

resident clergyman in 1884. Sandhill and Johnville, on the erection of Randboro' and Island Brook into a separate Mission in 1887, became an integral part of the parish of Eaton. During the past year they have been adopted, together with Milby, as a Mission which may serve as a model and training-school Mission for the Divinity students under the Professor of Pastoral Theology in Bishop's College. On Scotstown being erected into a Mission under the Board, Lake Megantic was annexed to it.

8 The Mission of Scotstown owes its origin to the zeal and devotion of the Rev. Arthur Judge, who went out there from Cookshire in 1887, gathered the people for services and built the church. Immediately after this he left us for New York, and then Scotstown became in part, and soon exclusively a College Mission, a mission on which much labour was bestowed by the General Missionary Agent. Among other things, the acquisition of the Parsonage House may be fairly claimed as a part of these labours. In 1883, Scotstown, together with two of the outlying stations of Bury, was erected into a separate Mission with a resident clergyman.

9. We now come to the remarkable movement in favour of a more rigorous policy of Church extension which began in 1888.

The first steps were taken in the Deanery Board of 1887, when a deputation was appointed to bring before the Diocesan Board and the Synod the urgent need of an immediate and considerable addition to the number of the Missionary Clergy in the District. A memorial carefully drawn up (which ought to be recovered and printed) was presented to the Diocesan Board, and the next day a resolution was moved in the Synod calling attention to the openings for aggressive Church work offering in the Mission fields of Hatley, Magog, Eaton, Bury, Durham, Danville, Dixville and Melbourne. An important debate followed, and, as its result, a special fund was raised at once to open three new Missions. These were opened,—Randboro' and Island Brook in September 1887, in charge of the Rev. A. H. Robertson; Barnston about the same time, under the Rev. Joseph Eames; Fitch Bay in October, 1888, under the Rev. W. A. Adcock.

Island Brook owes its origin in part to the late Rev. E. C. Parkin, who served it from Cook-

shire, and in part to a zealous layman, Mr. James Weston, who collected money and built the Church.

Randboro' was founded by Mr. Judge, who searched out the people, organized the station and built the Church. The *Preparatio Evangelica* in Fitch Bay was the work of Mr. Hepburn, and that in Barnston, of Canon Foster, Mr. Balfour and Mr. Stevens.

10. But the movement did not stop there. In June, 1889, the Parish of Hatley was divided and the new Mission of Waterville set off, to take charge of which the Rev. Isaac Thompson came back to us from New York.

11. In the autumn of the same year, the Mission of St. John's, Melbourne, which had fallen back for several years under the care of the Rector of Richmond, was provided with a clergyman; and within this year it, together with the two Mission Stations of Rockland and Melbourne Ridge, has been canonically erected into a separate pastoral charge with a clergyman resident on the spot. The best result of this important advance has been that money for building a Parsonage House has been provided and the contract for it given out.

12. The two Townships of *Barford and Hereford*, which form the South-Eastern corner of our Diocese and District, were, after many years of more or less Travelling Missionary work, given a resident clergyman in 1875, with his head-quarters at Dixville. The Rev. Albert Stevens began his ministry there, and by his good sense, power of adaptation and untiring devotion to his work, gave the Mission all the elements of permanency. But, the interval of some seventeen miles which separates Dixville from Hereford Church, made the work of serving the latter very unsatisfactory, and at last Hereford, ceasing to pay its assessment, when the zealous parishioner who had kept things together died, was dropped altogether. Meantime, the Incumbents of Dixville, Messrs. Washer and Murray, had been spreading themselves out in all directions, and had now, apart from Hereford, four Churches, (three built by them) under their charge.

13. Hereford remained closed for some seven years and was then reopened by Mr. Murray, and at his request the Archdeacon for the three years of his work as General Missionary Agent, gave much time to its development and organization. Finally the Bishop provided for Hereford also a resident clergyman, and on the