

been sealed in their foreheads. Without shrinking they may look down into the bottomless pit of Abaddon—for his license of destruction only extends to those who have not the seal; but they are sealed with that holy spirit of PROMISE which is THE EARNEST of their inheritance until THE REDEMPTION of the purchased possession.

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PROTESTANT CONGREGATION IN THE SEIGNIORIES OF NOYAN
AND FOUCAULT.

To the Editor of the CHRISTIAN SENTINEL.

REV. SIR,

In compliance with your request to the Clergy of the Episcopal Church in the Canadas, contained in the second No. of the Christian Sentinel, I have the honour to transmit to you an account of the present state and prospects of the Church under my charge.

The Seigniories of Noyan and Foucault contain each a neat and commodious Church, and are erected into two distinct Parishes, St. George and St. Thomas, though they are at present united in one cure. There is no other house of public worship in either of the Parishes, the common School-houses being used for that purpose by those itinerant preachers, who occasionally come among us. The Methodists are the only class of Dissenters who have any claim to be called a religious society; their numbers are not great, nor have they increased since the establishment of the Church here. By the census taken in 1825 by order of the Government, these Parishes contained 2336 souls, comprised in 495 families; about one fifth part of this number are Roman Catholics.

In 1815, the standard of the cross was planted here by the Church of England, at which time, not more than half a dozen persons had ever united in her excellent services, and not one of them had received the holy Eucharist through her ministrations; on the contrary, there was a strong and deep-rooted prejudice against her doctrines and formularies which had been infused by the various sectaries that had visited them, and which, in her infant struggles for existence, was sedulously fostered for the purpose of impeding her progress and influence. But, *magna est veritas, et prævalebit*. The great head of the Church has shielded her from the shafts of her enemies, and blessed the feeble exertions of her friends; by meeting the secret malice of her opposers with an open candour and Christian liberality, accompanied by zealous and persevering exertions to return good for evil to them and their families, they have disarmed them of their enmity,