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The Bishop In England.

To the Editor of the Algoma Missionary News.

Dear Sir:—

If any apology is needed for my failure to send you up to the present, any notes of my movements in England, it will be found, sufficiently for all reasonable people, in the hurry and pressure of my work here in behalf of Algoma. And even now I can only spare time to give you a few outline extracts from my diary. This I can truthfully say that since setting foot on the dock at Liverpool Oct. 14th, but one thought has been dominant in my mind, viz., how to promote the interests of our Canadian Missionary Diocese in England. Here, however, I found myself confronted with a peculiar difficulty. I myself was personally, wholly unknown here, and the very name of Algoma was unknown even to some of the churches' highest dignitaries, and of its geographical position, the constant question, "Where is it?" showed how much ignorance prevailed. "Algonia," "Augoma," "Algoa," "Alloa," these and others equally amusing guesses were made. Evidently my first duty must be to diffuse the needed information. Circulars must be scattered far and near, letters written, introductions secured, pulpits engaged, missionary meetings held, drawing room meetings arranged for, and every other conceivable instrumentality employed. My first step, however, must be to put myself in communication with the societies that aid us in Algoma, and hence within four days after my arrival I found

myself face to face with the Board of the "S. P. G." at 19 Delahay St. with my map (copied on light tracing silk from the original executed by the Rev. E. F. Wilson) suspended on the wall. Giving certain Deans, Canons and other dignitaries a truly needed lesson on the ecclesiastical geography of British North America generally but of Algoma particularly, and dwelling in details connected with the several missions aided by the Society. Several questions were asked, and great interest expressed, one layman (Mr. S. of Waverton Manor, Bath, engaging me on the spot for a visit to his neighborhood. The Bishop of Newfoundland was also present, not in good health, as his host of friends regret to know, but still pleading eloquently in behalf of his sea-girt Diocese. Sunday, 23rd I addressed two Sunday Schools in Maidstone, and preached in St. James Mission Church.

Monday, 24th, I returned to London and called at the "Sanctuary," Westminster, to make enquiries as to the terms of the Clergy Colonial Acts, having been already informed, while in Canada, by an English Bishop, that the law required even a Colonial Bishop to obtain the Archiepiscopal License before officiating in England; and so it proved to be, and accordingly I subscribed once more to the 39 Article, paid my fee, and in due time received my "papers," being subsequently informed, however, that all this qualified only for the Southern Province; that I should, farther, have to obtain the License of the Archbishop of York, and also the Licenses of each

individual Bishop in whose Diocese I might have occasion to officiate! with so much of 'pomp and circumstance' are Colonial Bishops hedged round in England.

My next step, the same day, was to call on the excellent secretary of the S. P. G. the Rev. W. H. Tucker, and obtain the Society's passport and endorsement. In the Ecclesiastical, as in the social life of England, an introduction is a "sine qua non." In the present case, however, I must introduce myself, and that in the pulpit and on the platform; and so I readily assented to the advice given me, viz., to do some deputation work for the 'S. P. G.' and while pleading its cause, "advertise" Algoma as a specimen diocese, not for by any peculiar excellence possessed by her over any other but simply as furnishing a good illustration of the nature and variety of the Society's Missionary operations among English settlers in the Colonies, and also among heathen races. A programme was accordingly mapped out, embracing sermons and Missionary Meetings, organized by the local Secretaries at Cambridge, Ipswich, Tunbridge Bath, Aldsworth, Farmington, North-leach, Bury, St. Edmunds, St. Leonards, Hastings, Carlisle, and Hull.

Wednesday 24th, the Secretary of the Colonial and Continental Church Society was called on, and an appointment made for a meeting with the Committee Nov. 7th. I also called upon the Secretary of the Religious Tract Society, with a view to a formal application before long for a grant of their literature for free distribution among the isolated settlers in Algoma; past experience having abundantly convinced me of the value of these little silent paper preachers in the absence of the voice of the living messenger. I am to meet the committee at breakfast, and give an address before long.

Friday 26th, the "S. P. G. programme was inaugurated by a visit to Cambridge, where I was most kindly received and entertained by the Rev. Canon Churton (a fellow of Pembroke) in his College Chambers. University 'Dons' are some

times regarded as differing little from Egyptian mummies, so completely buried in their classical and scientific researches as practically to belong to a dead and buried past, a very striking refutation of any such idea may be found on the Canon's table, covered as it is, with missionary periodicals (of some of which he is Editor) while in his Library, numbering several thousand volumes; one case is sacredly set apart in his innermost sanctum for the reception of general missionary literature, covering the entire field of the Church's operations, at home and abroad, and so systematically arranged that a glance shews where any particular pamphlet may be found.

The Missionary Meeting was held in the Hall at Pembroke, and presided over by the Rev. Dr. C. E. Searle, Master, who had made an admirable opening address. A goodly number of students and clergy were present, among the latter the Rev. G. Howard Wright, whom I had the pleasure, of meeting last summer on Lake Superior.

(To be Continued.)

Report of the Missionary Bishop of Algoma.

WOMAN'S WORK.

(Continued from our last)

Of associated effort, the "Church Woman's Mission Aid Society," of Toronto, an overflowing fountain of blessing. To it we owe an ever accumulating debt of gratitude for its increasing remembrance of our needs. A "Secret Society," in the sense of doing good silently, its praise is in many. If not all of our churches, for its generous, and judicious distribution of free will offerings of books, illustrated papers, clothing, Communion linen, and other church furniture, by which the scanty resources of needy individuals and feeble, struggling congregations have been liberally supplemented. In numerous instances, also, the children in our Sunday schools, and their teachers as well, have been encouraged and gladdened, at the happy Christmas season, by most welcome consignments, expressive of "peace and good will."

Engaged in the same work, only of more recent origin, the "Twenty Minutes Society" next demands the assurance of my grateful appreciation of their loving assistance. Branches of this Society (so named from the fact of their members pledging themselves to devote that time daily, in their own homes, to benevolent work for the Church), have been established in Ottawa, Toronto, &c, and are already

bearing the fruit of a very substantial sympathy with our work. May such agencies multiply till even the feeblest congregation in Canada can boast its little band of Christian women associated together in the fellowship of the Church, as "believers" in Christian "work."

To be Continued.

Muskoka.

BEGGSBORO, Sunday, Jan. 27th was a great day in that part of this country where Beggsboro' is the P.O. and "head centre," for on that day was opened one of the many churches which have been called into existence by the energy of the Rev. W. Crompton, the travelling clergyman in and about Muskoka. So far as he could find out, Mr. C. thought there were not more than three families about there who belonged to the church, and he worked with the possible view of calling back many who had strayed to the Sects. Now he finds there are eleven families who claim the English church as theirs. One man who lives two miles from where the church is built, has never been known to attend any place of worship since he came into the bush two years ago. To the astonishment of all this man came forward to assist in the preparations a day or two before the all important Sunday. He worked with a will, and gave Mr. Crompton reference to his clergyman in England, who knew him as a boy. He is moderately well educated, as is also his wife and they have undertaken to commence Sunday School in All Souls' church. A large congregation met together on Sunday for morning service, many of Mr. C's. old friends coming twelve miles from Ryerson and Emsdale purposely that there might be a celebration of the Eucharist. We had fifteen communicants. Free lunch was provided for all comers from a distance, and "man and beast" were well taken care of by Mr. and Mrs. Boys. Another goodly company met for evening service at which the Rev. Mr. Kilner preached. The offertories amounted to \$2.80 and will be devoted to church expenses.

An opening social was held in the church on Monday evening Jan. 28th and into a room built to accommodate 75 adults, one hundred and forty crowded. Old friends came from Ryerson, Katrine, Emsdale, and Buck Lake. Amongst the latter were Mr. Baldwin and lady, and Mr. Fauquier. Under the arrangements made by Messrs. Watson and Boys things went very smoothly, each one seeming to vie with the other to promote the harmony of the evening consequently a most enjoyable time was spent. It would be wrong to omit mentioning that a very good organ was lent by Miss Essie Blain (Presbyterian) who sang several pieces and accompanied the rest. Miss Copeland, Miss Maggie Mackenzie (Presbyterian) and Miss Gilmour (Baptist) were so kind as to offer their services. They really sang well and added much to the enjoyment. Mrs. Baldwin also sang and was rapturously cheered, and Mr. Fasten gave us a good old English song. The Rev. Mr. Kilner sang twice. One gentleman (Presbyterian) a brother Free Mason of Mr. Crompton's, came above fourteen miles over fearfully bad roads in order to be present. Another (Roman Catholic) came seventeen miles. These gentlemen enlivened the meeting greatly and were quite ready to obey the numerous calls made upon them. The Rev. Mr. Crompton played Winter's "Jesus Audi Nos" amidst an almost breathless silence. The sweetly delicate strains calmed everybody's feelings, but the applause was most hearty. Mr. Fauquier addressed the audience very briefly and made feeling allusion to his father—our late beloved Bishop, and the appreciation in which the bishop held Mr. Crompton's services. By way of finale Mr. Crompton called upon the company to help towards aiding to the pleasure by singing "Shall we Gather at the River." The women sang the verses, men and all joining in the chorus lustily and with a good courage. All were then called upon to stand up, and the "Doxology" sung to the Old Hundredth and accompanied by Mr. Crompton, brought to a close an evening of real pleasure which will not

soon be forgotten by those present. The church has evidently made her mark.

The proceeds of the social were \$35; after expenses are paid, the over plus will be spent in fencing the church grounds.

Our Indian Homes.

The examination of the pupils at the Shingwauk and Wawanosh Homes was concluded the first week in February, and it passed off very satisfactory. As regards the boys, it was certainly the best examination that has been held since the home was opened, and speaks well both for pupils and teacher. According to the plan which has been adopted for several years past every pupil is required to get 100 marks for each year he or she has been in the home in order to rank as "victor" and get a prize, those who obtain 80 marks or upwards for each year are called "aspirants," and all below 60 marks for the year are "lags." Girls and boys are examined in the same subjects, but girls have the option of putting in needlework, knitting, laundry work &c. in the place of history and grammar. At present there are two boys and two girls reading in the 4th book, nine boys in the third book, two boys and five girls in the second book, five boys and five girls in the 2nd part of the 1st book, the rest are beginners. Nine boys are learning English grammar, seven boys English history, thirteen boys and seven girls learning geography. The result of the examination shows:—Boys—seven victors, 15 aspirants, 3 below mark, and 1 lag. Girls—7 aspirants, 7 below mark, and two lags. The boys who took the highest marks were Benjamin Shingwauk 523 out of 625, Jackson Kahgaug 453 out of 595, and Johnny Maggrah 382 out of 478.

A fire broke out in a class room of the Shingwauk Home on Sunday evening Jan. 27, caused by the bursting of a lamp. It might have proved very serious, but fire pails filled with water are kept distributed about the building, and by the help of these it was speedily quenched before any great damage was done. The table and part of the floor were burned and the walls and ceiling blackened. John Esquimaux lost some books of notes on theology and his bible and prayer book.

Mr. Wilson has received a letter from Charlie Maggrah, one of the two Indian boys who went round Canada with him six years ago; he is now a tall fellow 6 ft. 2 in. high, and living with a farmer near Toronto; he takes the ALGOMA MISSIONARY NEWS, and has read the article, "Shall we keep on," and he says—"I say YES—if possible. Do not go back on it. I hope our Heavenly Father will put it into the hearts of the supporters of that Home to help all they can and not let it pass, for if that home was to be let pass it would be a big damage done in the world. I know myself that school has done a lot of good since it started—great many of the boys turned to be followers of Jesus Christ."

Correspondence.

Rectory Albion Mines, N. S.
Jan. 18. 84.

To the Editor of Algoma Missionary News.

My Dear Sir—On the other side is Rule 10, Widow's and Orphan's Fund, Diocese of Nova Scotia, amended.

Three times it is said in the current number of your very interesting paper that clergy removing to Algoma from any other Canadian Diocese, thereby forfeit the claim previously acquired in that diocese upon this fund. You will see that this is not so with regard to Nova Scotia.

EXTRACT FROM REPORT OF H. AND F. MISSIONS, 1877

Diocese of Nova Scotia, page 17.

With reference to the proposed regulations relative to the case of clergy leaving the diocese, the following amendment was adopted.

"Except in the case of any clergyman who shall become a missionary of the Board of Foreign Missions of this Diocese, or who undertakes work in Algoma while a Missionary Diocese."

Yours Sincerely,
D. C. MOORE.

Jottings.

An unusually severe winter in Algoma—Storms of wind, deep snow, and glass sometimes between 30° and 40° below zero.

The Rev. Canon Loosemore has sent a kind letter to the Toronto Daily Mail anent our Bishop's reception in Canterbury. The Bishop preached in Bishop Oxenden's church on Sunday morning Jan. 20th, at the Parish church of the Holy Cross in the evening, and in Canterbury Cathedral in the afternoon; on the following day a large party assembled at the invitation of the Bishop of Dover and the warden of St. Augustine's to hear the Bishop of Algoma tell the story of his missionary work. A clergyman gave him \$50 for his steam yacht.

ALGOMA MILLS—Mr. Gowan Gillmor reports that the new school house is completed, and fit for holding services, and they are now in want of a school teacher.

RUNAWAYS—Mr. Phipps, the Indian Superintendent at Manitowaning, has instructions from the Indian Department to have sent back to the Shingwauk Home immediately on the opening of navigation, several boys who either absconded or were removed without leave by their parents just before winter set in. It is understood that the parents are quite willing now to send them back; if they fail to do so they will be charged expenses, as they had signed agreements for their children to remain for a definite period at the Home.

PORT ARTHUR—The new church for this mission is to be brick veneered, and to cost, when complete, \$6,500. It is shingled, but brick cannot be laid at 30 degrees below zero. It is to seat 300, and will be completed by the beginning of June. Debt \$2,000.

UFFORD—\$50 is urgently needed for completion of the church at Ufford. The lower part of the building is finished but the ceiling and gables are open and cause the place to be very cold. Contributions may be sent to A. H. Campbell Esqr., 9 Victoria street, Toronto, or to Henry W. Gill, churchwarden, St. John's church, Ufford.

TO OUR CONTRIBUTORS—Letters have been received from Rev. R. Mosley, Parry Sound, and Rev. A. K. Chowne, Rosseau, and from a correspondent at Ufford. They will appear in April number.

The annual Report of the Indian Homes will very shortly be published.

MILLS, GORE BAY.—The S.P.C.K. have granted \$50 to this Church on the recommendation by the Bishop of Algoma of the claim made by Rev. W.M. Tooke. The building is to accommodate sixty worshippers. It will cost \$300, the congregation, a very poor one, have raised and spent \$126 on it. The S.P.C.K. has also granted \$20 for books towards a library for Mr. Greer, late student of Dorchester Missionary College, who, when ordained, will go to Algoma.

Will not some more friends take our little paper *Algoma Missionary News*, and learn from its pages the wants of the Algoma Diocese and the Indian Homes. It is only 35 cents per annum.

CROWDED OUT—An interesting letter from Rev. A.W.H. Chorin, Rossea, is unavoidably laid over for our next number.

Diocese of Algoma.

Jan 17—The Treasurer begs to acknowledge the following contributions:—General Diocesan Fund—St. James' Church Port Carling, 78c; Rev. W. Martin, London, England, £64; Redgrave-cum-Rothedale, Suffolk, England, per Herbert Symons, Esq., £2 1s. 1d. Steam Yacht Fund—"H." per N. W. Hoyles, Esq., \$100. Thanksgiving Collections—Per Rev. F. Frost, Sucker Creek, \$3; Little Current, \$1; Shequindah, \$1.

The following contributions to Algoma Mission Fund are gratefully acknowledged:—"In loving memory of S. M. H., Guildford, England, from G. E. H. £5, from F. E. H. £5."

Jan. 24—General Diocesan Fund—G. E. H. Guilford, England, £5, and F. E. H., Guilford, England, £5, in loving memory of S. M. H. Westwood Farm, Gravenhurst, per E. Birkenshaw, Esq., \$2. Anonymous, London, Ontario, \$7. Steam Yacht Fund Nottingham Collection, per C. C. and C. S., £2 12s. Alex. Dixon, Esq., \$25.

Feb. 7—General Diocesan Fund—The Misses Saunders' Mission Box, per Rev. T. C. Desbarres, \$12; Mrs. C. M. Arnoll, Bath, England, per Mr. Ryder, St. John's, P. Q., \$20; Wilmot Mission, \$9; St. John's, Woodstock, \$11.41. By the Rev. E. F. Wilson, Miss B. for W. & O. Fund \$5, for Steam Yacht \$5.

Indian Homes.

The Treasurer of the Indian Homes, Sault Ste. Marie, acknowledge the following contributions. Trinity S. sch. Mitchell for W. H. \$18.00; St. Peter's S. sch. Quebec, for W. H. \$10; Trinity S. sch. Digby, N. S. \$5; Trinity S. sch. St. John, N. B. for boy 18.75, for girl \$18.75; Per, Rev. F. W. Kirkpatrick, children's Guild, Cataragui \$35; Portsmouth \$9; St. James' S. sch. Carleton Palace, for S. H. \$7, for W. H. \$7; Miss B. for W. H. \$5; St. John's S. sch. York Mills for W. H. \$2, for express charges \$1; St. Paul's S. sch. Uxbridge for boy \$36.75; Port Sydney \$1; Holy Trinity, Toronto, for boy \$12.50; for W. H. \$2.50; St. Andrews Grimsby, for W. H. \$5. Total to Feb. 11 \$194.25.

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