

FRENCH BAY, INDIAN CHURCH.—I visited the Indians last week, they were in a fairly prosperous way. Some of the friends have sent gifts and papers. The Indians appear to appreciate the gifts; and we trust, will learn to appreciate the spirit that prompted the givers. I am responsible for the rent of the Missionary's house. This, with the assistance of friends, has been paid to date. The next quarter will be due in May.

Wiarion, Feb. 18th, 1889. C. E. BOLTON.

THE WESTERN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, TORONTO.—On Sunday evening, March 3rd, the Pastor welcomed seven new members to the fellowship of the church—three young men of much promise, and four women, good Congregationalists all of them. The Sunday evening congregations have grown remarkably since the new year began.

OTTAWA.—The growth of the Sabbath School in the New Church has been as marked as it is encouraging. There has been an increase of about forty per cent. in the attendance during the first two months, and the degree of interest augurs well for the future.—*Cong. Record.*

SHEFFIELD, N. B.—The Rev. Joseph Barker, Congregationalist, has severed his connection with the church of Sheffield. At the urgent request of his parishioners, however, he will continue in charge of the church until May 1st.—*Local Paper.*

COWANSVILLE, QUE.—This enterprising church, at present under the pastoral charge of Rev. A. W. Main, has paid \$100 to the College Endowment Fund; besides paying \$30 to the Current Expense Fund during the summer: making \$130 to the College during the year. This good example deserves special recognition.

STRATFORD.—Dr. Hyde, the senior deacon of the church, died on 4th March, after many months of physical and mental decay. We have been promised a more extended obituary notice, and having received it, make room for it elsewhere.

ALTON.—Many thanks for the timely help received towards the building fund of our new church, from the following friends: Rev. F. H. Marling, \$5; George Hague, Esq., \$5; Messrs. A. & W. Johnson, \$4.

F. DAVEY, Pastor.

MONTREAL, ZION.—Work has been begun on a new church building. See a reference in the "College Column." We hope many days of spiritual prosperity are in store for this historic church.

OTTAWA CHURCH.

The 29th Annual Report of the Ottawa Congregational Church was presented at the Annual Meeting on January 16th, 1889. We give an extract:—

"The increased attendance upon our public services, consequent upon our enlarged accommodations, and more attractive house, is already manifest, and although expenses will be much heavier than formerly, especially until our debt is reduced, there is good reason for hoping that our income will be materially increased by the additions to the congregation, and the growing "spirit" of liberality among our former adherents. For this, as well as for all other blessings, let us trust the Lord, while we do our best.

"Statements of receipts and expenditure on building account, as well as ordinary current account, will be laid before you by their respective treasurers. It is gratifying to note that the little church, which eight years ago, could not meet necessary expenses without assistance from the Missionary Society, last year contributed \$1,786.40 to the building fund, over and above the sum of \$1,638.93 needed to carry on its regular services, or a total of \$3,445.33. The Ladies' Aid have rendered very valuable assistance in furnishing the church.

"The additions to the membership during the year have been the most gratifying feature of our work. Fifty-six persons have been received into fellowship. 47 of whom united with the church on profession of their faith. Most of these were led to decision for Christ largely through the influence of the special services held in the various churches of the city, early in the year, and in our own a little later by the Rev. Mr. Hall. We ought not to forget, however, that parental teaching, and the sowing of the seed by means of the ordinary services of the church and of the Sunday school, have, no doubt, had much to do in preparing the way for such a result, so that they who have sown, and they who have reaped, may rejoice together. Two members have received letters of dismissal, leaving our present membership exactly 150. Over twenty of those admitted to fellowship were from the Sunday school, or from the pastor's Bible class. The school is in a very vigorous condition, and reflects great credit on the painstaking and laborious superintendent, Mr. James Jarvis, and his very efficient staff of teachers and officers. The attendance, since its reorganization in our new school, has much increased, and last Sunday reached 123.

"In consequence of our having no place in which to meet, our Young People's Association has not been organized for work this winter. The Woman's