

A NEW KIND OF INDIAN FEAST.

The Rev. F. O. Nichol writes on the 14th of November :—

“ Yours of October 26th has been unanswered owing to press of work in repairing the mission house, and also on account of our first communion. This we celebrated on Sabbath, November 1st, and it was a day long to be remembered by all. Those who have been here the longest tell me that our attendance that day was the largest ever in the church, the church was filled, some sitting on the floor and pulpit steps. Over one hundred were present, and in spite of the fact that the service was somewhat long, they paid the best of attention, although some of them found it hard to leave their pipes for so long a time. Fifty-two of this number took communion, of whom fifty were members.

After carefully purging the roll I found there were thirty-three members, thus you will see that the roll at present is :—

Members from roll of 1889.....	33
Received on certificate, November 1st 1891.....	3
Received on profession.....	14
Total.....	50

Of the additions, three were councillors of the tribe; three women who had in infancy been baptized in the Roman Catholic church, were re-baptized. In speaking briefly after communion I took occasion to speak of the changes since last it was celebrated, particularly in the death of Rev. John McKay; many eyes were wet, evidencing the deep regard in which he was held by all. Mr. McVicar acted as elder and interpreter, and did excellent service. We are encouraged greatly in our work that the Master has so early blessed us. Mission matters are progressing fairly. We have been busy the last few weeks giving out clothing sent by the ladies of Hamilton Presbytery. The selection was admirably made. Several large pieces of cloth and print were sent which will be used in the sewing class. Sabbath school last week had an attendance of twenty-seven. The children take great interest in the work, and come long distances on foot to be present. The mission and day school are to receive a fine bell, the present of Messrs. J. O. Anderson and Robert Kilgour, of St. James' Square Church, Toronto, of which I was a member. This has been wanted for a long time, and will be greatly appreciated.

In the school Mr. McVicar is doing admirable work; the scholars take great interest in their work and attend much better. The average has been over twenty since Mr. McVicar began.

It is to be regretted that the committee was unable to build a small house for him as his quarters are somewhat confined. I regret that school equipment and accommodations are not sufficient to do the work he would desire. We have at last moved into our new rooms, although the finishing touches are still to be put on.