

visited by boat and train. Spanish Mills, on one of the small islands, was visited, besides St. Joseph's Island and the Great Manitoulin—11 places in all; 11 public addresses given, at which about 600 people were present; two meetings for women were held; one Union and two Youmans Bands were organized; and I spoke in Church services, Sunday Schools, day schools and other meetings; visited about 300 families and gave away a large amount of literature.

The chief drawback on this trip was the awful indifference of the people. In some places the minister is the only christian worker, and he very often is discouraged and is not able to do his best work.

SUMMARY.

Have sent out during the year 311 letters and cards, 9,000 tracts, 4,500 papers, 59 comfort bags, 9 New Testament portions, French and Italian; 25 reports, 10 books; visited 450 families; addressed 21 public meetings, at which about 1,000 people were present; conducted four ladies' meetings, besides speaking whenever the Lord gave opportunity; travelled about 200 miles by railway, by boat or on foot.

THE NEEDS OF THE WORK.

Time—the District is so large that to cover it, at least three or four months should be spent in touring. I am hoping to visit along the main line of the C. P. R. and part of the branch line on my way home. Three months spent in the field would furnish abundant material for nine months' work at home. The requirements of the work are great. Drink is the great curse of the District. I have been told in places, that nobody ever came there before to speak on temperance. The people as a rule are an intelligent, independent, noble class, who thoroughly appreciate any efforts that are being put forth for their well-being. Many of them long with all their souls after the privileges they once enjoyed in the East. Of course, in the large places the people have many oppositions, but in the smaller places the religious life is difficult to maintain. Your Missionary has been welcomed wherever she has gone, but to meet the requirements of the work she ought to be able to give her whole time to it, which at present she is not able to do.

I do not think that a grander nobler work could be undertaken by any people than the work of Christian temperance in the District of Algoma.