

"I spoke to several, and found that the proposal to build a church was warmly welcomed by all. Finding a large number of Klondikers waiting in idleness for navigation, and willing to give volunteer service, I at once made a rough plan, ordered 7,000 feet of lumber, and called for volunteer carpenters. In two weeks we had the floor laid, the frame of the walls up, and a borrowed tent pitched on the floor for use in the course of erection. On the 24th of May the corner stone was laid by John Hyslop, Esq., C.E., of the railway.

When I left, a couple of days ago, we had used the closed in building for two Sabbaths without the tent. Up to that time the cost amounted to \$1,400, towards which we have raised about \$1,200.

"We had hardly completed our canvass of Bennett for the church building, when an Anglican missionary appeared on the scene. I was glad we had the work done, as it could not have been accomplished with divided forces. I have been happy to invite them to use our building since it was fit for occupation, and they hold all their services in our church at present.

"We have a free social evening in the church every Thursday, the object of which is to bring the men into contact with what family life we have in the town. It is remarkable how an introduction to wives and daughters make the average man without a family more particular about his conduct and associates.

"The building is now open at all times for reading and writing purposes. I provide writing materials, and we are doing what we can to get as full a supply as possible of books and periodicals. Kindly send me a cut of our church crest (the burning bush) that I may have it in our little paper.

Donations of good books or magazines from our families or churches in the East would be gratefully received and would be used in providing entertainment outside the saloon."

In a letter dated 12th July, Mr. Sinclair writes: "I expect to take a run over to Atlin to-morrow with Mr. Cock, to see Mr. Pringle, and then the former will go on to Dawson next week. I have enjoyed very much Mr. Cock's visit. He is everywhere making a very favorable impression, and I feel sure that his was a very fortunate appointment.

Mr. Grant, who is returning East, has done magnificent work at Dawson. A few days since, Rev Mr. Dawson, who has been minister of the Church of England there for some time past, passed through Toronto and called upon Dr. Warden. In that interview he, in the strongest language, spoke of Mr. Grant's work and of the great service he had rendered, not only to the Presbyterian community, but to the city generally, and more particularly in connection

with the General Hospital, at which, all along, he has been the moving spirit.

It will be an added cause of regret to the Church that Rev. R. M. Dickey has been compelled to leave his field at Eldorado on account of impaired health. He also has done extremely good work, and, as the pioneer missionary of our Church in the Yukon, his name will long remain associated with that territory. The arduous nature of his duties and the almost inconceivable difficulties he has had to cope with, have been the cause of his breaking down in health. It is hoped, however, that he may be soon restored and enabled to render efficient service in some other field of labor.

In a recent letter received by Dr. Warden from Mr. Dickey, he says that nearly the entire amount necessary to meet the cost of the building and lot in Eldorado has been provided by the people. "All winter we have had a reading room, lighted and heated every evening, and often every day. This notwithstanding that coal oil costs \$2.50 per gallon, wood \$30 and \$40 per cord, wages \$1 per hour, outside papers, \$1.00, etc. We also had a small gymnasium and some games.

"Then the building was used for a social club weekly and occasionally by the Miners' Association. In fact, everything was done to make the church the centre instead of the saloons. During the winter the Sabbath collections were very small, only sufficient to pay the care-taker, so that since early in the year I have been care-taker myself, but since the spring came there has been a steady improvement in collections. For instance, during the month of May there were \$11.80, \$14, \$17.45 and \$18.40, or a total of \$61.65 for the month."

Mr. Dickey goes on to speak of the great need there is for a library and also for an organ. Mr. Dickey's ideas as to the method of raising money for church purposes are very definite. Nearly all the subscriptions he has got for the work have been voluntary, and the few that were asked, were from people known to be in hearty sympathy with the work. From these alone he thinks money should be obtained. Mr. Dickey has been the means of accomplishing much good, and the result of his labors will, we hope, be seen in the earnest Christian life of many of those who have come under his ministry.

There never was any heart truly great and generous that was not also tender and compassionate; it is this noble quality that makes all men to be of one kind; for every man would be a distinct species to himself were there no sympathy among individuals.—South.

Never does a man portray his own character more vividly than in his manner of portraying another.—Jean Paul Richter.