

harnessed to the gondola, which, after the loss of more than an hour, was brought to a place where the carriage could be landed, but not until the boat was nearly filled with water; and it required the utmost exertion of two powerful men to prevent her destruction, while beating against the shore. A violent rain increased our difficulties, but we were obliged to proceed, as our appointments were made. We met fresh horses when half our distance was travelled, but the rain was succeeded by a violent snow-storm. Mr. Lee Street, the Society's Missionary at Woodstock, came through the storm twenty miles, with several of his parishioners, to meet and assist us. With the help of their horses we reached Woodstock for a 10 o'clock dinner. The frost was severe.

Tuesday, October 27.—The weather, though cold, was much improved. I had time to visit a family of the Church, who were among the earliest and most respectable occupants of Woodstock, but now in deep affliction; and then proceeded (two miles from Mr. Street's) to a beautiful village which has suddenly sprung up: and here, most properly, a spacious and very neat chapel has been erected, and now, with the aid of the Society's bounty, handsomely finished and paid for. A large congregation was assembled. The chapel was consecrated, and the name of St. Luke given to it. Thirty persons were confirmed, and I addressed them and the whole congregation on the two solemn services. As soon as these were finished, we proceeded eight miles to Richmond, another interesting village, in the same parish of Woodstock, which is rapidly increasing. Here also another chapel, aided by the Society's bounty, has been finished. This was also consecrated, with its burial-ground, and named after St. John. There had been an unfortunate mistake in the notice for these services, which prevented the attendance of many who would otherwise have been present. Mr. Street, thinking it would hardly be possible to attend to these two congregations on the same day, had named a second day for Richmond, but my other appointments compelled me to adhere to my own arrangement. Six persons, of very serious deportment, were confirmed, and the congregation was addressed in reference to both services, or rather to the three services. The night came upon us when we were leaving the chapel, and we were late in getting to Mr. Street's, ten miles distant. Here we had four inches of snow, and met several sleds, which hastened to improve it. During this day I was met and attended by the Rev. Mr. Blake, a chaplain to the Fort at Holtoun, in the State of Main, which is only five miles from Richmond. Wherever an American regiment is quartered, the three senior officers have the power of electing a chaplain, who may belong to any religious society; but Mr. Blake informed me that a very large proportion (nearly nine-tenths) of their military and naval chaplains are chosen from the clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church. I was aware, long ago, that a large majority of the chaplains to their hospitals and penitentiaries, and other similar institutions, were elected from the same body.

Wednesday, October 28.—Much ice and snow. We were early engaged at the parish church, as a portion of its adjoining burial-ground was consecrated. The affection of the older inhabitants for this humble building, the first in which they had the comfort of social