

GRAND RIVER.

God is graciously reviving His work in the use of the ordinary means of grace. It was our pleasant duty at the last Quarterly Meeting to receive into Church fellowship an Oneida chief.

Since then, a few young men have joined the Church giving clear testimony of a change of heart. There is a general feeling of revival on the mission. We are looking for showers of blessings. Our people are working much and well to improve the mission premises by building a substantial church, driving shed, and a picket fence, with two large and two small gates—all the work of their own hands.

After filling up the place of removals by deaths, etc., we report an increase. Present membership, 83.

WILLIAM CROSS.

MUNCEY.

We have made steady advancement on this mission during the last year. In our new church, the morning congregation has doubled, and in the evening there are at least four times as many hearers as there were before the church was built.

At the Bear Creek appointment the revival services held in September, 1884, gave a membership (after sifting) of about 35. The revival is still going on under the influence of the class-leader, Bro. Wm. Whitdoon, himself one of the converts.

Of this band of about fourteen families, only one couple, seven years ago, were living in legal marriage, now all except one or two couples have been lawfully married.

We have been able to almost entirely suppress the coming to the reserve of white men with whiskey, who make the Sabbath evening hideous with their drunken brawls and vices. The advance of the religious families in civilization is marked in its growing influence for good on the band.

The religious state of the societies is seen in the joyous class-meetings and happy deaths. One young girl, now in a dying condition, in her testimony, gives very strong proof of the power of faith that works by love, in overcoming the fear of death.

We are considerably in advance of last year in missionary contributions. The seeming decrease in membership is not a real decrease, as it arises from the loss of the Institution and the village of Middlemiss by change of boundary. Membership, 125.

ABEL EDWARDS.

ONEIDA.

Our work on this interesting mission, we are thankful to say, is progressing. We are now closing up our fifth year on the Oneida mission. To the glory of God let it be recorded the last year has been the most prosperous of the five.

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