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## To Our Friends.

The Bishop of Algoma desires to call the attention of the friends of his diocese to the following statement as to the present position of this little paper :

The total number of copies issued is 1,333. Of these, 38 are complimentary, 446 are prepaid, and 849 are in arrears. *The amount due by these latter up to July 15th, 1891, was \$386.19.* The paper is therefore in debt to this amount. This ought not to be, and will not continue to be if our friends will pay immediate attention to the accounts now being forwarded. THE NEWS is invaluable to the diocese as a means of circulating information as to our work and wants alike in England and Canada, but it ought surely to be *self-supporting*. This is all we ask. The publishers make not a dollar out of it. They are willing to receive simply the cost of publication. Were every subscriber to pay up promptly, there would be a small balance above this to help our missionary work, which is at present sorely in need of funds. Will our friends, then, be good enough, on receipt of their little accounts, to remit the amount at once, and so extricate us from our dilemma?

## A Bicycle Ride in Muskoka, Ontario.

Although Muskoka roads are not favourable to the use of the bicycle, abounding, as they do, in sand, rock, and hills, in by no means delightful alternation, with an occasional variation in the shape of a corduroy road, yet these difficulties may be overcome and (during the summer months) a pace of about six miles an hour attained, rendering this modern means of locomotion a very useful instrument in missionary work, as the following narrative may help to illustrate.

The day had been exceedingly hot and close, as I started on my bicycle for Baysville one Friday evening; the distance to be accomplished was eighteen miles, the road as I have described, and I was by no means sorry to arrive, about 9 p.m., at my comfortable quarters in Baysville. The next morning, Saturday, a parishioner volunteered to accompany me to Mrs. Cannington's, a point distant about fourteen miles by water from Baysville on the Lake-of-Bays.

The mission boat owned by Mr. Lloyd, my catechist, was placed at my disposal, and a very good boat she proved to be, for two pairs of oars made short work of the distance, landing us in ample time for the duties of the day at the hospitable abode of Mrs. Cannington, a Church family living on the shores of the lake. Here three children were brought to be baptized by their respective parents and sponsors. The usual service, with prayers and sermon, terminated my duties here. I then took advantage of the occasion to visit the Church families in the neighbourhood, having specially in view the building of a small church, to which good work I endeavoured to incite the settlers, who promised with one voice to begin work at once upon the lot already secured and deeded to the Bishop. After a few hours of counsel, we again embarked to pull our craft to Baysville. Our return journey, however, did not prove quite so pleasant, for we were overtaken by a rain-storm some distance from our destination, and arrived at about 8.30 p.m. quite wet through and not a little tired after our 25 miles' rowing.

In the morning, Sunday, I found three more children awaiting holy baptism in the church. I also administered the Holy Communion, with sermon. After a rather hurried dinner, I again mounted my bicycle for my homeward trip of 18 miles, having yet another service at Stoneleigh, half way between Baysville and Bracebridge. Once again I am unfortunate; down came the rain in torrents, and I arrive at Stoneleigh church wet through, but in good time for the service, when again I find three children awaiting me to be admitted into Christ's Church, through the door which He has ordained. Once more I am on the road, which the rain has not improved, for the clay is of that sticky consistency which causes it to cling, with anything but agreeable persistency, to the tires of my bicycle, until indeed the wheels were so clogged that the mud upon them scraped against the mud-guard, making progress a very difficult matter, and sticking on the saddle going down steep clay hills, a feat more amusing to look at than pleasant to perform. Like all other experiences, this had an ending, and I arrived in Bracebridge very wet, not a little tired, but ready for my tea, having accomplished 28 miles of rowing and 35 on my bicycle. Trusting that this brief outline of two days' missionary work in Muskoka

may not be wholly uninteresting to those whose hearts are with us, and whose purses are open to help us, I am, Mr. Editor, very truly yours,  
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### Church Building.

No less than eight churches are now in course of erection in the diocese, viz., at Lewisham and Purbrook in the Mission of Uffington (Rev. H. N. Burden); at Gregory and Beaumaris in the Port Carling district (Rev. W.A.J. Burt); at Brunel, in Rev. A.H. Allman's field; at Novar, in that of Rev. L. Sinclair; at Powassan, under the charge of Rev. G. Gander; and at Dunchurch (Rev. A. J. Young). The eight are all most urgently needed, as local habitation for the several little flocks that lie scattered around them. Unless they are rapidly completed, one of two fates awaits the members of the Church in their respective neighbourhoods. Either, on the one hand, they and their children will inevitably drift away into connection with other religious communions, always on the alert to attract and win them; or, on the other, they must relapse into such indifference to all churchgoing habits as will leave them practically pagans in the midst of a Christian land. In either case, their religious life is left uncared for, and they are, moreover, lost irrecoverably to the Church which calls and claims them as her children. In view of this grave issue, the Bishop grieves to say that *of the eight church edifices named above, he has funds sufficient for only one, viz., Powassan, and this through the generous aid of a Montreal Churchwoman, supplemented by the free-will offerings of the people in money, material, and voluntary labour.* The other seven have reached different stages of progress, some being only begun, others nearing completion; but they are *every one standing still, unfinished, and unavailable for public worship*, simply because the *necessary funds are not forthcoming* to supplement (1) the local efforts of the people, and (2) the grants made by the "S. P. C. K." On an average, these two latter combined provide about three-eighths of the whole cost in each case, i.e., about \$300 out of \$800. For the difference between these two amounts just named, we have to depend on the voluntary offerings of the friends of the diocese to our Church and Parsonage Fund. This fund, however, has reached the vanishing point. One or two friends in England, as will be seen in our column of acknowledgments, have recently remembered our needs, but we require at least \$2000 (£400) at this moment to supply existing necessities, and so enable seven little congregations of loyal Churchmen and women, with their children, to join in the common prayers and praises so familiar to them in the far-away motherland, and to sing, "I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord."

It will perhaps give added force to this appeal if we repeat the conditions on which our little unpretentious church edifices are erected:

- (1) The site must be deeded to the Bishop in trust.
- (2) The plans, specifications, etc., must be submitted to the Bishop for his approval before the building is begun.
- (3) The people must give to the full measure of their ability before any outside aid is promised.
- (4) Church debts are, as far as possible, carefully avoided.
- (5) Insurance must always be effected.

Contributions from those who sympathize with our needs, approve of these conditions, and are able to assist us, will be thankfully received by the Bishop of Algoma, Bishophurst, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario.

### Form of Bequest (Personalty).

"I give and bequeath to the Bishop of the Diocese of Algoma of the Church of England in Canada and his successors, the sum of . . . . . upon trust, that the same be by him and them appropriated and applied" (*See forms of bequests for special objects below.*)

*General Purposes*—"to the general purposes of the Missionary Diocese of Algoma."

*Missionaries*—"towards the encouragement and support of missionaries and clergymen of the Church of England in Canada, within the Missionary Diocese of Algoma."

*Widows and Orphans*—"towards the fund for making provision for the Widows and Orphans of the missionaries and clergy of the Church of England in Canada within the Missionary Diocese of Algoma."

*Divinity Students*—"towards a fund for granting assistance, where it may be necessary, to those who may be preparing for the ministry of the Gospel in the Church of England in Canada in the Diocese of Algoma."

*Churches, etc.*—"towards the erection, endowment, and maintenance of churches; the erection and maintenance of parsonage houses; the acquiring and setting apart burial grounds; and the endowment and support of parsonages and rectories in connection with the Church of England in Canada within the Diocese of Algoma."

*Episcopal Endowment Fund*—"towards creating a fund for the endowment of the bishopric of the Missionary Diocese of Algoma."

*Indian Missions*—"towards the education and evangelisation of the Indian tribes resident within the Missionary Diocese of Algoma."

*Superannuation*—"towards a fund for the superannuation of missionaries and clergymen of the Church of England in Canada, in the Diocese of Algoma, permanently incapacitated for active service by age, accident, sickness, or other adequate cause."

### Ordination at Rosseau.

Sunday, August 30th, was a red letter day in the Church history of Rosseau—a small and picturesque hamlet situated at the head of Lake Rosseau, in the district of Parry Sound—when the Right Rev. the Bishop of Algoma, attended by his chaplain and the Rural Deans of Muskoka and Parry Sound, administering holy orders in the Church of the Redeemer, ordained Mr. W. A. J. Burt to the diaconate, and the Rev. L. Sinclair, missionary at Ilfracombe, to the priesthood. The little church, built by the Rev. Dr. Newton many years ago, was altogether too small to accommodate the large congregation of residents and tourists that assembled for the ordination service. Morning prayer was said at nine o'clock by the clergy accompanying the Bishop. The ordination service began at eleven o'clock with the hymn, "The Church's One Foundation." The Bishop preached the sermon, taking for his subject, "John the Baptist, the Herald of Christ." After his ordination to the diaconate, the Rev. W. A. J. Burt read the Gospel. The Bishop was assisted in the imposition of hands at the ordination to the priesthood of Rev. L. Sinclair by the Rev. J. Boydell, examining chaplain, and Rural Deans Llwyd and Chowne. The Bishop and clergy then proceeded to the administration of the Holy Communion of the Lord's Supper, at which fifty communicated. At the offertory, the Bishop made an earnest appeal in behalf of the fund for a new parsonage, very greatly needed, which was responded to by an offertory of \$30.86. Service was again held in the evening, at which the Rural Dean of Muskoka preached.

The Rev. W. A. J. Burt has been appointed missionary at Port Carling, with Gregory, Port Sandfield, and Beaumaris as out-stations. At Port Carling and Beaumaris the Bishop introduced Mr. Burt to officers and parishioners as their newly-appointed clergyman. Mr. Burt has a splendid field for work, and enters upon his new duties under the most favourable auspices.—*Com.*

### Rural Deanery of Algoma.

A meeting of the above chapter was held at Gore Bay on August 12th and 13th. Since the establishment of the Rural Deanery of Algoma, this was the first formal meeting of the chapter. Owing to the long distances to be travelled, and other unexpected causes, there was only a limited attendance present—the Revs. Rural Dean Vesey, of Sault Ste. Marie; J. H. McLeod, Gore Bay; F. Frost, Sheguiandah. It was found impossible to carry out the programme as drawn up by the secretary. The Rural Dean having opened the meeting with prayer, the clergy present discussed generally ecclesiastical matters connected

with the deanery. Mr. Frost thought it most desirable the clergy should interchange occasionally, but he found by experience that the travelling expenses between the places were a great obstacle. To meet this difficulty, it was decided to make an application to the Bishop of the diocese for financial assistance. The Rural Dean expressed his regret that so few of the clergy were present.

At 8 p.m., Wednesday, there was service held in All Saints' Church, and the excellent sermon which was preached by the Rural Dean was listened to by a large and attentive congregation. Next morning at 8 a.m., there was an administration of the Holy Communion.

On Tuesday, the 18th, the annual Sunday-school picnic was held at Mr. James Carter's grove. The scholars and friends met at All Saints' Church at 9 a.m., and, the teams being on hand, a start was made for the beautiful grove, which was reached after about an hour's drive. The weather being all that could be desired the company, about two hundred and fifty altogether, commenced in earnest with the games of the day, which consisted of ball playing, racing, swinging, and log-racing on the lake, which caused a great deal of sport and amusement to the spectators, especially when any of the boys engaged in the race fell off their log and splashed into the water. When the very sumptuous dinner had been partaken of, which, every one seemed to relish after the drive and games, the amusements were resumed until about 6 p.m., when the teams were called out and all returned home, apparently well-pleased with the day's sport.—*Com.*

### Ilfracombe Mission.

The Rev. L. Sinclair, Incumbent, was advanced to the Holy Order of the Priesthood on Sunday, Aug. 30th, by the Right Reverend the lord Bishop of Algoma. The ordination took place at morning service in the Church of the Redeemer, Rosseau, in the presence of a congregation so large that the vestry had to be opened for those who could not find a place in the church. The priests who took part in the laying on of hands, in addition to the Bishop, were the Rev. Thomas Llwyd, Rural Dean of Muskoka; the Rev. Alfred W. H. Chowne, B.D., Rural Dean of Parry Sound and Nipissing; and the Rev. James Boydell, M.A., examining chaplain and Incumbent of Bracebridge, Muskoka.

On Tuesday, September 1st, Miss Lucy Anne Shaw, of McMurrich, and Mr. John Lillie, of Toronto, were married by the Rev. L. Sinclair in Christ Church, Ilfracombe. This is the first marriage solemnized in the church and therefore the bride will receive a Bible, to be presented from the congregation. The floral decoration of the chancel and altar deserves the highest credit.—L. S.

The annual picnic of Christ Church Sunday-school was held on the lake shore on Thursday, Aug. 13th. Service was held in the church at 11 a. m. by the Rev. L. Sinclair, Incumbent. Miss Bessie Brown, of Novar, presided at the organ, and Mr. John Tipper, choirmaster of St. John the Baptist's Church in Ravenscliffe, led the singing. The junior members of Ravenscliffe church choir were also present, having been brought by Mr. Tipper. Their help in the musical part of the service was very attractive. The weather was favourable and all seemed to enjoy the visit to Ilfracombe.

#### Grassmere.

On Wednesday, September 2nd, the Bishop, assisted by the missionary at Huntsville and the catechist serving Grassmere, consecrated the cemetery of St. Paul's, Grassmere, "to Almighty God for the burial of the dead, according to the rites and ceremonies of the Church of England, that the bodies of the faithful may therein rest in peace and hope of the resurrection to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord." The Bishop left the same day by 3:30 p.m. train going north for Sault Ste. Marie.—*Com.*

#### Bracebridge Mission.

I am very glad to be able to record a determined effort upon the part of the congregation of St. Thomas' Church, Bracebridge, to restore and beautify their church. The ladies, as usual, have tackled the work; and some, with self-determined vigour and warm enthusiasm, have handled the paint brush with skill and excellent effect, transforming its dingy walls into bright, cheerful, light-reflecting media of comfort and good taste. New and churchly furniture for the chancel has also been purchased, and we trust by Sunday next, Sept. 6th, to have everything decent and in order. True, we need and, I trust, will soon turn our attention to the building of a new church; but this is no reason why we should, in the meantime, sit and worship in unseemly shabbiness, more particularly as the furniture procured is of such a substantial and ecclesiastical pattern as will disgrace no building into which it may be removed.

The Bishop of the diocese, upon his return from the ordination at Rosseau, kindly consented to meet the members of St. Thomas' congregation at the parsonage. Mrs. Sullivan had intended to accompany his lordship, but on account of ill health was obliged to proceed upon her homeward journey, to the great regret of clergy and people. Quite a large number of the congregation took advantage of the invitation extended to all to meet his lordship, and a very agreeable and, I trust, profitable evening was spent in the discussion of matters relating to the interests of the church. It was a matter of regret that all the members of the church did not avail them-

selves of the invitation cordially by due notice extended to all and thus testify to their interest in the church and affection for their Bishop, but the notice was doubtless short, and, unfortunately, in some instances not clearly understood, as I have since ascertained. The Bishop had to pay the penalty of his thoughtful consideration of our interests by snatching only a few hours' sleep, rising at 4 a.m. to catch the train—having, after all, to pace the station platform for an hour in the early and misty hours of the morning—*en route* to Burk's Falls, where he was due at 8 a.m., for the consecration of a burial ground.

JAMES BOYDELL, *Incumbent*

#### Baysville Mission.

On Sunday, 9th ult., the Rev. J. Boydell, M.A., visited Baysville and the surrounding country. Seven children were presented for baptism. The Holy Communion was also administered to a large number.

#### Parry Sound Mission.

The Young Women's Guild of Trinity Church held their first picnic on Wednesday, the 19th August, on Mr. Galna's island. It was what is known as a "moonlight picnic," and truly it was such; the sky was beautifully clear, and the full harvest moon shone in all its glory. The steam yacht "Eagle" left the dock with a party of about one hundred of the village people at eight p.m., and reached the island in a few minutes, the distance being only about two miles. There refreshments were served, the woods being lighted with Chinese lanterns and torches; the brass band added to the pleasure of all present. But the event of the evening must not be forgotten, namely, the presentation of a gold watch to Mr. Percy Calhoun by the Rev. G. H. Gaviller, on behalf of the congregation of Trinity Church, in recognition of his valuable services to the mission during the past six years, as Sunday-school teacher and superintendent, as a member of the choir, and as churchwarden for two years. Mr. Calhoun leaves us to enter upon the study of medicine. He is a young man of great promise and will be sorely missed in Parry Sound.—*SCRIBE.*

#### The Bishop's Summer Tour.

The Right Reverend the Bishop of Algoma, accompanied by Mrs. Sullivan, has been paying a special visit to the Rural Deaneries of Muskoka and Parry Sound, for the purpose of consecrating cemeteries and holding an ordination at Rosseau. While in the lake district, the Bishop visited the vacant mission of Port Carling, preaching there and at the out-stations of Port Sandfield, Gregory, and Beaumaris.

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### Editorial Notes.

IN beginning the third year of the new series of THE NEWS, the editor desires, in the name of the Bishop and clergy, to thank all good people who have subscribed for the little diocesan paper, and, on his own behalf, to thank the Bishop and his fellow-missionaries of Algoma for their kind assistance in the way of items of news.

SOME little misunderstanding appears yet to exist in the minds of some of our readers as to the position occupied by the diocesan paper amongst the other Church papers of Canada. Some think it inclines to be too "Low Church"; others complain of a "tendency" to be too "High Church." The editor desires to state, once for all, that there is no tendency either one way or the other. THE NEWS is not in any sense a party paper, though perhaps this statement may be almost unintelligible to the minds of some; so divided is our poor Church, and so trained are the minds of many Churchmen to take only their own peculiar view of all questions of ritual.

THE ordination held on Sunday, 30th ult., at Rosseau (of which a report appears elsewhere in our columns), has increased our staff by the addition of one young and vigorous clergyman in the person of the Rev. Mr. Burt, a student of Trinity College, who has decided to cast in his lot with us. We extend a hearty welcome to our newly ordained co-worker, and are glad to accord him a full admission to all the rights and privileges enjoyed by the Algoma brotherhood, viz., bad roads, close quarters, plain fare, hard work, small stipend, diocesan peace and unity, our Bishop's sympathy and confidence, and, best of all, for all faithful labourers, the Master's benediction.

THE Bishop desires to tender his warmest thanks to the Rev. Canon Cayley, the Rev. Messrs. Hart, Spencer, Mockridge, and other clergy, who have so kindly officiated at various times and places during the summer in the lake districts. The services so willingly supplied are also gratefully appreciated by the settlers and visiting tourists. Indeed but for them more than one little church would have been closed just at the time when its doors most needed to stand wide open.

THE Bishop of Algoma still complains that his diocese is cramped for funds and short of missionaries to work the field. Why? There must be some answer. Can it be that there are yet those among our laity who know not the true pleasure of contributing towards the extension of Christ's kingdom in lone places, or the duty they owe to the Good Shepherd of the flock, even our Master Jesus, who gave His life for our salvation, and only asks in return our hearts and money, or our hearts and time? As to the difficulty in securing candidates for the work of the mission fields in Algoma, it must surely be caused by ignorance on the part of many young men as to the pleasures and benefits of missionary life. A hearty welcome from the parishioner, plenty of fresh air, dry and bracing, freedom from party strife, and a free hand to preach the everlasting Gospel, are blessings not to be despised!

### Notes by the Way.

WITH this issue, THE ALGOMA MISSIONARY NEWS enters upon its third year of the new series.

THE Bishop of Algoma's address is, "Bishophurst, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Canada."

THE REV. MR. BURT, who was ordained to the diaconate, at Rosseau, on the 30th ult., has been appointed by the Bishop to the mission of Port Carling.

THERE has been a greater amount of rain in the northern lake region during the past month than usual.

GEORGIAN BAY (ninety miles in length) has been the scene, it is said, of several wrecks recently, caused by the August gales, which were worse this year than for some years.

"HARVEST HOME" services and picnics will be the order of the day during the remainder of this month.

THE laity are reminded that, according to olden custom, all fruits of the earth taken by them to decorate their churches for harvest thanksgiving services, become the property of the Incumbent of the church or missionary of their mission.

### Clerical Changes.

The Rev. G. Gillmor, the popular and much respected Incumbent of North Bay, moves shortly to Rosseau, to take charge of that important field. Mr. Gillmor will be sorely missed at his old post, and is warmly welcomed in the lake district.

The Rev. W. T. Noble has accepted a "call" to the rectorship of Trinity Church, Quebec. He will remain at his post in Gravenhurst till the end of September. His removal will entail a serious break in our clerical ranks, and a great loss, not only to his present parish, but to the whole diocese. Missionaries of energy and ability such as Mr. Noble cannot well be spared from Algoma, and we cannot help thinking that other dioceses might very well refrain from casting covetous eyes on our scanty resources, and coaxing away our best and most energetic workers.

### Emsdale Mission.

On the evening of Tuesday, July 28th, the Rev. P. L. Spencer, of Thorold, Ont., delivered a lecture in the Orange Hall, Emsdale, for the purpose of raising funds for the purchase of the new burial ground. The Rev. Rural Dean Chowne acted as chairman. The lecture was entitled "A Missionary Tour around the World," and was profusely illustrated with very fine stereopticon views of various scenes in many countries. The lecture was agreeably interspersed with an address and a recitation from the Rev. L. Sinclair, Incumbent of Ilfracombe, and also with songs and instrumental music by various members of the congregation and others, who displayed great talent. Mr. Tate, of Huntsville, who was visiting in the village that evening, favoured the audience with a few of his choicest selections. Refreshments were served in the office of the Parry Sound Railway Company adjacent, the use of which was kindly granted for the evening by the contractors. Altogether a pleasant, instructive, and profitable evening was spent, for which the ladies of the congregation deserve a large share of the credit.

On Wednesday evening Mr. Spencer delivered his lecture at Eberston, in the township of Bethune, in the eastern portion of the Emsdale Mission. The proceeds were for the purpose of buying lamps for St. James' Church of that place.

On Thursday evening the lecture was repeated at Katrine, in the northern portion of the mission, for the purpose of raising funds for the building of St. Mark's Church driving-shed at Emsdale.

The attendance at all places was good, and all were delighted with the able manner in which the Rev. Mr. Spencer illustrated—both by word and picture—the progress of Christianity at home and abroad.

The Rev. Alfred W. H. Chowne begs to acknowledge with hearty thanks the very kind note contain-

ing \$2 from "A. F.," New Brunswick, in response to his appeal. Will not others kindly help this new mission in like manner?

On Tuesday, Aug. 4th, the Sunday-school scholars of Emsdale were treated to a picnic in Mr. Michel's bush, where swings were erected, and quoits and croquet were provided, for their amusement. A good, substantial tea was enjoyed by the scholars and teachers alike. Many of the parents and friends of the children were present and shared in the sports and the good things provided. Races were run, and great was the enjoyment of superintendent and teachers to see the scholars, both big and little, enjoy themselves to the full. The evening closed by singing "God Save the Queen" and giving three hearty cheers for Mr. Hamlin, the superintendent, and three more for the teachers which made the woods resound, after which all went home, having enjoyed the day thoroughly.

We deeply regret to say that we have lost the valuable assistance in the Sunday-school of Mr. W. L. B. Hamlin, who has gone to Buffalo.

### Burk's Falls Mission.

*Editor of The Algoma Missionary News:*

MR. EDITOR,—I am again troubling your readers with items from this portion of the diocese. I am afraid there is little in them to interest your readers, but here they are:

On Sunday morning, 30th ult., the Incumbent, Rev. P. G. H. Robinson, preached a funeral sermon in All Saints' Church at Burk's Falls, from the words: "O death, where is thy sting," I. Cor. xv. 55. He gave the mourners and their friends an impressive discourse, one which brought tears to the eyes of all present. His earnest and, one might be pardoned in saying, eloquent words sank deep into the hearts of all, and none could help carrying away with them a lasting remembrance of the solemn occasion. The attendance was large, and composed, in most part, of our own membership.

During the morning service in All Saints' Church on the 30th ult., the Incumbent baptised the infant daughter of Mr. Edward Bazett, our Dominion and Provincial Land Surveyor. At the evening service Mr. Bazett, the lay reader, conducted the service, and read a short but interesting and instructive sermon, which was attentively listened to by a goodly number of regular attendants on the services of the church.

Our churchgoers, on Sunday, 30th ult., were pleasantly surprised at having a substantial wood walk-way, leading from the gate to the church steps, built by Mr. Walter Freeston and some of the young men of the church, who had performed the work without the expectation of fee or reward other than the grateful thanks of the Church people.

On Tuesday, Sept. 1st, his lordship the Bishop of Algoma visited this mission, and at 2 p.m. held a consecration service at the new and finely situated cemetery. He was accompanied by the Incumbent, and was met at the entrance by upwards of 30 of our Church members. When all was in readiness Mr. Richard Clay, the minister's warden, read the petition of consecration, when a procession was formed, headed by Mr. Wm. A. Kelsey, the verger, and walked about the grounds reading the xxiii., xxxix., xc., and ciii. Psalms, after which the Incumbent read the lesson from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Thessalonians, iv. chapter, from the 13th verse to the end of the chapter. His lordship then requested the Incumbent to read the sentence of consecration, after which the Bishop addressed the people in exhortation to good works, a proper care for the dead and the living, setting forth the sacredness of the last resting-place, explaining the difference between sacred and holy as applied to the burial of the dead. He requested that the people at an early day organize a Board of Managers whose duty would be to see that proper care was taken of the grounds, and to have the grounds cleared of all the stumps, undergrowth, etc., so that the lot owners could care for, beautify, and adorn their plots. The singing of the 231st hymn and closing prayers concluded this interesting service. The Rev. Rural Dean Chowne was present, but arrived too late to take part in the ceremony of consecration. He was accompanied by his wife.

In the evening his lordship held confirmation service in All Saints' Church, Burk's Falls, and confirmed nine candidates, ranging in age from forty-nine to sixteen years, five being males and four females, presented by the Incumbent. He was assisted in the service by the Rev. Rural Dean Chowne and the Incumbent. The service and ceremony were impressive, and every attention was paid to them by a large congregation. His lordship addressed the candidates in his usual instructive style; afterwards he addressed the congregation, taking for a text the words, "Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them," St. Matthew's vii. chapter, 12th verse. During his eloquent delivery, he dwelt upon the questions of idle gossip, vicious scandal, and debasing intemperance, urging a reformation among those who might be guilty of these sins or any of them. At the conclusion he stated that the offertory would be applied to the church parsonage building fund, that he was convinced of the importance of the work, and so far what had been done was by the personal efforts of the Incumbent and his wife; that it now becomes necessary for the people of Burk's Falls to take hold of the matter themselves and raise what money they could among themselves, and thus show their desire for a comfortable home for the minister and his

family. Unless they take the matter up themselves they cannot expect the Bishop to help them, nor the Incumbent, who must have a better home than he now inhabits if he remains in the mission. The result of his lordship's appeal without any previous notice resulted in a good collection; and now that the Bishop has spoken there will be an impetus given which will result in the early erection of the needed parsonage. Already a concert is spoken of, to come off at an early day, and a committee will be formed at once. The friends abroad need not fear to send in their mites to the fund, for we mean business; and, poor as our people are, they can and will do something, if it be only the "widow's mite."

His lordship was compelled to leave to get the Pacific express going south, and the Holy Communion was administered by the Rev. Rural Dean Chowne, assisted by the Incumbent, after which the benediction closed the service, which had been one of importance and long to be remembered.—*Kelsey*.

His lordship the Bishop of Algoma, recently arrived from Europe, is expected to visit us on the 2nd of September, when he will consecrate our cemetery grounds and administer the holy rite of confirmation in All Saints' Church, Burk's Falls, Rev. P. G. H. Robinson, the Incumbent, having several candidates to present.

The church property has had some attention paid to it by our people this summer. Mr. Walter Freeston, the people's warden, has been energetic for our comforts and the welfare of the church by taking hold of some improvements in the way of a driving-shed, which has been completed, giving us a substantial structure, which will be comfortable for horses in the cold and stormy weather; the ground around the church has been freed from stone and the approach to the driving-shed levelled; the pathway to the church door has been freed from the projecting stone and the church's chimney been rebuilt and enlarged; and he now proposes to build a slatted walk from the gateway to the church steps, also around the church to the vestry for the convenience of the clergy and choir. He has been getting the younger members of the congregation and communicants interested, and nearly all this work was done by them without pay. He never mentioned putting down a plank for the bell-ringer. It is supposed *he* can get to and from the (temporary) tower without the aid of a plank to walk on, but it would be much nicer and cleaner with one. Perhaps he thinks the bell-ringer will put down his own walk, but it is hoped he will take a hint. It had been the intention of the people to have the church building painted this summer, but the lack of funds will prevent, although the edifice much needs it for the preservation of the property.

The parsonage question is in abeyance, as there is not yet a sufficient sum in hand to warrant going on with the work. Rev. P. G. H. Robinson and his wife have done much toward the object in securing funds through their friends, and the people have and will aid all they can, but this is not enough. Some three or four hundred dollars is still needed to build such a parsonage, including barn and stable, as will be of value to the church property. A shell is money thrown away; a substantial, comfortable, roomy house will be equivalent to an investment.

On Thursday, Aug. 13th, the children of All Saints' Church Sunday-school here, with their teachers and superintendent, congregated at the church, and were met by the Incumbent, who conducted a short service, and all were then conveyed in wagons to the fine shady grove on Mr. Richard Clay's land near Doe Bay, where their annual picnic was held. The day was spent in the various amusements peculiar to child life, not excepting the eating of goody-goodies and substantial food, that were in abundance. The usual downfall of water, as through a sieve, greeted the picnickers, but not enough to interrupt or mar the pleasures of the hour. The company was small, but a happy one; and at six o'clock a movement was made for home, where all arrived in due time without a mishap, and happy they had had the day out. Mr. Arthur Laxton, superintendent, and the teachers, assisted by the Incumbent, were untiring in their efforts to please the children, making the older ones happy as well. Mr. Richard Clay, the minister's warden, upon whose grounds we were, with his usual urbanity and jovial manners, came to welcome the school and help in the enjoyments of the day. Mrs. W. A. Kelsey took charge of the refreshments, and assisted by Mrs. John Milne, the Misses Annie Sharpe, Ella and Laura Bucher, Gussie Mathias, and others, dispensed the eatables, and all were supplied. The superintendent and teachers return thanks to those who sent baskets, being themselves unable to attend. A deeper interest in these church gatherings should be taken by the church members, as well as in the Sunday-school, thus encouraging the children who are growing up to take the places now occupied by the older ones.

Our church is again depleted by the death of Mrs. James Holbert, which sad event occurred August 24th. She leaves a large family of young and grown-up children and an affectionate husband to mourn her loss. They have the deep sympathy of the people to whom she was well-known in life.—*Com.*

### "Who will Help in Brunel?"

*To the Editor of the Algoma Missionary News:*

SIR,—The question above was asked in your June issue, when I appealed for \$200, and I am very glad to be able now to show that varying answers have been received from many persons in different localities. I am quite hopeful that the stream will run on and widen, so that, skilled labour being now on the new church, I may be able to retain it until all that can be accomplished in no other way has been completed. My former letter appeared also in the Church papers, and the items of the responses are as follows:—"Voyager," \$10; Louise Reazin, \$2; G. H. Timbury, \$2; John Devine, \$2; Mrs. Boomer, \$1; a Friend, \$2; G. C. Wells, \$2; a Lady, \$2; Mrs. Gault, \$5; "E.H.A.," \$10; "H.," \$5; Alice Hamer, \$2. Total, \$44.

ARTHUR H. ALLMAN,  
Incumbent of Port Sydney Mission.

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Receipts at Synod office, Toronto, for August, for the Diocese of Algoma.

*For Diocesan General Fund.*—Special contributions per D. and F. Mission Board, \$326.66; grant from D. and F. Mission Board, \$2700; per Mrs. E. S. Stubbs, Miss L. Brodie, 5s. 6d.; Mrs. Arthur Ritson, £1; Rev. Canon Christopher, 10s.; response to census appeal, 13s.; Miss S. E. Truman, annual subscription, 5s.; Job i. 21, annual subscription, £5; sales of needle work, by Mrs. A. Ritson, 2s. 2d.; by Mrs. E. S. Stubbs, £1 4s. 4d.; offertory on steamer "Sardinian," \$9.72; Mrs. Kilmer, \$5; Thomas Scott, Esq., £20; Rev. D. B. Bevan, £5; Mrs. F. G. Smart, £5; Mrs. Douglas, £5; Mrs. Malden, £1; Miss Muggaridge, £3 3s., do., subscription, £2 2s.; the Misses Chippendale, £2; F. Cleeve, Esq., £1 1s.; Admiral Rodd, £1; A. Keene, Esq., 10s.; Miss Muggaridge, subscription, £3 3s.

*For Special Purposes Fund.*—For Burk's Falls Parsonage Fund: Toronto, St. James' Sunday-school, \$44.65. For Powassan Church Building Fund: Mrs. Cox and a few friends, £6 6s.

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D. KEMP, *Treasurer.*

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