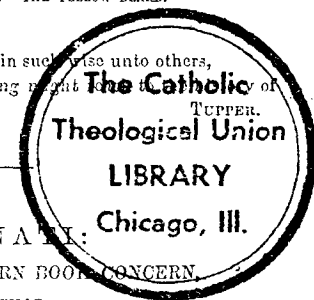


LIGHTS AND SHADES  
OF  
MISSIONARY LIFE:

CONTAINING  
TRAVELS, SKETCHES, INCIDENTS,  
AND  
MISSIONARY EFFORTS,  
DURING  
NINE YEARS SPENT IN THE REGION OF LAKE SUPERIOR.

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"Every matter in the universe is linked in such wise unto others,  
That a deep, full treatise upon one thing might be written upon  
all things."



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altar of prayer, and cried aloud for mercy. Praise God! O Lord, carry on thy blessed work!

"Tuesday evening, January 27th, we had meeting again, and twelve came forward as seekers of religion among them three of the mission boys. A young woman spoke. She said, 'The Lord blessed me last Sabbath evening when I came forward for prayer, and I have been happy ever since; and, by the grace of God assisting me, I will live faithful till death.'"

"Thursday evening, January 29th, we assembled for our usual prayer meeting, and ten came forward for prayers. One young man was converted. He arose and said, 'While I was wrestling in prayer with God, I felt joy in my heart, and my heart longed to meet God. And now I know that Jesus is precious to my soul.'

"We hope that what we have seen is but the beginning from the cloud which preceded the heavenly shower. O pray for us, that God may bring all the children of the forest to a knowledge of salvation."

We have lost and gained some members, but the statistics are about the same as before. There are sixty-three—of whom four are children—on probation. The day school continues to prosper, scholars, eight of whom are girls. The school is progressing well in their studies. Miss Sauter's school is also doing well. The children are succeeding well in committing Scripture to memory. Seventeen children in six weeks had recited four hundred

and seventy-six verses. This seems small to such as are accustomed to the recitations of white children; but let white children commit Scripture to memory in Indian, then compare them with Indian *beginners*. The school is comprised of twenty-one scholars, and four officers and teachers.

Four children board in the mission family; and, since the death of his sister, brother Marksman has taken into his family two of her children.

The property of the station, including land purchased, mission-house, school-house, etc., is estimated at four hundred dollars.

Within one year these Indians had built eight or ten comfortable log-houses. They were gradually laying aside the chase and turning their attention to agriculture and other industrial pursuits. From their proximity to the Lake, and their superior skill as fishermen, fishing must always be one of the pursuits of this people, and one which, if properly followed, may be made lucrative. It must be to them what the farm and the trade is to many others. Our camp meeting was made a great blessing to this station. The Indians spent much of the summer at White Fish Point, engaged in fishing. They remained longer than they would have done on account of the small-pox which broke out at the Saut, and had been conveyed to the saw-mill, within six miles of the mission. Though some of them had been exposed to this dreadful scourge, up to the time of my latest intelligence, none of them had taken it. One