

Last September 28th Rt. Rev. Bishop Dontenwill arrived at Kenim Lake, a hundred miles north of Ashcroft, where over 400 Indians had assembled for the opening of the new church, which has been built during the last three years by the Indians of the place at a cost of no less than \$3,000. The church is a beauty and reflects great credit upon the little band who has built it and paid for it in such a short time, for there are only ten or twelve families at Kenim Lake, and, children included, the population does not exceed seventy-five. Father Le Jeune, from Kamloops, accompanied the bishop, while Father Thomas had been in the camp for a few days previous to complete the necessary preparations. The meeting lasted one week and was a very interesting one, and we are sorry for not having sufficient space here to give a full description of it. On our arrival an address to the bishop in Chinook was read by Captain Pit, from Alkali Lake, after which came the indescribable ceremony of the shaking of hands, all Indians present coming in file to take the hand of the bishop and priests as a token of most cordial welcome. Next day, St. Michael's feast, took place the blessing of the new church, and in the evening the blessing of the statues of the Blessed Virgin and St. Joseph, followed by a torch-light procession in honor of the same. Thursday was specially marked for the baptism of the bell; Friday for the installing of the Way of the Cross;

Saturday was devoted to the confessions, and Sunday, Oct. 5th, to the Communion and Confirmation. A procession of the Blessed Sacrament was also marked for the same day, and the Indians had made the most earnest preparations in decorating the place with evergreens, flowers, etc., but unhappily it rained all day and the procession became an impossibility. Early on Monday morning the masses were said, and at 8 o'clock, a.m., the final shaking of hands took place, and we returned to meet the stage on the Cariboo road, which was already loaded with sixteen passengers and driver. We succeeded in finding room on the top of it in company of half a dozen Chinamen, making a total number of nineteen persons on the stage, pulled by six horses.

Watchman Daniel, of Kamloops, an Indian constable, died Nov. 7th last, and Captain Gabriel died Dec. 13th. Both were well-known and respected throughout the district.

Owing to the scarcity of missionaries the fathers belonging to the Kamloops mission, three in number, besides the one attending to Kamloops City, have all they can attend to, and, it might be said, a great deal more. Beginning with the one who attends to the railroad district, extending from Kamloops to Stephen, on the limit of British Columbia, over 300 miles east of Kamloops, with a branch of 50 miles south of Sicamous, he has on his line the towns of Revelstoke, Donald and Golden, each of which calls for a resident priest, and yet can obtain only the benefit of religious service one Sunday per month, the