

places where little settlements are forming, and where a congregation of 40 or 50 persons might readily be gathered. The only other two missions at present in the Muskoka Territory, are at Mary Lake, 30 miles, and Parry Sound, 60 miles distant from Bracebridge.

The Shingwauk Home.

The main stone building is now nearly completed, with the exception of plastering and painting, which operations owing to the lateness of the season, will probably have to be deferred until spring.

The Home, however, is already in operation, the Infirmary (which is a frame cottage 55 by 20 feet in size), being used temporarily for the winter. This building consists of a large general room in the centre, and two dormitories opening into it on either side, besides a small pantry and closets. The large room has to answer for school-room, dining-room, and kitchen which though rather inconvenient is perhaps an advantage in one way in the winter time for the reason that there are not likely to be any complaints of cold. The Home was opened on the 1st of October, and there are now 16 Indian children, boys and girls, some of whom have come from a distance, and others from Garden River. The Matron (Mrs. Wilson, from Barrie,) lives with them, and for this winter is school-mistress as well. The beautifully clean and tidy state of the apartments, and the neat, clean look of the children, speak well for her capabilities. She teaches the girls to cook and bake bread, as well as to read and write, and sew. All look very happy and comfortable, and we can only hope that the large building, when in full operation, may bear as happy and pleasant an aspect as does this embryo one. On Sundays the Rev. Mr. Wilson holds Sunday School in the afternoon and service in the evening,