

the good results and the influence that can be carried among their people in their camps, by those that are taught and trained in this way at the Mission. And he is very anxious to be able to increase this influence, by starting a small boarding school, so to speak, and having eight or ten children at a time to live with them in some small annex to the Mission house, both Indians and Eskimo, for the winters.

He will lay the matter probably before the Bishop of Moosonee when he goes to Churchill this summer.

#### WORK AT THE MISSION HOUSE.

The Missionary's wife holds classes and meetings for the women of the fort and for the children, and in the very cold weather, when the school-room cannot be warmed, school is held in the dining room at the house instead. (This involves a great deal of cleaning and airing as it is impossible to disconnect any of the inhabitants of Churchill for any length of time from the smell of the whale blubber.)

#### OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

So, in the summer, when the Chipweyans and Eskimo come in from the white whale fishery, the Mission house is "practically open to the public" at most hours, except at 3 a.m., (a favorite prowling time of Indians,) and *meal times*, when the object of a native's visit to the mission is but too obvious.

For the missionary and his wife are very careful to avoid in any way making beggars or paupers of their people. They try if possible to make them earn in some way whatever is given them in the way of food and clothing, and reward some more highly than others, for good conduct, thrift, work and cleanliness.

They take advantage of the very inquisitiveness of the Indians, and Mrs. Lofthouse has allowed the women to watch her morning ablutions through the window, as an object lesson to them in cleanliness.

The result of example is immediately visible, for the Chipweyans, now, men and women alike, always buy a piece of soap when they come into the Fort and wash themselves thoroughly, and comb and brush their once tangled mat of hair, and tidy themselves up generally in their best and cleanest clothes before paying a visit to the Mission house.

Their manners are modified and softened. (The Chipweyan is