5 are between 30 and 40; and 1 is over 40.

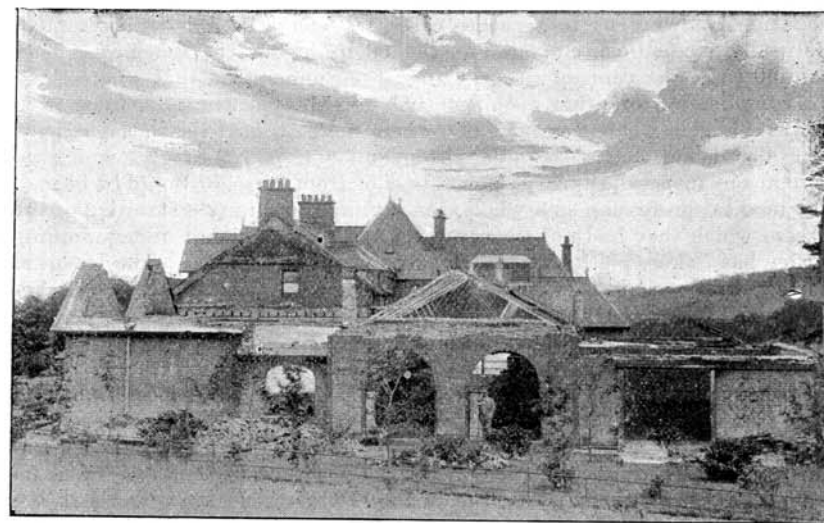
In 9 cases one or both parents have been phthisical. In other 4 cases sisters, brothers, or near relatives have suffered from the same disease. In 5 cases the phthisis began after a neglected cold; in 3 cases it appeared after pneumonia or pleurisy; in 2 cases after influenza; in 2 cases after constantly recurring catarrh; in 6 cases during the debility after childbirth; in 12 cases there has been overcrowding and bad ventilation at home or in workshop; and in 6 cases have lived in the same room as, or have nursed phthisical patients. One lung is affected in 20 cases. Both lungs in 11. In 12 there are signs of cavity. The Tubercle Bacillus has been discovered in the sputa of all the patients with one exception. There has been a marked improvement in the condition of the lungs of the majority of the patients. The general health of the patients now in Hospital has much improved. All have much increased in weight with but two exceptions: one of these having gained only three pounds in four months; the other who has been in Hospital one month has had an attack of pleurisy. She is now beginning to put on flesh; 3 patients have gained over two stones; 10 over one stone.

Comparatively few early cases of phthisis have applied for admission. Thus the cases admitted have, with few exceptions, passed beyond the first stage of the disease; in spite of this, however, the improvement has been most satisfactory. G. C. M.

The terrible fire which took place in the early morning of August 10th, at the Executive Buildings connected with the Consumption Hospitals, was a most severe trial to me, and, just recovering from my illness as I was at the time, made it all the more so. About 2.30 a.m. the fire was discovered in the roof of the boiler house. How it arose is still a mystery, and probably will remain so. The first view I got of the sight, it looked as though we should lose the whole block. Everything seemed to declare that vain was the help of man, and my faith turned to God, who was the Giver of the building, and who was more interested in it and in the suffering ones for whom it was erected than I could ever be, and I took hold of Him in faith, believing that what was impossible with men was possible with God. When I saw the extent of the flames, and knowing the character of the roof, my reason said that unless God interposed, there was no hope of saving any of the building. It was only partially insured, and the destruction of it would necessitate the closing of the Hospital. I had therefore to take hold of God, and plead with Him that He would save His own property, and enable us to continue the work of helping the suffering. For two hours we held on to Him, pleading His promises that He was "a present help in trouble," that He would be with us in passing through the floods and fire, and that He would "hear the cry of the needy." The flames rose higher and higher, and I knew if they reached

the laundry, the dwelling portion of the building would also be destroyed. Everything that could be done was done, but it seemed to be impossible to stay the conflagration. God, however, kept the east wind blowing, and this kept the flames in the western side of the building until with the assistance of our own helpers, who did their utmost, and the Fire Brigade from Paisley, the flames were brought under control and at last extinguished. As soon as the fire was subdued and the danger past the wind changed and blew very strongly from the west. To me this has been one of the most striking interferences of God in answer to believing prayer that I have experienced in my thirty years of faith in Him, and I desire to praise Him for His sparing and preserving mercy.

The foregoing picture gives a view of the buildings before the fire, and the view on this page, as it appeared after. They will help friends to judge of the situation of the case better than any description I could give of it. As mentioned before, the building was only partially insured—for



EXECUTIVE BUILDINGS—AFTER THE FIRE.

£3,000, about one-third of the whole cost. The insurance company has assessed the damages at £2,325, and we anticipate every penny of this will be required to make the buildings as they were before the fire.

The amount of money sent in during the year for the Consumption Hospitals work is £3,941 4s. 7d., and £2,000, first instalment for the new hospital. On the 7th of June our hearts were greatly cheered by receiving a most interesting letter from a friend in the East of Scotland, saying he wished to erect an hospital, and promising the money, £9,000, for the same. This was, indeed, a great joy to us, and we have lost no time since in getting the building pushed forward, so that now it is almost up to the second storey.

We still require four more hospitals, costing in all about £35,000. £9,000 will build and furnish an hospital, to accommodate from 35 to 40 patients, and we trust some of the Lord's stewards to whom He has entrusted wealth, may be led to give one or more of these soon. We are anxious to possess a sun-bath, which we believe would be very beneficial



for the patients, and this will cost about £1,000. We should also like to have the electric light put into the hospitals, our steam power being quite sufficient to work the engine to produce this.

We mean to carry on the work of the Hospitals on the same lines as that of the Homes, namely, in dependence upon God for money, helpers, and all else required, and we believe that in this we shall have the practical sympathy and co-operation of the Lord's children throughout the country, who delight to honour Him with their substance.

The numbers of applications which reach us daily for admission to the Hospitals, declare plainly the great need that exists for provision being made for the treatment and cure of this disease, and we are most anxious to have more accommodation provided, so that we may be able to stretch forth a helping hand to some of the many hundreds of suffering ones who have not yet been reached.

The limited number that the present Hospital can admit, as well as the short time at our disposal, have shown us clearly that with more accommodation, allowing us to separate cases, we would be able to accomplish the results we had contemplated at the beginning of the scheme, namely from 50 to 70 per cent. of cure. It must be understood that where there is a complication of other troubles, such as kidney or throat disease, it is almost a hopeless battle to face, but where these do not exist in the patient, we are confident that with the environments and power to treat which we have at our disposal, the large percentage of from 50 to 70 would be healed. The medical profession as a whole, has attained to an understanding of the disease which they had not twenty years ago, and with that understanding, action has taken place in various parts of the Kingdom. The Hospital started in our midst is for the treatment of the poor who cannot go to the Continent or elsewhere, to the various sanatoria specially set apart for the treatment and cure of consumption. It is for the weak and suffering who cannot help themselves that we plead, and we trust it will be laid on the hearts of the wealthy of our land, and all who sympathize with the needy suffering ones to provide the money required for this most needful and blessed work. All gifts sent for this purpose will be duly apportioned and used, either for building or maintenance, as may be desired by the donors. 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 relieve the suffering of our land; 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.

**The following are the Members of the Medical Advisory Board:—**

Sir W. T. Gairdner, M.D., K.C.B., LL.D., F.R.S.; Joseph Coats, M.D.; John Gray M'Kendrick, M.D., LL.D., F.R.S.; D. Yellowlees, M.D., LL.D.; James B. Russell, M.D., LL.D.; Ebenezer Duncan, M.D. Applications for schedules of admission should be made to D. Hill Jack, Hon. Secretary, 141 West George Street, Glasgow.

**The following Gentlemen are Trustees of the Property of the Homes and Consumption Hospitals:—**

Provost Binnie, Gourrock; Robert A. Bryden; Sir Charles Cameron, Bart., M.P.; W. A. Campbell; Sir Thomas Glen Coats, Bart., Paisley; A. Cameron Corbett, M.P.; J. H. N. Graham; D. Hill Jack; A. P. Forrester Paton, Alloa; William Quarrier; F. J. Quarrier.

## CITY HOME REFUGE AND MISSION WORK.

In the short space at our disposal, we give some account of the work carried on in the City Home and Mission. In its capacity as

### OFFICE AND RECEIVING HOME,

it occupies a very important position in the work. Applicants of whatever sort are seen here, necessary inquiries made, and all children admitted, cleaned and clothed, prior to their being sent to Bridge-of-Weir. When the great variety of needs among the poor in a great city like Glasgow is thought of, it can well be seen how many will apply to a place where advice, and probably help, may be had at any hour of the day or night. The numbers shown in report as being received or temporarily assisted, do not by any means represent the cases dealt with, for many children cannot be helped because they have drunken, careless parents, who ought to provide for them, or from other causes too numerous to name; while of the adult applicants many are of the chronic destitute, who, through various causes, will never by any human means be raised to lives of independence and self-support, and are therefore outside our sphere. The second department of work is the

### CHILDREN'S NIGHT REFUGE,

which of late years has greatly diminished, no doubt owing to the efforts of the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children, our own efforts, and those of kindred Institutions. Any child under 14 who is homeless and destitute is received at any hour, inquiry is afterwards made, and it is kept, restored to relatives, or otherwise helped as thought best. Frequently ladies and gentlemen are appealed to on behalf of, or by children or others, and to save time or trouble a little temporary help is given; this, in many cases, only encourages imposition, and never does any permanent good. If such cases be sent to City Home with a note, they will be attended to and relieved at once, pending inquiries. In the case of virtuous young women, from 14 to 40 years, who may be without proper home, we take them into our

### TRAINING HOME FOR YOUNG WOMEN,

where, after several months' training a situation is found, and they get an outfit of clothing to let them have a fresh start in life. Many of them have had a poor upbringing, and know little about work or order, and some are found not capable of being trained for servants; but, on the whole, they do fairly well. About thirty have been in the Home during the year. The practical training of these young women dovetails into another branch of the work, the

### WORKING BOYS' HOME.

The average number of lads has been about 70 during the year. For the sake of those who may be ignorant of our plans, and who might know lads suitable for admission, we may say that we receive any homeless destitute boy from 14 to 18 years of age, and also have for learning or finishing their trade any from Bridge-of-Weir, and whose relatives cannot take them in charge. We find them situations in the city according to their ability, and endeavour where possible to apprentice them to trades. Besides message boys, porters, etc., we have a good number of trades represented by the lads at present in the Home. We supply them with board, lodgings, and clothing, and in return get all their wages, less one penny per shilling given back as good conduct money; while all over 10s. a week is put to their credit. When they have sufficient wages and choose to go into private lodgings, they get all clothes, etc., as if leaving their father's house, and those who are of saving habits have a few pounds to start with from the wages over 10s.

### EVANGELISTIC AND MISSION WORK,

the last, but by no means the least, of the City Home branches of work. Meetings are held on Sunday at 10 for prayer, at 11 for young people, and at 7 for preaching the Gospel to all; while there is a Gospel meeting on Wednesday, and during the winter months, a meeting for children on Friday. The boys and girls in the Home attend two meetings on Sunday and the Wednesday night meeting, and several of the boys—those who profess to be Christians—attend the Sunday prayer meeting and help in Friday meeting. A band of voluntary workers go round the district with tracts, a weekly meeting is carried on in the Women's Lodging House, Moncur Street, and every Sunday night the old, old story is sounded forth in the open air by word and song at the well-known thoroughfare, Saltmarket; while inside the Hall the love of Christ to the lost and perishing has been faithfully proclaimed by clergymen and laymen of almost every branch of the Christian Church.

## SUMMARY OF THE YEAR'S WORK.

**CITY ORPHAN HOME.**—On 1st November, 1897, we had 45 boys and 25 girls in the Home, and these numbers have been augmented during the year by 163 boys and 123 girls, thus giving a total of 356 cases, disposed of as follows:—

**BOYS.**—108 were sent to the Cottage Homes, Bridge-of-Weir; 6 went to lodgings; 1 was adopted; 11 left, etc.; 3 were dismissed; and 15 were returned to relatives in different places—leaving 64 in the Home.

**GIRLS.**—100 were sent to Cottage Homes, Bridge-of-Weir; 6 were adopted; 10 were placed in service; 2 left; 5 were returned to their relatives in different places—leaving 25 in the Home.

**ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND, BRIDGE-OF-WEIR.**—The year commenced with 945 children; 208 new cases were received from City Home, giving a total of 1153 disposed of as follows: Placed in service, 7; to sea, 4; sent to City Home, 22; to other institutions, 3; died, 14; left, 5; returned to friends now able to help them, 58; ran off, 5; situations, 3; adopted 1; dismissed 1—leaving at present in the Homes, 1030 (which, with 89 in the City Home, and about 90 workers, makes a total of over 1200 mouths to feed daily).

Thus it will be seen that during the year we have helped 1301 children and young people.

Besides this number admitted into the Homes, 683 homeless, friendless wanderers were provided with a night's shelter in the model lodging-houses, and in most cases with food. 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 £932 9s. 8½d. earned by working boys, £15,149 0s. 1½d.; for Orphan Homes of Scotland Building Fund, £3294 4s. 3d.; and for Consumption Hospitals, £6266 4s. 7d.—the total amount for all purposes being £24,709 8s. 11½d., besides large quantities of clothing and provisions. Through the kindness of friends, 13 lines for Infirmary and Convalescent Homes were got for those in sickness or delicate health.

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.

For the coming year for our large family of over 1200, the amount required for daily maintenance will be about £15,000, or about £1,250 a month; but as new members are being constantly added, the needs are daily increasing. We are desirous of building more houses. £2,000 will build and furnish one Cottage to hold 30 children; £9,000 will build and furnish a Consumption Hospital to hold from 35 to 40 patients, with separate bedroom accommodation for each, and we trust some of the Lord's children will supply one or more of these most needful buildings for this national work. Money will be needed for formation of roads, drains, etc., and we contemplate that from £28,000 to £30,000 will be required for all purposes during the year.

£12 keeps a child in the Homes for one year. 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.

We do praise God 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."

## IN MEMORIAM.

THROUGHOUT the year many of our valued friends and tried helpers in the work, have been removed from their earthly labours here to the higher service above. We shall greatly miss their kindly sympathy and help, but our loss is their gain.

The name of Rev. Dr. FERGUS FERGUSON, who entered into rest on Nov. 3rd, is well known, and in his removal we, among many others, have lost a friend and brother. We had his practical sympathy from the beginning of our work, and on all occasions where his presence and words of cheer could help, he was there to give them. There were few men who could throw a halo round special incidents as he could do, and his words of kindly cheer are still sweet in our memory.

On the 29th of November Mrs. CAMPBELL of Blythswood fell asleep in Jesus at the ripe age of 83. She was one who took great interest in all progressive Christian work, and ours amongst the number. In many ways she sought to glorify the Master, and she has now entered into rest, the rest that remaineth for the people of God.

Mr. CHARLES A. ROSE, who passed away on the 20th of December, was an interested friend from the first of the work, and, until he was called Home, continued to help in his own kind and friendly way. Of late years he had to pass through much acute suffering, but that did not hinder him taking a lively interest in the Lord's work at home and abroad. We pray that the heavenly Comforter will sustain the widow and the fatherless with His own abiding rest and peace.

On the 23rd of January another tried helper and friend, Dr. JOHN KELLOCK of Perth, Canada, was gathered home. From my first entrance into Canada until last year, when I visited him, and to the day of his death, he was instant in his practical help in finding good Christian homes for our children, and doing many kindly things to help forward our Canadian work. He leaves a widow to mourn his loss, and very many friends will miss his loving sympathy, ourselves among the number. He died very suddenly while in harness coming home from attending a patient, so his entrance into glory was indeed a translation.

Mrs. THOMAS COATS of Paisley, who entered into rest on the 29th of January, was not only a mother at home among her own family who loved her dearly, but she was also a true "mother in Israel," and sought in her own gentle way to minister to the needs of others, and was constant in her sympathies towards the little ones under our care. For about 36 years I was acquainted with Mrs. Coats, and I have known no woman who bore her wealth and dignity with more humility than she did. The separation from the loved husband gone before is now at an end, in the re-union which has taken place in the presence of the Master they so delighted to serve.

Miss LUMSDEN, of Renfrew Street, who died on the 4th March, was for many years much interested in the work of the Homes. We always received an annual gift of £6 from her Christmas tree, which was the means of a double blessing, both to the children and young people who gathered to help to make up the gifts during the year, and to the many who shared in the proceeds of them. In her will she left £200 to the Homes, so that, in death as in life, her memory is precious in our thoughts.

Mrs. JOHN FORBES, of Marley (near Exmouth), who fell asleep in Jesus on the 4th April, was a lady of large means and large-heartedness, who in many ways sought to honour the Lord with her substance. After coming to see the Homes, she became much interested in the work, and greatly cheered us in May, 1890, as we were just setting out with a band of children to Canada, by promising to send £3,000 to build our Invalid Boys' Home, "Elim," as a birthday thank-offering for her dear husband, and the kindness and manner of the gift have never lost their fragrance in our memory. She had a sweet Christian character, and was full of deep piety, loving all who loved the Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity. In very many ways she ministered to the wants of the poor and needy, and many will arise to call her blessed. Our constant prayer ascends for the dear one left behind, that he may be comforted and upheld, until they meet again without a cloud between.



Mr. WM. WOTHERSPOON, of Paisley, who died at the ripe age of 82, on April 24th, took a practical interest in the work for many years past. His annual gift of £50 was always refreshing to us, and we shall miss his kindly sympathy and help, but hope to meet him on the other side, as one of our fellow-labourers who strengthened and helped us in the arduous work of the Homes.

On the 11th of June, Miss HELEN COCHRANE, of Galashiels, another old and tried helper, was called to rest. She was constant in her remembrance of the needs of the orphan little ones under our care, and by her will and settlement she bequeathed £250 to the work. When friends can remember the Homes in this way, they make it a permanent gift in the amount which may be bestowed.

Mr. WM. G. RATHIE, who died on July 10th, was a frequent giver to the Homes, and from the early days of the work we had his hearty sympathy and help. The call home was a sudden one, but we know the end for him was peace. May the bereaved widow and family be strengthened and sustained by the God of all comfort in the "little while" between, until they shall meet him on the other shore.

On the 12th of August the startling news reached us of the sudden home-call of our brother and friend, Rev. Dr. A. ANDREW, of Stirling. There is no need to say anything about the practical interest of this dear servant in all God's work. He was never tired from first to last speaking about the Homes, and seeking while at home and in his journeyings to interest others in the cause of the orphans, which lay so much on his heart. Not only was he a brother beloved by his own denomination but by all who knew him. Our loving sympathy and prayers are with the dear widow and family left to mourn his loss.

Captain JOHN HATFIELD, who died on August 19th, frequently helped the work by gifts, and also by taking some of our sailor boys as apprentices. He was always anxious to advance the spiritual interests of his fellows in temperance and other work, and in many ways sought to glorify and honour his Master, whose heavenly service he has now entered upon.

On September 28th Mr. ROBERT WILSON, our fellow labourer and friend, entered into rest. During the time that it was my pleasure to know this dear brother I formed a high estimate of his benevolent Christian character, and his practical sympathy was ever constant on behalf of the Homes, as well as many other objects brought under his notice. After his retirement from business, about a year ago, he was desirous of giving his services in any way he could to the work, but the Lord has seen best to remove him to the higher service above. He is now freed from all disquietude and pain, and it is sweet to know that he is safely gathered into the heavenly fold of the Good Shepherd he loved so well on earth. The dear one left behind, as well as other friends and ourselves, miss him greatly, but we rejoice in the prospect of the joyful re-union by-and-bye, when we shall meet to part no more.

Mr. Jas. McCall, St. John's Terrace; Mr. Alex. Pollock, Greenhead Street; Miss Peters, Airdrie; Mr. Michael Brown, Dumbarton; Mrs. Jas. Mudie, Montrose; Mr. Jas. Todd, Finlay Drive; Rev. John Munro, Forfar; Mrs. Francis Johnstone, late of Edinburgh; Sir Jas. Bain; Mr. Jas. MacLarty, Tarbert; Mrs. Arch. Coats, Paisley; Dr. Robert Kirkwood, Largs; Miss Haymes, Largo; Mr. Daniel Stevenson, Airdrie; Mrs. G. A. Ramsay, Greenock; Rev. Jas. E. Fyfe, Kilmalcolm; Miss Mary McKay, Elie; Mr. George Gallie, Ayr; and Mr. David Colville, Motherwell, who have been gathered home during the year, were among our fellow-helpers in the work, whose practical sympathy and interest we valued much, and whose fellowship we shall miss. In their sphere of service for the Master they sought to glorify and honour Him, and now having fought the good fight they are entered on the rest above.

Among such a large circle of friends, we believe there will be many others of whose departure we have not heard. Our prayer is that all the relatives and friends left behind 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 another year's work, we feel that 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 space and time at our disposal forbid our doing so. The facts we have stated will give friends a little insight into the year's work as a whole, and some idea of the greatness and variety of the charge the Lord has committed to our care. He hath indeed done great things for us, "whereof we are glad," and 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.

We would mention some of the needs of the work for the new year on which we have entered, so that you, our fellow-partners, who share with us this blessed service for the Master, may have continued fellowship with us by prayer, gifts, and work. For the maintenance alone, of our large family, about £15,000 will be required in the coming year, besides money for buildings, road-making, repairs, and the many other things necessary in such a great undertaking. The kind friends who make garments, and those who knit stockings, scarfs, etc., for our little ones will, we feel sure, continue this loving ministry. As indicating our need for such help, I may say that we require about 4,000 pairs of stockings alone, annually, from the tiny pair to fit the little baby of the family, to the young men or women's size, so that there is a wide field for the labours of loving hearts and nimble fingers.

Owing to the new conditions in not sending children to Canada, necessitating us keeping them a longer time in the Homes, we shall require more accommodation to house the children who will be sure to come, and we contemplate that ten additional homes will be needed, so as to enable us to hive off an equal number as sent to Canada. £2,000 will build and furnish a house to hold 30 children, and this might be given by some friend in memory of a loved one gone home, leaving £18,000 for the remaining nine houses to be provided by other friends to whom the Lord has entrusted wealth to be spent for Him.

Then, for the Consumption Hospitals work we still require four more hospitals, which we anticipate will cost in all about £35,000. Owing to the great advance lately in workmen's wages, about £9,000 will now be required to build and furnish an hospital to accommodate from 35 to 40 patients. We are anxious to possess a sun-bath, which we believe would be very beneficial for the patients, and this will cost about £1,000. We should also like to have the electric light put into the hospitals, our steam power being quite sufficient to work the engine to produce this. Some of the Lord's children may be led to provide this gift, and perhaps others may give £2,000 to build a Training Home for Nurses in connection with this department of work.

In the coming year we will need more consecrated men and women to help in carrying forward the blessed work. Men and women without family who are desirous of work for God, would find such a sphere as would amply repay the labours of the most earnest and consecrated life. The man who is a mechanic of some sort would be valuable to us, such as joiner, painter, gardener, baker, plumber, etc.

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. We ask you, our fellow-helpers, to unite with us in praying that the Lord may be more glorified in the coming days even than in the past, and especially in the salvation of the children committed to our care, for we not only seek to feed and clothe them but bring them under the power of the Holy Spirit in the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

That there will be trials and difficulties in the way we doubt not, but we know our God is faithful, and we go forth resting on His sure promise: "Certainly I will be with thee." We are sure that the prayers of you, our fellow-labourers, 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.

### FORM OF BEQUEST TO THE ORPHAN HOMES (OR CONSUMPTION HOSPITALS).

*"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 (or Consumption Hospitals), 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 or Consumption Hospitals; 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, if post-card is sent from any part of the city, a messenger will call for parcels. We are now connected with the National Telephone Company, our Telephone Number being 3326 Glasgow and 16 Bridge-of-Weir.

All donors, whose names and addresses we have, will receive the Annual Report, and others desiring one or more copies can have them forwarded by sending a post-card to City Home, James Morrison Street.

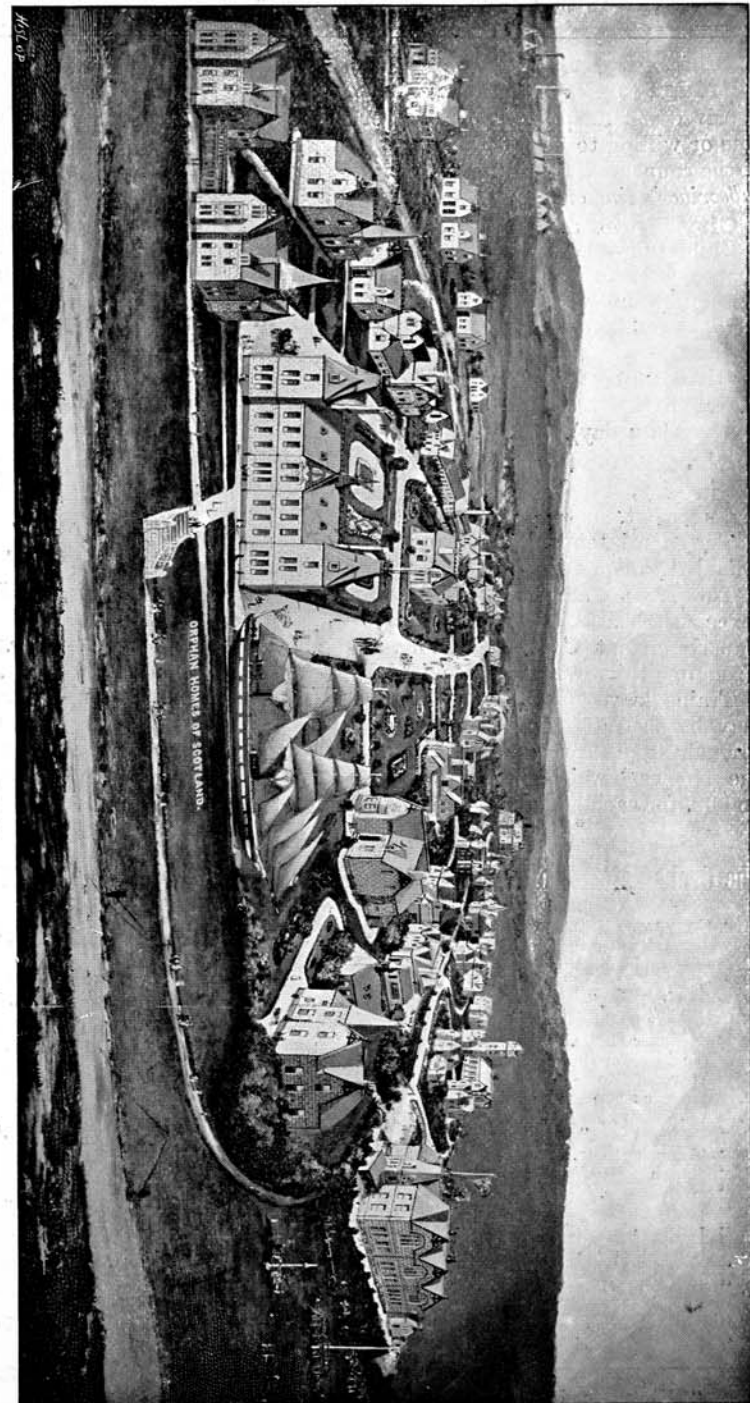
Friends sending Money can have it placed to whatever part of the work they name, either to the General Fund, which includes the keep of the Orphans at the Cottage Homes, Bridge-of-Weir—to the City Home Refuge and Mission Work—to the Orphan Homes' Building Fund, or the Consumption Hospitals. If left to 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,  
BRIDGE-OF-WEIR, 1st November, 1898.

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Reproduced from a painting taken from the Railway side of the Homes, with the Gryffe in front. It does not do justice to the beauties of the place, but will give friends some idea of the "Children's City." The Consumption Hospitals are seen in the distance.



ORPHAN HOMES OF SCOTLAND FOR DESTITUTE CHILDREN, BRIDGE-OF-WEIR, RENFREWSHIRE.  
There are 57 Buildings already connected with the work. Ten additional Houses are still required to cost £20,000.



## CLASS 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, from 4 to 5 o'Clock P.M.; 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 one to two hours is required to see the leading parts of interest.

Trains leave St. Enoch Station almost every hour. Conveyances may be had at Bridge-of-Weir Station by sending a post card to Mr. GARNER, carriage hirer, 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 and Consumption Hospitals for Scotland.

Now comprise the following 57 Buildings:—

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| 1. "CENTRAL BUILDING," with Hall and School, etc. | 23. Lincoln & Garfield Home.   | 39. "Sabbath School Home."                         |
| 2. "Broadfield Home."                             | 24. "Edinburgh Home."  | 40. "Renfrewshire Home."                           |
| 3. "Glasgow Home."                                | 25. "Oswald Invalid Home" (Bethesda), for Invalid (Incurable) Girls. | 41. "Smith Memorial Home."                         |
| 4. "Dalry Home."                                  | 26. "Elim," for Invalid (Incurable) Boys.                            | 42. "Michael Rowan Home."                          |
| 5. "Dumbartonshire Home."                         | 27. "James Arthur," training ship on land.                           | 43. "House for Teachers."                          |
| 6. "Ebenezer Home."                               | 28. "Ferguslie Offices," Laundry, Workshops, etc.                    | 44. "Springfield Seaside Home," Ardnadam.          |
| 7. "Washington Home."                             | 29. "Stores," Stable, Coach-house, Greenhouse, etc.                  | 45. "City Orphan Home."                            |
| 8. "Aberdeen Home."                               | 30. Church and Class Rooms.  | 46. "Canadian Distributing Home," Brockville, Ont. |
| 9. "Greenock Home."                               | 31. "Gatehouse."   | 47. Farm Buildings.                                |
| 10. "Anderston Home."                             | 32. "Gardener's House and Poultry Farm."                             | 48. "Eben. MacLay Home."                           |
| 11. "Paisley Home."                               | 33. "Homelea."   | 49. "Isolation Home."                              |
| 12. "Cessnock Home."                              | 34. New School Buildings.  | 50. "Killearn Home."                               |
| 13. "Mizpah Home."                                | 35. "Jehovah-Jireh Home."  | 51. "Glenfarg Home."                               |
| 14. "Leven Home."                                 | 36. "Sagittarius Home."  | 52. "Macfarlane Home" (to Build).                  |
| 15. "Overton Home."                               | 37. "Ayr Home."  | 53. First Consumption Hospital for Scotland.       |
| 16. "Montrose Home."                              | 38. "James Wilson Home."   | 54. Secretary's House.                             |
| 17. "Mitchell Home."                              |  | 55. Executive Buildings.                           |
| 18. "Allan Dick Home."                            |  | 56. MacLay Lodge.                                  |
| 19. "Somerville Home."                            |  | 57. Second Consumption Hospital (now Building).    |
| 20. "Ashgrove Home."                              |  |  |
| 21. "Kintyre Home."                               |  |  |
| 22. "Marshall Home."                              |  |  |