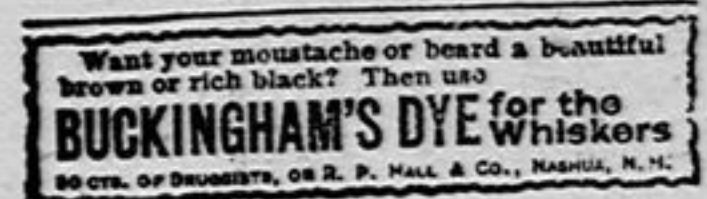


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Miss Johnson and Mr. McRae appeared together once during the evening in the one act play, "At the Ball." The authoress has wonderful dramatic ability, and her colleague has strong powers of impersonation, so that it is safe to say, their presentation of the scene chosen was exceedingly true to life and well executed.

The closing number by Miss Johnson, "Canadian Born," seemed to put the finishing touches on a climax of enjoyment for those who had the pleasure of hearing the two artists.

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Letter From Mrs. Johnson.

We have been kindly permitted by the Woman's Auxiliary to publish the following letter from Mrs. Johnson, nee Miss Margaret Tins which will undoubtedly prove interesting to most of our readers.

St. Peter's Mission, Hay River, Dec. 2, 1901.

MY DEAR FRIENDS,— This will not be a diary, as it will not be more than ten days until the packet is here, but I will try and give you as much news as I can in a short letter. I sent my last letter out in August and the return boat brought with it another helper and two more children.

We had a good fishery this fall catching about 15,000 fish, but the weather was warm after we got them, and some of the fish are pretty high. None of the women except Miss — has tasted them for weeks, but we hope to be able soon to set our nets in the lake; the nets are not good enough yet.

At the beginning of my letter I spoke of another helper, but did not say who he was; his name is Wilson and he comes from some place near Edmonton. Two of our helpers, Miss Veitch and Mr. Battersby left this summer, but we got three in their place, Miss Sulston, who is just the kind of girl we needed, Mr. Washburn and Mr. Wilson. Mr. Washburn is our cattle driver this winter, and Mr. Wilson and Carl Morn each drive a team of dogs.

Then there are the Indians to be attended to, the fishing to be done, and to cut—remember our wood has to be hauled two miles, and in the short days they can only bring two loads, besides all the carpentering and mending there is to do around a place like this, Mr. Marsh and Mr. Johnson have their lands full I assure you.

We had a visit from two women on their way to Providence. They left Athabaska Landing about the middle of September, and got frozen in before they got to Resolution, so they had to make the rest of their journey by dog sled. I did not envy them their trip.

ly torn and they did not think it would live. More than 1700 lbs of Mr. Marsh's freight was left behind this summer owing to the strike on the U. P. R. It did not reach Edmonton in time for the H. P. Co's boats.

We have two fur traders in the village now and we pray that their presence may be a help and not a hindrance to our work. And now, my dear friends, I think it is about time I said something about the lovely rug you sent me. It is a great comfort I assure you and we all agree that it is the prettiest one of the kind, we have seen.

Don't, the Packet arrived about noon today and starts early in the morning so I must hurry and close my letters, I would like to write more but have not the time, I hope to write more fully next time, may God bless and prosper you all during the coming year may it be a year of growth and happiness.

RURAL SABBATH SCHOOLS. BY W. W. JARDINE, B. A.

At the outset, it may be stated without proof or contradiction, that the Sabbath School is a part of church machinery: both beneficial and necessary. It seems to be the foundation of the church, and the great source whence she draws her supplies.

The Rural S. S. in order to discharge its proper function must have an earnest wide-awake Christian Superintendent, one whose heart is responsive to the most pressing wants of the young, one who does not altogether repress or crush their buoyant spirits, but rather recognizing in them the very elements necessary to development and progress.

Such a Superintendent must be alert so that he may win the confidence, and direct in proper channels the young and plastic lives and spirits under his care. He must stand, without appearing to do so, on the lofty mental eminence which enables him to look beyond to the vista of years when these young lives shall have stopped forth into the arena of the busy world to pluck from the hand of fame the rewards she displays to the worthy competitors.

Under the head of supply it may be said, that ideal teachers may not be available, and the Superintendent should not expect to obtain such persons readily. He may have to train his teachers by frequently adding them in arousing and sustaining the interest of the class.

In my own Sabbath School I try to distribute the various duties amongst the young people in order to train them for spheres of usefulness in emergencies. e.g. Some person is asked to read the Subi alt lesson with the school; another to give out the hymns, and so on with other parts of the work.

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