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Editorial Notes.

A LONG and interesting letter from the Rev. R. Renison, of Nepigon, is unavoidably held over until next issue.

THE Bishop of Algoma still continues his arduous labors, with the energy and zeal for which he is so well known, within and without his Diocese; in journeyings oft, in weariness oft, besides that load which ever presses upon a missionary bishop, "the care of all the churches" in his diocese. We regret to record one of those severe attacks to which his Lordship is subject. Whilst at Huntsville holding confirmation, on January 23rd, he was obliged to leave the church, being unable to deliver his sermon; but was able on the following Sunday to hold an ordination at Emsdale, and to preside at the convocation noticed elsewhere.

Eastern District Convocation.

The Eastern District Convocation assembled at Emsdale on Tuesday and Wednesday, 27th and 28th January, 1891. The business of convocation was preceded by a celebration of the Holy Communion in St. Mark's Church at 9 o'clock, at which the Bishop

gave an address full of wise and affectionate counsel and encouragement. The members of convocation met in the Orange Hall at 10 o'clock for the transaction of business, the Bishop presiding. The following clergy were present: Revs. Rural Dean Chowne, B.D., Emsdale; Rural Dean Llwyd, Huntsville; G. H. Gaviller, Parry Sound; W. T. Noble, B.A., Gravenhurst; J. Boydell, M.A., Bracebridge; Gowan Gilmor, North Bay; Mr. Lowe, Aspden; L. Sinclair, Ilfracombe; W. N. Burden, Uffington; Geo Gander, South River; W. T. Robinson, Burk's Falls; A. J. Young, Magnettawan; A. H. Allman, Port Sydney. After the election of a secretary in the place of Rev. E. A. Vesey, removed to Western District, the following subjects were brought up for consideration:

1. Organization of a Synod: Should steps be taken towards the organization of a Synod in the Diocese of Algoma? After considerable discussion and much careful consideration, it was resolved that the question of the organization of a Synod be laid on the table.

2. Canon on representation in Provincial Synod. The suggested readings for the more perfect understanding and working of the canon which had been placed in the hands of members were carefully considered clause by clause, and adopted with slight modifications; several of the clergy, however, being of opinion that the canon, as framed is unworkable, owing to the peculiar circumstances and position of the diocese.

3. Should the laity be represented in the District Convocations and in the Triennial Councils? Considerable discussion took place on this subject, in which the difficulties attending lay representation were fully and carefully considered; such as the distance to be traversed, the important question of travelling expenses, and the difficulties of election, etc., etc. It was generally considered that the matter should lie over until the next Triennial Council, when the clergy from the whole of the diocese would be present to give an opinion.

4. Dorcas Department of the Woman's Auxiliary. Resolved, That a committee be appointed by the Bishop to deal with this subject. The committee reported as follows:

Report of the committee appointed at the Eastern

District Convocation of the Diocese of Algoma, embodying "the expression of an opinion by the clergy as to the importance of a more thorough systematizing of the clothing department of the Woman's Auxiliary, with a view to a more equitable distribution." The committee would desire, first of all, to express their sense of obligation to the Woman's Auxiliary for their many and valuable contributions in clothing and otherwise to our diocesan needs, which have gladdened the hearts and relieved the necessities of many and grateful recipients who, without them, would have been naked or ill-clad, and strengthening the bond of attachment between them and their Church. The committee, in the second place, in response to an enquiry coming to the convocation through the Bishop, "as to the best method of systematizing the distribution of the gifts of the Woman's Auxiliary," venture to suggest: 1. That all donations to any mission from the several branches of the Auxiliary be more carefully reported to the general secretary, in order that cognizance may be taken of the quantity of goods sent to each mission. 2. That all gifts of any kind be sent solely to the care of the missionary in charge, and in no case to catechists, lay readers, superintendents of Sunday-schools, or the laity, without special consent of the Bishop. 3. That the clergy of the Rural Deaneries of Muskoka and Parry Sound be requested to forward, by the end of August in each year, to their Rural Deans, an approximate statement of the needs of their several missions, for transmission by the Rural Dean to the general secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary. 4. The committee also recommend that, in the matter of gifts thus coming to the clergy of this missionary diocese, they should not be required to certify to the value at which they are appraised by the donors; but should be permitted to treat them in the same light as they are by the recipients, as the outcome of a loving devotion to Christ and to the poor of His flock. Resolved, That the committee report be adopted, and that a copy be sent to the general secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary.

5. Education of the children of the clergy. Resolved, That a committee be appointed to prepare a memorandum expressing the opinion of convocation concerning the education of the children of the clergy.

The committee report, which was adopted unanimously, read as follows:

"We, the clergy of the Eastern District of the Missionary Diocese of Algoma in convocation assembled, desire to give expression at this time to the pleasure with which we have watched the gradual development of the movement inaugurated by the Churchwomen of Canada on behalf of the education of our children, and embrace this opportunity of placing on record our deep sense of the gratitude due those friends whose hearts God has moved to lighten

the burden of responsibility and anxiety which the proper education of our children necessarily entails. And while congratulating the present beneficiaries on the superior advantages thus placed at their disposal, we would assure those friends who have afforded such educational facilities, that their efforts are duly appreciated as meeting a long-felt want, arising out of our limited resources and isolated position, and heartily welcome this new departure in the missionary work of the Canadian Church. And, in conclusion, we assure such friends that among all the forms in which aid can be given to the missionaries of Algoma, whether for the building of churches, the erection of parsonages, or the payment of stipends, none could be more grateful to our feelings or more gladdening to our hearts than the efforts now being made on behalf of the children whom God has given us; and further, we pray that, by the blessing of the Almighty, such educational work may become a permanent branch of the missionary efforts of the Woman's Auxiliary.

6. Diocesan Board of Financial Assessment, Rev. J. Boydell. Resolved, That a committee be appointed to formulate a scheme of financial assessment to be brought before the Triennial Council at its next session.

7. Hindrances to the growth of the Church of England in this diocese. Rev. A. J. Young read a paper on this subject which was productive of much valuable and useful discussion, brought to a close by the Bishop, in which he emphasized the great value and importance of educating the rising generation in the principles and practices of the Church, exhorting the clergy to a continuance of the work with patience and perseverance and faith, in the firm belief that though at present but a little flock, the Head of the Church would bless the humble efforts of His servants for the extension of His kingdom.

8. Sunday-school work. This subject was introduced by the Rev. L. Sinclair, and the discussion that followed proved that the clergy are fully alive to the great importance of the work in their respective missions.

9. ALGOMA MISSIONARY NEWS. The editor, Rev. G. H. Gaviller, made a statement with regard to the progress of the paper since he took charge, and cleared up a few misunderstandings with regard to the work in general, expressing his confident expectation that at the next meeting of the Triennial Council he would be able to present a very favorable statement of the three years' work. The Bishop very strongly urged upon the clergy as a duty the contribution of material for the paper, the influence of which had already been felt in increased sympathy towards the various departments of work in the diocese.

10. The equitable administration of the Widows and Orphans' Fund: Rev. W. T. Noble. Resolved, That the question be referred to the Triennial Council.

II. Attitude of the Church towards amusements, with special reference to card-playing and all-night dances. Rev. A. H. Allman introduced this subject, making some very thoughtful and practical remarks, which were generally agreed to by those present. The Bishop, in summing up the discussion, spoke strongly as to the evils of all-night dancing, his experience being that they were productive of gross immorality amongst the young.

This concluded the business of convocation, which was dismissed with the Bishop's benediction.

In the evening a re-union and missionary meeting was held in the Orange Hall, at which the Bishop presided. After tea, addresses were given by Revs. W. T. Noble, on Africa; L. Sinclair, on missionary work in Europe; and by G. H. Gaviller, on work amongst the Buddhists. The Bishop gave a highly interesting and instructive account of his missionary travels, which he explained by means of his large map of the diocese, now well known throughout Canada. It was listened to by all with much pleasure, and, let us trust, profit also. Votes of thanks were accorded to the Rev. Rural Dean and Mrs. Chowne, and to the parishioners of St. Mark's, Emsdale, for their liberal hospitality towards Bishop and clergy, and a very pleasant, and it is to be hoped profitable gathering, was brought to a close.

A. J. YOUNG, *Sec. to E. D. C.*

Christmas at the Shingwauk Home.

BY ONE WHO WAS THERE.

I was again present at the Christmas and New Year festivities at the Shingwauk Home, and I am sure you who are interested in the Indian children will like to hear a little about them. Christmas eve, about seven o'clock, Santa Claus made his appearance. He was about five feet high, perhaps a little less, dressed in the orthodox costume, a sack of toys on his back and another of nuts and candies. He only paid a flying visit through dormitories and school-room, scattering nuts and candies, cheering the hearts of not only the Indians but the little English children as well, who went to bed very happy, hanging up their small stockings, knowing that Santa Claus was not far off and would probably fill them before he returned to the North Pole. Christmas Day was bright, not too cold, and just such a day that makes everything seem like Christmas. The boys found their tuques full of candies, nuts, and even warm mittens, handkerchiefs, and other useful things. At eleven o'clock all went to the pretty little chapel, which looked even prettier than usual, as it was profusely decorated with cedar and pine. After service, the boys amused themselves until two o'clock, when they were all summoned into the dining-hall, which looked very comfortable and home-like; the floor was as clean as scrubbing could make it; the walls had been freshly white-washed, and new pictures,

in frames, put up. The decorations, done entirely by the Indian boys, were very pretty and graceful. The tables, with clean white table-cloths, white plates, cups and saucers, etc., plants, and piles of nuts, candies, and rosy apples, looked very inviting; and plates of roast beef, potatoes, and carrots, not only appeared, but nearly as quickly disappeared, and plum-pudding, apple tarts, and huge slices of plum-cake followed, with plenty of hot tea. I must not forget to add that by each plate there was placed a very pretty Christmas card, and also a cabinet photo of Miss Pigot, who for six years gave her gratuitous services to the pretty little hospital and who had nursed so many of them there when ill with untiring love and patience, but who had left for England a few months before, and had sent these photos to her "dear children."

I was very much amused watching a small Indian boy, who could not have been more than five years old, and who, I should think, had never seen such a dinner before; he was so small that he had to sit on a box placed on the form to make him high enough to reach his plate, and it was rather alarming to see the way he put into his mouth roast beef, bread and butter, cake, candies, plum-pudding, apples, etc., first a mouthful of one and then another. When all had finished we retired for half an hour's rest, when the room was cleared and aired, and then we all went back to the dining-hall, and games of all sorts filled up the time until five o'clock, when the Indian girls, who looked very neat and comfortable in their dark serge dresses, white aprons and collars, were driven back to the Wawanosh Home, and the boys amused themselves until bedtime.

The next event was New Year's Eve, when the girls all again came about six o'clock to enjoy the great Christmas tree which is provided for them every year by Mrs. Wilson. Soon after seven o'clock it was lighted up, and it certainly looked very pretty as one caught the first glimpse of it through the open doors. As soon as all were in the room and seated, Mr. Wilson, assisted by one or two helpers, began to distribute the gifts, which were all marked, and each child got three or four really nice presents as well as a bag of candies. One little girl was very happy with a huge doll, and the same small boy who so enjoyed his Christmas dinner was a picture of happiness as he received a colored rubber ball, a treasure he would allow no one to touch. When all the presents had been received (and I am sure all those kind friends who had helped to give pleasure to these Indian boys and girls by sending gifts would have been amply repaid if they had seen their bright and happy faces), the tree was quickly cut down and carried away; then began the measuring and weighing to see how much each child had gained in height and weight during the year, and it was satisfactory to find that only one had lost in weight and he had recently been ill, but oddly enough, two of the tallest boys had lost a quarter

of an inch. How, I do not pretend to understand. The first prizes for weight and height were gained by two English children, one having gained $3\frac{3}{4}$ inches in height, and the other twenty-two pounds in weight. A great deal of fun was caused by a large doll being put up for vote. The greatest number of "hands up" were for Mr. Stark, the shoemaker, who carried off the doll amidst loud clapping, and was seen soon after holding it on his knee. A pair of skates were also put up, and this time the highest number was for the matron, who, too, was loudly clapped as she received her prize. Then followed a scramble for nuts and candies and the boys and girls had hot coffee and refreshments, and at 11.30 all went to the chapel for the midnight service, after which a general hand-shaking and wishing "a happy new year." Bells ringing, from the school and chapel bells down to a tiny hand-bell; gun firing, and noises of every sort, ended a very happy day.

It was, I think, very satisfactory to hear that in all that large number of girls and boys, not one was ill or unable to enjoy the fun.

Ilfracombe Mission.

On Tuesday, Dec. 23rd, the annual Christmas tree of Christ Church Sunday-school was held in the parsonage at 5 p.m. A very large number of parents and friends assembled from various parts of the mission, and a good programme was presented, in which the Sunday-school children took the largest part. Mr. Campbell, the Reeve of Stisted, in his appropriate speech, made some excellent remarks, giving good advice to young and old. About fifty parcels of clothing were given away, and a large number of prizes and gifts to the children, whose regularity and good behaviour during the past season is worthy of much credit. Mr. Charles Smith, superintendent, very ably addressed the meeting, and the Rev. L. Sinclair, who was suffering from a severe cold, was only able to express his pleasure in the very advanced condition of things in connection with the Sunday-school in Ilfracombe, and to thank the superintendent and teachers for their interest in the work. He also stated his appreciation of the kind ladies who had prepared tea for all. The proceedings were brought to a close about 10 p.m. Mrs. Smith presented the gifts to the children.

During the Christmas season a very kind donation of books, toys, clothes, etc., were sent for the benefit of the parish to the Rev. L. Sinclair from Mrs. Boddy, of 21 Winchester St., Toronto, and also from the ladies of St. Peter's Church in the same city. Mrs. Greville Harston also forwarded a very liberal donation of a similar description.

During the past year more than one hundred parcels of various kinds of clothing have been distributed with careful judgment in this division of the parish, in

addition to toys, books and prizes to the Sunday-school children.

The Rev. L. Sinclair desires to thank Miss Alice Day, of England, for two packets of Sunday-school papers, which he has just received.—*L. Sinclair.*

The Rev. G. H. Gaviller, Incumbent of Trinity Church, Parry Sound, has kindly sent to the Rev. L. Sinclair the very handsome texts which formerly ornamented the above-named church previous to the improved alterations. The texts are designed for Christmas, Epiphany, and one is general. Each text is sufficient to cover a large portion of the church wall. Mr. Sinclair desires to express grateful thanks to Mr. Gaviller for his kind gift.

A kind and unknown friend has paid a year's subscription for the *Canadian Churchman* to be sent to the Rev. L. Sinclair, who desires this expression of thanks to be accepted.—*Forester.*

Ravenscliff Station.

On Wednesday, Dec. 31st, the annual Christmas tree in connection with St. John the Baptist's Church was held in Mr. John Tipper's house. The tree was well decorated, and there were gifts for all the children present. A very happy evening was spent, and the Rev. L. Sinclair, being present, stated his high appreciation of the superintendent, Mr. John Tipper, who has regularly superintended the school for the past twenty years. Mr. Sinclair called upon all present to join him in thanking Mrs. Tipper for her kindness in providing for and preparing tea for the meeting.

On Wednesday, the 14th of January, a large congregation assembled in St. John the Baptist's Church to witness the marriage of Mr. John Bray, of Chaffey, to Miss Edith Hannah Sharp, of the same township. The officiating clergyman was the Rev. L. Sinclair. The bride was given away by her father. She was attired in a white cashmere dress, trimmed with white satin and lace, pearl necklace and wreath of orange blossom, and white tulle veil. Her maids wore light blue cashmere dresses and cardinal caps. Among her many presents was a very beautiful bride's cake from the city of Hamilton, in Ontario.—*L. Sinclair.*

Broadbent Mission.

On Monday, Jan. 12th, the members of St. Stephen's, Broadbent, were afforded a real treat in the shape of a Christmas tree, held for the children of their Sunday-school. A large and varied quantity of toys, dolls, candies, and useful presents, were generously supplied by the ladies of the Toronto W.A.M.A. Central Rooms, through the kindness of Miss Paterson; also from the children of St. Luke's, Peterboro, Band of Hope, per Mr. Webb. Sufficient were received to weigh down the branches of a goodly sized balsam tree. To witness the glad and beaming smiles of

expectancy upon the children's faces when they beheld the brilliantly lighted tree that held all manner of articles and candy would have afforded a study for an artist. Not only were the little folks pleased with the display, but the parents and friends could not refrain from expressing their delight and admiration. There being no suitable building near the church, Messrs. Bartlett brothers kindly placed their house, "Inholmes," at the disposal of the committee of management, Mrs. Broadbent, Mrs. W. Hurd, and Miss Annie Bartlett, to whom all praise is due for the excellent manner in which they catered for the enjoyment of those present. Fifty-seven persons sat down to a substantial dinner, after which the whole party passed on to the school-house, a quarter of a mile distant from Inholmes, and three and a half from Broadbent, where over seventy persons assembled to witness the distribution of the prizes, which were all given according to merit. Mr. Wm. Bartlett, who has faithfully discharged the duties of superintendent, was presented by several of the congregation with a pair of useful slippers. Mr. Wm. Hurd, for non-attendance, received a neat gilt box containing a small doll and an advertisement for Dr. Morse's pills, which created much fun among the little folks. After Mr. Cobb had ended the pleasant task of distribution came games for old and young, in which all heartily joined. At ten o'clock those from a distance, Dufferin Bridge, McKellar, and Hurdville, were supplied with tea and cake; so ended one of the special enjoyments of the season at Broadbent. The catechist and the superintendent wish to acknowledge with gratitude the liberal aid bestowed by the above-mentioned societies. Such gatherings as the one recorded form links in the bond that holds the affection of the children to their Sunday-school; but without such assistance, these encouragements could not be given to deserving children who tramp many miles to church and Sunday-school. It may be added that among those who received prizes were many children who have been regular in their attendance at divine services held at Hurdville and Inholmes.

On Tuesday, Dec. 30th, a Christmas tree was held in connection with St. Paul's, Seguin Falls, Sunday-school. There being no other suitable building near, the church was used. The fine balsam tree looked well, laden with presents for the little folks, and resplendent with candle light. Mr. Robert Kerr, together with the Fry boys, worked heartily to make the gathering a success. By the kindness of Mr. Fry, the churchwarden, who sent down his organ, the proceedings were enlivened with music and singing by Miss Annie Bartlett and the Catechist, who had driven seventeen miles for the occasion. Thirty-five children and adults were present, seventeen scholars being prevented from attending owing to the inclemency of the weather. It was a pleasant task for the Catechist to bestow a few useful gifts and toys upon young

children such as these, who, although the nearest of them has a walk of one mile and a half to Sunday-school, yet regularly and punctually meet each alternate Sunday, and attend divine service on the other Sundays. Three little girls, the eldest not more than ten years old, who have not missed once during the year, came three miles and a half through deep snow to this Christmas tree; others living five miles away were unable to be present owing to the snow-storm. All these are children of poor settlers.

Mrs. Fry, to whom great praise is due for her excellent and untiring management of the services and Sunday-schools, has recently formed a branch of the Ministering Children's League among her scholars, and is making great progress. The band now muster 11, and have been supplied with badges by Mrs. McDougall, Sen.-Sec., Toronto. The principal toys, etc., sent for the tree were kindly supplied by the W.A.M.A. of Ancaster, per Miss Halson. A supply of useful clothing was sent from the W.A.M.A. of Galt, per Miss Ruth Allenby; also from the W.A.M.A. of St. Sylvester, West Quebec; and a small parcel from Mrs. Boomer, and Ministering Children, of London. Two weeks ago several members of St. Paul's formed a bee, headed by Mr. Fry, to erect a brick chimney, add new stove and pipes, and make the church more comfortable, but aid to the amount of \$30 will be required before the cold draughts can be kept out. One Sunday morning last month, the wind being high during divine service, the preacher's hair was noticed to wave gently with the breeze that came through the roof. An appeal is made to our fellow Churchmen for assistance to remedy this. Help will be acknowledged by the Catechist through THE ALGOMA MISSIONARY NEWS.—*Com.*

Gore Bay Mission.

The Christmas tree and entertainment in connection with All Saints' Sunday-school was a grand success. The large music hall was crowded to the doors on Christmas eve, the night of the entertainment. The tree was loaded down with beautiful presents for all of the scholars, one hundred in number, and the lengthy programme, consisting of vocal and instrumental music, recitations and dialogues, was rendered in excellent style. Several of the pieces are worthy of special notice, such as the violin solos by Messrs. Clayton and Kinney, which received loud encores, as did also the piano duets by the Misses Ada and Minnie Young. Mrs. E. L. Brazenor's solos were especially well received, and the comic songs by Mr. John Sutherland fairly brought the house down with applause. The entertainment throughout reflects great credit upon Miss Young (organist), Mrs. John Sutherland, and Mr. D. R. Springer, who spared no pains in preparing the scholars and choir for the occasion. After the programme had been rendered,

Santa Claus was ushered in amid the sound of horns and the blowing of whistles, to the great joy of all, both young and old. Amongst those who received presents were the Incumbent and Mrs. McLeod, who received a very handsome silver cruet, a silver pickle cruet, three large silver spoons, a silver napkin ring each, and a beautiful lemonade set of glassware. At about 11.30 p.m., the happy gathering dispersed after singing the National Anthem.

Next day being Christmas Day, there was divine service in the Church, which was beautifully decorated with evergreens by the ladies of the congregation. The musical part of the service was especially bright and heartily rendered. At the close of the service the Holy Communion was administered to a goodly number.—*Com.*

Gravenhurst Mission.

On Wednesday, Dec. 31st, 1890, our little folks at Northwood, 8 miles out of Gravenhurst, had their annual treat. I drove out there in the morning, and the devoted superintendent, Mr. Ennis, and I, spent the forenoon in dividing into 26 parcels the articles of clothing, etc., sent from Norway, and St. Peter's Church, Toronto, for the little folks, and putting tickets on each, ready for distribution. Soon after 1 p.m., Mrs. Magee, Mrs. Stephens, and Mrs. Cox, Sr., arrived with well-filled baskets, and a very nice tea was provided for the children, which, with proverbial Muskoka appetites, they seemed to enjoy. Then I gave them a short address, and Mr. Ennis added a few earnest words of advice to the children, after which I proceeded to distribute the presents to the children, telling them to whom they were indebted for so many nice things, and the happy, smiling faces of the children told their gratitude better and truer than words could have done. In articles of clothing the little girls were much better provided for than the boys; but as Messrs. Pedler and Homer, of Gravenhurst, had also added candies, oranges, and toys, there were other presents for all, and all seemed well satisfied. Mr. Ennis has been a devoted Sunday-school worker here for many years, but his days of active usefulness are drawing to a close. May God send us a suitable successor when that day arrives. The congregation here, according to their numbers, attend better than in the town. We had a bee out here last autumn, and put up a log driving shed to hold six horses; and though the collection rarely amounts to one dollar, the Sunday we had the collection to buy lumber for roofing the shed they gave me what I asked, \$5.00, and the Sunday after it was roofed we had four horses in it. Last winter I baptized the mother of fourteen children out here and eight of her children, one of them the mother of six children, whom I have since baptized.

On Tuesday, Jan. 6th, 1891, we had our Sunday-school entertainment in Gravenhurst. Here the chil-

dren, after careful training by their teachers, gave an entertainment in the town hall, consisting of songs, recitations, dialogues, etc., for which we charged ten cents. The little folks were out for a week before selling tickets, and were very successful. The town hall was well filled, and an excellent programme was creditably rendered by the children, some of the teachers taking part in a few of the dialogues. The proceeds amounted to over \$17.00, and the expenditure to over \$15.00. We give book prizes for regular attendance, good conduct, and lessons, and for those who do not win prizes, we provide presents on the Christmas tree. This year our funds were relieved and our pleasures increased by a generous present of 100 large bags of candies, 100 oranges, and some toys, etc., sent by Mrs. Archdeacon Boddy, from the W.A. of St. Peter's Church, Toronto, which, as they hung on the Christmas tree, were admired and desired by the little folks during the evening. Before distributing the prizes at the close, I stated our present position and the results of the past year. We have 86 S.S. scholars on the books, with an average attendance of 50 per Sunday during the past year; and 12 teachers, with an average of 10 per Sunday during the past year. Though we have lost more than half our teachers and a large number of children by removals from town during the past year, the vacancies are practically filled up again, but in most cases with less experienced teachers. The many excellent articles of clothing, new and old, sent from the W.A. of St. Peter's Church, Toronto, and from Christ Church, London, I have distributed privately, with the aid of some ladies in the congregation, as many requiring such things would shrink from receiving them publicly; but I can assure the kind friends in Toronto and London, etc., that they were much needed, and highly appreciated. The W.A. of St. Peter's are evidently working bees, for they not only gather the raw material, but make it up ready for use, for which, in the name of many grateful ones, I sincerely thank them.

W. T. NOBLE.

Sault Ste. Marie.

The second meeting of the committee of the Shingwauk Home was held on Tuesday, December 16th, at Bishophurst. After prayer the minutes of the previous meeting were read. The Rev. E. A. Vesey was elected secretary. It was decided that the secretary, under the direction of the Bishop, should write to each missionary bishop, reporting that this committee had adopted the "Suggested Scheme" (*ut infra*) and pressing upon them the importance of taking action of some kind in the same direction.

Rev. E. F. Wilson read an abstract of the general accounts which are kept under three headings: Building, Maintenance, and Industrial. The meeting closed with the benediction.

SUGGESTED SCHEME.

For giving more prominence, and securing a more liberal support, to the Indian department of the

domestic missionary work of the Church of England in Canada.

1. That an "Indian Auxiliary" be established in connection with the "Board of Domestic and Foreign Missions."

2. The object of the "Indian Auxiliary" shall be the collection and circulation of reliable statistics and other information connected with Evangelistic and Educational work among the Indians under the charge of the Church of England, and the adoption of such other means as may seem best calculated to bring this department of the Church's missionary work more prominently before the minds of her members, and thus secure for it a larger place in their prayers and substantial sympathies.

3. The organization of the "Indian Auxiliary" shall consist of a Central Committee, and Local or Diocesan Committees in their several missionary dioceses.

4. The Central Committee shall consist of a sub-committee of five members of the B. D. and F. M. (of whom three shall be a quorum) appointed by the Board at one of its semi-annual meetings. Its duties shall be to receive the annual reports of the Diocesan Committees, circulate the information conveyed in them as far as possible, present an annual report to the Board, transmit appropriated monies as desired by the donors, and administer unappropriated Indian funds according to the needs of the work.

5. Each Diocesan Committee shall consist of the Bishop as president, *ex-officio*, and not less than two clerical and two lay members, as may be locally determined. The elective members shall be appointed at the regular annual meeting of the Synod; in the absence of the Synodical organization, by the Bishop. The duties of the Diocesan Committee shall be to take the general supervision of the Indian work of the Diocese, under the Bishop, and to forward periodical reports of statistics and other information to the Central Committee. Where two or more centres are established within a Diocese, it is suggested that each centre have its own committee, composed of persons resident in the neighborhood, the Bishop being, in every case, president.

6. In connection with the above scheme, it is suggested that the B. D. and F. M. extend its method of operation so as to include a special "Indian Department," in which a separate account shall be kept of all funds, whether appropriated or unappropriated, contributed for Indian Missionary work; such funds to be dealt with by the Central Committee (as constituted above) on the same general principles as those now administered by the Board.

7. The above scheme is not to be understood as in any way interfering with the right of the authorities of a missionary diocese to receive contributions direct from the donors, as hitherto, and apply them to the work under their charge.

Uffington Mission.

On Sunday, January 11th, our Bishop arrived in the mission. He was driven over from Gravenhurst by Mr. Corrigan, and after resting for a time at the parsonage and having some conversation with Mr. Corrigan about the Ferris Hill Station, the time arrived for evening service at St. Paul's Church.

The evening was stormy, but as usual a full congregation had assembled. It is a pity so many come

to God's house *only* at such times, although we are always pleased to see these stray sheep, and hope God may be pleased to make what on their part is merely sight-seeing, in His own good time for their spiritual well-being; yet we cannot say we thank them for coming in such numbers as to endanger the regular worshipper's chance of getting a seat. Many must have forgotten that there was such a thing as an offertory, for that taken up at this service was such as to cause the Bishop to remark to one of the wardens, "Whatever they came for, it certainly was not to give."

Perhaps another time, if visitors think it well to attend the services of the church (and by the word "visitors" we do not mean those who, although members of other communions, are regularly to be found at St. Paul's, and who are doubtless as much annoyed as anyone), they will remember to leave the sacred building, its porch, and the graveyard, without entering into noisy conversation, so unusual in a devout congregation.

Fifteen candidates were presented for confirmation, ten females and five males; the number would have been much larger had not some lacked instruction, and three others spiritual fitness.

There was but one celebration of the Holy Communion, the Visitation, and at this there were thirty-four communicants. During his three days' visit, the Bishop three times performed the episcopal act of consecration, the first at St. Stephen's, Vankoughnet, to which place he was driven on Monday, January 12th, by Mr. Kirkpatrick, and arriving there about 10.30 proceeded to comply with the petition read by Mr. Churchwarden Cook. The church being free from debt, etc., the request was complied with, and the building was consecrated.

The Bishop in his address referred to the building as commodious and beautiful, and expressed his astonishment at what had been done in so short a time and at so small a cost. (We had hoped to give full particulars of the church, but must hold them over until next issue.) The offertory, which was toward the furniture of the church, amounted to \$7.00.

The service over, an informal business meeting followed, after which a basket appeared at the vestry, causing the Bishop to exclaim, "Oh, that old bakley custom!" and according to custom Bishop, missionary, and people soon discussed its contents. The next work was to return to headquarters, and at 4.30 p.m. the service of consecrating the graveyard at St. Paul's commenced. A bitterly cold north-west wind nearly cut us in two, and we were indeed thankful to get within the shelter of St. Paul's.

The congregation was the smallest we have ever seen in Uffington, and should think the Bishop never addressed a less number. Had a few of those who crowded the church the night before waited for this service, things would have been more equal.

The third service of consecration took place on Tuesday, the 13th: the graveyard of Christ Church, Purbrook. Here the congregation was about the station's usual average. After this service and that of confirmation, which was followed by an address, the Bishop held an inquiry into the needs of the church building. He at once agreed with the congregation that a new building was out of the question. It was decided to try and rebuild, first taking off the present roof, repair the walls, put on a new roof, and erect a chancel porch and vestry, to plaster the walls, and to put in new windows and doors; the missionary to report to his Lordship on the 24th the amount

the people could give toward the cost, and also the total amount of cost.

The Bishop, after being entertained by the churchwardens, was driven to Baysville by Mr. Kirkpatrick. COM.

Marriage.

EATON—FULLERTON.—In Christ's Church, Port Sydney, on Wednesday, January 7th, by the Rev. A. H. Allman (Incumbent), Mr. John Eaton, of Caldwell, Nipissing, to Miss Hannah Fullerton, of Watt, Muskoka.

Acknowledgments.

Bracebridge, Muskoka, Ont., Jan. 8th, 1891. *To the Editor* ALGOMA MISSIONARY NEWS,—I beg to acknowledge the receipt of a barrel of beautiful toys, fancy work, and books, for the Christmas tree at Falhenton and Bardsville in my mission, from the St. James' branch of the W.A., Toronto, in connection with which I would state that this tree and its contents gave unbounded satisfaction and delight to the children and their parents. About 60 presents were distributed in order of merit. The children went home with pleasure and surprise depicted in their faces. I also gratefully acknowledge the receipt of a large trunk of excellent clothing from the St. Thomas' branch of the W.A., Toronto. These gifts were most acceptable, and have found their way to the homes of the worthy poor in my mission. I also acknowledge on behalf of Mr. Stemont, Baysville (one of my stations) the following donations: one box from Miss Louisa Patterson, Sec.-Treas. W.A., Toronto; one bale from Miss Nancy Harvey, Sec. Girls' Havergal Branch; one bale from Miss Emma Sohmes, Sec. Ladies' Mission Aid, Deseronto; one box from Miss Kate Ridout, Sec. St. Mark's branch W.A., Parkdale, Toronto. With heartfelt thanks for all aid received, I would state that all our present need is now abundantly supplied. JAMES BOYDELL, Incumbent.

Mr. Arthur J. Cobb, catechist, Broadbent, begs to acknowledge the following donations: weekly supply of *Canadian Churchman* from Mrs. Wheeler, Collingwood; EVANGELICAL CHURCHMAN from an unknown lady; monthlies from Mrs. Kirby, Collingwood, and from Mrs. Grant, St. Alban's, England.

ILFRACOMBE.—The Rev. L. Sinclair desires to return grateful thanks to Miss M. Hopton, of West Malvern, England, for her kind gift of a surplice, electroplate communion set for one of the churches, and pocket set of the same material; also for the box of new clothing and other useful articles for distribution in the mission.

To the Editor of the ALGOMA MISSIONARY NEWS: SIR,—Kindly permit me with sincere thanks to acknowledge the receipt of one barrel of clothing and Christmas presents from Mrs. Ruttan, per the W.A., Senior and Junior, of Norway, and two cases of clothing and Christmas presents per W.A. of St. Peter's Church, Toronto; one bale of clothing, etc., from Mrs. Smith, Christ Church Rectory, London, Ontario, per W.A., Senior and Junior; one bale of clothing, etc., per Miss Cross, Lucknow, Ont.; and also one bale received from Mrs. Sullivan, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont. W. T. NOBLE, Incumbent, Gravenhurst, Ont.

The Rev. Alfred W. H. Chowne begs to acknowledge with hearty thanks to the ladies of the various societies who have rendered substantial aid to the poor in his new mission of Emsdale, and who have been the means of assisting 35 families, besides Sunday scholars, the following societies having contributed: per Rev. W. Mackenzie, Rural Dean, Milton; Rev. W. MacNab, St. Barnabas, St. Catharines; Mrs. Evans, Montreal; Miss L. Paterson, Toronto; Miss Powis, Hamilton; Mrs. M. E. McKeggie, Barrie; Mrs. Boddy, Toronto; the Lord Bishop of Algoma; several handsome gifts, e.g., gro-

ceries and clothing, being amongst these for the clergyman's family, for which personal thanks are humbly and heartily tendered.

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D. KEMP, *Treas.*

The Diocesan Librarian acknowledges with many thanks the donation, per Rev. G. H. Gaviller, "History of the Rebellion in Wexford," from an unknown friend. The Librarian wishes to make it known that donations of books to the Algoma Diocesan Clinical Library will be gratefully received and promptly acknowledged. Address, Rev. Rural Dean Llwyd, Librarian, Huntsville, Ontario.

SIR,—Permit me to acknowledge with sincere thanks: \$25.00 from the Bishop of Algoma; \$10.00 from G. F. Marter, Esq., M.P.P., Gravenhurst; \$1 from Miss Clark, Toronto; \$33.33 from the Rev. Canon DuMoulin, per the morning Sunday-school of St. James' Cathedral, Toronto, for the building fund of our contemplated Sunday-school in connection with St. James' Church, Gravenhurst. We have now about 18,000 feet of lumber and nearly \$100.00 in the treasury, and earnestly hope a sufficient amount—about \$300.00—will be forthcoming to enable us to begin building as soon as the snow goes away.

W. T. NOBLE, *Incumbent.*

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