

and a business meeting for 10 a.m. the day following announced. A drive of two miles brought us to the house of W. A. R. Garratt Esqr., whose guests we were to be for the next two days. With characteristic hospitality we were almost immediately ushered into the dining room, and the well spread table, and enjoyable society of our hosts, soon caused us to forget the discomforts of our journey.

The parish meeting of the next day brought together a working majority of the sterner set. The Bishop called the meeting to order, and then spent a patient two hours investigating and putting into shape the station's accounts; this done, and a hasty luncheon partaken with the Misses Bell, we started, under the guidance of Mr. Delafosse for Round Lake. The route lay along the length of Burk Lake then through two clearings, which were made merry by an upset, the Bishop falling undermost, then across Round Lake to the shanty of Mr. Smith. Here the Bishop's good fortune seemed to desert him, for only *one woman*—and she had walked four miles—appeared in the shape of congregation. So we turned it into a cottage meeting, Mr. Llwyd said the Litany, and the Bishop read and expounded the Gospel of the Sunday. We then partook Mr. Smith's hospitality and hastened to make our return journey. Halfway to Ifracombe, we were earnestly requested to turn in and baptise the infant child of Mr. Wm. Remington. Mr. L. did this while the Bishop elected to walk on to get his feet warmed. We picked the Bishop up on Buck Lake, and at 7 o'clock arrived—most gladly—at Mr. Garratt's. The next morning our host informed us that the thermometer had fallen to 40 degrees below zero, and then frozen, all this we felt to be so, and were easily induced to delay our journey to the next station to the last moment possible. A sharp drive of nine miles brought us to

#### RAVENSCLIFFE.

After tea, with our good friend Mrs. Tipper, we drove to the school house a mile and a half distant, and again enjoyed a most hearty and united service, 20 communicants partook of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The offertory was \$2.07 to the widows and orphans fund. In the business meeting following arrangements were made for the annexation of the Station to the Mission of Huntsville, with which it is most connected.

A beautiful and church-like structure is being erected by the Tipper Bro's, which when completed will be an ornament to the diocese, and is a fitting example of what can be done by earnest hearts, when judiciously aided and encouraged by help from outside the diocese.

Having refreshed mind and body with peaceful slumber in Mrs. Tipper's "prophets chamber," we prepared early for further travel, when the cry of "fire" startled everyone, the roof had caught fire from the stove pipe. Fortunately abundant help was at hand, and what might have been a serious calamity was by timely action averted.

After inspecting the new church with which we were greatly pleased, we drove to the Whiddon settlement for service in Dixon's school house, which was well filled.

The Bishop pointed out the injury of multiplying

stations too closely together, and said he felt that it would be unwise to advise the formation of a station here, one side being near to Ravenscliffe and the other to Ifracombe, and strongly urged the church people of this locality to attach themselves to— and strengthen the interest in one or other of these two places.

This completing the visitation of the Ifracombe Mission; we then entered the cutter, and a brisk drive of some ten miles brought us to the parsonage, Huntsville.

Saturday the Bishop employed himself industriously endeavouring to overtake his correspondence.

This week the interest of the Huntsville congregation had centered itself in the erection of a temporary tower, built for the reception of a new church bell recently purchased, which the Bishop was to inaugurate on the Sunday. This, their trial and energy enabled them to satisfactorily accomplish, of which we had timely and most infallible proof by the bell itself on Saturday afternoon.

On Sunday at 10 a.m. the volunteer bell ringer entered upon his duties. And for the first time in the history of the Mission the people were called to worship their God by the old familiar sound, so many had not heard for many long years. The interests attaching to the Bishop's visit, the new bell, and the fact that there was to be a confirmation brought together a large congregation. The Missionary read prayers and presented the candidates, fourteen in number, upon whom the Bishop laid hands and prayed. The Bishop preached a most impressive sermon from 2 Cor. v. 10. The offertory in aid of the bell fund was \$10.97. Holy Communion was then celebrated of which 34 including the newly confirmed partook. At 3 p.m. the Bishop addressed the Sunday School upon the work of the Diocese amongst the Indians, and an offertory was made in aid of the work of \$2.59.

In the evening a crowded congregation assembled to hear the Bishop preach, the offertory being \$7.24 to the bell fund.

At 9 a.m. the 26th we drove to the

#### GRASSMERE STATION.

six miles east. The Bishop's sermon being upon the necessity of conversion. Offertory to widows and orphans fund, \$1.83. A meeting was held immediately after service to settle the question of building a church. It was fully conceded that one was needed, but the poverty of the people stood in the way of anything being given, except in the shape of work. The Bishop promised \$50.00 from the fund of the diocese, and \$5 for himself. A committee was formed to push on the work in the spring, so far as it may be possible to do it with little or no funds. After partaking Mr. Morgans' hospitality, in whose house the service is held, we returned to Huntsville for a missionary meeting at 7:30, to be followed by a parish meeting. The Rev. T. Llwyd took the chair, and opened with prayer. After a brief speech by the chairman the Bishop gave an interesting account of the work in the diocese generally, dwelling more particularly on those aspects of his work amongst the Indians and in the lake district with which the audience was not familiar. The