

the funds rendered it admissible it ought to be urged. Our friends are striving to build a frame church at Thuiquiwindah and have the timber and most of the lumber on the ground. The people here are having more confidence in our operations than formerly, as they begin to say that we will have to look after the Indians that are under the instructions of the Episcopalians or they will turn to Roman Catholics. The missionary purchased wheat, had it floured, and sold it to the Indians for \$6 per barrel. The priest came and said: "He is a bad man to cheat poor Indian. We will let you have it at \$5 per barrel;" and has succeeded in turning many in that way. I believe Methodism will do a great work on the Island.

My official board voted a request that you would return me here the next year. Of course I submit to your judgment. W. SUTTON.

Bracebridge, Muskoka, Ont.—In this place four weeks of special prayer meetings, held during the month of August and fore part of September, while they did not result in adding many to the Church, did much towards quickening the membership and promoting a good state of feeling. After District meeting, which was held here, and having spent about a week with the chairman visiting some of the missions, I spent about five weeks in special meetings at Monck—an appointment situate about five miles from Bracebridge, where we have been giving preaching for nine or ten years, but had not a member up to the time of holding my meeting; the Lord graciously crowned our labours with success. At the close of the meetings I took twenty-five into society, mostly heads of families, and most of whom have been savingly converted to God.

I next spent two weeks in protracted meetings, at Taylor's appointment, about four miles from Bracebridge. While these meetings were in a very encouraging state of progress I was obliged to close them to attend missionary meetings. Owing to ill-health resulting from so much hard labor, attended with so much exposure, and

having little or no help, I have not been able to resume the meetings again, but thank God some considerable good was accomplished. Some were added to the Church. The congregations have been greatly enlarged. So much for the religious and most important part of our work. The attendance at worship at all our appointments, excepting one, is on the increase.

The monetary crisis, from which the country has been suffering so much, has been felt more here than in any other place, because of the newness of the country, the backward circumstances of the people, and the almost utter lack of cash capital. But notwithstanding the hard times our people here have done well.

W. W. LEECH.

Hepworth, Ont.—I am not discouraged; there has been a great amount of good accomplished on this mission. This year I have taken about forty on probation since Conference, and although there have been two deaths, and six removals, yet we expect to be able to report a membership of about, or over eighty, that is providing the members on trial prove faithful—but I find they require a great deal of looking after. I have organized weekly prayer-meetings for their spiritual growth in grace, for I find it as important to keep them after we have got them, as it is to get them. The new converts are doing well so far; they take up the cross at the prayer-meetings, etc.

I have, this year, organized three Methodist Sabbath-schools which are doing well. We have the right kind of men appointed to superintend them. We have about fifty scholars at the new church, and eight teachers. All the teachers are members of our Church. And in Hepworth we have about thirty scholars, and six teachers, and the other school has about twenty scholars, and six teachers. We have two good libraries, one here and one at the other new church; we want one for the other, as they are too poor to purchase one for themselves. The class-meetings are all kept up with a good attendance and spiritual power.

A. GLAZIER.