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But their prejudice is gradually giving way, and they are more friendly toward us.

Our Sabbath services are generally well attended. Only a few are not constant church-goers. I meet with and talk to them in the forenoon, after which we have class-meeting; and in the afternoon, Sabbath-school and prayer-meeting. We had meetings Tuesday and Thursday evenings during the winter, but now they are all busy putting in their crops, and we find it more convenient to have services only on Sabbath.

We had a pleasant visit from Mr. and Mrs. McLachlan, in January. He conducted Sabbath services, baptized and married quite a number. We had our first visit from our Chairman, Bro. McDougall, last month. His visit did us good. He encouraged and instructed us in our work, delivered a practical discourse to the Indians in the morning, followed by a conversational meeting, which took up the remainder of the day.

VICTORIA.

I cannot return as bright a report of this Mission as I would wish. The order seems to be hard work, and little to show for it. Still our services—preaching, class, and prayer-meetings—are all well attended. We have been endeavouring to keep up a school. At present, Mrs. McLachlan is attending to that department of Mission work.

Though I have just written that our report is not what we wish, yet you must not imagine that we are entirely without signs of the Master's presence. The members of the Church are becoming greatly quickened, and the adherents are evincing a seriousness that is certainly encouraging. It is true that one feels discouraged at times, but still I feel that a glorious harvest will yet be reaped here, and soon. We are greatly cheered by the assurances that reach us from time to time, that earnest prayer is being offered for us. I trust that the Church in general strengthens our hands by united prayer. Backed by this mighty influence, we feel that failure is impossible. I may add that I am still hard at work at the language, and hope ere long to be able, at least, to converse with the Indians in their mother tongue.

J. A. McLachlan.

WHITE FISH LAKE.

As the Rev. H. B. Steinhauer is on duty in Ontario, and the White Fish Lake Mission is left in my charge, a few words from me concerning the state of affairs here may not be out of place.

There has been very little sickness, one death, one marriage, a number of births, and five children have been baptized by Rev. J. A. McLachlan, who also administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The preaching services, conducted by two local preachers, viz., Benjamin Sinclair and John Hunter, are well attended I would say of the people that their earnestness in worship, and their