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Notes by the Way.

LENT.

Welcome, dear feast of Lent; who loves not thee;
He loves not temperance, or authority,

But is composed of passion.

The Scriptures bid us *fast*; the Church says *noze*
Give to thy mother what thou wouldst allow

To every corporation.

—George Herbert.

REV. C. H. BUCKLAND, of Powassan, was laid up some days in February with rheumatism.

SOUTH RIVER Churchfolk had a tea-meeting and entertainment on Thursday evening, February 25th. We anticipate some particulars next month.

ON February 19th the congregation of Holy Trinity Church, Parry Sound, had a decidedly successful social gathering. Jukes' Hall is reported to have been comfortably filled, and the entertainment afforded above the average.

It is requested that in future all correspondence for following issue be in the hands of the Editor by the 15th of each month. The change becomes necessary since it has been decided to publish in the future on the first day of the month.

THE Bishop hopes to sail for England by May 15th. While there he will probably be able to interest some of our fellow-citizens and fellow-Churchmen in the work of the Church in Algoma and add to the number of zealous friends who form the Algoma Association in England.

REV. MR. ULBRICHT writes that the first of a series of "At Homes" given by the Churchwomen's Parochial Aid Association of the Church of the Epiphany, Sudbury, at the residence of Mr. James Purvis, on January 28th, was a decided success. The proceeds were 20.25.

THE Bishop of Marquette was present at St. Luke's, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., on the morning of Sunday, January 31st, the first service in the diocese in which our own Bishop took part.

THE soul is influenced by outward observances, and is shaped and fashioned according to its actions. Let, then, thy appearance and garment and gait and sitting and table and bedroom and house and its furniture all be directed according to lowliness. And thy speech and singing and conversation in like manner look towards meanness and not exaltation.—
St. Basil.

By the death of Mrs. W. U. Hillier the Church at Burk's Falls loses one of its oldest and most valued workers. It was at her house, when living at Scotia, some eighteen years ago, before Burk's Falls was known, that the first Church service and the first baptism took place north of Huntsville. A patient Christian, she has finished her course and her children call her blessed. She died after a few hours' illness on February 11th, and was buried on the 13th. The church was literally crammed with people on the occasion of the funeral, and many could not obtain admittance.

The Church Observer (Springhill, Nova Scotia) publishes a paper on "Algoma," read before St. John the Baptist's Church Social and Temperance Society, North Sydney, C.B., on January 14th, 1897, by Miss Lily Hanes. It is a very creditable *résumé* of some of the chief events in the history of the Church's work in the territory now known as the Diocese of Algoma. The period covered is from 1830, just prior to the advent of Mr. (afterwards Archdeacon) McMurray to the Hudson Bay Company's station at Sault Ste. Marie, to the resignation of our late Bishop. The dissemination of missionary news is a grand encouragement to missionary work. We desire to compliment the lady writer on her collection of interesting facts and to thank her for bringing them to the knowledge of others, and for her evident interest in us.

It has been said that "to be *not* disciplined by God Himself, to have to invent one's own disciplines, is a trial under which most men break down." What are called "limitations" are in reality the special application to the individual of that moulding and transforming power which, through some species or other of pain, is developing the sons of God. . . . It is an unreal sentiment which pities us here as "pent in the body," and as "gaining eternal life" only by our own dying. If believing, if regenerate, if incorporate with Christ, the eternal life is the state to which we have attained; and the body, which is the product and the expression of our spirit, is the blessed and necessary antecedent of the spiritual body, and all the facts of human life are ennobled as exponent of a spiritual progress with which heaven and earth are in sympathy. Real saints have not only borne suffering and calamity, they have known how to use them. They have turned every kind of limitation into a weapon; and surely what they succeeded in doing God had planned. . . .

The blind man of St. John was born blind, not that he might be an inferior, but that he might be a superior vehicle of the glory of God, that the glory of God may be made manifest in him as it could not be in "them that see." "*Con-munings of a Day,*" by *Archdeacon Ben-son*.

The Bishop's Appointments for March.

1. Preach at Sand Lake.
2. Return to Emsdale and take train to Burk's Falls.
3. Visit Mullothian and Maganetawan.
4. Visit Dunchurch, and thence to Burk's Falls and take train for North Bay.
5. Return to Sault Ste. Marie.
7. *Sunday*—Sault Ste. Marie.
8. Visit Garden River.
9. Take train for Massey and Little Current, Manitoulin Island.
10. Visit Manitowaning; reception 4 p.m.; confirmation in the evening.
11. Drive to "The Slash," conference with people, confirmation, and reception.
12. Drive to Hilly Grove, conference with people, confirmation, and reception.
13. Drive to Sheguiandah.
14. *Sunday*.
16. Visit Marksville, St. Joseph's Island.
17. Consecration of church at Richard's Landing.
18. Confirmations, etc.
21. *Sunday*—Preach in St. Luke's Pro-Cathedral, Sault Ste. Marie.
27. Drive to Goulais Bay.
28. *Sunday*—Consecration Goulais Bay Church
29. Return to Sault Ste. Marie.

Welcome!

The Sault Ste. Marie (Michigan) *News* gives a report of the reception given to the third Bishop of Algoma by the Church people and prominent citizens of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario (the Canadian side of the river), on the evening of Tuesday, February 2nd, and describes it as the event of the week. Our contemporary says:

"All denominations were present, and nothing could exceed the kindly feelings and warm expressions with which his lordship was greeted. Rev. Messrs. Duncan and Manning worthily represented the Presbyterian and Methodist Churches, and Mr. Downing the Baptist Church; Rev. M. McConnell and Rev. Mr. Smitheman, the Episcopalians of Bruce Mines and Korah; and His Honour Judge O'Connor, the Roman Catholics. There was besides a large representation of local Church people, including Mr. P. C. Campbell, Judge Johnston, Mr. Henry C. Hamilton, Capt. Burden, Capt. Towers, Messrs. W. H. Plummer, Harry Plummer, Wm. Brown, Wm. Van Abbott, W. J. Thompson, Dr. Reid, R. W. Cunningham, J. B. Way, and various others, accompanied by their families. There was also a sprinkling from the

Michigan Sault, including the Rev. and Mrs. C. M. Westlake, Dr. W. L. Williams, and Miss Griffiths. After the Bishop had replied to the address, songs and recitations were given with great effect by Mr. McConnell, Mrs. Westlake, Mr. Hallam, and Mr. W. H. Plummer. The following address to the Bishop was read by His Honour Judge Johnston:

To His Lordship the Right Reverend George Thorneboe, Bishop of the Missionary Diocese of Algoma:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR LORDSHIP.—Representing the lay element of the parish of Sault Ste. Marie, we take advantage of your auspicious arrival in our midst to assume the high functions for which you have been happily consecrated to offer you our warmest congratulations and to cordially welcome you and your family to Sault Ste. Marie. We recognize to the fullest extent the strong sense of duty entailing great responsibility and arduous labour, and we feel assured that by the blessing of God this great missionary diocese will develop more and more until it shall answer all the expectations of the various contributory dioceses which called it into existence. With the growth of population and wealth there seems to be every reason to hope for a decrease of expenditure in the mission funds, and we trust the time is not far distant when the parish of Sault Ste. Marie will be able to proclaim itself self-supporting.

The opening up of railway communication in this district has effected a marvellous transformation since the time when the first Bishop of Algoma commenced his ministrations. Populous villages and smiling farmsteads have sprung up all along the line, and a population then amounting to less than 10,000, thinly scattered over the district, is now estimated to be in the neighbourhood of 50,000.

An accelerated growth cannot fail to open up vast possibilities for Church extension, and we are sure your lordship will prove the chosen instrument for carrying out the great work of development so evidently in store for the Church.

We would especially felicitate your lordship on the broad liberality which we know has distinguished your ministerial career in the sister Province of Quebec, and which endeared you there, as it certainly will do here, to Christians of all denominations. We would assure you of our earnest desire to cordially co-operate with you in the work of the Church, and in the building up and sustaining of that confidence and good will which we recognize to be so necessary between Bishop, clergy and laity.

And, in conclusion, we cannot allow the opportunity to pass without paying a high tribute to the untiring zeal and energy of our dear pastor, to whom the success of our church owes its rapid increase in members, the splendid edifice in which we worship, and the united feeling that happily exists amongst us all.

Signed on behalf of the laity, St. Luke's Pro-Cathedral, Sault Ste. Marie, February 2nd, A.D. 1897.

(Signed) J. B. WAY,
W. C. DUNSEATH,
Churchwardens.

The Bishop, in reply, said: Permit me first, in responding to your cordial greeting and good wishes, to acknowledge the kindness which prompted you to offer me and mine this reception. I assure you that it is no small comfort to me, in coming into your midst, to find you so kindly disposed towards myself, my family, and my work. And, next, I should like to assure you that I have already received many good impressions from what I have seen and heard, both of your town and her people. I was prepared for the terrors of a severe climate, but I find, so far, much the same weather prevailing as we have in the east. I was prepared for all kinds of trying experiences, but I find, so far, little or nothing of trial. The approaches to the Sault were not indeed promising, much of the C. P. Railway being built through the back and less favoured portions of the district. But when we stepped out upon the platform at your station we found ourselves in the midst of very pleasant and promising surroundings, in the midst of a fine young town, evidently growing, with many signs of prosperity, its buildings solid and in good taste—built to last—with excellent stores, and a pulp mill which, it is said, has not its rival anywhere—substantial, picturesque, and most thoroughly appointed—quite a wonderful enterprise indeed. And then the kind way in which we were entertained, for the first day or two, and the many assurances given us that the people of this rising centre of population are warmly interested in the work of the Church over which I am called to preside—all this has been a great encouragement to me. I cannot, of course, speak for other parts of the diocese. I have not seen them. But what I have seen and heard here gives me great hope and courage. And, next, I must not fail to express my satisfaction at seeing here to night so representative a gathering. Not only am I greeted by our own Church people, but by many connected with other bodies of Christians. I rejoice to see that though we have differences, and must as honest men stand by our principles, we can still find common ground to meet upon, until we can draw, through God's grace, wholly together again. And this brings to mind the wise building of foundations accomplished by my predecessors, the saintly

Bishop Fauquier and the gifted Dr. Sullivan, who have left me at once a Church living in harmony and peace with those around it, and a heritage of personal example which should be an inspiration to me.

After paying a deserved tribute to the rector of St. Luke's Pro-Cathedral, Rev. Rural Dean Renison, the Bishop concluded by thanking his friends for their hearty and sympathetic and encouraging address. Before sitting down, however, he expressed the hope that everyone present would make a point of shaking hands with him and giving him the pleasure of a word or two of greeting, as he wished to know them all.

Sault Ste. Marie Missior.

REV. RURAL DEAN RENISON, INCUMBENT.

On March 5th the following particulars reached us anent the services at which, within the diocese, the Bishop of Algoma for the first time officiated. The delay in the matter of the report reaching us seems to be due to a misunderstanding. However, failing an epitome from the pen of a Sault literary gentleman, we are pleased that Mr. Renison sent us the following particulars as soon as he knew that the columns of THE ALGOMA MISSIONARY NEWS were likely to contain no reference to the services above mentioned. It should be noted, perhaps, that the class of confirmees presented was the first upon whom the Bishop laid his hand in the apostolic rite of confirmation.

The services in St. Luke's Pro-Cathedral on Sunday, January 31st, were very impressive and intensely interesting, on the event of the new Bishop's presence in church for the first time in the see town of his diocese. The services for the day commenced with an early celebration of the Holy Communion at 8.30. The Bishop was the celebrant, assisted by the incumbent. At the 11 o'clock service, immediately after the singing of the third hymn, the incumbent read the following address to His Lordship Bishop Thorneloe:

RIGHT REVEREND FATHER IN GOD.—As incumbent of this Pro-Cathedral Church of St. Luke's, in the parish of Sault Ste. Marie, as well acting for the congregation as for myself, I beg to offer to your lordship, on this the first occasion of your official presence amongst us, a very cordial welcome; and I hereby extend to you whatever rights and privileges in connection with this Church it may be proper for your lordship to possess and

for us to convey under the circumstances; at the same time assuring you of our loyal obedience, sympathy, and co-operation in the prosecution of the arduous tasks to which, in the providence of God, you have been called.

(Signed) ROBT. RENISON,
Incumbent of St. Luke's.
Jan. 31st, 1897.

In reply, his lordship spoke with great power and feeling as to the weighty responsibilities of his office, and his single desire to spend and be spent for Christ and His Church in this wide field of labour to which the voice of God, through the Provincial Synod, had called him. Like his Master, he came not only as the chief pastor of the flock, but was also to live among his people as one who serveth.

Bishop Williams, of Marquette, who came to pay neighbourly courtesy, was also present, and followed Bishop Thorneloe with many kind words of sympathy, encouragement, and congratulation.

At the evening service the church was crowded to the doors, and all the vacant places filled with chairs. The service was choral, and beautifully rendered throughout. Rev. Rural Dean Renison presented thirty candidates to his lordship for confirmation. The service was very solemn, and the Bishop's address to the newly-confirmez, showing the high privileges to which they were admitted, and the weighty responsibilities attached to the solemn step which they had taken, must have made a lasting impression on the hearts of those young soldiers of the Cross. The Bishop then preached from the words, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" Acts ix. 6. The sermon was a masterly exposition of the text, applied to the various departments of Christian work. The Bishop's words were endued with power and marked with that deep spirituality and burning earnestness which characterize all his utterances. Bishop Thorneloe certainly gives evidences of peculiar fitness for his arduous and responsible position, and will undoubtedly win his way into the hearts of all his people.

Honoured in His Own Country.

The Sherbrooke *Gazette*, of December 11th, 1896, publishes a report of the anniversary of the St. Francis District Association of the Church Society of the Diocese of Quebec, which took place on Tuesday and Wednesday, December 8th and 9th, 1896, at Sherbrooke, the meet-

ing being held in the Church Hall and the services in St. Peter's Church. There were present: The Bishop of Quebec; Rev. Dr. Lubeck, rector of Zion and St. Timothy, New York; Rev. Canon Foster, M.A., Rural Dean, Chairman; Rev. Dr. Thorneloe, Bishop elect of Algoma, Secretary St. Francis District Association; Rev. Dr. Adams, Principal of Bishops' College, Secretary Deanery Board; James Price, Esq., Treasurer; the Ven. Archdeacon Roe, D.D., Rev. Prof. Scarth, M.A.; Rev. Dr. Allnatt, and twenty-eight other clergymen.

Passing over the services and business of Tuesday and Wednesday, we come to the missionary meeting held in St. Peter's Church Hall on the evening of the latter day. The number of people present filled the hall. The ordinary addresses of the evening were all delivered, when the Bishop called upon the Archdeacon to present to the Bishop elect of Algoma a resolution of farewell which had been adopted the day before by the clergy and laity of the Deanery Board of the district. The Archdeacon then came forward and read to Dr. Thorneloe the resolution, the Bishop, the clergy, and the great assembly of people all standing in his honour. The scene at this point was impressive and deeply affecting. The resolution was as follows:

Resolved, That the members of the Church Society and of the Deanery Board of the district of St. Francis cannot permit their beloved friend and brother, the Bishop-elect of Algoma, to leave the district without expressing to him their sense of the value to the Church of his able and devoted labours for twenty-two years, to which so much of the marked growth and increase of the Church in this district is due.

Canon Thorneloe's example as rector of the most important parish in the district in encouraging his people to help the less favourably situated missions in their various religious enterprises has been felt as an influence for good from the first day until now.

The members of the Board desire to assure the Bishop-elect of the esteem and love felt for him by all his brethren, both clergy and laity throughout the district, and how honoured they all feel by his elevation to the position of dignity and influence to which he has been promoted.

They will follow the Bishop of Algoma in his new life and work with their affection, their sympathy, and their prayers.

The clergy request the Bishop-elect to convey to Mrs. Thorneloe their appreciation of the graceful and genial hospitality with which they have always been welcomed at the rectory in Sherbrooke, and they wish Mrs. Thorneloe and Miss Fuller, as well as the Bishop-elect himself, every blessing in their new home.

With deep emotion the Bishop-elect of Algoma replied in very felicitous words to the following effect.

My Lord Bishop, Mr. Archdeacon, and my Reverend Brethren.

I feel it to be impossible to express the mingled feelings which contend in my mind for utterance in appreciation of the honour done me by this address, referring to the high distinction to which, in the providence of God, I have been called. Believe me, in the visions which arise before me of my future work, I see not so much its dignities as its responsibilities, and the solemn burden of the care of souls scattered over a vast area. I have been asking myself, "Am I equal to the labour and hardships involved, and capable of dealing successfully and wisely with men—the faithful pastors and others of many sorts and conditions with whom I shall have to do?" But although by these thoughts I am filled with affright, yet there come to me messages from my brethren, which go straight to my heart, that they believe me to have been duly called to this special work and, in their kind judgment, to have capacities for it from what they know of me, and so I dare not doubt that God would graciously fit and prepare me to discharge the duties which devolve upon me. I cannot tell you of all that rends my heart in the thought that the happy intercourse of twenty two years is about to be severed. In this respect the keenest pain and sorrow possess me, but I venture to believe that I shall be followed by your love, and sympathy, and prayers, and that the Diocese of Algoma will occupy a large place in your hearts. Never can I forget your kindness on this occasion, nor the gratifying fact that in all these years not one word of serious difference has passed between me and my clerical brethren. I thank God for having cast my lot among you, and I am especially gratified by the thoughtful choice you have made of this time in which to make my dear people—so numerous present—cognizant of the honour you do me. Most heartily do I thank you one and all, and not alone on my own account, but also for your having included also Mrs. Thorneloe and family in your kind words and wishes.

Mission of Korah and Goulais Bay.

REV. J. H. SMITHEMAN, INCUMBENT.

January 31st, 1897, was the first Sunday Bishop Thorneloe, our new Bishop, spent in the diocese. On that day he confirmed thirty in the Pro-Cathedral, Sault Ste. Marie. On the following Sunday, February 7th, he was at Goulais Bay

and Korah. Goulais Bay is twenty-five miles from Sault Ste. Marie, and Korah is six miles. On Saturday, February 6th, one of our Korah farmers, Mr. Pen Horwood, drove to the Sault for the Bishop and brought him out and entertained him at lunch. Korah is on the way to Goulais Bay, and so the stay there broke the journey for the Bishop.

After the bounteous lunch the Bishop expressed himself as ready for any fate, and with the mission priest and Mr. Pen Horwood and his brother Herbert, proceeded on his way. The road from Korah to Goulais Bay is rocky and hilly, and very hard on horses. The Rev. J. P. Smitheman lost a horse last summer which was literally killed by the rough roads, and it cost him fifty dollars to buy another, and, having this to pay out of his scanty stipend, he is impoverished. However, Mr. Pen Horwood lent his team, and thus the Bishop found the journey easier than travelling with the minister's single pony. The Bishop stayed at Goulais Bay with Mr. Whalen, the minister's warden, Mr. Smitheman with Mr. Downey, a Presbyterian, and Mr. Pen Horwood and his brother, with Mr. MacSorley, a Methodist. Three neighbouring houses and three different denominations.

The Bishop enjoyed the drive and he was favoured with good weather, good roads, a good team, and a good driver, Herbert Pen Horwood. On the previous trip up to Goulais Bay, the missionary was upset on the "height of land," the cutter broken to pieces, the horse ran away for two miles, and Mr. Smitheman himself was seriously damaged. In many of the country places of Algoma, travelling can be better done in winter with cutter or sleigh. The rocks and hills are then covered with snow, and where a buggy or waggon could hardly go, a cutter or sleigh glides along.

On Sunday, February 7th, there was probably the grandest religious service ever held in that neighbourhood. Mr. Pen Horwood is a musician, and Mr. Macaulay, the people's warden, having kindly lent his organ, we were able to give a musical service, and it was a revelation to the backwoodsmen.

Bishop Thorneloe was the first Bishop to enter Goulais Bay Church. It was opened last Easter Day and an account of the event appeared in THE ALGOMA MISSIONARY NEWS. Bishop Sullivan much desired to see it, but was prevented by illness. Bishop Thorneloe's episcopal visit was the first after a period of more

than six years, and Church life will now be revived. He confirmed six persons, and the effect of his vigorous and sympathetic exposition of the benefits of confirmation will be an increase in the candidates. The Bishop congratulated Mr. Smitheman on Goulais Bay Church and said, for the amount of money expended on it—less than \$400—he had never seen such a cheap church built in such a churchly manner. But to that \$400 must be added, at least, \$100 for labour given by the people. And how was that \$400 raised? Bishop Sullivan gave \$50; Mr. Macaulay collected \$130; Rev. J. P. Smitheman collected \$70; S.P.C.K., \$75. Rural Dean Renison collected \$20; still owing \$48. Now who will help to pay off this debt of \$48? The Bishop has worked hard, the missionary has exerted himself, the people have struggled, and who will come to the rescue so that the church may be consecrated when Bishop Thorneloe comes again in three months' time? Bishop Thorneloe promises \$5, and would do more if the Mission Fund were not so deeply in debt. Surely friends in England and the Province of Ontario will come to "the help of the Lord against the mighty" difficulties in Algoma.

After the morning services at Goulais Bay, the Bishop returned to Korah for evening service. In both places he much encouraged the people, and we prophesy a bright future for the churches and missionaries of Algoma under the fostering care of their loving Father in God.

Korah parsonage much impressed Bishop Thorneloe, and he wondered how such a commodious building was erected for \$500. There is a debt of \$160 on it. Here, again, we need help.

Goulais Bay Church has no communion vessels, or altar linen, or font.

J.P.S.

Burk's Falls Mission.

REV. CHARLES PIERCY, INCUMBENT.

This mission has received a visit from the Bishop, who spent several days at Burk's Falls inquiring into and advising concerning matters of temporal and spiritual concern. The Bishop was a guest at the parsonage. Being as anxious to meet the people as they are to meet him, it was a foregone conclusion that success would crown the informal reception given in the parsonage by the women of the Church to the Bishop on the evening of Thursday, February 18th. The

parson's quarters were taxed to the utmost, fully fifty persons being crowded into the house. An hour having been spent in making those present known to the Bishop, who moved about chatting with everyone and making all feel at home, the churchwardens expressed a desire to read a brief address of welcome on behalf of the people. Mr. A. Laxton then read the following :

To the Right Reverend George Thorneloe, D.D., D.C.L.
by divine permission Missionary Bishop of Algoma :

REVEREND FATHER IN GOD,—

The members of the Church of England in Canada resident in Burk's Falls and vicinity and worshipping in the Church of All Saints', Burk's Falls, desire to tender to you a hearty welcome on your first visit to this mission. Their desire and prayer is that the Head of the Church may long preserve you in health and wisdom to administer the affairs of the diocese to the glory of God's name and the salvation of souls. Permit us, in concluding, to tender our kindest regards to Mrs. Thorneloe.

On behalf of the congregation,

(Signed) ARTHUR LAXTON, } Church-
JOSEPH HILLIAR, } wardens.
Burk's Falls, Ontario, Feb. 18, 1897.

The Bishop, in reply, expressed the pleasure it afforded him and the encouragement it gave him to meet so many of his people and to receive so warm a welcome. Especially was he pleased to notice so many young people interested in church work—young men more particularly, of whom so many were present. He urged all to be active in the common work of the Church, ready at all times to second and supplement the efforts of their clergyman. In concluding an earnest and stirring address the Bishop noted and acknowledged the kindness of mentioning the name of Mrs. Thorneloe in the address.

Sandwiches and coffee was the next order of the day, during the despatch of which the almost one topic of conversation was the gratification, not to say admiration, afforded the hearers of the Bishop's speech. All too soon came the hour of departure, when wraps were sought and sorted—for the night was cold—and good-night said. The churchwardens and sidesmen had a consultation with the Bishop before they left for their respective homes.

The next morning the Bishop drove to Sundridge with the incumbent. It was a beautiful day. Sad to relate, the forgetfulness of the missionary placed in jeopardy the episcopal dinner by (1) being a little late on the scene, and (2) by doubt concerning the place where it was to be found. At length all doubts were set aside, and we were seated at the bounti-

fully laden board of Mr. Arthur E. French. In the afternoon the Bishop had a conference with representatives of the congregation, after which he was entertained at the house of Mr. Joseph Edgar, where, after tea, a number of the Church people assembled to meet him. Rev. Mr. Cochrane, the Presbyterian missionary, and Mrs. Cochrane also accepted an invitation to be present. The Bishop gladly availed himself of the opportunity of a little chat with all present until about 9.30 p.m., when a short address of welcome was read by Churchwarden A. E. French. We print a copy :

To the Right Reverend George Thorneloe, D.D., by
divine permission Missionary Bishop of Algoma :

REV. FATHER IN GOD,—On behalf of the congregation of St. Paul's Church, Sundridge, we bid you a hearty welcome to this diocese, over which it is our sincere wish that God may long preserve you to preside. In future years may you be able to look back to your entrance upon your high office among us and say that the spirit of loyalty to our beloved Church had increased, if not a hundredfold, at least fortyfold.

In conclusion, we utter the prayer that the great Head of the Church may ever guide and encourage you.

On behalf of the congregation of St. Paul's Church,

(Signed) A. E. FRENCH, } Churchwardens.
J. G. HAYES, }

Sundridge, Ont., February 19th, 1897.

The response made by the Bishop was a short speech that will be long remembered by those who listened to it. The expression of loyalty to the Church of Christ—no man-made, but a divine institution—cheered him, he said. And without question his utterances were calculated to encourage and stimulate the Church family at this end of the mission.

At the kind invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar, whose kind hospitality is proverbial in these parts, the whole company partook of supper. It had almost slipped our memory, but we now state that Rev. G. Gander, the missionary in charge of South River mission, drove down to meet the Bishop and take part in the festivities of the day. It was getting late when the Bishop got into the incumbent's cutter for a fourteen-mile sleigh-ride, and early—the wee sma' hours—in the morning when Burk's Falls was reached.

Next day the Bishop was very busy overtaking correspondence, but a little relaxation was found when our friend, Rural Dean Chowne, came along in time for dinner. He was returning from a trip to the Maganetawan mission.

On Sunday (Sexagesima) the first service was at Burk's Falls. The incumbent read Morning Prayer. The Bishop then com-

menced the Communion office, and preached from Phil. ii. 5: "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus." A local paper—every little village in this country has its little newspaper—speaks of the sermon as "fraught with sterling and spiritual advice, entirely void of the dictatorial utterances so common in our day," and as being of a "pleading and convincing character." The preacher was listened to with rapt attention by a congregation that occupied every available space in the sacred edifice. The Bishop proceeded with the celebration of the Blessed Sacrament of Holy Communion, at which a large number of communicants received. Throughout the services were hearty and enjoyable. The offertory (\$7.11) was devoted to the Indian Famine Fund.

In the afternoon the Bishop drove to Sundridge for service at 7 p.m. The snow and wind of Saturday night had made the roads somewhat heavy. The incumbent read Evening Prayer; the Bishop read the lessons, and preached to a crowded church. The Presbyterians cancelled their service, and in goodly numbers were present at St. Paul's Church. The subject of the sermon was "Prayer," and was based on Mark x. 51: "What wilt thou that I should do unto thee?" The offertory (\$4.75) was given to the Indian Famine Relief Fund.

The incumbent bade the Bishop good-by at Mr. Edgar's, where he was a guest until the southbound train next morning, and himself drove home, arriving at his destination soon after midnight. On Monday morning the Bishop left Sundridge for Bracebridge, en route to Baysville.

Sheguiandah Mission.

REV. F. FROST, R.D., INCUMBENT.

I write you again a supplementary letter to the other short account of Christmas work and festivities. I had not then been able to go to the reserves on the mainland, because the ice was too weak to bear up a horse and sleigh; indeed it would not then bear up a dog and sleigh. Now, since the cold snap, it has strengthened, and in company with an Indian who drove a pony behind me I ventured over. The ice was none too strong, but we reached our destination without any mishap of consequence.

The Indians were very glad to see me, for I had not been over since my illness, and the wife of the chief, who was very ill,

was very much comforted by receiving the Blessed Sacrament which I administered. We had a hearty Christmas service in the little church, which the Indians had decorated nicely for the season. We sang Christmas hymns, and used the service for Christmas Day, and had a celebration of Holy Communion. I explained that I could not get to see them on Christmas Day, so we kept the festivity as soon as we could and as near the day as we could. There was also a sermon suitable to the occasion, and after the service I distributed the W.A. gifts to the children. Each boy and girl got some article of clothing, and some old women received blankets, or, rather, quilts, and all ended most happily and joyously.

After the service I went with Big John to his home at the mouth of the river. It was midnight when we arrived, but I slept in his house, and next morning administered communion to his mother, who was sick. The rest of the Indians in the neighbourhood came in and we had service, and an old Indian and a young boy were baptized. I had some private conversation with the Indian, and found him in earnest, as far as I could know, so I improved the public occasion by explaining the meaning and obligations of baptism.

The following week I went over to see the Indians on the Spanish River. The journey thither was more dangerous than the crossing the other way; the cracks were a "terror," as the mail-carrier said whom I met on the portages. The ice was bulged and open in many places, and sometimes it seemed as if large pieces were floating like a raft. However, "all's well that ends well," and I reached my destination at night with nothing more than a broken gearing on the sleigh, which occurred in the woods after I had crossed over the ice.

The school here is in charge of Miss Morley, who lives over the schoolhouse, which also does duty as a church. Our Christmas service in Epiphany were repeated here with fully the same earnestness, and a good number partook of Holy Communion with me. I was just one day too late to bury an Indian sister, who had been ill a long time, but who was buried in the little graveyard by our lady teacher and catechist, according to the rites of the Church of England. We had services evening and morning, and instruction to children, and distribution of W.A. garments to them.

F.F.

Emsdale Mission.

REV. A. W. H. CHOWNE, R.D., INCUMBENT.

Friday being the only evening when the school can be used for such purposes, a most enjoyable time was spent at Ebbeston on the evening of the 12th of February. A concert was given, with recitations, readings, and addresses. The school was well filled, and everything went off well. All seemed to enjoy themselves until late in the night. The piece which seemed to take most with the children was when Sambo telephoned to Montreal in great haste for a carload of flour, and, in answer to his importunate demand for its immediate arrival, received a cloud of Manitoba flour in his face, which stopped his further use of the instrument. We deeply regret that we have to resort to so childish a plan to obtain money to furnish God's house; but even this has its good side, for it helps to keep the people united by social intercourse, and this is no trifle. The Raver'sworth Glee Club performed in a most admirable manner. The proceeds, \$8.50, are towards seating the church. We thank all who helped us, and shall be glad of their help again. Mr. George Worsley (churchwarden) worked hard to get up the entertainment and make it a success. He is, in his office, a good example to many who care nothing about doing their duty.

A.W.H.C.

Port Carling Mission.

REV. W. A. J. BURT, INCUMBENT.

In obedience to the wish of our new Bishop collections were made in four of the stations of this mission for the India famine fund, with the following result:

St. James'.....	\$16 00
Christ Church.	12 00
St. John's.....	5 00
St. George's.....	2 25

Total... .. \$35 25

\$25.25 of this amount was forwarded to the Rev. R. Renison, B.A., Sault Ste. Marie. \$10 will be paid at Easter.

W.A.J.B.

Temiscamingue Mission.

JAMES HICKLAND, CATECHIST.

On Saturday evening, January 30th, there was a social entertainment held in the public school at Liskeard. An abundant supply of suitable presents for the school children and their friends was

suspended from a large Christmas tree. There were a large number of Church adherents and their families present, notwithstanding the unusual inclemency of the weather. A varied and extensive programme was gone through, including readings, recitations, music, and singing by the children. Mr. McKelvey and the local magistrate, Mr. John Armstrong, made short and appropriate speeches. After this the gifts were duly distributed, and almost all present received some gift or prize. The catechist in charge, Mr. Hickland, then delivered an address, urging upon the young the all-importance of patience and perseverance in the study of God's Word while they had youth on their side and minds tender and susceptible to receive the blessed truths and promises contained therein. Like the little Samuel, who while yet a child, served the Lord, and as a consequence grew on in favour both with God and also with men, so would they increase in honour, in spiritual and temporal blessings, and, above all, they would attain to the saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus, which is nothing short of life everlasting. Mr. Hickland then informed the people and children that it would be most desirable to have special prizes for those children who would display unusual merit in Scriptural knowledge during the forthcoming year. He stated that a special prize of \$2 would be awarded to any boy or girl who could repeat verbatim the "Sermon on the Mount" and the Church Catechism, and half this sum to any other boys or girls who could repeat one of these subjects. As many of them were already acquainted with both subjects, the task would not prove one of great difficulty. The speaker next solicited the hearty co-operation of all parents to see that the "home lessons" were duly prepared and the appointed verses committed to memory. If parents either neglected or declined to enforce this binding Christian duty, they could not be said to have brought up their children in the fear, nurture, and admonition of the Lord, and the fruits of neglect, which meant failure in the one thing needful, would, he feared, be the sad results in many of their lives. The safest and best way to carry out this undertaking is for the head of the household to have an appointed hour for Scripture reading, and allow nothing to interfere with this arrangement. Examples in such cases are always better than precepts, though both must be combined. Occasional questioning on the home lesson by a parent is most profitable. "Yes, study

the Scriptures," says a great writer, "as they have God for their author, salvation for their end, and truth, without any mixture of error, for their matter."

The Misses Beavis deserve much credit and thanks for their persevering efforts in raising funds to meet the expenses of this entertainment and generous Christmas tree. I have to publicly thank Miss Annie Beavis for her constancy in the discharge of her duties as Sunday School superintendent and teacher. Without her I have often thought it would be very difficult, or perhaps questionable whether a Sunday School could be at all maintained.

Mr. Murray also rendered good service in the arrangements, and hospitably entertained several of the guests, who came from a distance, at his own house.

Mission of Ilfracombe.

REV. J. PARDOE, INCUMBENT.

The annual entertainment and Christmas tree in connection with St. John the Baptist's Church, Ravenscliffe, was held in the hall there on December 23rd. The proceedings commenced in the afternoon with a sale of work by the members of the Women's Church Aid Society, after which full justice was done to the liberal supply of good things which had been provided by the parents and friends of the young people, who, for weeks past, had been eagerly looking forward to this their annual gathering. After tea a most enjoyable time was spent in listening to a programme consisting of dialogues, recitations, songs, etc., which had been carefully prepared.

The incumbent, Rev. J. Pardoe, being unable to stay to the evening meeting, owing to a prior engagement, secured the services of Mr. John Tipper, of Huntsville, an old and valued friend of the church, to preside, which he did in an able manner.

During the evening nicely bound books, which had been procured through the generosity of friends interested in the work of the Church of England Sunday School in their own neighbourhood, were distributed to the children and young people who had been punctual and regular in their attendance both at church and school. The Christmas tree, which was well laden with useful and fancy articles for sale, most of which were disposed of, presented a very pretty appearance. The superintendent, teachers, and their co-

workers are to be congratulated on an other gathering brought to a successful issue. The numerous garments displayed for sale showed that vigorous efforts have been put forth by the members of this branch of the W.C.A.S., many of whom live far apart, and consequently find it difficult to meet as often as they could wish.

A vote of thanks to the kind friends in Toronto who had kindly provided toys, etc., for the children, and the singing of the National Anthem, brought a very happy and successful evening to a close. The total receipts, which will be devoted to some of the many pressing needs of the church, amounted to \$15.90.

On Sunday, December 20th, a pulpit desk, which has been provided by the members of the church, was used for the first time in the above place of worship. The officials of the church and a large congregation joined devoutly with the incumbent, Rev. J. Pardoe, in the dedication prayers, and the whole service was bright, hearty, and reverent throughout.

A long-felt want has been supplied at Christ Church, Ilfracombe. Mr. Charles Crump, a member of the church, has kindly given a plain but neat and substantial font with bowl and top complete. A large congregation took part in the dedication service on Advent Sunday. Special hymns were sung, and Mrs. Crump presided at the organ. The incumbent, Rev. J. Pardoe, would be glad to hear of some friend interested in missionary work who would kindly provide a much-needed font for St. Mary's Church, Novar, the cost of which would be about seven dollars, or to receive contributions towards that sum for this purpose.

About twenty of the members of the congregation of St. Mary's Church, Novar, met at the house of the incumbent on Tuesday, February 16th. During the evening Mr. James Large, senior member of the church, who had been chosen on behalf of the Women's Church Aid Society and other members of the church, presented Miss Pardoe with a purse of money as a slight token of their appreciation of her constant and efficient services as organist. The secret had been so well kept and the gift was so unexpected that not only the recipient but also the other members of the family were entirely taken by surprise. In presenting the gift Mr. Large spoke of the spontaneous way in which the money had been given, and the pleasure afforded to the contributors by this opportunity to

show their thorough appreciation of Miss Pardoe's efforts to make the musical portion of the service bright and hearty. On rising to thank those present for the gift itself, and for the kind thoughtfulness which had prompted the action, Rev. Mr. Pardoe said he had noticed in the past that such instances show the union and good-will which exist between the members of a congregation and those who are responsible for the ministrations of the church. The gathering was a thoroughly representative one. Light refreshments were served, musical selections ably rendered, and then the singing of a well-known missionary hymn brought a very happy evening to a close.

Rev. J. Pardoe acknowledges, with many thanks, the gift of the sum of six dollars from Rev. Lawrence Sinclair, rector of Christ Church, Gilbertsville, New York, towards a fund now being raised to build a driving shed for Christ Church, Ilfracombe. Donations for this purpose are urgently needed, and should be sent either to D. Kemp, Esq., Synod Office, Toronto; or direct to the Rev. J. Pardoe, Novar, Ont. J.P.

Shingwauk Notes.

Good health, fine weather, and an excellent skating rink. No wonder our boys look bright and happy.

On the 4th inst., Bishop Thorneloe, accompanied by His Honor Judge Johnston and Rev. Rural Dean Renison, paid his first official visit to the Shingwauk Home. The various buildings and departments were carefully inspected and important matters connected with the work discussed. The Bishop, who appeared greatly pleased with his visit, addressed the boys in the senior school, speaking kindly and encouragingly to them, and urged them to work hard and make the best and most of their opportunities while in the Shingwauk, and promised to come often and see them.

On Sunday, the 14th inst., collections in aid of the Indian "Famine Relief Fund" were taken up at both morning and evening service in the Shingwauk chapel. The proceeds, amounting to \$7.67 have been forwarded to Rev. Rural Dean Renison, in accordance with the Bishop's instructions. Many of our boys gave the whole of their preceding week's pocket money, a proof of generous sympathy for their afflicted fellow-beings. Mr. McCaig, the Public School Inspector, visited the Shingwauk on the 21st and 22nd ultimo.

and examined the classes in both schools. Mr. McCaig expressed himself as being much pleased with the progress made by the pupils, their general appearance and behaviour.

On the 28th ultime His Honor Judge Johnston and Mr Harry Plummer audited the books and vouchers of the institution for the year past and found same to be correct. There are now sixty boys and two little girls in the Home.

Mrs. King begs to acknowledge with much gratitude the sum of \$3.00 from Christ Church Branch of the W.A., Niagara Falls, per Mrs. Houston, in aid of the "organ fund." G. L. K.

Huntsville Mission.

VEN. ARCHDEACON LLWYD, INCUMBENT.

A very successful concert, under the auspices of the Church Woman's Committee, was held in the Church Hall on the evening of February 11th. "Ye Olde Tyme Concerte" was conducted by Miss Morley, of the Morley Conservatory of Music, with Mr. Morgan, choirmaster, and a company of thirty-five members of the church. The success was emphasized by a larger attendance and greater financial results than ever before realized by this congregation.

"Ye Olde Tyme Concerte" was, by special request, reproduced on the evening of Tuesday, the 16th, under the patronage of the reeve and village council, in aid of the "India Famine Fund," having a net result to the fund of \$21.85.

On the 14th of February the Bishop paid his first visit to Huntsville, arriving by the 11 a.m. train. The Bishop was the guest of the Ven. the Archdeacon of Algoma at the parsonage. On Sunday, at 8 a.m., his lordship celebrated the Sacrament of Holy Communion in All Saint's Church. He also preached both morning and evening and addressed the Sunday School at a children's service he'd at 3 p.m.

On Monday evening, the 15th, the congregation tendered the Bishop a reception in the Church Hall. A very pleasant evening was spent. The archdeacon and wardens welcomed the Bishop with brief and well-chosen words, to which his lordship made a feeling reply. Short and appropriate speeches were also made by Rev. J. Boydell, M.A., examining chaplain, and Dr. Howland, late reeve of the village. The evening closed by the Bishop pronouncing the benediction.

E.H.F.

On January 31st the Ven. Archdeacon Llwyd went to the outstation of St. Paul's, Grassmere, for divine service and Holy Communion. A very agreeable feature of the archdeacon's visit was the visit of a sleigh load of the members of All Saints', Huntsville, who gave this congregation the exceeding pleasure of a choral service, which in a very rural outstation is a great treat. The service throughout was indeed an inspiration.

For India's Need

The Bishop issued the following letter last month in behalf of our fellow subjects in India:

Bishophurst, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.,

February 8th, 1897.

REV. AND DEAR BROTHER,—The appalling magnitude of the scourge of famine and pestilence which has overtaken our fellow-subjects in India calls upon us as Christian people to do what we can for the alleviation of the misery entailed by it.

"Men, women, and children," it is said, "are dying by communities for want of the simplest food, or wasting away to skeletons through the awful torture of starvation, crying by the wayside for a handful of rice; mothers abandoning their children to any who will feed them."

We are poor ourselves, yet I shall rejoice if in each parish and mission of our diocese our people, whose necessities have been so freely ministered to by others, will give gladly of the little at their command for the benefit of their East Indian brethren thus on the verge of starvation.

Will you—unless you have already taken up a collection for this object—be good enough on Sunday next, or the following Sunday, to have a collection in your churches for "The Indian Relief Fund," and to forward the same to Rev. R. Renison, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., immediately?

I am very faithfully yours in Christ Jesus,
GEORGE ALGOMA.

Powassan Mission

REV. C. H. BUCKLAND, DEACON-IN-CHARGE.

Rural Dean Chowne visited Powassan in his official capacity and administered Holy Communion at 10.30 a.m. on February 2nd to seventeen communicants. In the afternoon, in company with Rev. C. H. Buckland, he visited Chisholm and administered Holy Communion to five people who, owing to the great distance from church, have not partaken for two years; and in the evening preached an eloquent sermon, which was greatly appreciated by those present. The Rural Dean informed the people that he would do all in his power towards the erection of a small mission church in Chisholm Township.

Form of Bequest to the Missionary Diocese of Algoma

I give and bequeath unto the Right Reverend the Bishop of Algoma, Sault Ste Marie, Ontario, the sum of to be paid with all convenient speed after my decease, exclusively out of such part of my personal estate, not hereby specially disposed of, as I may by law bequeath to charitable purposes, and I hereby lawfully charge such part of my estate, with the said sum upon trust, to be applied toward the* and the receipt of the Right Reverend the Bishop of Algoma, or the Treasurer for the time being of the said diocese, shall be a sufficient discharge for the said legacy. (And I direct that the duty upon the said legacy be paid by my executors out of the said fund.)

The will, or codicil, giving the bequest, must be signed by the testator in the presence of two witnesses, who must subscribe their names in his presence, and in the presence of each other.

NOTE.—This testament must have been executed one year previous to the death of testator, to give it effect over Mortmain Acts.

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