

and none of the older ones. His lordship preached a very appropriate sermon from St. John iii. 16, assuring and showing them the many ways in which God had and was proving His love to them; one of the Indians acted as interpreter. The choir was entirely composed of Indian men and the organist is the chief's grandson. Both hymns and chants were very sweetly sung. The congregation numbered about 110. There was a celebration of Holy Communion of which about fifty reverently partook. Indeed, throughout the whole service, the reverence and attention of the Indians were a pleasure to see and one could not help feeling that they were an example to many of their white brethren. Service ended, the Bishop and Mr. Renison visited and administered the Holy Communion to the Chief who is very old and ill, and a truly loyal, faithful soldier of the Church. He expressed great regret at not being able to be present with them during the day. On their return the party were driven to the "Council House," a spacious building put up by the Indians themselves and in which their various meetings regarding temporal affairs are held, and where on this occasion the Indians of all the Reserve, men, women and children of all ages, from above the "three score years and ten" down to infancy, had flocked to participate. It seemed a real "red letter day" in their lives. After waiting for some time dinner was announced. It had been provided and made ready by the Indians, and it certainly did them credit. As it was then about four p.m., it is needless to say that the party enjoyed what was set before them. When this was over they were invited to the "upper courts" for speeches, etc. His lordship first called upon Mr. Renison who gave his few words in Indian, and though I did not understand what he said, the Indians seemed highly pleased. Judge Johnson was next called upon. He addressed them in kindly terms of interest, telling them he would be pleased to assist them when and in any way he could. Then followed two of the Indians, one speaking in his own tongue, the other in English, stating that they were all glad to help on the Church work in any way they were able, and although they had done what work they could on the parsonage now in course of erection yet they were quite willing to finish it if lumber, etc., could be provided, as they were not able to give money. He closed his speech by paying high tribute to the

party, especially the ladies, for honouring them with a visit. Lastly, the Bishop spoke very encouragingly and in words of fatherly kindness assuring them that he wanted to be a true Father in God to them, and that he would try and procure means to finish the parsonage and send them a clergyman at the earliest possible date. The Bishop dismissed the assembly with the benediction. The party immediately turned their faces homeward, reaching the "Soo" at 9 p.m., feeling that they had enjoyed the day throughout and had also made happy those they left behind, which, after all, is the true essence of earthly happiness.

"MINWAHENOQUE."

The Bishop's Appointments for April.

1. *Thursday*—Bruce Mines.
2. *Friday*—Webbwood.
3. *Saturday*—Take train for North Bay.
4. *Sunday*—North Bay.
5. *Monday*—Sturgeon Falls.
6. *Tuesday*.
7. *Wednesday*—Sudbury.
8. *Thursday*—Powassan.
9. *Friday*—Burk's Falls (possibly).
10. *Saturday*—Bracebridge.
11. *Sunday*—Bracebridge.
12. *Monday*—Gravenhurst.
13. *Tuesday*.
14. *Wednesday*—Sault Ste. Marie.
15. *Thursday*.
16. *Good Friday*—Pro-Cathedral, Sault Ste. Marie.
17. *Saturday*.
18. *Easter Day*—Pro-Cathedral, Sault Ste. Marie.
19. *Monday*.
20. *Tuesday*.
21. *Wednesday*—Toronto.
22. *Thursday*—Address Toronto W.A.
23. *Friday*—Attend Social Gathering, Toronto W.A.
24. *Saturday*.
25. *Sunday*—Toronto.
26. *Monday*.
27. *Tuesday*.
28. *Wednesday*—Hamilton (possibly).
29. *Thursday*.
30. *Friday*.

Mission of Little Current.

REV. W. J. ECCLESTON, INCUMBENT.

A letter from the missionary at Little Current is our authority for the following:

On Shrove Tuesday a ten days' mission was commenced at Holy Trinity Church, Little Current.

On Sunday, March 14th—that stormy day—the Bishop had an appointment at Little Current. In driving from Sheguandah he had one of those trying experiences which occasionally befall all travellers in the winter season. The unpropitious weather accounted for the absence of some persons who, under other conditions, would certainly have been out to church that day. Nine can-

didates were presented for confirmation by the incumbent.

Aspdin Mission.

REV. W. H. FRENCH, INCUMBENT.

Wednesday, February 24th, was a red-letter day in this mission—we being favoured by the visit of our new Bishop. Morning Prayer was read by the incumbent, and the Holy Eucharist celebrated by his lordship in St. Mary's Church, Aspdin. Owing to the large amount of teaming going on in the "bush," not many men were present. The fair sex, however, fully atoned for their absence, some driving over from Allansville to the service, which began at 10.30 a.m. There were thirty-two communicants. After the service the Bishop was introduced to all who were present.

In the afternoon a meeting of churchwardens of the four parishes in the mission, presided over by the Bishop, was held in the parsonage.

Evening Prayer was read at Allansville Church at 7 p.m., where a very large congregation assembled, who were all individually spoken to by the Bishop at the close of the service. All at both services were delighted with the able sermons preached by their Bishop, and one and all expressed their deep satisfaction with the affable and fatherly manner in which he received and addressed them.

It is the Bishop's intention to visit, at an early date, Lancelot and Stanleydale, the other two congregations in the mission, and we are looking forward to the event with no little satisfaction and expectancy.

Collections for the Indian famine were made and sent to the *Montreal Star*. The amounts were: Allansville, \$5.60; Aspdin, \$2.25; Lancelot, \$2.05; Stanleydale, \$1.70; total, \$11.60.

W. H. FRENCH.

P.S. I might add that having but lately entered upon the incumbency of this mission, which for some twenty months had been without a permanent resident clergyman, I find very much to be done in the way of repairs—building driving-sheds, etc. The tower of the stone church at Aspdin is in a dangerous condition, and unless taken in hand in the spring it will become a ruin. The amount required to set matters right, over and above what the people themselves can do, will be not less than \$350, or £70 sterling. Who will lend a helping hand to the incumbent