

Eskimeaux in other parts to the North of Hudson's Straits, we have done, as yet, nothing. If we glance at the map of Upper Canada, we see vast regions where numbers of Eskimos live who, I believe, have never seen the face of a white man. It is not easy to get people to realize here at home that such a people need their help and sympathy. They can enter with zeal into anything of the nature of Arctic exploration, but alas! the souls of this isolated, scattered people are not considered. But the day will come, I firmly believe, when we shall see an expedition fitted out to preach the Gospel to the Eskimos, who cannot be reached either from Churchill or Cumberland Sound. Native teachers cannot reach some of these lands (now occupied by the Eskimos) from our present stations. We need therefore a ship manned with God's people who will bring God's message of life and peace to this people. We are hoping through Mr. Noble's kindness to take out next year, a small church for Blacklead Island. We cannot worship God with any degree of comfort in a building, some eighteen feet long, by ten wide, and made of such material as our present meeting place. I have now over £40 towards the building and many friends will help, as soon as our need is known. I received a letter from the gentleman in charge of Fort Chimo (Ungava Bay). He seems to be willing to house a man for a year or two in the event of the H. B. C.'s Board at home, giving their consent. Perhaps God may make an opening there soon. It is a capital position for reaching the Eskimos, who travel to this station from the Northern coasts of the Labrador Peninsula. Surely, such news as this ought to encourage us, and stimulate to more earnest endeavour to do what we can for those people. The Rev. J. Lofthouse in July last took a journey of twenty-five days to the North of Churchill to visit the Esquimaux and Chipewyan Indians on the Thaanne and Kayan Rivers. His object was to see if those people could be reached with the good news of the Gospel. After giving a full account of his journey he concludes thus:—"That it is possible to reach these Northern regions without much difficulty, is fully proved, for with a loaded canoe, Thaanne Lake could be reached in three weeks from here. There is wood with which I think a house might be built, plenty of fire wood, food (flesh) could be got in almost unlimited quantities, and the people both Esquimaux and Chipewyans reached.