

Distribution of Missionaries At and Around Wikwemikong

<u>Y EAR</u>	<u>MISSIONARIES</u>	<u>MISSIONS</u>	<u>ATTACHED MISSIONARIES & MISSIONS.</u>
1925	Frs <u>T.Desautels</u> (1/10/22), C.Vandriesche; BB E.Gauthier, G.Lehoux	Wikwemikong, Baswa, S.Bay, Wik'sing	J.Cadot (Cape Croker), E.Comte(Killarney), E. Papineau (L.Current), <u>L.Desjardins</u> (Sud'by), V.Renaud (Bayof Mission), L.Porcheron (SS Marie), W. Gagnieur (SS Marie, USA) <i>omit.</i>
1926	Same + Bro A.Parent, - Bro E.Gauthier	Same	Same
1927	Same + Fr J.Howitt	Same	Same, exc.+Frs J.Paquin(Killarney), -E.Comte(Kill'ey), <u>L.Desjardins</u> (SS.M.), L.Porcheron(Sudb'y) <i>omit.</i>
1928	Same + V.Renaud, - J.Howitt, C.Vandriesche	Same	J.Cadot & C.Vandriesche (C.Croker), J.Paquin(Killarney), E.Papineau (L.Current), <u>L.Desjardins</u> (SSM) +J.Howitt(PortArthur), L.Porcheron (Sudb'Y), W.Gagnieur (SS.M., USA) <i>omit.</i>
1929	<u>V.Artus</u> (4/8/28), V.Renaud, C.Vandriesche; BB M.Flynn, G.Lehoux, A.Parent.	Same	J.Cadot(C.Croker), E.Comte(Killarney), *E.Papineau(L.C.) L.Porcheron(Sudb'y), <u>L.Desjardins</u> (SSM), T.Desautels (Nipigon), Jos Couture(Longlac), W.Gagnieur (SS Marie, USA) <i>omit.</i>
1930	<u>V.Artus</u> , C.Vandriesche; BB F.Basiglio, A.Parent.	Same	Same
1931	Same + Fr A.Rolland	Same	Same
1932	<u>C.Belanger</u> (25/10/31) O.Labelle; BB F.Basiglio, A.Parent	Same	V.Artus(C.Croker), J.Cadot(Saugeen), E.Comte(Kill'y) L.Porcheron(L.C.), T.Desautels(Sudb'y).
1933	Same + Fr E.Flaherty	Same	Same
1934	V.Artus, C.Belanger, T.Dwyer; BB X D.McMyler, A.Parent	Same	O.Labelle(C.Croker), J.Paquin(Kill'y), L.Porcheron(L.C.), J.Cadot(Saugeen), T.Desautels(Sudb'y).

*R.I.P. -E.Papineau, July 31-31 at St Michael's Hosp. Tor., aged 55.

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1936	J. Paquin (31/5/35), C. Belan- ger, V. Renaud*; BB M. Flynn, A. Parent	Same	O. Labelle (C. Crok), L. Porcheron (L.C.), J. Cadot (Sau- geen), L. Desjardins (Sudb'y), P. Prud'homme (SSM), W. Gagnieur (SSM, for Michigan side).
1937	J. Paquin, C. Belanger, V. Artus, A. Rolland; BB J. Morin, A. Parent	Same	Same
1938	J. Paquin*, V. Artus, J. Barker, C. Belanger, T. Hynes; BB W. Grubb, J. Morin	Same	O. Labelle (C. Croker), T. Dwyer (L.C.), L. Porcheron (Sud bury), P. Prud'homme (SSM both sides, i.e. Can & USA).
1939	Fr T. Moylan (28/12/38), C. Bel- anger, E. Flaherty; BB E. McLaren, J. Morin	Same	Same
1940	T. Moylan, C. Belanger, Jos Dwyer	Same	O. Labelle (C. Croker), E. Flaherty (L.C.), L. Porch (Sdy)
1941	Same - J. Dwyer	Same	Same + J. Dwyer (West Bay), - E. Flaherty & L.C.
1942	Same	Same	Same
1943	Jos Dwyer (2/6/42), C. Belanger	Same	J. Howitt (C. Croker), J. Barker (W. Bay), Porcheron (Sdy)
1944	Same	Same	Same
1945	Same	Same	Same
1946	Same + E. Flaherty	Same	J. Barker (C. Croker), J. Howitt (W. Bay), Porcheron (Sdy)
1947	J. Dwyer, L. Desjardins, E. Fla- herty	Same	Same
1948	J. Barker (Vice-S. 31/7/47), L. Des- jardins, E. Flaherty	Same	J. Dwyer (C. Croker), J. Howitt (W. Bay), L. Porch. (Sdby).
1949	Same - L. Desjardins	Same	Same
1950	C. Rushman (Sup 31/7/49), J. McHugh, E. Flaherty	Same	Same

* R.I.P. V. Renaud, Mar 14-36. - at Wikwem.
----- J. Paquin, May 11-38 - " "

Mission Statistics - Oct. 1950

Wikwemikong - Fathers C. Rushman S.J - O. Labelle S.J.- D. Hannin S.J.

	<u>Churches</u>	<u>Schools</u>	<u>Pupils</u>	<u>Indians</u>	<u>Nonvath.</u>	<u>Helpers</u> <u>Sisters-Lay</u>
Wikwemikong	- 1	2	124	1055		4
Buswa	- 1	1	32	26	136	
South Bay	- 1	0	0	150		1
Wikwemikongsing-	1	1	30	46	255	<i>One teacher in each of the mission schools</i>
Rabbit Island	- 0	1	30	33	665	
Manitowaning	- 0	0	0	38		
Murray Hill	-	1	35	127		
		4	6			

P.S. These numbers are a little too much like round figures to be exact. Could you check, please?

In marking the pupils in the above list would you please just put down those at the schools in Wik.?

How many at Garnier ? *130 - roughly.*

Also would you please note what missions Frs. Labelle and Hannin look after respectively?

Father Labelle has (Stony) Wikwemikongsing, South Bay, Buswa, Manitowaning - Murray Hill, 2 Lane Wikwemikong & Rabbit Island. Father Hannin has the Adult Education at Wikwemikong.

A.M.D.G.

Date ... *April 25/48*

Rev. and dear Father:

P.C. Would you be so kind as to fill in the blank columns below with their requested information. My prime motive in making this survey is to draw an up-to-date table of statistics of Our Province's Missions. Another important reason is to promote interest in these missions --- being rational, outsiders as well as scholastics want to know what they are working for. *These statistics are needed for a missionary exhibit in the U.S.A.*

Missionary Priest, Rev. Fr. *Jos. BARKER S.J., ED. FLAHERTYSS, LEO DESJARDANS*
 Main Residence *W.I.K.W.E.M.I.K.O.N.G.*

Stations at:-	No. of PUPILS IN SCHOOLS Miles from Residence	Catholics		Non-Caths		Church?	Catholic School?	Helpers SISTERS -
		White	Red	W.	R.			
WIKWEMIKONG	124	0	1000	0	0	1	2	4
BUSWA	32		120	0	0	1	1	
SOUTH BAT	0		150	1	0	1	0	
WIKWEMIKONGSING	30		250	0	0	1	1	
RABBIT ISLAND	30		90	0	0	0	1	
MANITOWANING	0		38	-	-	0	0	
	216		1638	1	0	4	5	4

Rev. G. Barker

Gratefully yours in Xto
 Jesuit Mission Academy
 (Mr. Wm. P. Maurice S.J.).

HOME MISSION SURVEY

NORTHERN ONTARIO (1950 December)

MISSION STATION: W. KWEMIKONG (name) (no. on line) (days of stay)

I RELIGIOUS:-

- 1) CHURCH: Original Bldg.? *Yes* By whom? *M. Chone* When? *Started 1860*
 Dimensions: *140 x 10* Capacity: *700* Caretaker? *Yes*
 Construction: *Stone* ✓ Brick Wood (Stone ✓)
- 2) RESIDENCE:- When Built? *1880* By? *F. Lavangault* Construction: (Brick (Wood
 If none, where stay? *Yes. Chapel holds 150*
- 3) ORGANIZATIONS:- Men - *Holy Name* Women *Sodality*
 Boys - *Sports* Girls *Children of Mary*
 Choir? *Yes* Who trains? *J. Peltier* Altar Boys *Yes* No. *22*
- 4) SCHOOL:- Original Bldg.? *Yes* By whom? *Government* When? *1932*
 How many grades *8* Enrollment *120* Capacity *120*
- 5) INDIANS *1225* WHITE *None* Settled Pop.? *Yes* Scattered?
 Pervert Cath.? Good *✓* Fair Poor Indifferent
 Hostile Cooperative *✓* Uncooperative
 Primitive Educated Level of Education - *Grade 6*
 Uneducated Lazy Energetic

II SOCIAL:

Any leaders? *Yes* Good? *fair* No. on school board?
 Organized sports *Yes* Kind *Hockey, Softball & chess team*
 School plays *Yes* What adult entertainment? *Movies, bingo, Soccer*
 Health:- Good Fair *✓* Poor Prevalent Diseases? *T.B. dromatous.*
 Average births per year *30* Deaths *20*
 Population stable? *Yes* Floating Pop.No.? *200*

III POLITICAL

Enfranchised? Treaty Indians? *✓*

IV ECONOMIC

Main occupations:- Lumber *✓* Mines Hunting Fishing *Farming*
 Trapping *Other some trapping*
 Financial Status:- Good Fair *✓* Poor
 Influence of whites:- Good Bad *For the most part good*
 Problems:- Drink *✓* How to cope with it *n.b*
 Superstition' Notable Type
 Other *✓*
 Country:- Wooded *✓* Rocky *✓* Barren Swamp land Many rivers & lakes *✓*
 Suitable for agriculture? *(un)* Best Type? *Mixed Farming*
 Transportation:- People (Summer Train Car *✓* Horse *Boat*
 (Winter *Car*)
 Missionary: (Summer *Car*
 (Winter
 Improvements in mission recently:- (What (When *1950* (By whom *M. Peltier*)

N.B. For additional information, use reverse side. List data under titles, as above, if possible, i.e., Religious, Social, Political, Economic.

n.b Drink is a definite problem. Last winter, due to the many activities in arena, there was very little drinking. Difficultly arise from men and boys working off the Reserve. - Come home with pocketful of money - spend follows. Only some Sodality has helped.

Organizations -

- 1) Risk Committee
- 2) Veterans
- 3) Agric. Society
- 4) Band (Brass)

4) <u>School</u> -	School at Rabbit Island -	30 pupils
	Boswa	27 "
<u>Missions</u>	Murray Hill	45 "
	Kaboni	30 "

- 3) Indians - South Bay - in co-operative

Social - 5 Organized School Reserve Teams -

1 Senior Hockey Team

Adult Education classes.

Play presented by Adult Education Group.

Boths - average - missions (12)

Improvements

Residence - 1) Rooms painted

2) Domestic chapel renovated

3) Stone fence built around property

4) Windows of residence painted

5) (Hydro to be installed July - cost of \$ 2000)

Boswa church insulated brick siding

Kaboni church painted.

Section 5.

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28/2/1932 J.7.

Rev . Chas. Bélanger, S.J.
 Holy Cross Mission,
 Wikwemikong, Ont.

<u>MISSIONS:</u>	INDIANS		<u>TOTALS:</u>
	<u>CATHOLIC</u>	<u>NON CATHOLIC</u>	
Wikwemikong	1,204		1,204
Wikwemikongsing	190		190
South Bay	179		179
Baswa	<u>125</u>		<u>125</u>
	1,694		1,694
 <u>CHURCHES:</u>	CATH. 4	" -	4
<u>SCHOOLS:</u>	" 4	" -	4
<u>Territory :</u>	245	Sq. Mis.	
PRIESTS	2		
BROTHERS	2		
SISTERS	2		

Section 5.

Rev. Chas. Bélanger, S.J.
 Holy Cross Mission,
 Wikwemikong, Ont.

Fr. Moylan, O.P.

Checked in (1911)

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Wikwemikong	1,204	1186	1,204
Wikwemikongsing	190	184	190
South Bay	179	166	179
Baswa	125	179	125
	<u>1,694</u>	<u>1715</u>	<u>1,694</u>
<u>CHURCHES:</u>	CATH. 4	" - 4	4
<u>SCHOOLS:</u>	" 4	" - 4	4
<u>Territory :</u>	24.5 Sq. Mis.	245 Sq miles	
<u>PRIESTS</u>	32	2	
<u>BROTHERS</u>	2	1	
<u>SISTERS</u>	2	1	

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N.B Same statistics as for 1932

HOME MISSION SURVEY

NORTHERN ONTARIO (1950 December)

MISSION STATION: (name) West Bay (no. on line) 4 (days of stay) Headquarters at West Bay one day per month at Sukker Creek, Yukon give Bay a few 3 or 4 times

I RELIGIOUS:-

- 1) CHURCH: Original Bldg.? No By whom? Louis Delorme When? a few years ago Construction: Stone Brick Wood Construction: (Stone Brick Wood) (Stone Brick Wood)
2) RESIDENCE:- When Built? If none, where stay? Mass here too? yes
3) ORGANIZATIONS:- Men B.V. Sodality Women B.V. Sodality League Girls of 5th grade all
4) SCHOOL:- Original Bldg.? No By whom? Indian Department When? Enrollment 114 Capacity 2
5) INDIANS 337 WHITE none Settled Pop.? yes Scattered? 2
Fervent Cath.? 100% Good 30% Fair 50% Poor 20% Indifferent
Hostile Coöperative 50/50 Uncoöperative
Primitive Educated Level of Education 3 grade
Uneducated Lazy Energetic half & half

II SOCIAL:

Any leaders? yes Good? not too good No. on school board? no school board
Organized sports organized Kind over the island (whites + Indian)
School plays What adult entertainment? for happy + cozily
Health:- Good Fair Poor Prevalent Diseases? TB, which were
Average births per year 25 Deaths 6
Population stable? yes Floating Pop. No.?

III POLITICAL

Enfranchised? long veterans war veterans have vote Treaty Indians? yes

IV ECONOMIC

Main occupations:- Lumber Mines Hunting Fishing Trapping Other
Financial Status:- Good Fair Poor
Influence of whites:- Good Bad Not especially
Problems:- Drink How to cope with it good policy service
Superstition Notable Type casting spells by witch doctors & getting spirit taken by same
Country:- Wooded Rocky Barren Swamp land Many rivers & lakes
Suitable for agriculture? Best Type? general farms
Transportation:- People (Summer Train Car Horse Boat (Winter
Missionary: (Summer car (Winter
Improvements in mission recently:- main roads kept open (What Printing, Comptex (When 1950 (By whom Indians

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Date of building of churches etc is probably noted in Williamsburg diary where missionaries made Headquarters.

MISSION STATION: (name) (no. on line) (days of stay)
Shoguenudah. In winter 2 days per month
In summer 1 day per week.

I RELIGIOUS:-

1) CHURCH: Original Bldg.? yes By whom? J. P. Poirneau When?
Dimensions: 20 x 130 Capacity: 50 Caretaker? no
Construction: Stone Brick Wood L (Stone

2) RESIDENCE:- When Built? If none, where stay?
Mass here too? no
By? J. P. Poirneau Construction: (Brick
(Wood L

3) ORGANIZATIONS:- Men League of SH Women for all.
Boys Girls
Choir? No Who trains? Altar Boys No No.?

4) SCHOOL:- Original Bldg.? no school at present When?
How many grades Enrollment Capacity

5) INDIANS 17 WHITE 19 Settled Pop.? yes Scattered?
Fervent Cath.? Good Fair Poor Indifferent
Hostile Cooperative one Uncooperative
Primitive Educated Level of Education
Uneducated Lazy not too lazy Energetic indifferent

II SOCIAL: Any leaders? no Good? No. on school board? no school
Organized sports no Kind
School plays none What adult entertainment? go to little Currier for movies,

Health:- Good Fair Poor Prevalent Diseases?
Average births per year 1 Deaths 1 every two or 3 yr
Population stable? yes Floating Pop. No.?

III POLITICAL Enfranchised? Treaty Indians? yes.

IV ECONOMIC Main occupations:- Lumber Mines Hunting Fishing
Trapping Other
Financial Status:- Good Fair Poor

Influence of whites:- Good Bad fair
Problems:- Drink no. How to cope with it
Superstition Notable Type eastings of falls out

Country:- Wooded Rocky Barren Swamp land Many rivers & lakes
Suitable for agriculture Best Type?

Transportation:- People (Summer Train Car Horse Boat
(Winter Car
Missionary: (Summer
(Winter

Improvements in mission recently:-
(What Painted
When 147
By whom John King

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room attached to church as at West Boy

Much good land cut Indians have leased it to whites

Church is not on a reserve + so Indians + whites all

MISSION STATION: (name) Mesheganaming (no. on line) 1 (days of stay) 3 days per month

I RELIGIOUS:-

- 1) CHURCH: Original Bldg.? No By whom? Daughters of Mary When? Indian Dept Dimensions: 20 x 35? Capacity: 60? Caretaker? No Construction: Stone Brick Wood L (Stone)
2) RESIDENCE:- When Built? attached to church By? attached to church Construction: (Brick) (Wood L)
3) ORGANIZATIONS:- Men League of 5 H Women all Boys Girls
4) SCHOOL:- Original Bldg.? No By whom? Indian Dept When? No. 1 3 How many grades 8 Enrollment 30 Capacity 35
5) INDIANS 91 WHITE none Settled Pop.? yes Scattered? no
Fervent Cath.? 50% Good Fair Poor 5% Indifferent 5%
Hostile Cooperative L Uncooperative
Primitive Educated L Level of Education 5 grade
Uneducated Lazy Energetic fairly so

II SOCIAL:

Any leaders? Teachers 18 Good? Yes No. on school board? No school board in Indian schools
Organized sports among kind
School plays Christmas What adult entertainment? None, spent to
Health:- Good Fair-Poor Prevalent Diseases? TB to 7 miles weekly
Average births per year 3 Deaths 1 600 miles of Aknet
Population stable? yes Floating Pop. No.? no enfranchised Indians may live on these reserve

III POLITICAL

Enfranchised? no Treaty Indians? yes

IV ECONOMIC

Main occupations:- Lumber L Mines L Hunting L Fishing L
Trapping L Other L
Financial Status:- Good L Fair L Poor L
Influence of whites:- Good L Bad not bad
Problems:- Drink L How to cope with it Perhaps give them enter ment. How fast time is making machine
Superstition Not so much Notable Type Other
Country:- Wooded L Rocky L Barren L Swamp land L Many rivers & lakes L
Suitable for agriculture fair Best Type? L
Transportation:- People (Summer L Train L Car L Horse L Boat L)
(Winter L)
Missionary: (Summer car)
(Winter ")
Improvements in mission recently:- What Cemeteries old
When + new
By whom Indians.

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The following scattered notes are from
an old register. (The notes were scattered in ~~left hand~~ registers)

There were four or five families
at Shekegwaning in 1838. Later others came
from Holy Cross, Michigan + from Wiskemikong.

The first cross was blessed there
by Rev. J. Bte Krouly (secular priest) 23 May 1842.

The present church (before renovation by Father Vercheron)
was blessed by Father Dubresne 21 September 1894.

There was a log church before this one.