

the gospel." Signed, &c. This, he said was to show that it was not for hay or oats. Thence to a shanty of Mr. Dixon's, a Mr. Campbell, foreman. Here were forty men of a fine class, moral, orderly and attentive. While I addressed them the Lord seemed to be present with us. Many of the men manifested a determination to forsake everything they knew to be sinful, and give themselves to Jesus, by holding up their hands; after which they brought me their voluntary offerings, amounting to \$3.95, apologizing that they had not much money by them. These men were from Pakenham, and were no disgrace to the place.

Now, as I have a few lines of space

I might mention, that some of those shanties are in the township of Ashby, through which there is a road toward Carlow, partly built; about ten miles yet to build, then the road would be clear through, connecting the Addington and Hastings road. As far as I could judge in the winter, Ashby is a good township and well worthy the attention of immigrants or any intending settlers on the free grant lands. Although the surrounding townships are so rough, it is comparatively smooth and well timbered, bearing the marks of a township well fit for cultivation, and also bears a good reputation from those who are acquainted with it.

W. COOK.

## RED RIVER DISTRICT.

*Letter from the REV. G. YOUNG, dated Winnipeg, Jan. 12, 1872.*

Our new church, toward the building of which so many of our generous and zealous people in different parts of our extended Dominion have "devised" and done "liberal things," and for which I have toiled for so long a time, was completed, and on the seventeenth of September last dedicated to the worship and glory of the only true God. Our congregations on that day were large, filling the church comfortably at each of the three services, and were made up not exclusively of our "adherents," but of many representatives of the other churches in this land, all of whom seemed to rejoice with us in the completion and opening of our beautiful sanctuary. But better than all this, we were greatly cheered in our services throughout the day by tokens of the Divine presence and approval, and were made to feel that it was good for us to be there. In view of the circumstances under which it was built, as well as the leading doctrine which will be proclaimed within its walls, we decided to call it, not by the name of any saint or angel but simply *Grace Church*. May the grace of God be strikingly displayed here in the conversion and sanctification of multitudes of souls. Already a few mercy drops have fallen; but oh! for showers of blessings. Since "the opening" took place our congregations have been considerably more than doubled; our Sab-

bath-school and our membership have likewise increased encouragingly. Until quite recently we had the honor of conducting the only Sabbath-school in the village: one has been commenced in the Episcopal Church within a few weeks, which has drawn off a few of the children of the adherents of that church. Our week-evening service, the only regular service held during the week in the town, is well attended. These facts will indicate to you that a great change for the better in our circumstances has taken place since the completion and occupancy of our house of prayer. We try to feel that our responsibilities have increased with our opportunities.

I enclose with this a financial statement which will indicate to you my receipts from all sources, and the amounts expended from the first in the improvements made and the buildings erected on these mission premises, which, I trust, will be understandable and satisfactory. Unto all who have helped forward this good work, whether by their prayers, their contributions, or any other way, I desire to return my heartiest thanks, and upon them I trust the enriching and saving blessing may ever rest. In order to supply several new settlements in this province with the means of grace, and also to give the requisite amount of attention to our interests in this growing metropolis,