## THE INDIANS.

many have been made glad. Thousands of Indians have been baptized since the work began. Bishop Bompas superintends the vast diocese of the Mackenzie River district, where Archdeacon McDonald labors. The work is carried on among the Tukudh and Tinné Indians and the Esquimaux.

The Tinné Indians include Chippewayans, Yellow-Knives, Dog-Ribs, Big River, Slave, and Nahany or Mountain Indians. In the diocese of Moosonee, one thousand two hundred miles long and eight hundred wide, containing Indian tribes speaking six or seven different languages, Bishop Horden is zealously toiling to lead the Indians and Esquimaux to Christ.

Religious books have been prepared for the use of the native Christians, many of whom are striving to lead their heathen brethren into the light of the knowledge divine. At one time, while the Bishop was on a visit at Rupert's House, he met a man who asked to be baptized. Never having seen him before, he was astonished, and told him so. Then he asked the man whether or not he could read, and he answered in the affirmative. A book was brought, and the stranger read it fluently. The previous winter a band of Indians, of whom this Indian was one, met some Indians at Rupert's House who could read, pray and sing. The heathen Indians requested the Christian Indians to teach them, which they did, and when compelled to part through lack of food, they gave to them some of their religious books. The man was baptized, and a short time after the whole tribe was admitted by baptism into the Church.

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