

have a flourishing Temperance Society ; congregations have been good. Prayer and class-meetings good and earnest, often from 40 to 50 stay for class after preaching. Members on trial, 4 ; full members, 96 ; total, 100 ; increase, 5 ; buried, 5 ; one member married ; 3 couples baptised and 10 children. Securing contract for new church, obtaining Mission premises, repairing and improving them, together with the pastoral work, has made the year one of earnest toil. But in view of blessings given, we thank God and take courage, devoutly praying, " O Lord, revive Thy work."

#### MISSION PREMISES.

On the 26th July, 1875, I called a meeting to find what could be done towards putting the old church in shape for the Missionary to live in. We found we could get no ground with the house, so the Indians offered a house and 25 acres of land ; we to repair the house and fence in as much land as we wished. I hesitated to accept it, but being urged by both chiefs, I did accept on condition that the Missionary authorities approve, and that the chiefs give a transfer of the premises, or guarantee of quiet possession while we need it for Mission purposes. On the 28th I went to Owen Sound to advise with the Chairman ; he wrote Dr. Wood ; I returned and wrote Dr. Wood, and Mr. Sutherland, too ; Dr. Wood wrote to accept, and to save rent we moved to the allotted house at once ; this subjected us to loss of garden, to damage of furniture, and to great inconvenience and suffering by living in an old dirty Indian house while it was being repaired, especially so as Mrs. Bawtinheimer's health was so very poor. But I set to work ; repaired the old house, built a small barn and a kitchen, put up out-houses, and have fenced in about 15 acres of land for tilling and pasture. I have put up a picket fence in front of the house, and planted maple trees in front too. I have laid off a yard adjoining the house ; have levelled and cleaned it, and planted it well with evergreen trees ; joining this, I have laid off a garden and planted it with such trees and roots as I could get, and have done what I could to make the place pleasant and attractive. The whole expense for repairing the old house, building barn, kitchen, out-houses, and fencing, is about \$220. The expense would have been far more, but I have done what work I could with my own hands, and have boarded men who did some of the work, making no charge (although board here is very dear). Soon after the repairs began we saw plainly that the expenses were likely to be far more than we at first anticipated, and so have done all we could to keep expenses low.

#### THE NEW CHURCH.

Late in the fall of 1874, I called a council to consider whether we should build a new church or not. We decided to build ; so I at once corresponded with builders in Owen Sound ; but failed to let the contract at that time. The first day of January, 1875, I spoke to Messrs. Daupe and Liekmen about building us a new church. They at once prepared plans and specifications, and sent them to me ; upon which I called another council, and submitted the plans, etc., to the judgment and choice of the Indians. They chose a plan 28x40 feet in size, stone foundation, bell-tower and spire, pulpit, communion rail, and seats ; to be painted both inside and outside ; contract price \$1,030.

The result of these deliberations and decisions was duly laid before the Agent for Indian Affairs at the Cape, William Plummer, Esq. ; and after long correspondence held, and several councils called, he requested the whole to be deferred till his visit in the spring. When he came, arrangements were made for going on with building the church, and a contract signed between Messrs. Daupe and Liekmen and the Indians. On or about the first of July the foundation was laid. The building was begun on the twelfth of August. It was finished on the fifteenth of September, and dedicated on the twenty-ninth by