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STATUS QUERRETI

The feast of St. Ignatius brought this year, a change in the personnel of St. Peter Claver College. Fr Mery, formerly of Cassion College, Regina, assumes the duties of spiritual Father and will take up the work handled so ably during the past year, by Fr Coats. Fr Devine of Guelph, joins the Prefect Staff. Fr Jacobs and Fr Edwards, both of Guelph, are also new additions and their arrival is expected shortly.

To spoil the effect as it were, we are losing three valuable men. Fr Coats, Fr Dwyer and Fr. Reisman.

FR WALSH MAKES VISIT

On July 28th. Fr Walsh left for Montreal to make his retreat at Loyola College. After his retreat he began a tour of the Eastern Townships, where he is giving lectures on life at Spanish and the Northern Ontario Missions. Knowing Fr Walsh's lecturing abilities we are confident that his audience will spend an agreeable time. We are not aware why he picked the Eastern Townships but we presume that he knew the field in which he was working. We are eagerly looking forward now to his return on Aug. 10th. when he will take up his duties as First Prefect.

VISITORS.

Rev Fr Dufresne and Fr Richard from Sprague, paid us a visit on the feast of St. Ignatius. Fr Porcheron called the next day. Fr Brennan also paid us a short visit during the month. Fr Audette, who will soon leave to make up his theology at the Immaculate Conception, spent a few hours with us on his way to Sudbury from Lac Lauson.

Fr James and Patrick Dwyer spent a few days here visiting their brother. Fr Martineau from North Dakota, stopped here on his way to Sudbury. Our old friend, Fr Lafortune, gave us a pleasant surprise by his arrival on Aug. 4th. We are glad that he will stay a few days and visit his numerous friends in the vicinity.

An American tourist party, en route from Chicago to New York, paid us a short visit. They were loud in their praise of the school and the work being done here.

FR GAGNON EX LOBES THE FONDERS OF THE GEORGIAN BAY BOOTH.

Able assisted by Fr Vandemoor Fr Gagnon, our popular inventor, has taken up scientific research and provides us with a new thrill.

His fishing trips had not been successful so on Sunday afternoon, while the Garnier was making one of her regular trips, our esteemed friend armed with a pike pole with which he had been making vain attempt to pull the shore line closer, suddenly plunged in and immediately sought bottom. The force of attraction was too great for Fr Vandemoor and he followed suit to see what was all about it. For some reason or other our two scientists headed in different directions, Fr Vandemoor to the shore & Fr Gagnon---no one knows where and he refuses to divulge the secret. Consternation spread on boardship and Fr Reisman who knew nothing of a scientific experiment being held threw out a rope which tained itself around Fr Gagnon and against his will brought him back to the boat.

EXPERIMENT A GREAT SUCCESS

Fr Gagnon reports to the Editor that the experiment was so successful and the information so plentiful that he will no be obliged to make a second trip. He admits that his decision to explore the Georgian Bay was quite sudden and that even his closest friends had any intimation of his interest in life under Georgian Bay. The Wigwam congratulates the Brother on his courage and resourcefulness and looks for even greater accomplishments in the future.

FR VANDEMOOR BUSY AT HAY

After his trip to the sea Fr Vandemoor returned to Spanish in fine fettle for hay making. A return of fine weather favours his work and all hands are being kept busy.

BRICK FACTORY PROGRESS

Fr Lard's heads the call the clay and is turning them out at 2,000 a day. He expects to be kept busy for a couple of weeks yet, to satisfy the demands of the brick layers. In his spare time he gives a special attention to the cement blocks for windows and doors. With this presure of business he has been obliged to leave the school subject

to us from Campion College, Regina, where for a number of years he has been Prefect of Discipline. The Wigwam extends a hearty welcome to our new Spiritual Director and wishes him every success, in his new work. He has been here but a short time yet already he seems as one we have long known and we are happy to have him with us.

GARNIER CATCHES FIRE:

BLUESBERRIES TO THE RESCUE.

Within a hundred feet of the deck the Garnier returning from a blueberry expedition suddenly sent forth flames. Fr Dwyer promptly smothered the fire with baskets of blueberries and water was used only as a last resort. When questioned by the reporter as to why he used blueberries Fr Dwyer stated that it was the easiest way to clear a passage to water. No damage was suffered by the boat.

REFECTORY PAINTED

FR ROLLAND WILDS WICKED BRUSH

The boys' refectory has changed overnight. Fr Rolland assisted by a number of boys has splashed paint hither and yon, and everything is spick and span. Save the surface and you save all is Fr Rolland's firm conviction and everything within his reach was saved. He is now beginning the recreation hall.

BRICKING CONTRACT AWARDED.

REISCHMAN, BEAUDRY & CO
get \$18,000.00 job

The Reischman, Beaudry Wrecking Co have been given the contract to brick the new chapel. Work began immediately and is advancing at rapid rate. The price of mortar mixing, it is said, immediately took a rise, and so did the mortar.

ST JOSEPH'S ACADEMY:

Miss Burke, Miss Vicks, and Miss Strains have returned from Ottawa where they attended summer school.

The retreat for the young ladies was preached by Fr Comte; it ended on Aug. 5th. Seventeen young ladies from the surrounding District, made the retreat.

The retreat for the Ladies will be preached by Fr Mery and will begin on Aug. 7th.

Miss St. James, who has been visiting her people, is expected back shortly to resume her duties of Prefecting.

The girls have donated a window to the new chapel.

The girls have been busy at the blueberries and judging by the pails coming off the Garnier, have been not unsuccessful. The exact amount picked is not known but rumour has it that it exceeds the amount eaten.

BANK LEAF IMPROVING:

Frank Leaf who some time ago went down to Sudbury Hospital for an operation on his leg, is daily improving. He lost his left foot when a child and he is having an artificial foot put on before leaving for home.

Fr Dwyer, who has arrived from English Bay has made himself right at home and was quite pleased by the hearty welcome he received. Though somewhat surprised at his new duties he is full of enthusiasm and looks forward to a happy, successful and eventful year.

MR EDGE GOES ON FISHING TRIP:

PLUMBING CONTRACT ALMOST COMPLETED...THE LURE OF ROD AND STREAM PROVIDED TOO STRONG FOR MR EDGE...and on August the 6th, our plumbing expert in company with friends from Toronto, departed in search of trout and bass. The Wigwam wishes him a good catch, a fund of fish stories when he returns.

The plumbing of the new chapel is almost completed and a few days work will see everything ready for the matron.

DORMITORY RENOVATED:

FR HYNES TAKES NEW CONTRACT

A General house cleaning has been the order of the day here and Fr Hynes who has a weakness for the dormitory took charge of that part of the building. He promised startling results and he succeeded. New mattresses are installed and the alley is like a polished dining room table. What more could one ask for?

FR BASIGLIO RETURNS:

On Aug. 7th, Fr Basiglio returned from Sudbury where he made his retreat.

BENEFACTORS

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The Wigwam is asked to thank Rev Fr Brennan for the Hurdy-Gurdy and the Italian Mary he recently donated. Fr Brennan is sure to be well remembered at Spanish for his many and welcomed gifts. We are also asked to thank Loyola College and the Novitiate Guelph, for recent donations.

NEW GARTER FACTORY:

WORK COMMENCES IMMEDIATELY

Fr Moylan has installed a new garter factory and is turning them out in pairs, any length required. Wonderful lasting power. Guaranteed to wear longer than the stockings. Stretched till they break.

CHAPEL PROGRESSING:

Fr. Reischman reports rapid progress in the construction of the new chapel. The roof has been completed and all the windows are in and painted. Everything is now ready for the bricks. The boys recently donated two windows to the new chapel.

TERRIBLE BURGAR HEARD:

WHAT CAN THE MATTER BE?

Inmates of the college were recently disturbed by a nerve racking collection of sounds. All rushed to the barn thinking that the new bull was in trouble but no..everything was quiet there. It was finally found to proceed from the chapel where Fr Hynes was directing the choir.

FR MOYLAN TO VISIT GUELPH:

Fr Moylan who has been vacationing at Spanish will make his retreat

... carried so many blueberries in so short a time. Under the strain she is bearing up nobly. Baskets, pails, tubs boxes all filled to overflowing. Nothing too large and everything too small to hold them. History is in the making at St. Peter Claver's for more than \$100.00 worth of blueberries have been sold this year.

Every fine day for the past three weeks, the Garnier and Breboeuf have set out on blueberry expeditions, not to return till late in the evening and unload at toothsome sight at the school wharf.

The loss will be felt most by the students for he was their friend and adviser. As Spiritual Director his influence was large and was always responded to nobly and generously. It is the peace of God that makes for true happiness and Fr Comte by word and work gave a strong impetus to the happy spirit that to day pervades the students' body.

.....BOYS RAID THE HILLS.....
A wave of blueberry enthusiasm has swept over the boys and shows no sign of abating. With an eagerness and speed beyond description, the boys are gathering in the fruits. Fingers and hands (it is said even toes but this could not be confirmed) moved with wonderful speed and certainty among the bushes and it is no wonder if a few green ones found their way to the basket. The boys are out to break all records and the Prefect are kept busy filling baskets and chalking up the count. Aird Island

We will miss his kindly smile, his cheery words of greeting and his sympathetic understanding but we shall not forget him for to use the words of Fr. Lafortune he is sweetness itself.

and the Rocks are the principal resorts if the pickers and it is said that the hillsides are fast becoming bare.

The work which he now takes up is not new to him he is old in nary life and already been Arthur before here. The Wigwam sees him every such and feels confident that he will be remembered in the prayers of all.



FR GAUTHIER'S BURDEN INCREASES.

A \$200.00 pure bred bull has been added to the barn staff. No dump cart for this fellow.

BOATS STRANDED IN BAY:

Garnier & Breboeuf refuse to move
The Garnier and Breboeuf after rounding the channel current and heading for the Rocks suddenly stopped and defied all efforts to set them again in motion. Fr Hynes and Fr Moylan captain and mate of the Breboeuf, were called into consultation but all to no avail. Fr Rolland popped up from somewhere in the Garnier and suggested a look at the gas tank. As usual Fr Rolland was right, no gas. Fr Rolland then headed a delegation of 3 in search of gas. While the gas was coming Fr Hynes did noble work keeping the boats apart and he reports that ribs & shins received a wonderful rub down and up....

MR LAROQUE HOLIDAYING:

Mr Laroque, Station Agent at Spanish, is at present taking his holidays. The Wigwam wishes him a jolly good time.

PERFECT ORDER

Everything where you want it, when you need it, when you like it.

Try my system.....

T. Dwyer

TWO BOYS GO TO GUELPH:

Sylvester Beaucage and James Thibault have entered the Jesuits' Novitiate at Guelph to become Lay Brothers of the Society of Jesus. The Wigwam congratulates them on their vocation and wishes them every success and final perseverance. It is confidently expected that more will follow their noble example.

PROVINCIAL VISITATION:

On July 23rd. Rev Fr. W.H. Kingston, Provincial of the Upper Canada Province, made his annual visitation at Spanish. He left the next day for Wikwemikong.

CHURCH AT SPANISH HILL SOLD.:

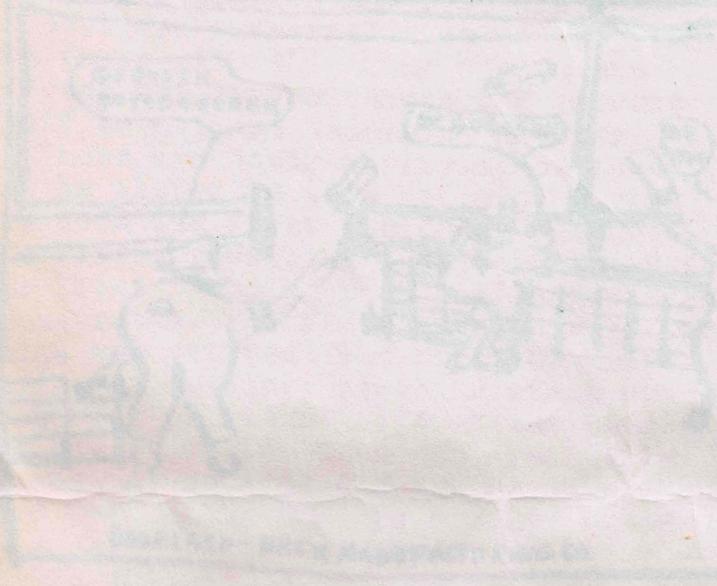
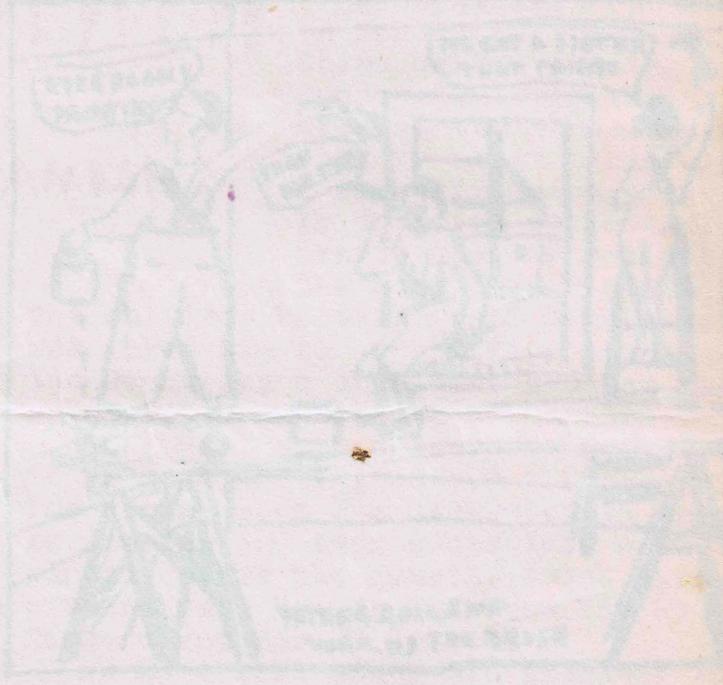
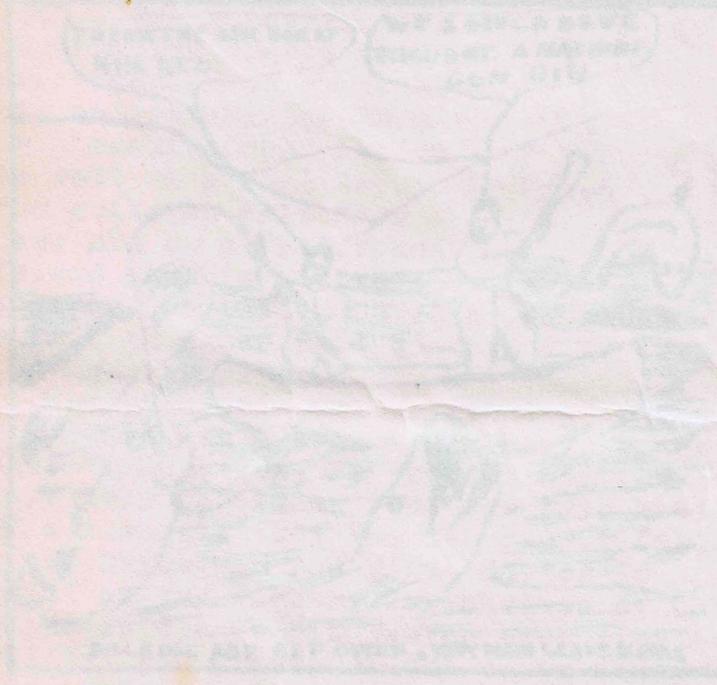
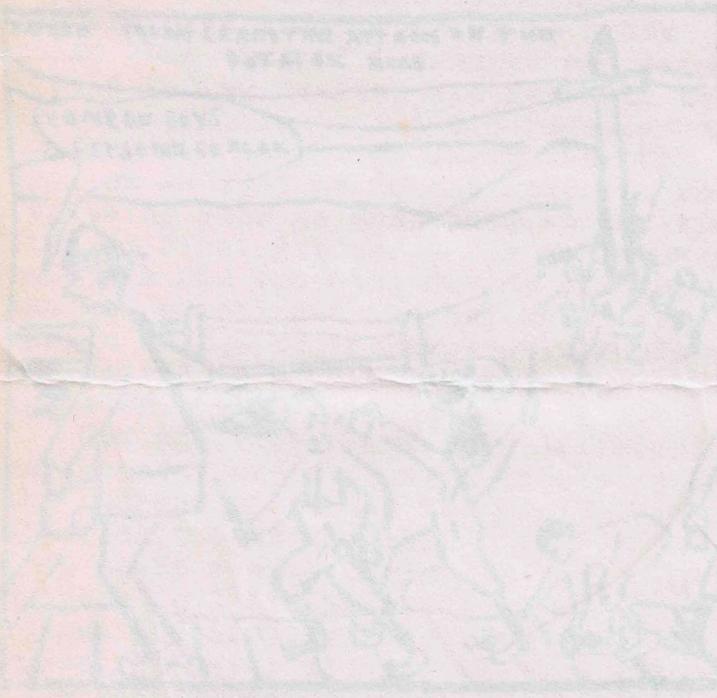
The Mission church at Spanish Mills which was built in 1914, and which served a goodly sized congregation, has been closed for some time and quite recently was sold.

SPANISH MILLS A SILENT TOWN

Since the mill closed down the town has dwindled rapidly in size and now is visited only by excursionists during the summer months.

ANNUAL TRIP--On Aug 10th. the boys and girls will set sail from Wikwemikong for the opening of school on the 20th.

NEWS of THE World



FR DWYER LEAVES SPANISH:

A silent language sympathetically manufactured and spoken by no other voice than that of a hundred and twenty little Indian hearts, bid farewell to Fr Dwyer who had spent his regency Prefecting the boys. Fr Dwyer came to Spanish in 1926 as Second Prefect. The following year he succeeded to the office of First Prefect. His achievement to speak his success. During his term the new chapel had its beginning; he was in charge of the excavation work and helped in no small way to complete the work.

Coming from an entirely different environment and without a knowledge of the Indians it stands to his credit that the children now recite their prayers in their native tongue and sing Indian hymns. Fr Dwyer did not take long to make himself loved. He possesses to a superlative degree the rare faculty of sympathetic understanding. He made himself a real Indian as well as a real boy. The children felt they knew him as a Father and friend and his attitude towards them did much to bring about a spirit that has made Spanish a kinder and happier place.

The panegyric on the evening of his departure was a silent one because neither Fr. Superior, Fr Prefect nor the boys knew how to express the true kind of a farewell that Spanish hearts felt.

Fr Dwyer was the First Editor in chief of the Wigwam. The success of this paper is due to his proven executive ability. The growth of the paper under his administration has been amazing. Without any exaggeration we may say that the favor with which the public has greeted the Wigwam tempts the present staff to attempt something greater.

There are other achievements that may be listed in this article. During his term the First Field Day was held. The First Travelling Show took the road, the First Reading room was ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ inaugurated. The First Mission Fund Campaign was started. The First Organized Christmas Holidays proved a great success. The spiritual life of the boys during his stay with them was greatly improved. At no time did the daily communion fall below 80%. We bid him au revoir but not goodbye. There is still another work and much more work left for his leadership and ability.

OUR LADY'S GROTTTO SCENE OF GREAT DEVOTIONS ON AUG. 17th.

The annual pilgrimage of children and public to the grotto of our Lady of Lourdes was held on Sunday Aug 17th. Hundreds of people from Spanish and the surrounding district, filled the lower terrace at the grotto and the boys and girls occupied their accustomed places on the levated slopes. Benediction and sermons were part of the program. Rev Fr Mary officiated and spoke in French while Rev. Fr Moylan acted as Master of ceremonies and delivered the english sermon. Both speakers did themselves great credit and the whole event was a great success. The devotion of the

people, the surrounding country and the beautiful night made this year pilgrimage a great success

MR EDGE GOES TO CHINA

Mr Edge left Spanish on Monday, Aug. 26th. for China. On the evening of Sunday, Aug. 25th. the children of the school gathered to present him with a farewell message. Rev. Fr Superior spoke their hearts when he reviewed the many things given to

the children by this great benefactor and asked him to accept from them and the community a spiritual bouquet made up of 4,000 Masses and communions.

On Manday noon a luncheon was served to Mr Edge and friends by the community. The dining room was decorated in Chinese fashion and even chopsticks were placed before the guests. Among those present were Rev. Fr Dufresne, Rev Fr Richard and Rev Fr Gravel.

Mr Edge will study his theology in Hong Kong. He has been accepted by the bishop of that diocese and he will remain as a missionary in China.

The Wigwam speaks the feelings of its readers when it uses the words given to A. Smith. Mr Edge is a happy warrior. He has undertaken a great battle in life, fighting it with the same spirit as Francis Xavier and with the help of God, may he achieve in this generation what Xavier did. Spanish is grateful.

SCHOOL YEAR STARTS WITH FULL NUMBER

At the present time there are 123 on the roll call at Spanish. This is 3 more than we are able to house but several of the boys will soon be leaving and the beginning of the school year will have just the full ceta of boys.

BLACK ROBES

POW WOW

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SPANISH.



of Prefect and several students.

BANG! what is that? the light has blown out Father..well..try this one and be very careful. The moving picture people have sent us only two lights for the machine; if we break this there will be no picture for the public to morrow night...**BANG!** what's that...another light...Mike Skye turned green..wasn't my fault Father; it just went **BANG!** Goodness..goodness..sakes alive..what will we ever do? get Br. Reischman....Br Reischman arrived on the scene and having tested the voltage reports that the house Delco supplies too much voltage. Fr.Walsh gets bright idea and asks why not ring up Toronto. but Fr.Dwyer decides that Sudbury should be able to supply the light. Hallo!hallo is that Mr.Parent?...No light;only Toronto..Fr.Walsh..I told you so. Fr Dwyer Now let us try the Soo. Who is in the Soo?...oh yes, our dear friend, Fr.Alex McDonald. You call yim up Fr.Walsh while I do my best to reduce the voltage of our Delco. Hallo! hallo! is that Fr.McDonald? Fr.Walsh speaking. Yes Happy new year Father...Fr.McDonald was somewhat confused that Fr.Walsh should call him on the phone from Spanish to wish him a happy new year and thought that the Christmas about Spanish were still having their effect. Oh! it's a light you want; alright Father; we'll do anything in the world for Spanish. Just meet train No 18 to morrow.

It was a cold afternoon; the wind was blowing; no one but a hero would face the elements. Fr Dwyer was busy with the Radio giving the boys a little concert; the hour 2.30 P.M. Fr Walsh was rushing around trying to get someone to hitch the horse Pitou for him. Walter Small volunteered; 3 P.M. strikes...no horse..no Walter..the train will be here in 10 minutes.Fr Walsh goes wild; tries telephone to save situation but has no appeal to Fr Dwyer...Fr.Dwyer gets busy on the phone. Hallo...C.P.R.Agent..hold train No.18 Fr.Walsh will meet it...here is Pitou Walter Small you ought to be shot;get in...get up..get up...more speed Walter...more speed...Wo..wo..look out... oh gosh...oh ge...**BANG!**..team tips over Fr.Walsh lands against telegraph pole Walter on top of pole...Ry.Lazare in the Georgian Bay...Pitou arrives at Station and brings home the light in time for the moving picture show new year's night.

ICE BOAT...expected any day from Little Current. This new boat will be a sensation. Its power plus the winds of the Georgian Bay will mean a speed equal to an air plane; details later.

EDITORIAL

This paper is not responsible for any error or misinformation that might be published. We aim at truth but like all humans we are not infallible.

interest gratifying to receive such a large Christmas gifts from Loyola. The different classes filled their Mite Boxes and the individual subscriptions to the fund were wonderful One Class at Loyola sent \$15.00.The First Year High at Campion is deserving a Special mention; the letters from the different class Presidents and boys show that a mission spirit exists in our Jesuit Schools.

CONGRATULATIONS----Loyola & Campion

NO SKATING RINK IN VILLAGE
Spanish is minus a rink; the old spot near the Station looks vacant.The public are ashamed of themselves but such conditions happen even int the best of town. The Georgian Bay is being made use of and boys and girls are seen in the front of the school skating each Sunday.

OPERATIONS AT SUDBURY

Due to the measles several of the boys were left with very serious mastoids necessitating operations. Four boys during the month were operated at Sudbury Hospital. David Beauvais..Paul Sirette...William Wagesh and Ivan Benite. All have recovered.

BOYS WEAR GLASSES

As a result of the recent visit of Dr Kennedy some 35 boys are now wearing glasses.Rumour has it that some will soon be minus tonsils. The dentist has been here for several days and is also doing his stuff. We have no statistics as we go to print of how many new teeth the boys will be forced to wear.

DESERVED APPOINTMENT REWARDED

Br Elard has received from the Government Post Office Department the appointment of Postman. We wish to congratulate Br Elard and wish him many years of service in this worthy and honoured position.

NEW RADIO SET INSTALLED

A six tube Radio Set has been procured for the boys and splendid concerts have been enjoyed. Spanish is an ideal place for Radio. The waters of waters of the Georgian Bay helping much to bring good reception from Chicago and New York. We have had Idaho and Tennessee on our Radio.

BR. ST.JEAN AT THE SAULT

Rev.Br.St.Jean will spend a few months at the novitiate making his thiridinship before leaving for China.

LOST

Valuable tobacco pouch...somewhere in the Algoma District.....Finder will be rewarded with a pair of shoes

Br. Gagnon

FR MOYLAN'S GENEROUS BENEFACTOR

We are grateful to Fr Moylan of the Immaculate for many gifts from Montreal and London.....

The annual trip was attempted to Shigwaning on Sunday, Sept. 2nd. Owing to a heavy sea, passage through the North Channel was impossible and the party was forced to return. Monday a second attempt was made and even though a heavy sea was running, the Channel was crossed. Excitement ran high when the boat stopped out in the rough water but the engine under our competent engineer, was soon in working order again.

A return trip was impossible owing to the wind and all through that day and the next, the Garnier rode at anchor, awaiting more favourable conditions. Wednesday at 4.30 A.M. we were headed homeward. The two missionary ladies remained at the school for the coming year.

FR JOSEPH RICHARD'S JUBILEE:

On Thursday, Sept. 20th. at noon hour, Rev Fr Superior and the Community, will tender a luncheon to Rev Fr. Richard in honour of his Golden Jubilee.

MEETING OF MISSIONERS:

Word has been sent out from Provincial's Residence calling all Indian Missioners to Spanish for a meeting on Sept. 19th. Meetings of this kind are held at intervals of three years. It is expected that all the Fathers who are on the Missions will be present. Rev Fr Provincial will preside.

SCHOLASTICS RETURN TO STUDIES:

Messrs.. Dwyer, Rolland, Moyland and Hynes have left us. We, who remain, are much indebted to them for the great service rendered during the summer and for the splendid condition of our home.

Fr Moylan left on Aug. 22nd. for Guelph. Fr Dwyer left on Sept. 4th. and Fr Rolland and Hynes left on Sept. 6th.

FR MOYLAN PAINTS TOWN RED:

Fr Moylan while at Spanish, undertook the contract of painting refectory, and recreation hall. He was assisted by Fr Rolland and the boys. These two rooms now look beautiful.

FR HYNES MAKES A CLEAN UP:::

Fr Hynes spent his holidays cleaning up the attic Fr Prefect's room and the house in general. He was assisted by Br Laflamme, Fr Rolland, Fr Walsh, Fr Devine and Fr Dwyer.

FR ROLLAND TAKES PICTURES:

While at Spanish Fr Rolland kept his kodak busy and though the busiest man in the house found time to take pictures of the children and surrounding country.

IKWEMIKONG TRIP:

The annual trip to Ikwemikong took place on Aug. 16th. A party made up of Rev. Fr Superior, the Prefects, Ladies of the school, Br Weischnman and 40 boys made the trip.

Physician of Spanish School, is now in a very serious condition suffering from double pneumonia; latest reports from his home, gives little hope of his recovery.

BON FIRE FEAST:

On the evening of Spt. 2nd a bon fire party was held at the Spanish Mtn beach. Several visitors from outside as well as the community and children, attended.

NEW CHAPEL BRICKED:

The bricklayers finished their work on Sept. 8th. after 2 full weeks of labour. The chapel now presents a beautiful appearance and within a few weeks the exterior will be complete.

FR MERY VISITS TORONTO:

Rev Fr Mery paid a visit to Toronto during the month. He returned to Spanish on Sept. 8th. and is now planning the Catechism classes for the year.

PILGRIMAGE TO MARTYRS' SHRINE:

Several citizens from Spanish made a pilgrimage to the Martyrs' shrine on Aug. 4th. It is reported that this pilgrimage which took in the whole Algoma District, was blessed by several real miracles and all report that travelling conditions were ideal.

FR WALSH RETURNS:

A reception equal to that of a cardinal was given in honor of his return to Spanish of the First Prefect. The event included in the programme an excursion by boat of all the boys to the city pier and after speeches and music, the return trip was made to the school where refreshments were served. Fr Dwyer was host assisted by Fr Moylan and Hynes.

BULL ESCAPE:

The prize bull, which arrived last month, evidently knew that Mr Hissen was not in the District. On the night of Sept 4th. he made his escape and was caught by Walter Small, ably assisted by Mike Adams. ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ arrived back at the school close to midnight.

WANTED

Bread Knives Sharpeners.....

Also Table Salt and Pepper
Finally...An Assistant Porter to answer calls at the door during meals.

Apply.....Br. Laflamme.....

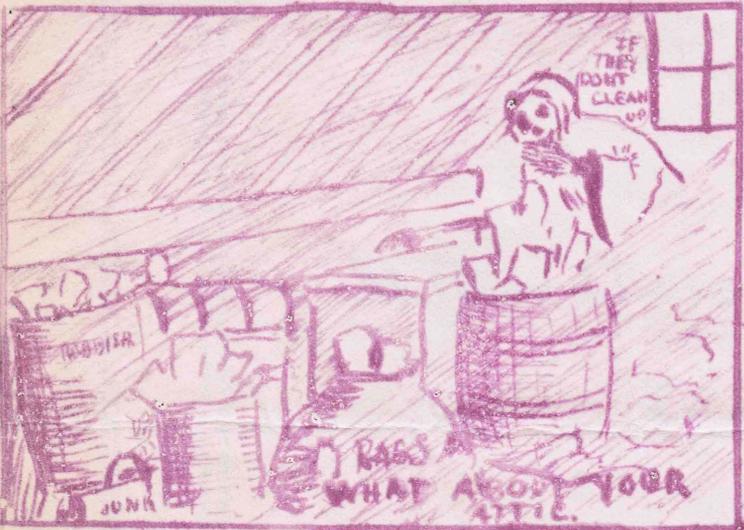
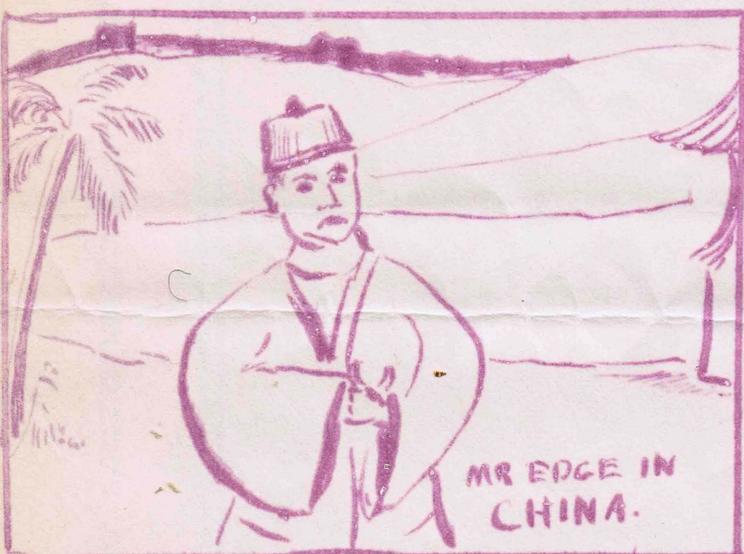
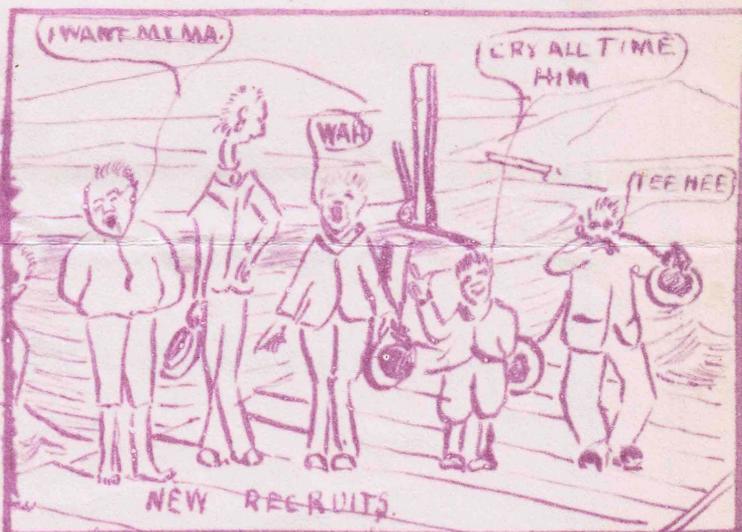
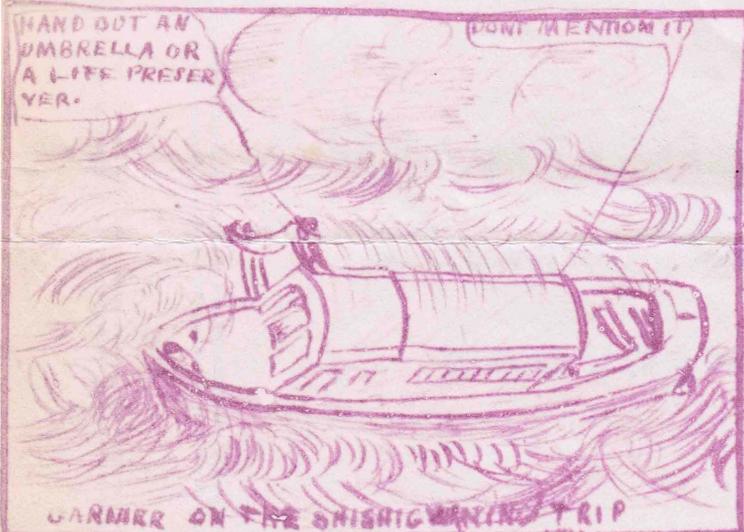
OUR BENEFACTORS:

During the month we received several beautiful gifts from friends of the school. Mrs Moylan of London, Ont. Mr Albert Fregeau of Rock Island, Mrs Laroque of Spanish and Miss Devine of Eganville. We are grateful to all.

ANNUAL RETREAT:

The annual retreat will be preached by Fr Mery at the end of the month.

NEWS of the World.



P. Holland

Congres Des Missionnaires-
Charges Des Missions ---
Sauvages de l'Ontario.



St. Peter Claver School Ont.

Le 19 sept.

1928.

CONGRES DES MISSIONNAIRES CHARGES DES MISSIONS

SAUVAGES DE L'ONTARIO.....

Les Peres G. Artus, Charles Belanger

J.Cadot, L. Desjardins, S.Dufresne, P.Mery, E.Papineau, J.Paquin
L.Porcheron, J.Richard Sr. Vandriche ont repondu a l'appel du Rev Pere
W.Hingston, Provincial qui dirige les deliberations. ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

Les Peres Desautels, Theotime Couture, J.Prud'homme, Joseph Cou-
ture, Howit et Renaud n'ont pu se joindre a leurs collegues.

lere. Seance..10.A.M.....~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~

Le Rev. Pere Hingston rend d'abord l'hommage
d'une mention honorable aux Peres Drolet et N.Dugas missionnaires de-
cedes depuis le dernier congres.

Le P.Papineau, prie d'agir comme secretaire, lit le rapport du
congres 1927 qui est adopte apres une correction sur la majrite en
faveur de la question D: Le P.Artus declarant qu'il s'y etait oppose.

Le Congres etudie les memes sujets que l'anne derniere et procede
de la meme facon, ie...le Rev Pere Provincial pose une question et
demande l'avis de chaque missionnaire suivant l'ordre ou chacun est
installe autour de la grande table dans la salle de recreation.

I...QUESTION....

Est-il suffisamment pourvu aux besoins spirituels des Odjibweg
de l'Ontario?

Le P.Artus remarque que le P.Renaud, son compagnon, n'est pas
tres fort et ne peut que peniblement parcourir les horribles chemins
qui conduisent a Wikwemikonsing et a South Bay.

Le P.Cadot declare que son age l'empechant de faire tous ses
voyages accoutumes, il aurait besoin d'un as sistant.

L.P.Porcheron dit que son territoire est tres etendu et suggere
que la section de Jawanagay soit confiee au missionnaire qui visite
l'Ile aux Chretiens.

Le P.Desjardins remarque que Michipikoten Harbour gagnerait a
etre visite par le misionnaire charge de Nipigon, selon l'ancienne
coutume.

nanime conclusion:...1--Que les moissonneurs etant tres rares, et les postes mentionnes n'ayant pas une grosse population, il serait difficile de mieux assigner les differents territoires; et 2eme..que les groupes de sauvages sont mieux desservis qu'un grand nombre de villages et peuples de blancs.

Comme affaire incidente le Rev.P. Provincial annonce que le P.Desautels lui ecrit pour savoir si un hopital pourrait avantageusement etre construit a ~~KIKKIK~~ Mission Bay. Les experiences passees V.G. la faillite de Cape Croker dit le P.Cadot avec tous les autres congressistes suggerent une reponse negative. Nos sauvages preferent la liberte a nimporte quel sejour dans un hopital.

"2///--~~EST~~^{EST}-IL AVANTAGEUX DE POUSSER LES ELIÈVES DE NOS

DEUX PENSIONNATS INDIENS VERS L'ADMISSION A L'ECOLE SECONDAIRE

Cet% important probleme(car c'en est un assurement) fut etudie avec beaucoup plus d'ardeur et d'interet que l'an passe; a cause d'une recente campagne exageree pour preparer les jeunes sauvagesses a l'admission ~~XXXXXX~~ du High School .

Le P.Artus epine qu'on ne doit pas supprimer completement cette preparation, parcequ'on induirait ainsi les parents plus ambitieux a conduire leurs enfants vers l'ecole protestante; mais qu'on devrait faire un choix parmi les eleves les mieux doues et les plus sages,c'est a-dire capables de mettre a profit une education plus avancee.

Le.P.Cadot desirerait que le plus grand nombre possible soit diriges vers l'ecole secondaire...lee...afin de retenir les eleves plus longtemps a l'ecole Industrielle...2---Pour preparer une generation d'instituteurs et d'institutrices sauvages...3---enfin dans le but de susciter des vocations et de seconder les desirs du pape demandant la formation d'un clerge indigene.

2emeSEANCE....2.P.M.

Avant de continuer l'etude de la seconde question le Rev.Pere Hingston annonce aux Congressistes l'heureuse nouvelle qu'ils auront des continuateurs, car un bon nombre de scholastiques demandent a devenir missionnaires chez les Odjibweg de l'Ontario. Le Rev. Pere attribue ces vocations au fait providentiel que le sanctuaire des martyrs canadiens au fort Ste-Marie, a ete mis sous la direction des Peres Irlandais de la Vice-Province du Haut Canada afin que ceux-ci puissent

continuer l'oeuvre admirable de civilisation et de salut commences par les peres francais.

2eme..Question.....(suite)

Le P.Paquin suggere que pour orienter la formation des sauvages vers l'emancipation il ne faut pas se contenter de les preparer a bien mourir, mais accomplir leur transition vers l'anglisisation en leur faisant oublier leur langue maternelle par l'usage generalise de la langue anglaise. Il faudrait les accoutumer a se passer de leur langue sauvage; le plus sur moyen d'en arriver la est de commencer par les eleves de nos pensionnats: les retenir plus longtemps a l'ecole et leur faire subir les examens d'admission a l'ecole Secondaire.

Le.P.Joseph Richard Sr. Le nouveau Jubilaire voudrait, lui, que nos sauvages pussent garder toujours l'admirable langue Algonquine; une des plus belles que Dieu ait donnees aux hommes. Il doit sa vocation de missionnaire aux attrait de la langue sauvage qu'il a connue en aidant le P.Ferard, et qui a toujours fait ses delices. Il conseille de proceder lentement et de ne pas exhorter nos gens vers l'ecole Secondaire L'emancipation viendra trop vite.....pour le bien de leur ame.

L.P.Porcheron recommande la lenteur dans la marche vers l'education superieure. L'Instruction n'est pas la vertu. Ce qui manque a nos jeunes c'est la force de volonte. Il vaut mieux developper cette maitresse qualite que de bourrer l'intelligence des eleves par des programmes surcharges qui ne les preparent point a leur genre de vie.

L.P.L.Desjardins apportant le temoignage de Mr.J.M.Bennet, le devoue inspecteur de nos ecoles, soutient que nos sauvages ne sont pas prêts pour cette transformation rapide et recommande de limiter a quelques candidats particuliers la preparation directe vers l'ecole Secondaire.

L.P.Papineau rappelle l'origine de ce mouvement nouveau. Les ecoles anglicanes ayant fait admettre quelques eleves au High School un petit nombre de nos sauvages catholiques(L'Odjiiweg aime a copier) demanderent que leurs enfants fussent prepares a la fameuse"Entrance" Pour se rendre a leurs desirs et pour empecher que les blancs fanatiques ne repetent la vieille calomnie: Que l'eglise Catholique retient ses gens dans l'ignorance," on resolut apres mure consideration, de preparer a l'ecole superieure les eleves que leurs parents voudraient absolument y conduire. Mise en appetit, quelques institutrices du couvent, voulurent a tout prix generaliser cette exception, et endepit

engager à une plus haute formation domestique afin de mieux préparer
toutes leurs élèves à l'école supérieure.

L.Pere insiste sur la necessite pour le congres de regler definitivement cette question et de supporter la direction donnee par le Principal des 2 ecoles. Il faut que ce dernier ait l'appuit concerté du Rev P.Provincial et des missionnaires a cet effet. C'est pourquoi il demande que le Congres indique sa decision finale par une formule claire et precise. Il lit ensuite deux lettres de M.Russel Ferrier Surintendant General de l'education Indienne, dans lesquelles celui-ci insistant sur la formation aux sciences domestiques, exige que les eleves des hautes classes surtout, soient retenues a l'école menagere durant la moitie de chaque jour. Par ce reglement la plupart des eleves perdraient leur fol enthousiasme pour le High School et recevraient une formation beaucoup plus pratique. Enfin le P.demande au Rev Pere Provincial de presenter lui-meme a la Superieure ~~l'~~ et aux institutrices de l'école des filles, la decision du Congres en cette epineuse matiere. En corrolaire il ajoute que les essais pour transformer nos sauvagesses en institutrices ont tournes en monumental fiasce; comme a peu pres les essais de vocation.

L.P.Mery malgre sa breve experience; il croit que dans les conditions actuelles, un trop gros bagage d'instruction est plutot nuisible aux sauvages. Les jeunes filles plus eduquees iront travailler dans les auberges ou ailleurs et se perdront ame et biens.

L.P.Vandriche fait quelques remarques generales et conseille aux Peres congressistes de lire le rapport du grand congres ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ des missionnaires jesuites tenu a Rome, afin d'y prendre des idees pratiquement apostoliques pour leur ministere.

L.P.Charles Belanger.....il confirme l'exactitude de l'historique fait par le P.Papineau et conclut que ses ~~principales~~ idees sur la formation des jeunes sauvages ~~XXX~~ etant si bien connues il croit inutile de rien ajouter.

RESOLUTION DU CONGRES.....

Il est resolu a l'unanimité....Que tous les eleves aient d'abord le cours complet d'école menagere avant la preparation a l'Entrance, pour ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ ceux juges capables d'en profiter.

Le Rev. Père Hingston suggère que toute requête importante au Département des Affaires Sauvages devrait être faite par l'entremise et la médiation du Provincial. Il conseille aussi de ne pas hésiter à demander beaucoup, et de prouver les besoins par d'abondantes statistiques. Une action centrale et concertée nous donnera de l'influence.

3....QUESTION.....COMMENT PREPARER LES FUTURS MISSIONNAIRES.

Une discussion libre n'apporte rien de neuf sur cette matière. On insiste de nouveau pour que les nouveaux ouvriers ne commencent pas à entendre les confessions en sauvage avant d'avoir une connaissance assez complète de la langue pour répondre aux questions et donner une direction spirituelle. On répète que le meilleur endroit pour l'étude de l'odjibweg est Wikwemikong. Il faut une ambiance intensément sauvage pour se faire l'oreille à ce langage difficile. Un missionnaire ignorant l'odjibweg donne à nos gens l'impression que la religion est une affaire sans importance. Le P.Cadot et quelques missionnaires sont d'avis qu'il faudrait prêcher souvent en anglais; mais l'opinion générale s'oppose à cette innovation comme contraire à l'esprit de l'Eglise qui a toujours insisté pour que ses évangélistes apprennent le langage des évangélisés.

Après cette troisième étude le Rev.P.Hingston exhorte les missionnaires à collaborer aux (Jesuits Missions), revue missionnaire éditée par le P.Cox à New York. Il faudrait répandre cette magazine et lui envoyer de courts articles accompagnés de photographies.

4eme ET DERNIERE ETUDE.....LES LIVRES EN LANGUE SAUVAGE

Le P.Papineau informe le congrès que le P.Desautels charge de faire une nouvelle édition des Evangiles Commentés.. "Anishinebe Gagikimind" du P. Verwyst O.F.M. n'a pas eu besoin d'accomplir cette tâche, parce que les Pères Franciscains, éditeurs de ce livre, en ont trouvé 80 exemplaires et refusent de transmettre leurs droits avant que leur édition ne soit épuisée. L.P.Papineau s'en est procuré 30 exemplaires qu'il tient à la disposition des missionnaires, comme aussi 75 exemplaires de la seconde partie du dictionnaire Baraga.