

## BACHEWANA BAY, &amp;c.—(No Report.)

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Oka, in the seigniory of the Lake of Two Mountains, is still a Mission of great and even deepening interest. The fires of persecution still rage and burn there, but the church is unconsumed. The fiery ordeal of the pulling down of the little church on this Mission by the priests of Rome and their minions, was a severe one for our poor people. Nor was this all, for, as if emboldened by comparative impunity, other acts of an irritating and vexatious nature have been made to follow it, insomuch so that the minds of the Indians and their Missionary are kept up to a state of suspense and excitement. And yet the Lord is gracious, and grants to this people a constant overflow of His own heavenly consolations. They are firm, trusting in the Lord, while others from the ranks of Romanism are swelling their numbers. The school, taught the latter half of the year by a youth we had ourselves trained and educated, first at Oka, and then at a superior Grammar School at Lacolle, has been kept up with pleasing and unmistakable marks of success, and from this means, as from others, we are looking for yet greater things.

Visits by Mr. Parent and by Joseph, the Chief, to St. Regis and to Caughnawaga, show that as soon as we shall be able to take up these fields thoroughly and fully, we may look for results most satisfactory and inspiring. The Indians of these places, many of them at least, show an unmistakable dislike to the Romish priest, and to all his vain assumptions, and that they are quite aware of the vastly preferable consequences from a Bible Christianity to those which flow from the poor and simulated thing by the priests.

J. BORLAND.

## LAKE OF THE TWO MOUNTAINS.

Reviewing the work of God on this Mission for the year now closing, we gratefully acknowledge the hand of the Lord in guiding and sustaining us. The year has been one of more than ordinary trial to our poor Indians of this place. An implacable priesthood have not ceased to persecute in every way they could devise, and that, by the possession of great wealth and political influence, they could bring to bear on us. Last December, after a little better than a mock trial before one of their own judges, they brought on their people and pulled down our church. This was a sore trial to the Indians in more ways than one, especially in bridling their tempers so as not to assail these tools of the pope and satan, and make them pay bitterly for the work they so promptly went into. But they did restrain themselves on that, as on a number of other occasions of severe provocation and trial, and God has, in His great mercy, made up to them in spiritual blessings what they lost, and have been called otherwise to endure from these their great persecutors and enemies.

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