

would go a long way to hear a Protestant minister preach." She paid great attention to the truth. Another, about eighty years old, said "She was baptized when young, but knew no more of the way of salvation." I have conversed with those over one hundred years old. My heart was deeply moved to see them in this dark state of mind passing into eternity. The pagan Indians believe that after death the soul goes to the "great hunting ground," and there will be happy forever. A pagan chief, after we had visited him several times and read to him, said, "Go away, I don't want to hear any more of that stuff; I don't believe a word of it." He has since gone to his last home—where, God only knows. I could wish for his sake that it was to the "beautiful hunting grounds." Another pagan, laid up by lameness, said he liked to hear us read the scriptures and sing, and invited us to return. The Catholic Indians do not always receive us, and I would prefer to labor among the pagans, of whom I think there is more hope.

The Indians, as a race, are very unsettled, coming and going all the time. They have gardens in the different places where they have lived, and in the spring plant them with corn, potatoes and pumpkins, leaving them and wander about while they ripen. In the autumn they return, and bring the produce to stores and trade for flour and clothing. The first Sunday I spent at Spanish River, I organized a Sabbath school, which was attended by twenty scholars, including whites, Indians, Protestants and Catholics. We had two services on the Lord's Day. The morning meeting was small in attendance; the evening averaging thirty-five to forty. Mr. Perry, one of the managers of the mill, generally conducted these meetings. Prayer meetings were held one evening during the week.

About the 23rd of August the Catholic Priest visited the settlement, staying a few days and holding his usual services. He made a number of inquiries about myself, my work, and by whom I had been sent; said he would not interfere with a good work like mine. He encouraged the people to send their children to the day school, but forbade them to attend the Sabbath school and Sabbath services. After he left the Sabbath school was very small.