## Port Carling Mission.

REV. W. A. J. BURT, INCUMBENT.

The Lenten services in this mission have been a great improvement on other years in regard to attendance and interest manifested.

In St. James', Port Carling, they have been held every Wednesday evening at half-past seven o'clock.

At Christ Church, Gregory, they were held every Thursday afternoon at halfpast three o'clock. In each church the subject under consideration was the Ten Commandments.

During the winter we have had the pleasure of two visits from the Rev. Gowan Gillmor, of Rosseau, who always finds a welcome at the parsonage, as well as at every house in the mission where he is known. One of these visits was during Lent, so that in addition to the pleasure of a visit we had an intellectual treat in each of the above named churches. At both services the subject chosen by Mr. Gillmor was appropriate to the solemn season of Lent.

On each occasion Rosseau's incumbent spent five days in the mission, so he was able to see, and be seen by, many in this out-of-the-way (in winter) mission.

In addition to the \$25.25 acknowledged by Rev. Mr. Renison as this mission's contribution to the India Famine Fund, \$10 was sent to, and acknowledged by, Miss C. Macklem for the lepers of India, so that our sum total was \$35.25.

We are doing our best to send contributions in money towards wiping out the debt of the Mission Fund in response to the appeal of our diocesan.

It is a very hard time now to collect money, but in addition to sending our Easter offertory, Mrs. Penson and Mrs. Minett are kindly collecting what they can.

The long looked for visit to this mission by our Bishop, we are sorry to learn, will not be forthcoming until August next. A visit then from our diocesan has its disadvantages as well as benefits.

It is a delightful time for anyone to see the mission for the first time, and an episcopal visit does much for us in the way of creating more interest towards mission matters among the tourists, but it is very difficult for many of our settlers to be present at church or to spare the time to meet their Bishop personally. Yet we trust that all will do their best, not only to be present at the services, but also to have an introduction to, and a friendly interchange of words with, their Right Reverend Father in God.

Another difficulty at that season will be the getting the candidates together previous to the date for the laying-on of hands. However, if we all work with a will I feel sure that great will be the benefits spiritually and temporally derived from the visit next August of Bishop Thorneloe.

W.A.J.B.

## Magnetawan Mission.

REV. J. A. JOHNSTON, INCUMBENT.

On the morning of April 9th, the incumbent drove to Burk's Falls to meet the Bishop and to drive him to St. George's Church, Magnetawan. The missionary found his diocesan hardat work at the parsonage, where he had arrived from the north soon after midnight. It was well, on this occasion, at all events, that the Bishop travelled by the slow-going "mixed" train, as the south bound express on the 9th was six hours late-so late that after its arrival the Bishop could not have reached his destination in time for service. The roads were indescribably bad—the frost just coming out, muddy at midday and rough and hard in the morning. It was an eighteen mile journey each way and with a pair of horses and a buggy took four hours or a little more each trip. Soon after dinner a start was made-provision being made by the riders against mud and cold. In the evening the church was full and Mr. J. presented thirteen candidates for confirmation, some of whom came in from the outstations. These latter and the Bishop were entertained at the parsonage by the ladies of the congregation of the Church of St. George the Martyr.

Next morning about 5 30 the Bishop started back and arrived in good time to catch the 10.05 a.m. train. But it was three hours late, so he had a chance to rest after his long jolt over the frost-hardened roads.

On the following Sunday there were two celebrations of Holy Communion at which all the newly confirmed within reach were present. The first was at Magnetawan at 8 a.m., the second at Chapman Valley at 11 a.m.

Mr. Johnston, the priest in charge, writes that the visit of the Bishop was the source of much encouragement to him. The Church is making steady progress in the mission, notwithstanding the vigorous assaults of those not in communion with her.

## Mission of Burk's Falls.

REV. C. PIERCY, INCUMBENT.

The Lenten services have been well attended this year. On the Wednesday before Holy Week there were short addresses in All Saints' Church, Burk's Falls, on Morning and Evening Prayer. During Holy Week there were services daily except Saturday. On Good Friday, instead of being in the evening, services were at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. At Sundridge, whither the clergyman went by railway train, there was a service in the evening.

On Easter Day at Burk's Falls there was a large congregation and the largest number of communicants at any service since the foundation of the mission.

On Thursday, April 1st, the Women's Guild of All Saints' Church met to elect officers for the year, etc. Previous to the transaction of business there was a devotional service in the church, followed by a brief address. Afterwards those present decided to fall in line with the Woman's Auxiliary by giving a quota of their income to work outside the mission. They adopted the suggestion of the incumbent, and resolved to give a tithe annually—this year to the Bishop Blythe Fund. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Piercy; treasurer, Mrs. Kelsey; secretary, Mrs. J. Milne.

On Wednesday in Holy Week the parson was surprised at the parsonage by about twenty of the children of the Sunday School, who with their teachers, came to present a very kindly worded address to their parish priest and to accompany it with the gift of a good linen surplice. The recipient was delighted—(and so were the children)—and took occasion to give reasons for the use of proper vestments for the use of clergy in their ministrations. The English Church minister only wears a vestment here, and the children, not to say adults, are sometimes "put in a box" by militant denominationalists.

## Fort William.

REV. E. J. HARPER, INCUMBENT.

This parish has recently been called upon to part with one of its most valued Church families, viz., that of Mr. J. Harriman. For some months past Mr. Harriman, long employed as a blacksmith in the C.P.R. repairing shops, has been in failing health, and with a view of obtaining some benefit in making a change, has