

They rung out her wet clothes, and made large camp fires to dry them. They made the babies food, and washed all the utensils better than her own nurse did it. When they reached Moose Fort, September 2nd, everything in the house was nice, and ready for them, and their reception by the Indians was so marked and hearty that Mrs. Newnham says, "It took away some of the pain of leaving my own dear home." The people had never seen a piano, and, weary as she was, Mrs. Newnham gratified them by playing on hers before setting to work to get bedding, etc., ready for a rest after their long journey.

The cut on the next page shows the party starting from Missanabie in the canoes, and some of the Hudson Bay people who were there to see them off.

News has been received that the Bishop had reached Fort Churchill safely.

To those of our readers who have access to the printed reports of the dioceses of Algoma and Calgary, the following pages will be of little value. It is in the interest of our country branches and others who do *not* see these reports that we are inserting what is given here. Algoma is the domestic subject for prayer and reading this month, so that many will be glad to know her special needs.

THE Bishop of Saskatchewan and Calgary writes thus of the Piegan mission: "Our missionaries there are feeling very discouraged, and it looks as though the school will have to be closed soon if we cannot get financial aid. We want about \$1,100 in addition to our present receipts. I fear the disappointment in having to wait for financial aid, which never comes, will not only result in the resignation of Mr. Hinchliffe, but in the closing of the school and perhaps the mission. Do help us at once if you can. We must bear in mind, too, that this mission is wholly dependent on the Canadian Church, not being assisted by any of the English societies, as other missions are."

DIocese of ALGOMA.

INDIAN WORK.

Our Indian Homes have been passing through a somewhat severe ordeal, owing mainly to the difficulty of securing a principal possessing the necessary qualifications, such as administrative ability, knowledge of the Indian character, promptness in correspondence, and above all, a deep personal interest in the children of the poor red man. After sundry experiments, all ending unsatisfactorily, we have ventured on a new departure, and placed this important branch of our missionary work under the charge of a layman (G. L. King,

Esq.), who, with his wife, has been highly recommended by the Indian Department as having had large experience in the management of the aborigines and their children. Aided largely by Mrs. King, our new principal is already bringing order out of chaos. A grant of \$2,500 has recently been obtained from the Government for various alterations and improvements urgently required. The girls, who, for greater economy, had been removed by the committee from the Wawanosh to the Shingwauk during my absence in 1893, were sent to their homes last winter in consequence of a serious outbreak of erysipelas, and have not since been recalled, owing to the lack of proper accommodation. I fear that they will rapidly degenerate, and lapse into their original semi-barbarism, unless we are placed in a position either to reopen, and refurnish the old Wawanosh at a cost of \$750, or, better still, to erect a new building for their reception, nearer to the Shingwauk, and within the limits of the ninety acres on which it stands. The latter project would cost, for construction and equipment, not less than \$5,000. Of this sum we could probably count on \$3,000 from a possible Government grant and the sale of the old Wawanosh property. This would leave \$2,000 to be still provided by voluntary subscription. Are there not many among the readers of this report who could easily contribute the whole amount at the cost of a scatch of their pen—many more who could as easily help generously in its realization? I cannot undertake to make personal application to individuals for this purpose. I send forth this appeal, trusting in Him who can turn men's hearts "as the rivers of water." All contributions forwarded to me in response will be applied to the

"NEW WAWANOSH FUND."

The annual report of our Indian education work will shortly be put in circulation. Owing to the recent and frequent changes in the principalship, its pages will doubtless exhibit a diminished "tale" of work as compared with some previous years; but I am confident that once the present improvements are completed, and the institution is again in steady running order, it will advance rapidly under the present management if adequately maintained, and before long furnish a record in no way behind that of the palmiest days it has ever seen. Ebb and flow—"fall and rising again"—are not necessarily notes of failure. If the Church herself, "the body of Christ," is subject to the law of fluctuation, variations in the tide of prosperity may well be expected in her manifold enterprises for the uplifting of the race. The committee charged with the oversight of the Homes (the Bishop being president) have been unremitting in their watch over its welfare, bringing to bear on its interests a care and