

The weather has been intensely hot this summer, and at one time I thought I should be obliged to leave the work. The daily visits to the close, smoky wigwams were very fatiguing; but while there are souls sitting in darkness and the shadow of death, we must not shrink from the task of carrying the light.

The children took great interest in their school. Some of them are beginning to read, write and cypher nicely. They have also remembered a number of texts and hymns from last summer. Most of them attended the S. S. A little girl of eight years received a prize from me for the number of hymns and texts and general questions she remembered on the S. S. lessons. The middle of August, the children had their Christmas tree, with which they were very much pleased. I invited them all to come and spend the afternoon with me at the school-house. We had a very good time, myself joining in their games. My visit in July to She-she-gwah-ning, with Revs. W. Clarke and R. Robinson, was in some respects a pleasant one. I was glad to have the opportunity of visiting our Mission there, but felt sorry they had no teacher, they seem so anxious to have one. The children sing hymns in English nicely, and old and young listened to Mr. Clarke and Mr. Robinson with great attention. The chief asked for a teacher; Mr. Clarke said he could not promise them one this fall. I proposed to go for a month or six weeks; they were pleased with the offer, and said they would come to Spanish River and fetch me. However, on our return to the mills, we talked it over. Mr. Robinson and myself thought it best not to make the attempt this summer, as there was no furniture in the Mission house, and no place to board, and a difficulty of getting back to Spanish River in the fall in time to take the steamer down, or travelling in a small sail boat on the lakes at that season. I hope you will send a teacher to them soon. I do not think it wise to start a Mission and then close it. Will not some student or Missionary volunteer to go? The latter part of September I closed the school and work, as the Indians and most of the people have left for their winter quarters. Mr. Robinson did not build mission rooms, as was proposed, as there is a possibility of the mills being removed next summer; and as the Indians go there for work, it would be useless to keep the Mission there. The few remaining families were sorry to have the Mission closed for the winter. The last day of S. S. they expressed their regret that I was leaving them. They said there would be no S. S. or Bible readings during the winter. I gave two of the men who were in the S. S. each a bundle of S. S. papers and good reading for distribution this winter in the shanties. I told the children and people they must be like the "little captive maid"—carry away with them the instruction they had received. We closed the S. S. by singing "Here we meet to part again; in heaven we part no more."

We again committed the work to the Lord, asking Him to own and bless it, for without his blessing, all will have been in vain.

Yours in the work,

EMMA BAYLIS.

P.S.—I would like to acknowledge a "Bethel Flag" which I received for the Mission from Shaftesbury Hall and Amherst St. Con. S. S., and which has been hoisted on the School-house all summer. I would also ask that copies of the "*British Workman*" and S. S. papers be contributed to this Mission.

E. B.

REPORT OF MR. KESHICK.

By request of the Indians at Sydney Bay, the directors, at the beginning of the Missionary year, removed Mr. Keshick from Cape Crocker to that place, the Indians desiring him to teach their school and promising to defray one half of his expenses. The following is from his annual report:

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