

It greatly delighted the people of this part of the Mission to receive last summer a visit from the Bishop, for it was the first time that an Anglican Bishop had been to see them.

Leaving Quebec on September 23rd, I arrived at Sheldrake in the evening of the 25th, and met, as we always do, with a hearty welcome from our old friend Mr. Philip Touzel. I had an early Celebration the next morning, with three Communicants, Mr and Mrs. Touzel and Mr. Le Cocq, the only three who belong to the Church. As there was too heavy a sea to go on by boat, Mr. Touzel sent a guide with me and I walked to Thunder River. On my arrival I was most warmly received by Mr and Mrs. LeBrun, the only Church family in this place. I stayed over Sunday with them. In the morning I had an early Celebration, when they gladly partook of the Holy Communion. In the evening one of their daughters, Mrs. Vibert, from Long Point, arrived on the S. S. "Otter." She asked me to have the Holy Communion for her on Monday morning. This I did, holding Service at 5 a. m. and then left by boat at 6, for Magpie. Here I met our second Missionary, Mr. Almond, who had come across from Gaspé by S. S. "La Canadienne," on the 15th of September, and had worked up from Mingan, having walked 15 miles of the way. At Magpie we have only the agents for C. R. C. & Co., and B. B., and their assistants. It happened however that two other agents, Mr. LeGresley, of Thunder River, and Mr. De LePesselle, of the Dock, were there also. We had a very nice Service in the evening, at which Mr. LeBouthillier accompanied the Chants and Hymns on his violin. The next morning we had an early Celebration with two Communicants, Mr. LeGresley and Mr. LeBouthillier, and then the sea being too heavy to go on by boat, we took our grips (which grew rather heavy) and with good courage set out to walk to St. John's River—a distance of 9 miles, though it seemed more like 15. When we were within about 2 miles of our destination, the bad walking led me to say something about the "Slough" in "Pilgrim's Progress," whereupon Mr. Almond, who had a copy with him, at once got it out of his grip and read an extract from "Goodness" and "Christian" to keep up our courage, and said he preferred such a tramp to "Sweating Hebrew."

At length we arrived at St. John's River—after a heavy trudge of five hours and a half, and were gladly received by the new agent of this place, and Mr. Chambers. We had Service in the evening and an early Celebration next morning with four Communicants.

Then, as the sea had gone down, we came on to Long Point by boat, where we were greeted by Mrs. Hamilton and the Viberts. Again we had a Service in the evening and an early Celebration the next morning with four Communicants—and another Service at 10.30 a.m.

Mrs. Hamilton gave us over sixty Sunday School books, and is going to send us on some Sunday School papers and cards, later. And, as Mr. Hepburn has already sent down two good boxes of reading matter, we shall get along very well in furnishing the Eastern part of St. Clement's Mission with considerable reading matter for the winter.

In the evening we proceeded to Mingan, whence the Packet will take us to Natashquan, where we shall take our own Mission boat, the "Evangeline," and visit all the places as we go, till we get to our winter quarters. The Reverend I. N. Kerr, who has done good faithful work in the Mission for the past four years, has now left to take charge of the Mission of Shigawake. Between Mr. Almond and myself we hope to continue the work here, confident that it will require all the power of two ordinary men to fill his place in many ways.

After visiting the different places from Natashquan and administering the Holy Communion, till we get to our winter quarters, Mr. Almond will work between Mutton Bay and Harrington Harbour and its vicinity, and our new School teacher and Lay Reader, will reside at Red Bay and Mutton Bay. Since we are going down the Coast rather later than usual, I shall not make another trip all the way through the Mission till early in the spring and summer. Mr. Willis—our old standby—will teach at St. Paul's River, where Mrs. Bishop taught last winter. I shall also remain there, as it is a place where the work of a Missionary is needed quite as much as in any other part of the Mission, though I shall indeed miss the most helpful assistance and happy companionship of my dear wife.