

rocky ; no surveyed roads opened in the country, only the colonization roads, and settlers roads into the clearances. There is great need for more Missions being opened up. The present state of the Mission Funds does not encourage increased expenditure, and the state of the Church at Kinmount, so recently aided by the "Extra-Cent-a-Day" money in November, is unfortunately paralleled by others in our Diocese as the following letter shows :—

Extract from letter of Rev. Christopher Lord, Apsley, Dec. 14th, 1894. "I thank your Lordship very much for promising to see if anything can be done in Toronto to supply our wants. Our wants are not very great but they are *urgent*. The congregation at St. Paul's for instance, has fallen off dreadfully during the last six weeks because the Church is so cold and draughty. Regular visitation of the people has led to their coming to Church much more freely than they had done in the past. The Church is now too cold for them to sit long in it, the snow comes through the roof and the wind blows through the walls where the plaster has fallen out. But \$20 would be quite enough to put this to rights, as the wood and material is ready and is spoiling, because we have not the means to get it sawn up, prepared, and used. There is no one here or in our neighborhood who can afford to give. There are two other things that we want badly : namely, two cheap American organs—one for St. Paul's and the other for St. Stephen's. I find I can neither get the people to sing or practice them in singing without music. They have no confidence.

I have been obliged to cease working during the last few days in consequence of an attack of influenza, I am still unwell, but getting better and hope to resume work in the course of a day or two.

I am sorry to say there are many large families unbaptized, belonging to the sect called "Christians." The parents do not believe it right to baptize children, and teach that they should be immersed. Very few of the families teach their children to say prayers. I have had long talks with the parents, and trust not altogether in vain, I feel most for the children. I think I may succeed in getting one or two of the families baptized."

Mr. Tims writing to the Diocesan Treasurer acknowledges a cheque for \$115.50 (Pledge Matron's Salary, Home, etc.) says, "your cheque came at a very opportune time ; we had no money in bank, or cash in hand, yet lots of bills coming in. To help the Mission out of its present financial difficulties the staff are all promising to return from one tenth to one fifteenth of their small salaries for the next year." Mr. Tims adds that he is just going to Calgary to assist at the ordination of Mr. Stanley Stocken, and two others on St. Andrew's day. . . . The Secretary of the Diocese of Rupert's Land also acknowledges the receipt of \$42 from the congregation of St. Margaret's, Toronto, sent through their Branch of the W.A.