

Perrin from Captain May, H M S 'Hyacinth,' writing in highest terms of commendation of the Mission at Victoria. The Bishop invited those present to place their names on a subscription list, as there is a deficiency in the funds. His Lordship also spoke in warm terms of the sincerity and devotion to his work, shown by Jim Lee, the Catechist who is doing so much to add to the stability of the work in many ways.

The Rev Mr Gowan visited the House of Rest, while in Victoria, and expressed his conviction that no Mission could be carried on without such an institution, having one of his own at Vancouver, which he states to be a very stronghold of Missionary power."

The Rev. A. H. Wright, sends the following account of his Mission at Fort a la Corne, Diocese Saskatchewan.

"This Mission was first started by the late Rev. Archdeacon Hunter, who came via. Cumberland from Manitoba. The Rev. H. Budd, one of the C.M S. 'first fruits' was for some time in charge, also his son, a most promising young Christian native clergyman. Rev. Luke Caldwell, also a most devout young native, was stationed at the Mission, but alas for the living, both he and young Budd were too early taken home.

During this time the Mission was on the North side of the river, where a nice little Church and Home for Ministers were erected. On the Government making treaty with the Cree tribes, in 1876, a fixed reserve was chosen, which was some few miles west, and on south side of river, to where the Indians moved. During a vacancy in Mission, after Mr. Caldwell's death, a prairie fire cleaned out all the old settlement, Church and Mission house included. For a time the Mission was in charge of native schoolmasters. Then Rev. J. Badger was appointed, and remained for a few years, and was succeeded by the present Missionary, five years ago. Approximate number of Indians, 300; number of Indians baptized by us, 250; children old enough for school, 30. Mode of living. Often by hunting, which takes the families off from Mission, also a little farming is done by some. Cattle are kept by nearly each family.

The Church services are generally well attended in the school house, sometimes seventy being present. With very few exceptions, all those who are confirmed are communicants. . . . The old ways of the natives are fast dying out, and even the 'tum tum' is very seldom heard in the heathen tents, which chance to be pitched near the Mission. . . . On Easter Sunday over thirty remained on the reserve to the Lord's supper, which number would have been larger, only some families had not returned from the winter hunt. . . . The logs for a new Church are being cut this winter, and the building will be completed when in funds. Any contributions very gladly received by the Missionary in charge. . . . The parish is known by the name