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Harvest.

BY THE REV. L. SINCLAIR,

Incumbent, Christ Church, Ifracombe, Ontario.

Let songs arise to Thee, O God,
From every harvest field,
And let the people praise Thy name
For what the earth doth yield.

We to Thy holy table, Lord,
The fairest flowers do bring,
And with the first fruits, we present
To Thee our offering.

For Thou hast in Thy goodness great,
With plenty filled the land;
No sparrow falleth to the ground,
Except by Thy command.

O give us grace that we may first
The Heavenly Kingdom seek,
In confidence that Thou for us
Dost earthly treasures keep.

Enable us to look beyond
The things of time, and see
That greater harvest, when we shall
Be gathered unto Thee.

Not in a temple made with hands,
But in the mansions high,
Prepared for us by Thy dear Son,
In Heaven, above the sky.

Editorial Notes.

WE deem it our duty to remind those clergy whose missions are assisted by the S.P.G. of England, that that Society requires every such missionary to report regularly once a quarter. Any missionary neglecting this rule incurs the just censure of the Society, to whom the report is due. Our clergy should not look upon the rule requiring such report as an arbitrary act on the part of the committee of S.P.G., but rather as an act of duty, and a privilege, being thereby permitted to relate at stated periods to their benefactors whatever progress may have been made, and what still remains to be done.

Now that the Canadian Church is waking up to the great demands of the foreign mission field, and has not only contributed money to that work, but has actually sent out one missionary to Japan, and is about to send out another, the hearts of all Christ-loving and earnest Churchmen must indeed be gladdened. But much as we may wish to see the foreign field prosper, we cannot allow the claims of home missions to be lost sight of. What about all the districts in Canada where our own brethren are living without the ministrations of the Gospel? In many of these places the poor settlers are truly *settling down*, not in worldly comfort and spiritual blessings, but in poverty and actual heathenism.

THOSE who wish to contribute all their missionary offerings to the foreign field may seek to excuse their neglect of home missions and the spiritual care of the emigrant, by pleading that the Gospel has indeed been already preached to the whole Anglo-Saxon race, and that, if those who seek a home in the colonies, allow themselves to sink down into spiritual darkness, then they have themselves to blame; but such arguments are vain, and only serve to show that those who use them have either been misinformed as to the conditions of life in new colonies, or else have not sought for any information upon the subject.

GRANTING that those who leave their old home, and seek a new one "in the bush," have been well trained in the "Law of the Lord," yet the fact still remains that their children will have to be instructed

by spiritual pastors. The child of the Christian parent begins life as ignorant of the Gospel of salvation as does the child of the pagan Red Indian. To each offspring of the human race must the same "old story" of Jesus and His love be told. Those parents whose own education is of a very rudimentary character, while busy at their work, have no time, and, alas, too often, little inclination, to instruct their family in spiritual things, much less in sound and distinctive Church teaching.

As a natural result, families grow up in some settlements with scarce a gleam of "heavenly light" in their young hearts. They, in their turn, marry and raise families wholly ignorant of anything like distinctive Church teaching, if not of the very fundamental doctrines of the Gospel, whilst others become a ready prey for those so-called evangelists who stroll from place to place propounding some new and strange "way."

THE advancing years of some of our clergy, and especially the illness of two of our missionaries this summer, the Rev. C. Machin and the Rev. T. Llwydd, the latter being prostrated by a sunstroke, from which he only recovered to be smitten by typhoid fever, reminds us of the painful fact that so far it has not been possible for the Bishop of Algoma to make any provision for his senior clergy, in the way of increased stipend, or a superannuation fund. Might we be allowed, therefore, to suggest that some of our wealthy Churchmen in other parts of Canada and the Mother Country, who are now realizing and enjoying the blessings of a comfortable income in their declining years, earned in many instances by their own toil and energy, would confer a lasting benefit upon the Church, by remembering in their last will and testament the need of a superannuation fund for Algoma. Our clergy cannot possibly save out of their present stipends, sufficient for their "old age"; and they are debarred by the sacred nature of their calling, and its demand upon all their time, from any participation in the many money-making concerns into which their abilities and education would certainly fit them to enter.

Notes and Comments.

OWING to the Editor's proofs having gone astray in the mails on their way to the publishers, our issue for this month, which otherwise would have been very early, is unfortunately a few days late.

HUNTSVILLE.—The congregation of All Saints' have secured a most desirable site for the stone church which it is proposed to build in this village. The congregation of All Saints' propose to raise one thousand

and dollars during the next two years. Contributions to the church building fund will be gratefully acknowledged in the A.M.N. by the Rev. T. Llwydd.

PARRY SOUND AND NIPISSING DISTRICT RURAL DEANERY.—Held at Rosseau, Sept. 25th. Present: Rev. Rural Dean Chowne, B.D., Rosseau; Rev. G. H. Gaviller, Parry Sound; Rev. E. A. Vesey, Burk's Falls; Rev. A. Sinclair, Ilfracombe. The Rev. E. A. Vesey acted as secretary *pro tem.* in the unavoidable absence of Rev. Gowan Gilmor, secretary to the Deanery. It was decided to call a meeting of the Rural Deanery at Emsdale, Oct. 10th.

THE diocesan librarian desires us to inform the missionaries of Algoma, that he has succeeded in setting the library in order, and accordingly is prepared to issue books to all those who have paid the necessary fee of one dollar. A catalogue of the books in the diocesan library has been published and issued by the Rev. T. Llwydd, R.D., the librarian, to all the clergy of Algoma. The librarian respectfully invites special attention to Rule I., and an immediate response to the same.

DONATIONS of standard works, intended for the Algoma diocesan library, should be addressed to "The librarian, the Rev. T. Llwydd, Huntsville, Muskoka Ont., Canada." Such donations are respectfully solicited, and will be duly acknowledged in the A.M.N.

ALTHOUGH the Diocese of Algoma is wholly within the Province of Ontario, yet many Church people of this province are woefully ignorant of the geographical position of our mission centres. As a natural consequence mistakes and vexatious delays in the sending of boxes and hales of clothing, and in their safe arrival, are often caused. Such mistakes and delays might be avoided by a brief study of a good map of Ontario, and we would recommend every branch of the W.A. to possess themselves of such an article at once.

As at this season of the year many parcels are being sent to the Algoma clergy and Sunday-school workers, it may not be inopportune to furnish our readers and co-workers with a list of those missions which have direct railroad communication. On the Northern R.R. division of the Grand Trunk, there are five, viz., Gravenhurst, Bracebridge, Burks Falls, Sundridge, and North Bay. These missions are occupied respectively by Rev. Messrs. W. T. Noble, James Boydell, Eustace A. Vesey, George Gander, and Gowan Gilmor. Those missions in Muskoka and Parry Sound Districts which are reached, after close of navigation on the lakes, by the same railroad and stage communication, are Port Carling, via Bracebridge, Rosseau, via Utterson, Parry Sound, via Utterson (distant 45 miles), and Broadbent, via Utter-

son and Parry Sound. Goods for Broadbent had, however, better be addressed simply to Parry Sound, via Utterson, since the Broadbent settlers come chiefly to Parry Sound for their marketing, and have no stage communication with the latter place. Magnettawan parcels should be addressed, Magnettawan, via Burks Falls, while parcels for the last, but not least, mission of Port Sydney, should be addressed Port Sydney, via Utterson. All the remaining missions in the diocese may be reached in winter by the C.P.R., via North Bay, with, in some instances, the aid of stage or Indian dog sleighs.

THOSE friends in England who are so generously aiding the Bishop of Algoma in procuring of funds for the erection of a church at Sudbury, may be interested in learning that the Presbyterian Church is about to station a minister there. We are anxiously looking for aid from England, so that the English church may be built before any of our people have an opportunity to plead that "they went to hear the Presbyterians because they had no church of their own." In this way many emigrants have been lost to the Mother Church in other places.

THE two churches of Dufferin Bridge and Seguin Falls, are now closed, awaiting the appointment of a missionary at Broadbent. Mrs. W. Fry has, however, with praiseworthy zeal and energy, kept alive the Sunday-school in connection with the latter place, the school being held in Mrs. Fry's own house.

MANY of the settlers along the Nipissing road, are very poor. Contributions of clothing for those in the neighbourhood of Dufferin Bridge and Seguin Falls might be sent to Mrs. W. Fry, Seguin Falls P.O.

THE clergy of Manitoulin Island and the western portion of the diocese have not lately contributed anything towards the columns of the A.M.N.

WE rejoice to learn that the Shingwauk Home at Sault Ste. Marie is in a prosperous condition; but all friends of Indian work must remember that the success of any enterprise depends upon united and systematic support.

THE Bishop needs about twenty bales of warm clothing for the poor Indians on North Shore of Lake Superior belonging to Lake Nepigon mission, under the charge of the Rev. Robert Renison.

ON the Bishop's arrival at the Hudson Bay Post about forty miles north of the mission, this summer, he was not greeted by so large a number of Indians as he ought to have been, and would have been under ordinary circumstances, owing to the fact that Roman

Catholics had industriously circulated among the Indians the story that the Bishop and Mr. Renison were constables come to arrest some of the Indians.

THE *Evangeline* has completed her summer's work, and is now on *terra firma*, hauled out of her native element, for a well-earned winter's rest.

THE dog days are over for this year, but the dog nights have come in with a vengeance. Scores of sheep have been destroyed all over the country by these canine pests; among them, four that were the Bishop's property.

THE Rev. Rural Dean Llwydd is now a guest at Bishophurst, recruiting after a serious attack of illness, brought on by inhaling the poisonous atmosphere of a house in which he had been ministering to a sick parishioner.

THE Bishop hopes to publish in our next issue a full report of the expenditure of the funds entrusted to him for the repairs of See House.

IT is expected that one of our former missionaries who migrated not long since to the United States has seen the error of his ways, and will shortly return to his first love. Clerical deserters are not usually eligible for re-admission to the Diocese, but we understand that the Bishop, in this case, would be glad to make an exception.

THE Mission of Sudbury will shortly be occupied by a Catechist, pending the arrival of a clergyman. The missions of Algoma Mills, Broadbent, and Silver Mine, near Port Arthur, are still vacant. The Bishop will be glad to open correspondence with clerical applicants. Requirements:—A good physique, sanctified common-sense, and whole-hearted devotion to work. Inducements:—Abundance of work, the hearty confidence and co-operation of the Bishop, and a stipend as large as the Diocesan Funds will admit.

THE Bishop has issued no Thanksgiving Pastoral this year, assuming that the clergy do not need to have their minds stirred up annually by way of remembrance. The offerings on such occasions are applied to the Widows and Orphans' Fund.

THE Missionary Children Education Movement is steadily advancing, under the impulse of Mrs. Boomer's warm-hearted advocacy. Two ladies in Toronto have already admitted one candidate to their school, pledged by their own free will, to give her board and education. A Huron clergyman and his wife have received another temporarily. The Diocese of Niagara undertakes a third, and so on. We bid the friends of this movement a hearty God-speed.

Our Bishop's Journeyings.

The Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Algoma visited Cook's Mills, Algoma Mills, Walford and Blind River, on the 18th and 19th of August. Morning service was held in the school-house at Cook's Mills at 11 a.m., Sunday the 18th. The school-house was crowded to the utmost of its seating capacity. During this service the Bishop baptized five children, and administered the rite of Confirmation to two very worthy candidates. After the Sacrament of Baptism and the Confirmation service, the Bishop, from an appropriate text, in beautiful and effective terms addressed the people relative to the importance of Baptism and Confirmation.

Service over, the Bishop having dined and seen a large number of people, who were anxious and delighted to see him, he again boarded his steam yacht *Evangeline*, which ran sixteen miles up the channel to Blind River, to take on a large party of almost all Church people for the evening service to be held in Algoma. In a short time the yacht again steamed east and reached Algoma, which is eight miles from Blind River. At Algoma our people were anxiously awaiting the arrival of the Bishop. They were delighted to learn of his arrival with their Blind River friends. At the hour for evening service his Lordship found a densely crowded school-house waiting with delighted expectancy to hear him. After prayers and the baptism of one child, he preached in earnest, strong, clear and feeling language, from the well known but highly appropriate text, "The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want."

When the service was concluded the Bishop, after much hand-shaking and warm greeting on the part of the people, again made his way down to his snug and commodious yacht. Though the night was dark and the appearances of ugly weather, the Bishop kindly took his Blind River friends back to their homes. Leaving Blind River the yacht again steamed down to Cook's Mills, where we safely arrived about 2 a.m. The Bishop here obtained a few hours' sleep. Having breakfasted and celebrated Holy Communion privately with a sick woman and those who had been confirmed the day before, he immediately set sail for Walford, near the Spanish River, about thirty-five miles from Cook's Mills. Leaving the Spanish River the Bishop, knapsack in hand, walked over to Walford through the woods. Here in the evening, after baptizing another child, he preached to another large congregation in his beautifully clear and trenchant style. By using many lucid illustrations he told the people that since man was free and therefore responsible that they were undoing what Christ had done for them if they sowed unto the flesh. Universalism, though a fond belief, was unscriptural, for our Master, who is love itself, speaks with authority of the place of "weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth, where their worm dieth

not and the fire is not quenched." As the crop that is reaped from the farmer's field is thirty, sixty and an hundred fold greater than that which was sown, so most assuredly according to God's unalterable law will they who have been sowing to the flesh or sowing to the spirit respectively reap in the world of consequences eternal punishment, utter corruption, or eternal life.

The Bishop's sermons and visits to these stations, where there are no laborers of the Church for the greater part of the year will be long and gratefully remembered.

It must be remembered that all those who came to hear the Bishop are not Church people. Dissenters and Romanists formed quite a percentage of the congregations. The Church is by no means strong here, but many of her children are scattered here and there on the north shore. Dissenting workers from being in the field a longer portion of the year—in fact the whole year—come in contact with our people—our uncared for brothers—and wean them from the Church. This happens because the Church missionary or student is only here for, at the most, three months of the year. In some places from the fact that men will not come forward to work for Christ's Church, many of our people are altogether lost to us. Two men are now needed to work along the line. Your brethren in Christ want your hearty and persistent assistance to teach them and their children. "Come over and help us," is the cry of the hardworking and considerate Missionary Bishop of Algoma, and his too few clergymen and lay-workers.

"The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few." How long will Churchmen let the present state of things continue?

An Appeal for Aid.

THE Bishop of Algoma begs to lay the following letter before the friends of his Diocese. It tells its own sad tale and needs no comment.

Red Rock, October 20th, 1889.

MY DEAR BISHOP,—I am grieved at heart to have to send you the sad tidings that our new Mission House at Negwenenang with all the property which we possessed there is in *ashes*, the stoves only excepted.

Two weeks ago I wrote to your lordship that the Indians had come down to take us up, but when the canoes were loaded, the Indians had so much stuff for themselves that there was no room for Mrs. Renison or May to enter, and so Georgie and myself went up in order that we might take out the potatoes before freezing, and also lay in a supply of fish for our dogs, intending, after this work was accomplished, to come down again after Mrs. Renison and May.

On Thursday morning, the 17th inst., we had all our fish and potatoes safe—twenty-one bags of beautiful potatoes in our cellar, and 1,400 fish hanging for winter use—breakfast preparing and a strong west wind blowing, and had been blowing for fifteen hours before. I went over to Thomson's house advising, if possible, that the nets should be taken in, or else they would soon be destroyed. Georgie was still in bed up-stairs sleeping; when I returned I found him sitting at the kitchen stove. He came down stairs during my absence, being awakened and

half stupified by the smoke, but of course he knew nothing of whence it came, and did not notice it much. I soon detected the burning, went up into the attic and found to my horror, that the flames had made so much headway, that I was obliged to return at once or else I should be suffocated. I gave the alarm and all the Indians assembled as quickly as possible, but it was too late. The house was dry and a strong wind fanning the flames. We managed to save a few windows and a few doors, and some flour that was in the cellar. I had to borrow a hat, a pair of shoes and a blanket to return, and what food we used. An Indian woman took off her moccasins for Georgie, as he had nothing but the stockings which were on his feet. All our clothes and bedding except the few things that we had here are gone. All Mrs. Renison's trunks and jewelry, a good part of a chest of tea, feather pillows, bedding, moccasins, quilts, blankets, two clocks and all our furniture (except chairs) knives, forks, cups, and plates, *all gone*. All the potatoes roasted in the cellar. I hope the Lord will enable us not to murmur. I believe the cause of the burning was this: The strong wind shook and loosened the stove-pipes that projected outside over the roof and disjoined them within. I had made them so secure a day or two before, that I never thought of a wind shaking them, and besides they stood so many storms before. This is a very great loss both to the Diocese and to the Missionary. Of course we must now live at Red Rock in the old house for the winter, but we thank God even for this. If Mrs. Renison had been at the Mission she would have been even worse, she would have to stay with the Indians. I brought down Thomson with me, who will now stay here for a time to fix the house, and finish the church when the grant comes from the S.P.C.K.

If a north wind had blown during the burning, the church as well as the Mission house would have been consumed; so matters might have been much worse than they are. Thank God no lives are lost, and the Lord will surely enable us to bear any personal loss we may have sustained.

Mrs. Renison is in a sad state of mind, as the Mission house at Negwenang was the only comfortable dwelling we ever had since we came to Canada, and God only knows the hardships and worry of mind that the building of that house entailed.

A few of the men working on the railroad are coming on Tuesday to fix the old house so as to keep out the wind and snow. Mrs. Renison and the children will stay at the hotel a few days till it is made more comfortable. I remain, dear Bishop, your obedient servant,

R. RENISON.

The Bishop would suggest to any friend who may desire to aid the Mission in this great emergency, that contributions in money (for the rebuilding of the Mission House,) or of clothing, etc., be sent direct to Rev. R. Renison, Nepigon, Ont.

Port Sydney Mission.

During the month of August last, Christ Church, Port Sydney, was cheered by the holiday visit of the Venerable Archdeacon of Toronto and Mrs. Boddy, and the congregation heartily appreciated the active part taken by the venerable gentleman in its Sunday services, as well as his wise counsel and general kindness of manner. Whilst the Archdeacon was among us the Rev. Rural Dean Llwydd came over, whom the Archdeacon and Mrs. Boddy were exceedingly pleased to meet. The Rural Dean also visited the clergyman's warden, Mr. W. H. Thoms, and inspected the church as to repairs. A committee for repairs has been formed, consisting of the Incumbent, Rev. A. H. Allman, the wardens (Messrs. W. H. Thoms and C. Gaell), and A. Sydney Smith, Esq.; but in order to do its work soundly and effectually it will

need a sum approaching \$500. Some of the work must be put in hand at once (and indeed tenders have already been invited and received), but the committee at present can only count upon something above \$150, chief part of that sum being obtainable through the Bishop; and, therefore, from among the many willing helpers of necessary and urgent work, the committee hopes for the pleasure of welcoming subscriptions, which may be sent to any of its members, addressed Port Sydney P.O., Ontario. Some members of the congregation have signified their intention of rendering help in this matter, but during the last twelve months a goodly sum has been raised and expended upon fencing in the parsonage grounds, which has been done creditably; within the grounds, however, a pump is still a dire necessity. The Bishop kindly granted about \$55, and the congregation raised about \$73. Inside the parsonage painting, papering, and replastering await the arrival of funds. On Wednesday, August 28th, the Sunday-school scholars had their excursion and picnic. The Northern had been secured by the superintendent, A. Sydney Smith, Esq., and shortly after 8 o'clock in the morning she steamed forth on her way to Peninsula Lake, bearing in all about 125 passengers. The weather was charming, and luncheon was enjoyed in the bush. Not a few crossed the portage and viewed the other lake. Starting on the return journey about 4 o'clock, a plentiful tea was served on board, and the party landed shortly after 7 o'clock, highly gratified by the trip.

BRUNEL.—The congregation here, at Holy Trinity Church, was also refreshed by the presence of Archdeacon Boddy, when the Holy Communion was administered. The present building not being central enough the raising of a new church is contemplated, and a splendid corner site has been deeded to the Bishop by Mr. Thomas Hill, Emsdale, situate opposite Rumball's corners, and near the Newholme post-office. A building committee has been formed, composed of the Rev. A. H. Allman, Incumbent, D. Ferguson, clergyman's warden, and Messrs. Utting, Morgan, Turnbull, and T. C. Hutchins, secretary. Promises have already been received amounting to something over \$50, and grateful acknowledgment is hereby made of \$2.00 from Col. and Mrs. O'Brien, whose example the Incumbent would earnestly invite others to follow. The cost of erecting the proposed building will not be less than \$500.

Burks Falls Mission.

EMSDALE.—On Monday evening, Sept. 16th, a harvest festival service was held in St. Mark's Church, Emsdale. The church was most beautifully decorated, and for the first time a full choral service was sung. Rev. James Boydell, M.A., of Bracebridge, preached an excellent sermon to a large and attentive congregation.

BURKS FALLS.—On Tuesday, Sept. 17th, a harvest festival service was held in All Saints' Church. The decorations were most elaborate. The service was full choral. The Rev. James Boydell, M.A., again preached. Every available seat in the church was filled. On Thursday, August 15th, a garden party was given in the grounds of the public school by the Ladies' Guild of All Saints' Church. The choir sang several part songs, and also gave a most amusing exhibition of wax-works, whilst

two members busied themselves with a gipsy tent. The rain, which poured down incessantly, considerably reduced the attendance. The proceeds, \$26.00, were given to the church tower and bell fund. We have now about \$120 towards this object.

BETHUNE.—A most successful picnic was given by the congregation of St. James the Apostle's Church, Bethune, on Saturday, August 10th, on the shores of sand lake. The proceeds, \$16.50, were given towards the lining of the church, which sadly needs completion before the winter sets in.

Gravenhurst Mission.

St. James' Church, Gravenhurst, held their harvest thanksgiving services on Sunday, October 6th, 1889. The church was tastefully decorated with some fine specimens of the rich products of the bountiful harvest, the work of many generous contributors and willing hands, who deserve the best thanks of the Incumbent and congregation. The services were hearty, and the singing good. There was a large and very attentive congregation in the evening. The Incumbent, Rev. W. T. Noble, B.A., preached appropriate sermons at the morning and evening services. He showed that the duty of thanksgiving arises from a sense of indebtedness to God; and proves the existence, beneficence, and faithfulness of God.

NORTHWOOD STATION.—On Sunday, Oct. 20th, a harvest thanksgiving service was held in Northwood church; the little church was well filled with a very attentive congregation, and the Rev. W. T. Noble, B.A., Incumbent of St. James', Gravenhurst, who has charge of this outstation, preached from Ps. ciii. 1, 2, dwelling chiefly on the nature, causes, and advantages of thanksgiving. At the close of the service he administered the sacrament of the Lord's Prayer to twelve communicants, and baptized the infant son of Mr. W. Magee, one of the churchwardens. A few weeks ago Mr. Noble spent three days visiting the members of this little flock in the bush, and then baptized four children. The congregations out here have very much improved of late.

Rosseau Mission.

The Sunday-school of Ullswater station held their summer treat in Mr. Clement Bunn's bush, just below the church on the Parry Sound road. The day was most propitious. A goodly number of children assembled with many of their parents and friends. There was a well provided table, to which all who came were welcome. Swings and races amused both child and adult alike. Mr. August Briese, Sunday-school superintendent, kindly supplied lumber from his mill to make a table for the occasion; both he and Mr. Anderson, churchwarden, with their sons, did all they could to promote the happiness and comfort of the day. Mrs. Anderson, who takes a most lively interest in the welfare of the Sunday-school children by her regular and thorough teaching, did every thing in her power to make all happy and at ease, with which tact she is highly blessed. After a day of innocent enjoyment and feasting all returned home feeling the benefit of mutual intercourse.

The Rosseau Sunday-school assembled in the church at one o'clock p.m., for short service, and then proceeded

by boats, kindly lent by Mr. Henry Ditchburn, to the pleasant grounds of Maplehurst Hotel, kindly permitted by the proprietor, Mr. I. P. Brown, where the well-filled baskets taken by the parents and friends of the children were soon emptied. A most enjoyable time was spent, and many joined in the games. Unfortunately a heavy shower threatened, and so it was found necessary for all to hasten home, which was not gained a minute too soon for the last comer. Though the time was cut shorter than was intended when starting, yet all returned feeling that they had enjoyed both the row, the grounds, the viands, and the games.

It is with much pleasure that we have to record the progress which is being made at Ullswater Church. Through the liberality of our respected Bishop, and the generosity and industry of the parishioners, more has been done than we might have expected this autumn, considering that nearly all the farmers are single-handed. The Bishop gave us in all \$50 with which to buy suitable lumber to line the ceiling of the church and to buy other lumber to build a vestry. Mr. Briese most nobly gave us the lumber at a very moderate price, and added a considerable quantity as a gift for the building of the vestry. Then the people turned out and helped with a good will to put up the building and shingle the roof. I must say that the example set by the following members is worthy to be followed by any community, as shown by the way they gave of their time: Messrs. Anderson and Son, August Briese and Son, Frederick Richardson and Son, H. H. Creasor, and Mr. A. Putman, though not belonging to the church, kindly gave us a day, and though last not least, Mr. W. H. Buckerfield, churchwarden, being pressed with his harvest, was unable to attend, and gave 50 lbs. of nails. We are justly proud and thankful to say we honestly believe each one did his best to have the vestry up in time for the harvest thanksgiving, to accomplish which Messrs. Briese, Anderson, and his son John worked until 11 o'clock p.m. the night before thanksgiving, and were at it early next morning. It now bids fair for a nice building. When dry enough it will be lined with paper which we have bought and paid for. We have had to buy lime with which to build the chimney of the church before we can line the roof. Mr. John Ety, of Raymond, had kindly promised to give brick from his kiln, but unfortunately he has been disappointed from some cause or other, and we have had to buy bricks for the purpose. Mr. Robert Fullerton, of Bentriverville, has kindly promised to build it gratuitously. Mrs. Lawrason, of Rosseau, most kindly gave us \$5.00 towards buying a stove for the vestry, and for which we offer her our hearty thanks. The vestry was so far finished as to be used the morning the clergy assembled for the harvest thanksgiving. The church was nicely decorated, considering that several of our good helpers were engaged from home, and did great credit to those who worked at it.

September 24th, matins 10 a.m. The sermon was ably preached by the Rev. E. A. Vesey, Incumbent of Burks Falls, who did justice to the text. He was also celebrant, assisted by the Rev. L. Sinclair, deacon, of Ilfracombe, who preached, in the afternoon at evensong, a most interesting sermon, after which all the clergy hastened to Rosseau before the dark set in, the roads being most dangerous. Rosseau was gained just as dark closed in.

September 25th, Holy Communion 8 a.m., matins 11 a.m., Holy Communion and sermon. The order of

service as above. In the afternoon the ruridecanal chapter was held; unfortunately most of the clergy were prevented attending. The Rev. G. H. Gaviller, who had been holding his own harvest festival at Broadbent, drove down in the evening, and was in time to take part in the latter portion of the work. He also assisted at evensong, when the sermon was preached by the Rev. L. Sinclair. Unfortunately the evening turned out very wet, and the lake was quite wild. The congregation was much smaller than in the morning. The church was nicely decorated with "the kindly fruits of the earth," and did credit to those who had bestowed much labour on it. We have again to acknowledge the hearty services of several of the guests, both male and female, who took an active part in the choir service. Mr. Chas. Coate acting as lay reader and conducting the choir; Miss Mary Brown and Miss Chambers assisting Mrs. Chowne with the organ.

ALFRED W. H. CHOWNE.

The Parsonage, Rosseau.

Bracebridge Mission.

BAYSVILLE.—St. Ambrose Church, Baysville, was the scene of a very encouraging event on Sunday, September 22nd. Ten candidates for Holy Baptism, including one adult, were admitted into membership with Christ through His Church, while in the afternoon of the same day ten adults and seven children of various ages were baptized at the house of Mr. Northby, twelve miles from Baysville, gathered together from all points to this place as a common centre. The congregation seemed deeply impressed with the solemnity of the occasion, and joined very heartily in our responsive service. This place is destined soon to become a lively centre of Church work, a site having been already provided for a much needed church. That these may grow in grace and the knowledge and obedience of the faith, is the earnest prayer of him who has the rule over them in Christ.

JAMES BOYDELL.

Parry Sound Mission.

PARRY SOUND—TRINITY CHURCH.—Sunday, Sept. 29th, was selected as the Sunday for harvest thanksgiving and the commemoration of the opening of the church, by the late lamented Bishop Fauquier, just twelve years ago. The church was very handsomely decorated with grain, coloured leaves, and vegetables. The font, which was decorated by Miss Foley, was especially the object of admiration. The following ladies assisted in the work of beautifying our church: Mrs. Gaviller, Miss Alice Graham, Miss Ansley, Miss Edith Jukes, and Mrs. Edward McKinley. Monday, the 30th of September, being the day of the month on which Trinity Church was opened, there was celebration of the Holy Communion at 9 a.m.

Ilfracombe Mission.

The harvest festivals were celebrated in this district on the 8th and 9th of October. The interiors of the churches of St. Jude, in Hoodstown, St. John, in Stanleydale, and Christ Church in the village of Ilfracombe, were magnificently decorated with the finest fruits, flowers, and vegetables produced in the townships of Stisted, Chaffey, and

McMurrich. The Rev. Rural Dean Chowne, B.D., of Rosseau, preached in each of the churches, and expressed his great satisfaction not only in the decorations but in the enthusiasm of the people, by leaving their important labours of every day life for the nobler work of celebrating the praises of Him whose goodness had been so well displayed in the plentiful harvest. The Dean exhorted them also to value the ministrations of their Incumbent, the Rev. L. Sinclair, whose successful labours were well demonstrated throughout the mission.

Broadbent Mission.

Monday, Sept. 23rd, was a red letter day in the history of this mission, it being the day chosen by the people for harvest thanksgiving and a picnic. The service was to have been at 11 a.m., but owing to the preacher having to drive a distance of seventeen miles that morning over very heavy roads, the congregation was kept waiting for thirty minutes, but the Church people of Broadbent are a patient and long-suffering people, and therefore did not complain. The service was very hearty, the musical part being ably conducted by Miss Annie Broadbent; the lessons were read by Mr. Wilson McCann, B.A., student in charge. The rest of the service was conducted and the sermon delivered by the Rev. G. H. Gaviller, Incumbent of Parry Sound mission. After the morning devotions, and acknowledgment of indebtedness to the Giver of All, the congregation and friends from the surrounding neighbourhood adjourned to Mr. Broadbent's forest, where a long table had been erected and loaded with all the necessaries for a good feast, which would, we fancy, have satisfied the requirements of even a red Indian, whose appetite is noted for being "good," and whose love of gratifying it, is proverbial. Large swings had been hung from the tall birch trees, and on these the girls and children enjoyed the fresh air, being assisted by Mr. Johnston McGee and Mr. Edward Broadbent.

Extracts from Miss Day's Second Circular Letter.

WEST HADLOW, BUXTED, SUSSEX, June 15th, 1889.
Dear "Algoma Helpers."—I am sure you will all be very glad to know that the prayers and efforts we have made during the last twelve months have led to our being able to do a good deal in the way of procuring articles for free distribution among the poor Indians and settlers in Algoma, and also preparing a nice number of things to be sold at Sudbury, to help raise funds for the much-needed church in that place. Our committee friends at Dallington, St. Mary's, Buxted, and Warbleton, have sent, as the result of their working parties, eighty-three articles.

The Hadlow Down working parties, and individual home helpers, have made 321 articles. All these have been packed by me, and forwarded to the Colonial and Continental Church Society, London, and thence will be sent to the Bishop of Algoma, who will distribute them as he and Mrs. Sullivan think most useful to the people.

Mrs. Kirby has packed the things made by the Mayfield, Tidebrook and Rotherfield working parties, whilst I have had the great pleasure of packing, with the articles sent me by the ladies of our working committee, parcels forwarded by kind friends at Brighton, Hurst Wood, Uckfield, Bexhill, Hendon, Finchley, Wimbledon, Runwell, Penzance, etc.

Shall we not all remember Algoma and its needs in our prayers, and during this summer each of us try to interest one more worker to do something in its behalf next winter?

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Let us do all we can to help them in every way, and not leave them to be invited at Sudbury by the Priest of the Roman Catholic faith to join his congregation (for whose use he is building a large church), because the Church of England is unable to provide her children with their much-needed church.

I am thankful to say that from various sources Mr. Warner and I have had £11 subscribed towards Sudbury Church Fund (since last September), and that the cheque for this amount has just been forwarded to the treasurer.

I must quote a little bit from the Bishop's letter in this month's "Net" about Sudbury. "The services, held only once in a few months, whenever Mr. Gilmor can leave his own charge, eighty miles away, are held in a school-house. In order to hold the people together, and keep them somewhat in heart till a clergyman can be sent to reside among them, I hope to station a Catechist at Sudbury during the summer months. I may add that Sudbury is even already a very important strategic point for the Church to occupy, as it commands an extensive mining population, both north and south."

I must not draw out my letter to any further length, so will only beg, in conclusion, that old friends will continue to help this good cause, and that new ones may rise up to assist, so that we may indeed have a large and earnest circle of working parties next winter, and that their members may all remember Algoma in their intercessions and alms. I am, yours sincerely,

Alice C. Day.

Local Secretary and Algoma Correspondent.

Acknowledgments.

Receipts at Synod office, Toronto, for Diocese of Algoma, from 1st of August to 31st of October.

FOR MISSION FUND.

Toronto, All Saints', anon. donation, \$2; Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, \$244.21; Parry Sound, Trinity, \$2.96; Mrs. Couri, Montreal, \$5; Alfred Smith, Montreal, \$1. Offertory at Provincial Synod, Christ Church Cathedral, Montreal, \$69.65; Miss Eyre, Eng., £19 12s.; Cash from "F," do., £5; Quarterly grant from S.P.G., £162 10s.; from Colonial and Cont'l Church Society, £71 5s.; Miss A. B. Tucker, Bristol, Eng., £1; Per Miss Hall, West Brighton, Eng.: Mrs. E. Hudson, £1 1s, Mrs. Greentree, 10s; Miss Pitman, 10s; Mrs. and Miss Hall, £1 19s—£4; Sunbridge Rural Deanery meeting, \$3.06.

FOR WIDOWS AND ORPHANS' FUND.

From Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, \$100.67; Anonymous, Montreal, \$5; Ullswater thanksgiving collection, \$1.90; Rosseau, Redeemer, \$4.85; Broadbent, St. Stephen's, \$3.69; Burks Falls, \$4; Port Carling, \$2.30; Ilfracombe, \$2.73; Chapleau, \$10; Schreiber, \$10; Parry Sound, Trinity, \$14.65.

FOR EPISCOPAL ENDOWMENT FUND.

Rev. J. Wilkinson, £5 stg.; Miss A. B. Tucker, Bristol, Eng., £113 10s 4d.

FOR EPISCOPAL INCOME.

Synod of Quebec, \$300; Niagara, \$125; Huron, \$175; Montreal, \$125; Toronto, \$250.
For Red Rock Church.—"A. F.," New Brunswick, \$20.

For Port Carling Parsonage.—S.S.M. Podmore, \$25.
For Nepigon Mission.—Mrs. Troop, Montreal, \$2; Mrs. Frith, Sheffield, Eng., £1 11s. 6d.; Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, \$10; A member of St. James, St. John, N.B., \$100; "A. F.," New Brunswick, \$40.

For Port Sydney Church Repairs.—Toronto, Redeemer, \$20.65.

For Negwenenang Mission.—From Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, \$40.

For Purchase of Communion Vessels.—From Twenty Minutes Society, Ottawa, \$12.90.

For Rev. C. Piercy, Hilton.—Chatham Branch, Woman's Auxiliary, \$20.

For Church and Parsonage Building Fund.—Donation, A. F. Gault, Montreal, \$100.

For St. John's Church, Beaumaris.—A. Prowse, donation, Toronto, \$70.

For Parry Sound District Special Mission Fund.—Donation, R. Jenkins, Toronto, \$100.

For Sudbury Church and Parsonage Building Fund.—Per R. Gilmor, \$25; Mrs. Bere, Eng., £151 3s. stg.

For See House Repairs.—M. S. M. Wilson, England, £15 stg.

For Diocesan Library.—Church of Ascension, Hamilton, per Mrs. Crawford, \$100.

For Ufford.—Rev. and Mrs. and Miss Gurney, £2 stg.

For Huntsville Church Building.—Miss A. B. Tucker, Bristol, Eng., £14 os. 6d. stg.

For Magnettewan Parochial School.—Miss A. B. Tucker, Bristol, Eng., £6 2s.

For Ottertail Church and Parsonage Building Fund.—Grant from S.P.C.K., £15.

For Uffington Church Special Fund.—From Rev. R. W. Webster, Eng., £4 os. 9d.

D. KEMP, Treasurer.

The Rev. L. Sinclair, Incumbent of Christ Church, Ilfracombe, desires to thank W. B. Hambling, Esq., of Emsdale, for his donation of \$5 towards the building of St. Mary's Church in Novar.

The Rev. G. H. Gaviller desires to acknowledge most gratefully the present from Mr. W. H. Pratt, of ten pounds of prize butter, exhibited at the Parry Sound Agricultural Show. Mr. Pratt offered a prize for three lots of butter of ten pounds each, upon the understanding that the butter should be his. He afterwards divided it equally between the Church of England, the Presbyterian, and the Methodist missionaries. Mr. Pratt is a Methodist.

The Librarian heartily thanks Mr. Aylwin for two vols. of "Perowne on the Psalms," also Mrs. Vicars for a number of books from the library of the late Johnstone Vicars.

HUNTSVILLE.—The Rev. Thomas Llwydd gratefully acknowledges the following sums for the church building fund: Geo. Wilgress, Esq., Cobourg, \$20; Miss Kinder, London, Eng., £5; Mrs. Thompson, Bristol, England, £1 1s.

The Bishop desires to acknowledge very gratefully the receipt through Mrs. Crawford, the Rectory, Church of the Ascension, Hamilton, of the sum of \$100, collected by her while still resident in Brockville, in aid of our Diocesan Clerical Library, of which sum \$75 is to be expended in the purchase of modern theological works, and the balance in the payment of incidental expenses, such as the printing of catalogues, etc. In order to secure for the library the same variety of theological thought that characterizes our clerical staff, each clergyman has been requested to suggest the names of three works which he would like to see added to the library. All future contributions will be expended on the same principle. Books (not necessarily theological) will be thankfully received (prepaid) and acknowledged by the librarian, Rev. Rural Dean Llwydd, Huntsville.