

When it has been known for many months that the Indian loyalty to the British Crown was being tampered with surely the government ought at least to have warned the evil doers, if not to have forcibly removed them from the reserve.

Even now, when it is known that the Indians who have left are under the delusion that the Government intends to take away their reserve and make them slaves, some steps might be taken to disabuse their minds, show them that the British Government has no such intention, and to offer some inducement for the better disposed to return to their home in Metlakahla.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL.

Thursday, Sept. 29th being the Feast of S. S. Michael and All Angels, the Annual Harvest Festival and Choir Union Service was held in the Cathedral. It consisted of Evensong with Tallis' Festival Responses, Canticles, Bunting in F, Psalms lxx, cxlv, Anthem "While the earth remaineth" Tours. Hymns, 382, 383, 3-6, 223.

The Choir was ably conducted by Mr. Herbert Kent, who also sang the solo in the Anthem very effectively.

The Rev. W. W. Bolton, Rector of Esquimalt, preached an impressive sermon; and the following Clergy took part in the service: The Lord Bishop, The Archdeacon, Revs. A. J. Beaulands, J. H. Davis and G. W. Taylor.

A marked improvement was shown in the Choir since last year's service, and it is hoped that it will continue to arouse an interest in Church Music, and promote a feeling of good fellowship and *esprit de corps* among the Choirs of the district.

ST. JAMES'.

The annual picnic for the children attending the Sunday school in this Parish took place on the 30th July. A large party of 70 children and 15 teachers and friend left the Church at 10:30 in two busses supplied by the Victoria Transfer Company and drove to Cordova Bay, where a very pleasant day was spent. By the kindness of many friends an abundance of eatables had been provided, and also a goodly array of toys for which the children ran races. After a delightful afternoon spent in games and in wandering through the woods and by the sea shore, a start was made for home which was safely reached by 5 o'clock. Amongst the visitors during the afternoon were the Bishop and Mrs. Hills, Mr. and Mrs. E. Crow Baker, &c.