

who, during the evening, expressed his regret that I should be spending the best years of my life among Indians, "for," he added, "from what I know of them they are incapable of appreciating your labours, &c." I begged leave to differ from my kind host, and argued the point with him, and related at some length my experience among the Indians, and finally referred to the case of old Wahbuhnoosa—his poverty, his great bereavements and sufferings, his Christian patience and triumphant faith, his joy and peace in believing—and when I looked at "mine host" for his opinion, his eyes were wet with tears, his hand had been thrust into his pocket for a bank bill, which he gave me, and with much emotion he said, "will you be kind enough to give that to your old friend." But while my very kind host and I were talking over the subject of Indian Missions, the redeemed and purified spirit of Wahbuhnoosa had taken its everlasting flight to the glorious inheritance of the saints in light, where there is no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, nor any more pain—Rev. 21, 4. When I returned home from the Sault with my good friend's donation, it was too late—Wahbuhnoosa had departed.

My labours this winter have been somewhat arduous—among white people as well as Indians; but I have been very much stimulated to increased exertion by cheering prospects of usefulness. Let me mention my duties last Sunday (Easter), which have been the same every Sunday except the administration of the holy sacraments. I had morning service here and preached in Ojibway and English; then administered the holy sacraments to 12 communicants, some of whom, I am happy to say, partook of it for the first time, and three of these I had received into the church from that of Rome. I had afternoon service here, and administered the sacrament of baptism. I then drove 12 miles to the Sault, where I performed day service, baptized two children, preached, and finally administered the holy sacrament of the Lord's supper to 14 persons. I cannot say that I was not fatigued, but I felt happy and thankful for the manifest proofs which I had witnessed of God's blessing upon my labours. At my next service at the Sault a collection will be made for the missions of the Church Society, and I trust it will be a good one. I sincerely hope that the Society will be able to carry out their noble object in sending one missionary at least to those regions this summer. We had our annual missionary meeting at Garden River, on Monday evening last. The weather was most unfavourable, but the attendance was very good, and some admirable speeches were delivered by chief Angista Shingwankoons, (Little Pine,) Chief Putquindzenene (wild man), Churchwarden Wahbemama (a dove), and churchwarden Nawuhkezbik (middle of the sky,) and the collection amounted to upwards of \$60. I am sorry that I cannot now send an abstract of the speeches, and of the whole proceedings, but I may accomplish this at some future time, if desirable, to the *Chronicle*.

I remain, yours very truly,

To the Rev. S. Givins,
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