

ed the Sunday School scholars and in the evening he and Mr. Bear drove to Bruce Mines where Mr. Cooke again preached, the other clergy taking the prayers. After service the two clergymen drove back to Hilton, tired but feeling that they had worked faithfully that Lord's Day in the Lord's Vineyard.

On Monday evening service was held at Jocelyn another of Mr. Bear's missions. Mr. Cooke again presided, and here as at Hilton and Bruce Mines the people were very much pleased and edified by the eloquent and practical discourses delivered to them.

After the service a lady of the congregation came forward and reminded the preacher that four years previous, when a church at Jocelyn was only thought of as a possibility in the dim and distant future Mr. Cooke had, at a picnic, said that perhaps some day he might be privileged to come back and preach in their church at Jocelyn, and now all which only four years before had seemed so far off, had by the blessing of God come to pass. Their church was built and he had come and preached to them and they rejoiced that a merciful Father had brought it all about.

On Tuesday night at the request of the people of Bruce Mines Mr. Cooke gave an interesting lecture on Temperance in the Temperance Lodge. The meeting was well attended and we hope the good cause was strengthened and extended by the facts and figures with which the eloquent lecturer showed the evils of intemperance and the advantages of leading a Godly temperate life.

On Wednesday morning Mr. Cooke started home again where he arrived late at night.

We feel sure that during this short missionary trip the missionary sowed seed which cannot fail with God's blessing to bring forth fruit to the glory of our Almighty Father and to the spiritual benefit of His people.

## MUSKOKA.

St. John's Church,  
UFFORD

Years ago, on the first visit of the first bishop of Algoma to Ufford, it was agreed by the people there, that they would endeavor to erect a small church.

This was in the winter, and in the summer following, the shell of the church was put up and roughly floored, and for the first time in the history of man the people of Ufford were enabled to worship God (comparatively speaking) "decently and in order." Since then, part of the church has been lined ins, wide small vestry, comfortable seats, and other fittings added, the work of the settlers. So much has been done, but still there is much more to be accomplished in order to make the church a fit place for the purposes for which it is intended.

The ceiling is unfinished, there is no font, no altar cloth, no organ, and last but far from least, no bell.

A church bell is an absolute necessity in the backwoods. A few settlers have time pieces, but the time changes very much sometimes an hour or more.

Again services are not always regularly held. The missionaries are at the best overworked and with long distances to travel, and unforeseen delays occurring, cannot always keep

their appointments, though generally coming to hand sooner or later.

The church bell rung an hour before service tell the people that it is church Sunday, and also reminds them that the time to prepare for service has approached. Perhaps some of our readers may not exactly understand the meaning of the term church Sunday. May they never experience the necessity of calling one Sunday differently to another, as thousands of their fellow churchmen do.

By church Sunday is meant the Sunday on which the clergyman or cathedral expects to conduct service; sometimes fortnightly, sometimes yearly.

Who will help the people of Ufford to finish their church, who will help them to buy a bell, an organ, a font or an altar cloth.

During the past year the services have been kept up entirely by the people without one cent of cost to the Diocesan Funds.

If you cannot help in money or goods, can you not sometimes forward per mail a second hand church or Sunday school paper for the benefit of the very flourishing school at St John's Ufford.

The battle is being bravely fought, but the munitions of war are exhausted. Who will help those who are trying to help themselves.

SETTLER.

## Rosseau.

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The Sunday school of the mission of Rosseau have been greatly helped by the kindness received from outside. A small box was received from the C. W. M. A. Toronto, per Mrs. O'Reilly.

On December 27th the S. S. of Rosseau spent the evening at the parsonage, and after enjoying a substantial tea 52 children received a present from the Christmas tree. Another box was received collected by Miss Fannie Dixon, the Rectory Guelph, who has for the past two years done all in her power to help this mission. Also a box from Dr. and Mrs. Redmond and friends who had spent the summer in Rosseau was also kindly given to aid the out stations which received largely from the generosity of the above named ladies. The new Sunday School at Teswater requiring quite a number of gifts to furnish their Christmas tree. Then there are many families in the bush who are quite out of reach of either church or Sunday school, and yet require a token of Christmas. We hope the kindness may long be extended to the children of our parish which they have this year experienced.

The church at Hillswater has this winter been lined and the floor relaid, which makes it so much warmer. The congregation is very regularly and gradually increasing. The decorations at the Harvest Thanksgiving and at Christmas displayed great taste on the part of those who were engaged in the work. Hillswater is likely to become one of the main stations between Rosseau and Bracebridge.

At the Sirett and Holton settlement there is a very fair congregation and all appear to attend Divine service though the houses are few and far between. In the other Cardwell station many have gone to the Sates and it is by no means of a hopeful prospect respecting church work, as the families are nearly every one of different sects. The station on Skel