

1876, for the purpose of conferring with the Committee on matters of great importance affecting the interests of the Home. He returned to Sault Ste. Marie March 28th.

The Committee after long and anxious conference with Mr. Wilson have arrived unanimously at the following conclusions:

—1. That it is most undesirable to continue the present arrangement which necessitates the dwelling under one roof of young persons of both sexes, only recently removed from a life of barbarism in the forest. 2. That the young girls now growing up into womanhood, require the love, the sympathy, and motherly care of a Christian lady, who will make it her work in life to care for and to train them. 3. That an effort be made to raise immediately the sum of £700 for the purpose of erecting and furnishing a substantial building of stone for a Girl's home on such a site as Mr. Wilson may select, and not so distant from the present home as to preclude Mr. Wilson from rendering to the Lady Superintendent the advantage of his experience and counsel. 4. That Mr. Wilson be authorized to provide a temporary home for the girls, in a building to be rented at the rate of not more than £40 per annum, for their reception after the summer holidays. 5. That inquiries be made for a Christian lady to be engaged at a salary of not less than £50 per annum, exclusive of board and lodging, to take the charge of the girls' department in the separate building.

The Committee would venture to assure the friends and kind supporters of the Home, that they have not come to the conclusions expressed in these resolutions without prayerful and careful consideration of all that has been laid before them. They will not enter into any details with regard to the very grave difficulties and dangers that are found practically to attend any attempt to bring up such boys and girls as are the inmates of the Home, on the same premises and in the one house. The Committee are unanimously of opinion that the attempt must be abandoned. After consulting with friends whose experience has been gathered in different lands and during many years, they are confirmed in the conclusion they have arrived at, that, if both boys and girls are to be received, and educated, and trained, two separate establishments must be maintained. The Committee cannot take upon themselves the responsibility of advising that the present arrangement be continued after the approaching holidays.

Are then the girls at present in the Home to be told that after the summer vacation they are not to return? The Committee believe that the friends of the mission would not have endorsed such a policy. They accordingly appeal for support and assistance to enable them to carry out the plan indicated in the resolutions passed at the last meeting of the Committee. It may be well to state that the proposed arrangement will include the employment of a laundress and seamstress, and thus enable the Lady Superintendent to devote much of her time to the mental and spiritual culture of the children. Several of the girls at present in the Home will be found sufficiently advanced to render much assistance in household work.

That the institution has commended itself and its work to the public is shown by the steady support it is receiving; but these new arrangements will necessitate in some measure, an increase of expenditure. It cannot be doubted that many Sunday Schools and individuals will be found ready, as heretofore, to charge themselves with the support of these poor and necessitous children. What is now required

is the capital fund to be employed in the erection of the proposed new building. The Committee believe that in taking the present step in advance, they are following the leadings of God's providence. They believe that He who has hitherto prospered this undertaking in such a marvellous manner will not allow the work now to languish for want of means.

Most earnestly do the Committee appeal for liberal assistance that all burden of doubt and anxiety may be removed from the hearts of those dear friends who are devoting themselves with so much zeal and so much love to the cause of the poor Indian children.

Contributions in England may be paid to the Treasurer, the Rev. Daniel Wilson, 9, Barnsbury Park, Islington; or to Mrs. Malaher, office of "Missionary Leaves," 14, Baker Street, Reading; and in Canada to the Rev. E. F. Wilson, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario.

SHINGWAUK HOME.—We have received from the Rev. Mr. Wilson of Sault Ste. Marie, the following letter, and notice of the death of one of the Indian pupils in the Home. It will doubtless be read with interest by our juvenile readers, many of whom in the Sunday Schools in this city assist in supporting pupils at the school. Mr. Wilson recently visited England to make arrangements for enlarging and rendering more complete his admirable establishment, and we are happy to report his safe return, after his perilous voyage out per "Circassian":—

"Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, March 29th, 1876.—I arrived here safely yesterday afternoon, after rather a hard time of it, battling with the deep snow. My own horse and sleigh met me at Cheboygan (in Michigan) 85 miles from here, and it took us three days to get home. We had to camp in the snow one night as there was no house within 15 miles when night overtook us.

"Your Sunday School children will be very sorry I am sure to hear of poor little Hannah's death. It occurred on the 30th of January, just 10 days, after I had left on my trip to England. The little girl had several fainting fits and died quite suddenly. As I am very much pressed for time just now I think it best to enclose you a letter which I received from our Matron while I was in England, which gives full particulars. Please return it to me when you have done with it—and would you kindly also give information to St. John's School about Hannah's death."

The following is the Matron's letter:—"Shingwauk Home, February 1st, 1876.—Dear Mr. Wilson, I feel so grieved that my first letter to you should contain such bad news as an account of Hannah's illness and death, on the 20th ult. She had the first attack in school; I did not see her till it was just over; on the 21st another one. I saw her directly; it was partial unconsciousness, but not like fainting, as she was not cold after these two attacks; she looked very strange about the eyes, scarcely ever spoke, and when she walked she groped along as if not certain about the use of her limbs; it was not like staggering from weakness, and as each day passed, the attacks came on more frequently, always complaining of her head, as if something were moving on the top of her head. Dr. Rolph saw her on the 24th, and said there was no cause to be alarmed, it was a kind of hysteria; however I felt very uneasy, especially when the attacks came on during the night. Before breakfast on the 28th she had a very bad one, lasting about 20 minutes, and I could not get her to rally till I gave her brandy; then Adam went to fetch Dr. Rolph, who assured me there was no reason for

alarm. I told him I was sure she would die. I was most uneasy, and watched her very narrowly; on the 30th she was with me all the morning, sat down to dinner with the others, and ate all that was on her plate, she went upstairs to lie down, and I left the Sunday School class to look at her, and one of the girls sat with her. When tea was ready I sent for her, and Alice fetched me to her, as she had partly fallen down when Annie Peters was helping her across the dormitory. I bathed her head with vinegar and water, applied mustard poultices to the back of her neck and the calves of her legs, and put her feet in mustard and water—useless efforts; the poor child went to her Saviour at half-past six. She passed away very quietly and without a struggle. We buried her this morning in the cemetery, (how often I thought of your remarks about choosing a burial ground) a very quiet funeral, the six bearers had white scarfs tied under their arm, and all the children had white badges; they sang "Shall we Gather" so sweetly going up to the grave.

We are getting on as well as we can expect in your absence, but we are wanting you every hour in the day; it seems like months since you left instead of two weeks; we often talk of you.

I am glad to say the children are all very good, and work quite as willingly as when you are at home.

3rd Feb.—This morning at eight the thermometer was 27° below zero. Muhnedooshish, when left alone for a few moments, trotted off to his stable, not liking such intense cold.

I hope you will bring us back plenty of contributions in clothing; oh dear! if all our kind friends should see the big patches on all the clothes; the little boys seem always to want their knees and elbows patched.

I have the elder girls in the workroom, to a bible reading amongst ourselves every Friday evening; but we sadly miss your explanations and comments, but God will help us to do our best till your return. The children in your Sunday School class are all very good and attentive.

Mrs. Wilson and I go over the accounts every week; we often laugh over it and are doing our best to keep all straight, we are very particular to draw a line at the end of each week; I wonder how you have the patience to get through them all; the gain from the laundry for January is \$18.34.

We find all the little new arrangements to work very nicely; our difficulty is to appoint the workers each week, that all may have their fair share of work. I think Eshkemah a great help to the school, he sets such a good example, and is always willing to help. We are not catching so many rabbits just now."

[We are sure these accounts from Algoma will be read with much interest by every one; they show that the "Home" is a reality, and is fulfilling its exceedingly valuable object.—ED. DOM. CHURCHMAN.]

RUPERT'S LAND.

THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS—continued

I desire now to say a few words in explanation of the proposition that the Church Missionary Society would have a Church which, as far as the Incumbent is concerned, would be very much in the position of the private chapel of a nobleman in England. The object of the Church Missionary Society is the Evangelization of the Heathen. This of course entails on it temporarily the care of Christian congregations that their missions may have gathered about them; but the Society is always anxious that these should as soon as possible provide their own means of