

44. The Commissioner of the North West Mounted Police was exceedingly kind and attentive and assisted me in every way in his power.

45. I take this opportunity of expressing my warm thanks to Major A. Bowen Perry Commanding the Mounted Police in the Prince Albert District, for the assistance he rendered me. The whole of the transport was furnished by him and could not have been better managed, and I have to thank the Non. Com. Officers and Constables of Major Perry's troop, who were always ready to assist me in every way.

46. I left Prince Albert on the morning of the 20th February arriving at Qu'Appelle Station on the evening of the 26th. When nearing Qu'Appelle I commenced to feel unwell and was so ill when I reached Winnipeg that I was obliged to remain there and go to Hospital where I was laid up for some time with fever. I am only now just recovering. This is the cause of the delay in sending in the present report.

I have the honor to be, Sir,  
Your obedient servant,  
A. G. IRVINE.

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#### STANLEY MISSION.

The work of this Mission was commenced by the voluntary efforts of an Indian named "Ka-you-way" otherwise Beardy about 1848. He received instruction at the Pas Mission, then recently commenced and afterwards carried the "Good News" to his fellow countrymen on the English River and Lac La Ronge. His son, Peter Beardy, is now Chief at Grand Rapids, Lake Winnipeg.

In 1850, Mr. Settee, now Rev. Jas. Settee, then a Lay Agent of the Church Missionary Society, was sent to take up the work, and he commenced by establishing a Mission Station at the South end of Lac La Ronge.

In 1854, the Rev. R. Hunt an English Missionary, took charge of the Mission, and in the following year removed the Headquarters to Stanley on the English River in order to be on the line of water communication, as all the Northern Districts, at that time received their supplies by way of English River. In any other respect the move was a mistake, as the former location was far more advantageous for all purposes of a Mission Settlement. Mr. and Mrs. Hunt however labored with great zeal and success. The Mission was named from 'Stanley Park' the home of Mrs. Hunt's childhood.

In 1862, Rev. T. T. Smith, also an English Missionary, succeeded Mr. Hunt and remained two years.

In 1864, I was appointed to the charge, being then stationed at the Pas, and for the first year only visited Stanley, taking up my residence there in 1865.

In 1876, I removed to Saskatchewan but continued in charge of Stanley, visiting from time to time until 1878, when the Rev. S. Trivett, now at Blood Reserve, Fort MacLeod, was appointed. He remained two years, and in 1880, a native of Stanley the Rev. John Sinclair, trained at Emanuel College, was appointed. Besides Mr. Sinclair we had two others of the Stanley Indians at Emanuel College for a time, one of whom, Joseph Hunt, is still school teacher at Big Stone near Lac La Ronge, and the other is James Roberts, who was elected Chief.

Last year Mr. Sinclair being unequal to the work on account of ill-health was moved to Grand Rapids, Lake Winnipeg, and Rev. R. McLennan, B. A. B. D. of St. John's College is now in charge.

Since the commencement of the Mission there have been five Episcopal visits—two by the late Bishop Anderson, first Bishop of Rupert's Land, one by the present Metropolitan, before the division of the Diocese. and two by the late Bishop of Saskatchewan, Bishop Maclean.