

a clear course, flowing in sweeping curves, with a pretty uniform current, broken by occasional rapids. The banks on either side in some places are about 50 feet above water. The country round is flat, being covered with low trees and dwarfy shrubs.

June 2nd.—About 8 a.m. we arrived at Marten's Falls, where we received a warm reception from Mr. J. G. Christie, and his kind wife, who are the "ruling powers" of Marten's Falls. This again is one of the H. B. Co's. trading posts of very long standing, about 150 miles up the Albany river. There is a rough church here, built by Mr. Harper, one of the Catechists employed by Archdeacon Vincent. The Indians numbers about one hundred, belonging to the Ojibbeways, but really they are half Cree and half Ojibbeway, speaking one language as well as the other. Religiously, they profess Christianity, Morally, they are weak and require strengthening, and spiritually they are dead and want stirring up. They have long come into contact with the Christian religion, but they are careless and indifferent, merely adopting religion as a matter of course. Thus you see they are in a dangerous position, and these people are supposed to be now in my district. What can I do with such an indifferent and careless people? Dear friends, I ask you *specially* to remember these poor people in your prayers, that they be brought to a sense of their danger, and that they may be led by the Spirit to see that religion is a *real* thing, and that Jesus Christ in a *living Saviour*, and not a myth. At Marten's Falls we spent three days, teaching, preaching, administering and talking to the Indians, resting only at our meals and at night. Shall I tell you how we assembled the people together? There being no church-bell, it was useless to think of evergetting them inside the church at the same time. So we went through the tents of the Indians and *compelled* everyone to march to church; nobody excepted, man, woman and child, they simply had to go. This may appear domineering, but such measures are necessary to obtain any hold among these people. If you would have any influence among them, you must also have the rule over them. One of the Roman Catholics came forward in one of our services, and renouncing his faith, giving up his crucifix and beads, he professed to join the Church of England.

June 6th.—We left Marten's Falls and continued our journey up the Albany river, having still 100 miles to go. Beginning at Marten's