

the Menomonee children, at Menomoneeville, now Allouez.¹ What a God-send it was, to the people of this place! Would I could describe this sainted man. He was a great scholar, perfectly devoted to the church, a man of large heart, and most unselfish. His every thought was to promote the cause to which all his energies were directed, and he went about doing good as opportunity presented. He was an entertaining person, and a witty man, yet notably timid. Cadle and his most estimable sister, Miss Sarah Cadle, went to board at the Ellises, where they remained all winter. Here I will quote Ellis's estimate of Cadle: "I have had acquaintance with many of the clergy; for faithful, conscientious discharge of every duty, for untiring labor, for sweetness of temper, and all the graces that mark the gentleman and the true Christian, I have never yet found the superior of the Rev. Richard F. Cadle."

Mr. Cadle, after three years of hard labor, fatigue, and anxiety, found his health failing him, and he had to ask for a successor.

But to return to Mr. Cadle's school. As the Mission House was not yet built, he obtained a small building at Camp Smith (the same in which the first court was held in Green Bay in 1824). Though small, the building sufficed for the commencement. Notice was given in November of the opening of this school; for some weeks it numbered just one scholar. Mr. Cadle admonished us not to "despise the day of small things." The school gradually increased in numbers, and soon the room was not large enough to accommodate all who came.

In 1830, George McWilliams came from Ohio to Green Bay, and the same season he and Edwin Hart built the Mission House. The building of this house was a great event for Green Bay, it being the second frame building erected in the state.² This new building was soon filled with chil-

¹ A detailed account of the Cadle mission, with documentary material, will be found in *Wis. Hist. Colls.*, xiv, pp. 394-515; a synopsis of its career is given on p. 411, note 2.—Ed.

² See *Wis. Hist. Colls.*, xiv, p. 476, for contemporary engraving of the mission buildings.—Ed.