

being educated in the Shingwauk Home. There was one—Adam—whom he believed was the first boy to enter, and that afternoon they had seen him at the turning-lathe, and could judge from that what a good mechanic he already was; so with others, there was Pedahjewun the kettle-maker, and another boy there—he did not know his name—a boot-maker, who could already turn out a pair of boots without assistance, and other boys were to be teach-

ers, and some of them, perhaps, missionaries. This was indeed a good work, God had blessed it greatly, and he hoped all his people at Garden River would assist in carrying forward and encouraging so good a work. After a hymn had been sung and prayer offered by John Esquimaux, short addresses were given by Wau-bomeme and Misquaubuhnookee, and then the meeting was brought to an end.

## Jottings.

THE SHINGWAUK HYMN BOOK, consisting of about 100 of the most popular hymns, will be ready by Easter. It is prepared specially for Sunday Schools, the hymns selected being those chosen by the scholars of various schools. The price is five cents per copy, and a specimen copy will be sent to any Sunday School on application. Already have several large orders been received.

KIND WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT.—A great help to the missionary in his labours for God, are a few words of kindness and heartfelt sympathy. Without naming the writers, it is a pleasure to give the few following extracts from private letters lately received:—

"Often in my rambles I think of you and the life which you are leading and the work in which you are engaged, and the thought of the patience which you must exert in your trying position helps me to bear up under some of my own trials."—*Feb. 28, '78.*

"I observe with concern—by the appeal in the January number of your JOURNAL—that your finances are becoming seriously straitened. In writing the enclosed article (Godey's) I had the idea that you might at some time be disposed to appeal to the friends of missionary effort in the United States, and particularly those who are interested in the improvement of the Indian tribes."—*Jan. 23rd. 1878.*

"I have succeeded in getting about twenty subscribers for your little paper. I wish I could say our Sunday-school would contribute \$10 per year towards the expenses of one of your Homes. Last year our children gave about \$7.50 and some of them worked here at a few articles of clothing and patched a quilt."—*Feb. 15, '78.*

"May God be with you through all your trials—and it is His kind, merciful hand which guides all—difficult as it is for us to fathom His mysterious providences. There is such comfort in the thought—in

the midst of the loneliness and weariness which come, I suppose upon us all—"This world is not our rest, and as another and another is garnered home above, link upon link is forged to bind us to a brighter."—*Feb. 14, '78.*

"Enclosed are two cheques, one for \$25.00 for the remaining half of my subscription to the Wawanosh Building Fund, and \$25 as first payment for an Indian boy at the Shingwauk. We are sorry to hear that you have had sickness amongst your boys, and I am sure you have many trials in your labour of love, but amidst all your anxieties and discouragements how cheering to know that the Lord is smiling on your work and allowing you to see some of the fruit of all your toil. How happy you must feel in the assurance that one of your charges is safe in Heaven, and will be waiting to welcome you on the shining shore."—*Jan. 22, '78.*

"I can understand your feeling sometimes a little downhearted, but "Cast thy burden on the Lord, and he shall sustain thee." The great Elijah desponded because he thought his lot was very hard in being left alone. If faint at times, still let us be always pursuing—yes, always—we must "go forward."—*Feb. 12, '78.*

WAWANOSH HOME.—The meaning of the Indian word "Wawanosh" is "sailing gracefully," the idea being that of an eagle or other large bird sailing gracefully along high in mid-air steering its course easily and gently with its long pinions. [This is Chief Buhkwujjenene's explanation.]

[NOTE.—An account of the internal working of the Wawanosh Home, written by the Lady Superintendent appeared in our March number. *Subscribers only* receive the monthly copies|.

A TENTH TO GOD.—"May I be pardoned for saying to the laity, as well as to the clergy, or rather, is it not a duty to say to