

rections. One of these struck her, and probably having too little ballast and the sheets being fast, she went over and both were drowned.

The wind was fair and we had a beautiful run to Grosseisle, where I preached in the evening. I had sent word that I should like to preach the next evening on the other side of the island, but no word had been sent, and no means of conveyance offered, so that on Friday evening, and again on Saturday evening, I preached at the North side where I had preached before.

I also visited and prayed with a number of families, besides the sick, but I found it of no use trying to meet the men at their houses in the daytime for any religious service. It was their busiest season, and they were out in their boats or attending to their catch, sometimes till after eight o'clock in the evening, which, however, in this high latitude, was not past sundown. I therefore thought that the most effective way of reaching them was by collecting as many as I could for service in the evening.

During all my stay I was much

INTERESTED IN THE CHILDREN.

In particular they struck me as so well mannered. One never meets a boy on the road without a bow in a style which a Parisian would not need to be ashamed of, a touch or lifting of the hat if he has one, and the salutation "*Bon jour*" or good day. They presented a contrast with the awkward shyness, or rude boldness sometimes seen elsewhere. Perhaps this was originally characteristic of the French, but it now marks the English as well. But my sympathies were deeply excited by their intellectual and spiritual condition. There was not a Sabbath-school or Bible-class, or prayer meeting in all the islands. On Grosseisle there was not then nor had been for some time, if ever, a day school. They are, however, set off as a Protestant school section under the School law of Quebec, and though they have no school house, yet they are making arrangements to get a teacher, and I believe have obtained a pious young woman in that capacity, who will give the young religious as well as secular instruction. To do what I could for them I intimated a service for children on Saturday afternoon. The day proved wet, but some 25 or 30 attended, with whom I had religious exercises, and to whom I preached salvation by Christ for

little ones, in the simplest terms I could command.*

On Sabbath morning, 7th, I preached my last sermon to the people of Grosseisle. The people on that side of the island were generally in attendance, and at this as at all the services I held, seemed interested and attentive. They were much affected by their own condition. They had by what was for them a great effort built a neat church, and now they must either lose it or submit to teaching which they regarded as unscriptural. They had waited for the coming of the Bishop in the hope of obtaining redress, but they had not been afforded even the opportunity of a hearing.

I had arranged with the people on Grindstone that if the wind was fair I would come up after service at Grosseisle and preach to them. The wind from Thursday till Saturday evening was directly ahead for this, so that the young man who brought me down could not return home. But on Sabbath morning there was a good breeze and right in our favor, so after preaching and dinner we set sail, and after a quick run reached Grindstone safely. There I preached in the evening, and on Monday afternoon held a service specially for children, and preached again in the evening. I may say that generally when I preached on this island I had French as well as English among my hearers.

These services concluded my labors among the people of these islands. On the following day I embarked on board the *Beaver* for home. During the three weeks I was among them I preached eighteen times, travelled by boat over a hundred miles, and a number of miles on foot, as there are no wheeled carriages on either Bryon or Grosseisle, and yet I may say that I never enjoyed preaching the gospel more.

*I am happy to learn since the above was written that Sabbath-schools have been established at both Grindstone and Grosseisle, by teachers who have gone from our church in P. E. Island.

I have a pledge from Christ—have His note of hand—which is my support, my refuge and haven; and though the world should rage, to this security I cling. "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." If Christ be with me, what shall I fear? If He is mine, all the powers of earth to me are nothing more than a spider's web.—*Chrysostom.*