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pleasure of seeing it crowded with Christian worshippers. Its excellent pastor accompanied me on my journey, and was of great service to me from his thorough knowledge of Indian. Though I did not find much progress in the missions on Rainy River as regards converts, yet I came to the conclusion from a number of interviews with the various chiefs and leading men that the way was being prepared. We have started our own mission for the Sioux. Failing after all in getting a missionary who could speak the Sioux language, I appointed a student of St. John's College, a desire of whose life has been for some time to minister to the heathen. From his earnest Christian character I look forward with much hope to his work. I trust this will give new interest to our Epiphany services for the spread of Christ's Gospel among the heathen.

There is another very important subject to which I wish to call your attention. It is that of Sunday schools. I hope the day is coming when there may be a satisfactory amount of religious teaching given in the common schools. I regard this as of the greatest importance for the bringing up of our youth in the fear and admonition of the Lord, and I see no real difficulty in it. I am always in hope that the friendly relations among the various Protestant bodies, to which I have already referred, may smooth down difficulties and make this subject to be quietly considered without the arousing of political controversy. The majority of the board of education are favorable, but one or two members do not yet see their way. A committee was appointed to consider the subject, but has not yet reported. But whether there is religious instruction in the common schools or not, there will still be a most important place for the Sunday school, and it is most desirable that the instruction given in it should be as profitable and effective as possible. A society has existed for some time in England called the Church of England Sunday School Institute, of the working of which I know a good deal from one of my kindest friends, the Rev. C. A. Jones, of Westminster School, being one of the most active members of its committee. This society has published many excellent works that should greatly assist teachers. It enjoys very largely the confidence of the Church in England. I think it will be well to adopt the proposition of the executive committee to appoint a committee on Sunday schools with a view to the improvement of their teaching, and to a consideration of how far we can usefully avail ourselves of the work of the Sunday School Institute.

In conclusion I would say a few words on St. John's College and its associated schools. It was my hope that Canon Grisdale and myself might have met with such success in our visits to England that our schools might have been put with efficiency on a self-supporting footing, so as to leave us free for the great mission work that must test all our energy. We were only very partially successful. The debt on St. John's College, mainly caused and kept up by constant additions to our buildings, has not been much reduced. It still amounts to about \$13,000, of which \$3,000 are college funds. This debt is no doubt, as a debt, chiefly nominal, because independent of buildings, it would be covered by property of the college, not including investments. Still it means that amount of cash required by the college for its ordinary purposes and calling for the payment of interest. It is consequently a burden. The investments of the college for professorships and scholarships have very sensibly increased and produce now \$4,400 yearly. One of the professorships, which I have mainly endowed myself and the duties of which I discharge, I continue to hold and shall probably continue to hold for some years longer. The income not derived from my own gift, and part of what proceeds from my own gift, will be applied to the increase of the professorship. The Divinity Professors, being also Canons of the Cathedral, will gradually begin to receive in-