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The Bishop's Tour With Rev. W. Crompton Travelling Missionary.

(Continued from our last).

On and on again, still northward, we went over hill and dale, having glimpses of long valleys with clearings in them, and passing many and large choppings evidences of the work of vigorous arms plying the woodman's axe. We had seen so many roads in the bush that it became a necessity with us to make an enquiry as to our way. This we determined to do at the first opportunity; but as choppings were more frequent than houses we were some time about it. At last we came to a place where a man sat on a log eating his mid-day meal, sans coat, sans vest, sans collar and hat. The dark Bush beyond in the distance, the varied shades of green of the trees laid low in the chopping, jewelled by the hoar-frost as the bright sun shone upon them, the clear blue sky, the man on the log as a centre piece, the axe by his side, testimony of whose was the work we saw done before

us, made up an impressive "al fresco" which would have delighted the heart of a painter. He kindly told us we were quite right, and so we drove to Nipissing Village getting there about noon of Saturday Feb. 21st. In the course of the afternoon we drove down the river about three miles and some distance on Lake Nipissing. This lake is said to be some seventy or eighty miles long and thirty wide. The Bishop gathered some shells as a memento of our first visit to this extreme point of his immense Diocese. Mr. Crompton having found that some friends lived here whom he knew in the neighbourhood of Huntsville, paid them a visit whilst the Bishop consulted with the men assembled about Church prospects.

A new School was placed at our disposal and here we held morning service at 10.30 a.m. on Sunday Feb. 22nd. But the way in which the people entered the