

English-speaking Brothers at Wikwemikong according to a summary of the History of Wikwemikong Mission made by Father Paquin, from the House diary.

1. In the Jesuit personnel of Wik... ~~for~~ for 1848 Brother John Callaghan is mentioned. In the personnel for 1854 he is listed as cook, but on June 9th of that year it is stated he departed for Fort William.
2. Brother Sweeney's name occurs in the personnel list as arriving at Wik.. on July 2, 1854. In 1857 he was cook, and in 1859 he was cook and carpenter. It is stated that on May 20, 1859 he returned from Owen Sound with provisions and three head of cattle. As his name does not appear in the personnel list the following year he was probably sent elsewhere in the Status.
3. It is clear that Brother Hogan replaced the above, for he was at Wik... on June 29, 1859. In the 1861 status he is said to be farmer there. It is mentioned that on Feb. 4, 1861 he "went to the bush to cut fence-rails. Apparently he did not last long as farmer, for it is mentioned that on Sept. 15 Brother McNamara arrived and was appointed farmer. Very likely he was added to the Brother staff at Wik... because Bro. Veronneau who had been there for some years had to be taken to Montreal where he died on August 3, 1861.
4. Brother Mc<sup>m</sup>amara took his last vows at Wikwemikong on Oct. 10, 1859. He had arrived there on Sept. 15 of that year, apparently replacing Bro. Veronneau who was taken to Montreal sick and died on Aug. 3, 1859. Bro. Mc<sup>m</sup>amara was farmer while at Wikwemikong, but not for long, for it is written that he left Wik... for Guelph on June 3, 1861.
5. On June 1, 1862 Brother Muldoon arrived in Wik... During that year the Brothers at Wik.. included Bros. Jenesseaux, Hogan, Stoechlin, and Muldoon. Brother Muldoon was named farmer on his arrival there, and Bro. Stoechlin was assistant-farmer. Bro. Jeunesseaux was teacher of the Indian boys, and Bro. Hogan was cook. On June 19 Bro. Muldoon was given the Indian name of Tibishkohijik. Brother Hogan and Brother Stoechlin had left Wik... and were not there in 1864. But Bro. Stoechlin apparently returned in October of that year. He 29, 1865. had been at Garden River meanwhile. It is said that during arch 1866 the Brothers made "a large provision of fence-rails" It is stated that on August 18, 1866 Brother Stoechlin left Wik.. for Buffalo
6. On June 14 <sup>1867</sup> Brother James Clark. He was made assistant to Bro Muldoon on the farm. Bro VClark was given the Indian name of Ogidanakwad, on Sept 15 1867.
- 7 The next Irish brother who arrived at Wik.. was Brother Hickey who came on Aug. 29, 1869. We read that on May 3, 1867 "Frequent complaints were made against Bro. Lavoie, cook and gardner" probably by Indians. On May 27, 1867 Bro. Muldoon, still at Wik.. took his last vows. Bro Hickey became associated with Bro. Jeunnessaux as teacher in the school on Nov. 19, 1869. Evidently Brothers Muldoon and Clarke were go farmers for on April 18 of the same year it is reported that the crop of 1868 amount to: 122 lbs of potatoes, 300 lbs of oats, 60 lbs. of turnips, 168 bushels of peas, 15 tons of hay, 20 tons of straw, 28 heads of cattle, 1 mare and foal, 4 oxen, and 49 sheep. It is noted however that by Dec. 1 one third of the petato crop of that year had

rotted in the cellar. On Jan. 15, 1872 it is mentioned that Brother Muldoon tanned an ox hide to make shoe leather. On July 2 a threshing machine was bought for \$260.

8. On Oct. 5 1874 Brother Devine arrived. On Aug. 2 it is stated that Brother Muldoon made 130 gallons of currant wine using up (besides the currants 250 lbs of sugar. It is stated also, but no doubt there was no connection, that on the same day the currant wine was made, Bishop Jamot and Archbishop Lynch arrived at Wik...
9. During 1875 there were six brothers at Wik...: Bros. Jeunesseaux, Clarke Muldoon (who was evidently a handy lad around) Lavoie, Hickey, and Devine; but Bro. Lavoie was not well. But in the 1876 personnel Bro. Muldoon is no longer mentioned (Very likely too handy to stay at Wik..) However it is stated that Bro. Kays came in September of that year. Brother Hickey left Wik.. for the last time on Sept. 17 on account of illness. He died in Montreal on Nov. 3 of that year.
10. Brother Brown, a novice, arrived at Wik... on May 25, 1877. On Dec. 3 that year it is stated that he opened a night school for adults and had 25 present. On Feb. 14, 1878 he gave an entertainment by his pupils.
11. On Aug. 5, 1878 Brother Brady arrived at Wik... On June 4, 1878, Bro. Brown had probably let his school out for their summer vacations for he whitewashed the church, and remodeled the front of it. In 1879 the Brothers at Wik... were Jeunesseaux, Clarke (till May-7), Devine, Brown, Kochmstedt, Brady and Lehoun. On August 8 Bro. Considine arrived. On May 10 we are told that Brother Brown was ill and left for Montreal. It was he who replaced Bro. Brown. Of course Bro. Clarke left Wik... on May 7. We are not told who replaced him.
12. On August 7 Brother Fortier arrived at Wik to replace Brother Devine who left there on August of the same year, 1880 to go to the new St. Dunstan's College, Charlottetown taken over by the Society that summer. We are also told that on Nov. 8 Brother Brady left for his own Province, New York. Until Aug. 13, 1879, the Canadian mission was joined to that of the New York Province, and often New York brothers & others had worked in Canada.
13. In 1881 the Brothers at Wik... were Jeunesseaux, Clarke, Kochmstedt Considine, Lehoun, Goodwin (who arrived on June 2) Genest and Pelltier. Brother Goodwin was named a teacher. On July 19 1881, Brother Considine left Wik.. for Guelph. On August 29 we are told that Brother Kochmstedt had good success in printing the calendar for 1883 Brother Goodwin left Wik.. on Sept. 4, 1882. On June 13 1883 we are told that Brother Genest went to Owen Sound to get tools for his shop.
14. On Dec. 20, 1883 three of the Brothers were ill: Bro Jeunesseaux received the last Sacraments; Brother Clarke was ill of cholera, but recovered; and Brother Pelltier "lost his head" and had to be watched. The latter left for Montreal via C.P.R. in charge of Brother Genest on Dec. 31, 1883. Brother Jeunesseaux died on July 1, 1884 - June 29, 1884.
15. On Jan. 10, 1885 it is stated that Brother Kochmstedt was often disabled. Brother Murphy arrived at Wik.. evidently to replace some of the departed brethren. This was Bro. Daniel Murphy. All these years Brother Clarke remained at Wik.. without a change. But in the personal of 1889 Brother Murphy's name does not occur. Apparently he had gone to other parts.
16. In 1893 the Brothers at Wik.. included not only Brother Clarke but Brothers Deough and Sheehan as well. It is stated the latter arrived on Feb. 2, but on October 29 Brother Sheehan is said to be sick and leaves for Montreal.
17. On June 6, 1894 Brother Bashnagel arrived at Wik.. to be cook. And

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on August 17, 1894, Brother Keough was relieved of his vows and left the Society. Bro. Clarke is at Wik.. all this time. On Aug. 8 1895, Brother Clancy arrived at Wik..

By 1898 Brother Sheehan had recovered his illness sufficient to return to Wik... We are told that on Feb. 10 a very artistic pulpit was built by Bro. Gauthier and installed in the Church. On Aug. 15 1889 Brother Sheehan took his last vows. On Nov. 22 Brother Sheehan again left for Montreal. Apparently Wik.. was too much for him, but Brother Clarke remains on all these years. On Sept. 14, 1889 Brother Clancy left for St. Boniface.

July 29, 1899, KOEHMSTEDT

We are told that on Feb. 19, Brother Koehmstedt was called to Montreal, on Sept. 22 Brother Koehmstedt was relieved of his vows, but he begged to remain on in the village \ KOEHMSTEDT. (Buried at Wikwemikong)

Brother Clarke had remained at Wik.. from June 14, 1867 till Feb. 20, 1905 when after six weeks illness he died at the age of 79. He had had 37 years of religious life in the Society. He was buried in the old cemetery at Wikwemikong.

The only other mention of an English speaking Brother at Wikwem. is that of a Brother Grady who appears in the status for 1913; unless the Brother Laflamme who was at Wik. about this time was our Brother Laflamme.

On July 22, 1913 the schools were transferred to Spanish, and Wik.. ceased to be more than the Mission establishment, it is to-day.

English-speaking Brothers who served God at Wikwemikong.

John Callaghan,	James Clarke	Considine	Clancy
Sweeney	Hickey	Goodwin	Grady
Hogan	Devine	Murphy	
Camara	Kays	Sheehan	
Muldoon	Brady	Bashnagel	

Joachim Koehmstedt