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Our Lake Superior Tour.

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IT had been arranged that directly the holidays commenced at the Shingwauk Home the Bishop and myself should start on a missionary tour up Lake Superior, the plan being simply as follows:—We would take with us our boat, *The Missionary* five or six Indian boys to man it, and provisions for six or seven weeks. We would first proceed by steamboat 800 miles direct to Prince Arthur's Landing, taking our boat on board; remain there about a week, during which we would pay a visit into the interior; then we would start away from the Landing in the *Missionary*, and coast the whole way back visiting all the Indians along the north shore of the Lake.

Accordingly, as soon as ever the examinations were over on Saturday, the 13th of July, we commenced preparations, the boys who were to accompany me, seven in number, went at once into camp, the tents being erected on the shore of the River. I thought this the best way of making sure that everything was provided and in good order for the expedition, and indeed it was well that I did so, for our second tent which had just been made for

us at the Wawanosh Home was found to have *no opening*, so that there was no way of getting into it when erected. This little mistake on the part of the girls had, of course, to be rectified. Fortunately one of the boys to accompany us was a tailor boy, and he soon had the end of the tent ripped up and an extra piece spliced on to lap over the door-way.

On Sunday afternoon we had Sunday-School at the camp instead of in the school-room, which was a pleasant change for the boys, a large proportion of whom were waiting for the Monday steam-boat to take them home for their holidays. Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday were busily spent in making all necessary preparations for the journey; providing food, cooking utensils, clothing, charts, compass, powder and shot, medicines, &c. &c., besides making all needful arrangements for the Institution and its inmates during my prolonged absence.

On Tuesday night our boys met together in the tent and we had earnest prayer together that God would bless us and guide us and give us grace to lead faithful, consistent lives while away travelling among