

our late Missionary's intercourse with the white population, there were occasional collisions, it was only because this mode of ministerial oversight—so naturally adopted towards all—did not harmonize with the spirit of the more cultivated and worldly wise.

The duties of his mission required long and arduous journeys; and many of these could only be accomplished in boats. Severe and stormy weather would often be encountered, and many of these voyages were attended with great risk and danger. On one of these Mr. Sims lost his life; not from tempestuous weather, but from one of those accidents which, in the management of a boat, will sometimes happen to the most skilful. In a hasty movement to shift a sail, he unhappily fell overboard, and sank in thirty feet of water, before any assistance could be rendered: before, indeed, his fellow passengers—amongst them his wife and son—were aware of the calamity.

It was hard to supply the place of one who, like Mr. Sims, had become so experienced in the ways of Indian life, and knew so well the avenues to the communication of sound and holy impressions; and it is only within a few weeks that a successor has been found for him. The Reverend Rowland Hill, from the Diocese of Huron, has entered upon this work with every confidence on the part of the Committee for superintending our Indian missions, that he will prosecute it with energy and success. The Church at large will bid him "God speed."

We have also to regret the loss of the Reverend S. B. Ardagh, for many years Rector of Barrie, and latterly Rural Dean of the County of Simcoe. He was a clergyman of singleness of purpose and blameless life, who, at the outset of his mission, was able to devote himself with energy and success to his work; but for several years preceding his disease his health and strength had declined, and he was unable to exert his accustomed activity. He has been succeeded in the Rectory of Barrie by the Reverend Edward Morgan, who, for many years, combined with material help in Barrie an assiduous devotion to the neighbouring townships. The ministerial charge of these townships has now been assigned to two active clergymen.