

Testament into colloquial Cree, to be printed in syllabics, beginning with the Gospels of St. Mark and St. John, using Archdeacon Hunter's translation and adapting it only where necessary to the "Wood" Cree. At our next Synod in 1894, I was only able to report progress to the extent, that while in Toronto, during the winter of 1893-94, I had made an arrangement with the Toronto Type Foundry Co., to cast a font of type, "Pica" size, and that the Bryan Publishing Co., had undertaken to print the same. Difficulties as to printing arose and I took lessons in printing and brought out a hand press, and all necessary outfit to Athabasca Landing. An assistant turned up in Mr. Gordon Weston. In the meanwhile, Mr. Holmes prepared, with the assistance of some of the most intelligent men of his congregation, first St. Mark's Gospel, followed by that of St. John's. We have also printed and circulated, a book of instructions, prayers and hymns. Also the Creed, the Lords Prayer and the Ten Commandments. This has gone into second edition. I think we should do all we can to promote reading among our people, especially of the Gospels. I am thankful to say that the British and Foreign Bible Society has kindly undertaken to publish a second edition of the whole Bible, based on Mason's Bible, in syllabics. The best Cree scholars and speakers throughout the country, both of our own and of the Methodist Church, have been appointed revisers. As far as we are concerned, our humble efforts will serve to prepare the way for the whole Bible. Those who have learnt to read the two gospels we have published, will be able to appreciate the Scriptures, both of the Old and New Testament. Let that passage be always before us, "The entrance of Thy word giveth light."

Our opportunities for thus gathering in conference are few. Six years of change, trial, discouragements, as well as thank God encouragement, have passed away. We have many mercies to thank God for, not least, that we have been