

either on the Sunday falling nearest the 23rd April, or, if it be thought more appropriate that they should take place on the Anniversary, then that the evening be fixed for that purpose whenever the festival occurs on a week-day, so that the large portion of members and of the public whose vocations render their attendance on the morning of a working-day inconvenient or impossible, may not be debarred from taking part in the religious services appropriate to the day. Your Committee are fortified in this view by the judicious letter addressed by Mr. Carter to the Secretary on this subject, which was read at the Quarterly Meeting held on the 5th of July last.

Another yet more important question for the consideration of the Society, is that arising from the proposal to open a House of Refuge for the destitute English poor, and more particularly for emigrants, to be called the "St. George's Home;" where shelter, and, when necessary, fuel and food could be afforded to persons of the description referred to. Your Committee received, during the past summer, a very interesting and courteous communication bearing upon this subject from Mr. J. E. Pell, formerly of Toronto, who now resides in Montreal, and is the active and highly esteemed Chairman of the Relief Committee of our sister Society in that City. From the facts stated by him, when your Committee had the pleasure of an interview with that gentleman, it appears that a home of this description is in active operation in Montreal, and has proved a most effectual and economical mode of carrying a very important branch of the benevolent work of the Society there. Your Committee trust that the exertions and liberality of Englishmen in Toronto will enable our Society, ere long, to set on foot a similar institution. Your

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