

eton Lake have attended very regularly at the Sunday services what few they have been able to have given.

ALFRED W. H. CHOWNE.

Incumbent.

Rosseau.

Parry Sound.

The church at Parry Sound which is under the charge of the Rev. R. Mosley is in a most satisfactory condition, and the Lord is blessing the labors of his servant in that part of Algoma. The church building at the Sound is now entirely free from debt, and Divine service is held in it every Sunday morning and evening. The attendance at these services has been regular and large, considering the population of the place. This shows that the beautiful liturgy is appreciated by those for whom it is intended.

The Missionary has his stations to which he goes as frequently as possible, often taking one of them upon the Sunday afternoon.

The people in this mission if we judge by the fruits they bear are endeavoring to profit by the faithful labors of their pastor in their behalf. Consistent, conduct, and peaceful reliance upon the Divine dispensations, always follow the faithful preaching of the word of God, and this we believe is the case in the mission of which we write. Some who have been called hence to their Father's home above have, as their end approached, resigned themselves with loving peacefulness into their Father's arms well content to go when he calls them. These things are evidences that the word preached faithfully has power to take away the sting of death and make the grave lose its victory, that the services of our church give more than a mere form of godliness, and lead to real and spiritual life.

As an evidence of the faithful energy of the missionary, we may state that his Sunday duties involve over seven hundred miles of travelling during the year. He has held a hundred and forty Sunday and other services, has had twelve baptisms, six marriages, three burials, and the Holy Communion is administered once a month.

On Christmas morning was held a most delightful service, the singing and chanting accompanied by the organ were excellent, the attendance was good, and all seemed to engage heartily in the worship of the new born King. After the service the Holy Communion was administered to twenty four persons.

It is most pleasant and encouraging to find the cheerful and hopeful prospect which this and other missions afford in this diocese of Algoma.

The Mission Committee.

We are glad to notice that at last, the mission work is assuming a more practical aspect in the organization of a Provincial Mission Committee, to consist of all the Bishops, and two clergymen and two laymen from each diocese.

It is a curious fact that the church, which in England contributes in a princely manner to missions both at home and abroad, should in this country give much less in proportion to its strength than any other Christian body towards the spread of the Gospel among the heathen in this and other

lands. One is at a loss to account for this, unless indeed it may be that the Canadian Church has for so long received of the bounty of the larger church in England, that it has come to regard itself rather as an object of charity than as a source from which liberal gifts should come. It is a well known fact that the Church of England boasts among its members some of the wealthiest men in Canada. Besides those who are wealthy it has a tremendous membership of people who may be described as in comfortable circumstances. From such a constituency it should derive a large revenue for mission purposes. That it requires such a revenue no one can deny. The diocese of Algoma is insufficiently supported. Our missionaries receive but small stipends, and should they die there is no provision for their wives and families. A large population is now moving into this country, and many of the new arrivals are church people and appeal for the ministrations to which they are accustomed. The various religious denominations, are making every effort to maintain their position, and allowing no opportunity to pass of extending their influence. Still it is easily seen when the church is able to place a faithful representative of her teaching in a mission, how much her services are recognized as the chief source of instruction and spiritual comfort, to the children and grown up people alike. So far, the Algoma missionary diocese reflects the greatest credit on the zeal of the church in her obedience to the Divine command; and also contributing towards the fulfilment of the great prophecy, "when the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the Lord, like as the waters cover the sea."

Shingwauk Notes.

Trinity Church Sunday school, Galt, has undertaken the support of an Indian boy; the young brave allotted to them rejoices in the name of Samuel Assinice (Little Shell).

Two young ladies in Quebec, Miss Sewell and Miss Housman, recently held a bazaar, and sent the proceeds, \$100, for the benefit of the Indian Homes.

Two little girls from the Wawanosh, Mary Peters and Mary Williams, have been in the Shingwauk hospital for two weeks owing to bad health, but are now better and able to return to their companions.

A boy named Francis Adams has been down with an attack of pneumonia, but is now we are thankful to say so far recovered as to be able to be back at school.

Mr. Wilson has recently opened a drawing class and six boys are at present taking lessons; he has also two boys learning medicine.

Confirmation classes were commenced at the beginning of Lent, there are six candidates from the Wawanosh and six from the Shingwauk; classes are held twice a week.

The oldest pupil at the Shingwauk Home at present is John Esquimaux, between 25 and 30 years of age, who is studying for the ministry, the youngest is Aleck Beesaw, about 7 years old.

There are 20 girls at present at the Wawanosh Home. The Wawanosh makes coats and trousers for the Shingwauk and the Shingwauk makes boots and shoe packs and mends chairs for the Wawanosh.

The Shingwauk factory is now in full blast. The machinery is run by a 14 horse power engine. A white man is in charge as foreman, and four Indian lads work under him; one of them, Harry, has charge of the engine. Orders have come in freely, and there is at present no lack of work.