

for this church is out and ready, awaiting the coming spring, when we hope building will commence. At present the Sunday services are held in an inconvenient school chapel. All the families at this station are members and communicants of the Church of England.

The second tea party was held at Malbaie, in a store kindly lent us by Messrs. John Faivel & Co. The proceeds at the close amounted to \$103. Our thanks are due to Mr. Arthur Collias, who at both parties worked hard to make them a success. The frame for this church is being cut by the members of the congregation, and much of it is already taken to the site for building. We are eager, if possible, to begin building this church too, next summer. We have a very liberal offer made us by a member of the congregation (on certain conditions) of 10,000 feet of board for covering this church in. When built, this church will replace the present church edifice, which is, I am told, a landmark to the fishermen, and is in a very bad state of repair. The Rev. George Radley Walters, the missionary in charge, would gladly indeed acknowledge any subscriptions for these churches from any generous-hearted Churchman reading this, who would wish to further the good cause, cheer the missionary amid much dreary isolation, and strengthen and help the Church's work on this coast. The people, all members of the Church of England, are most of them poor fishing folk, and are doing all they can to second their minister's efforts among them. Who will help them in their endeavour? Of wood, the congregation can supply nearly all, but of money they can furnish very little, for many have none of it to give. Help for this work is asked; who will respond to this.

#### DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

**SERVICES IN THE WOODS.**—The Revs. N. A. F. Bourne and Seth A. Mills missionaries of Thorne and Bristol respectively, have just returned home from an annual visitation to the shanties situated along the Black River, which flows into the Ottawa River below Allumette Island. Eight shanties and three depots were visited belonging respectfully to Messrs. King, Frazer, E. B. Eddy & Co., and Patty & Perley.

Perhaps the readers of *THE GUARDIAN* would like to know how the missionaries get along in that land where:—

"Stand the groves of singing pine-trees

"Green in summer, white in winter

"Ever sighing, ever singing."

and what is their object in going.

They get along very well as a rule, although at times they have it rough enough. They drive up to a shanty and introduce themselves. The chore boy and sometimes the foreman himself takes charge of the horses. The missionaries are invited to enter the shanty, and in order to do this they have to make obeisance, particularly if they are tall missionaries. They then take a seat on the soft side of a log supported on four legs, about dark the men begin to come in from work and find a substantial meal prepared for them. The missionaries are invited to take tea on a large box with a clean bag for a table cloth; after the eatables have been disposed of and a little time allowed for digestion, the men are requested to give their attention and join with the missionaries in a service of prayer and praise to our God and Saviour; short addresses are then given, in which temporal and spiritual blessings and our duties as Christians are dwelt upon. After the Benediction illustrated papers are distributed, and thus the sons of the forest have the privilege of uniting in public worship at least once in the eight or ten months that they are up in the woods. In this way shanty after shanty is visited, the visitors being treated with kindness and hospitality at each one. In some of the shanties voluntary offerings are made for carrying on the Church's work, which offerings are

accepted by the missionaries though not solicited.

The missionaries had difficulties to contend with in making their visitation, owing to storm; the lake roads are often invisible, necessitating a drive half way round the lake to find the road on the other side, not frequently the horses fall into deep holes filled with snow, and the missionaries had to take turns in helping them out and in tramping the road in front of them. On the return trip a hidden stump smashed two whiffletrees and a missionary had to try his hand at making new ones and succeeded in doing so very well, so that they were enabled to reach home without any further difficulties.

**MONTREAL.—St. Martin's.**—The Rector, the Rev. G. Osborne Troop, has issued an admirable Lenten Pastoral to his congregation, executed in true churchly style and printed on purple paper; the color of the season. The arrangement of services for Lent are as follows:

**Ash Wednesday.**—Communion Service and Ante-Communion 11 a.m.; short service, with Bible reading 8 p.m.

**Other Wednesdays.**—Litany and Ante-Communion 11 a.m.; short service with Bible reading 8 p.m.

**Every Friday.**—Short service and address 5 p.m.

**Holy Week.**—Ante Communion, daily, 11 a.m.; short service and address, Monday, Tuesday and Easter Eve 5 p.m.; short service and address, Wednesday, 8 p.m.; Confirmation service, Thursday, 8 p.m.

**Good Friday.**—Full Morning service and sermon 11 a.m.; Preparation for Easter Communion 8 p.m.

**SHAWVILLE.**—The churchwardens of St. Paul's Church have advertised for "Tenders" for the erection of a new parsonage, which is to be built during the coming summer.

**BOLTON.**—It seems your correspondent who was, to put it mildly, so strongly berated for saying that the incumbent of Bolton was about to leave, was after all correct. The Rev. Mr. Chambers has left and that for Abbotsford as stated. Strange that the correspondent should have known this and Mr. Chambers not!

#### DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

**KEMPTVILLE.**—A deputation consisting of the Revs. R. S. Forneri and Geo. Scantlebury, held Missionary meetings in St. James' Church, Kemptville, and St. Paul's Church, Marlboro, on Tuesday and Wednesday, the 19th and 20th of February. The attendance was in excess of times past for week days. The services were very hearty; the addresses were plain and to the point. The Rector, Mr. Emery, made a few opening remarks, setting forth the great importance of Missionary meetings as tests of man's practical knowledge of Christ and His Church, as tests of the interest they have in the Christian life. He spoke of the Missionary meeting as being the great business meeting in connection with Christ and His Church.

Mr. Scantlebury gave a stirring Missionary address adapted to the time. Giving the people a detailed account of work done by himself. He was ordained by the Bishop of Ontario three years and a half ago, just out from S. Boniface College, England, and sent by his Lordship to an extensive Mission, consisting of seven townships; he just put his shoulder to the plow and worked well. The Mission was divided into two in a short time, and is shortly to undergo a fresh division. He has opened two pretty new churches, free of debt, and presented over 70 candidates for Confirmation. This was an entirely new mission. One out of the sixty new missions that have been opened since the foundation of the Diocese of Ontario, twenty-six years ago,

Rev. Mr. Forneri, the Convener, gave a very good statistical account and made a stirring address, as he pointed out the Church's needs and how to meet them. He comes from a parish dating from the first days of Canadian life. One of the first spots where the banner of Christ was unfurled by the U.E. Loyalists a hundred years ago. His work is intensely interesting, as representing the revival of life under difficulties. He is now engaged in building a new church in memory of the U.E. Loyalists. The work goes on as the money comes in. It is at a stand still just now for want of funds. Doubtless there are many faithful sons and daughters of the Church who would willingly assist, were they appealed to. It is to be hoped that on reading this brief reference they may be induced to do something. They will find the Rector of Adolphustown only too thankful to receive their help for the Lord's work.

Robert Leslie, Esq., the priest's churchwarden and lay reader, made an admirable and interesting address. Urging the people for love of God or His Holy Church to offer liberally of their substance to the Diocesan Missionary work. On presenting the alms Mr. Thomas Blackburn made a few pointed remarks in connection with the amount raised by the Parochial Mission Board.

The Church's work demands more attention from men and women; and as they realize the importance of it, and put in practice the law of first offering themselves to the Lord, and then to His Church—the stakes will be strengthened and the cords enlarged.

**OTTAWA.**—A clergyman in Ottawa on Sunday last, 24th ult., asked for the prayers of his congregation "for assistance to the Bishop in his great trial." The Bishop of Ontario was married last week, and people are asking themselves whether the aforesaid clergyman referred to him or to the Bishop of Lincoln, whose trial before the Archbishop of Canterbury will be resumed on March 12th?

**LOMBARDY.**—On Feb. 26th, Miss Jeannie Reid was united in the bonds of holy matrimony to W. H. Umphrey, of Dakota, in Holy Trinity Church, Lombardy. The church was well filled, and the choir being in their places the two hymns from Hymns A. & M., and the *Deus Creator* were sung.

**KINGSTON.—St. Paul's.**—A very large congregation assembled in St. Paul's Church to listen to the address of Rev. J. Elliott, of Cornwall, and Major Mayne, R. E. Major Mayne commenced by saying that he liked the idea of having laymen mingle with clergy in mission work. He was only too glad to respond to the call to say a few words on missions. It is a duty and not a business to help on this work. The whole question was, "Do we believe the Bible?" If so, it has our marching orders in it. We are not to think of ourselves, but go right ahead. We are responsible for the condition of our fellow creatures.

Rev. J. Elliott, of Cornwall, said that it looked as if Christians of the present day were selfish in monopolizing the gospel. He urged that people should give of their substance as God had prospered them. From the earliest time God insisted on receiving certain portions of the fruits of the earth. God has not changed the law. Some people are of the opinion that the Old Testament and New are two different books altogether. All things belong to God and as he only requires a tenth of all we have, we should be only too willing to comply with His wishes. No Christian man could believe in the Bible without helping on the mission cause, and there should be no difficulty in raising funds for it. People should deny themselves a little for the sake of mission work.

At the close of his address a deputation from the Sunday School presented Mr. Elliott with what they had collected for the Indian missions.