

THE COLONIAL CHURCHMAN.

LUNENBURG, THURSDAY, JULY 23, 1840.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LUNENBURG.—The frame of a spacious Tower, 14 feet square and 60 feet high, with wings to admit of two flights of stairs for entrance to the galleries, was raised on Saturday the 11th instant in good style, and is now boarded in. Besides being an ornament to the Church, there will thus be provided accommodation (much needed) for a large additional number of hearers. Prayers were offered up for the Divine blessing on the undertaking, and the 100th and part of the 84th psalms were sung on the occasion. Under the corner stone, in a cavity made for the purpose, there was deposited a leaden box, containing amongst other things, six Nos. of the Colonial Churchman, in which was printed some account of this Parish; also a paper of which the following is a copy:—

In the name of the FATHER and of the SON and of the HOLY GHOST.—Amen.

This Corner stone of the Tower now erected as an addition to

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH,

Lunenburg, Nova Scotia, was laid on the 11th day of July, 1840, and in the 4th year of the Reign of Her Most Excellent Majesty

VICTORIA,

by the Grace of God of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen. In the time of Lieut. Gen. Sir Colin Campbell.

K. C. B. Lieutenant Governor—

Right Rev. and Hon. John Inglis, D.D. Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia,

Rev. James Cuppaidge Cochran, AM. Rector of the parish, Rev. J. W. Disbrow, A. M. Assistant.

Michael Rudolf, and J. H. Kaulbach, Churchwardens. Joseph Rudolf, John Creighton, George T. Solomon, W. S. Morris, Peter Mason, John Mulock, Benjamin Zwicker, James Veinot, jr. Conrad Lord, Joshua Kaulbach, James McGrigor,—Vestry.

The plan of the tower was drawn by William M. B. Lawson, present teacher of the National School, Lunenburg.—Frame made by John Mulock of Upper Lahave.—Conrad Lord, Master carpenter.

Daniel Owen, Joshua Kaulbach, and Edmund Zwicker, Building Committee.

The Church to which it is now attached, was erected about the year 1754; and with the exception of

ST. PAUL'S, HALIFAX, is the oldest in the Province.

The first clergyman was the Rev. Mr. Moreau, 1752—63.

- 2. Rev. Mr. Vincent, 1762—1766
3. Rev. Mr. Bryzelius, 1766—1771
4. Rev. Mr. De La Roche, 1771—1787
5. Rev. Mr. Money, 1788—1802
6. Rev. Thomas Shreve, 1804—1816
7. Rev. Robert Ferryman, 1816—
8. Rev. Roger Aitken, 1817—1825
9. Rev. J. C. Cochran, now Rector.

"Except the Lord build the house, their labour is but lost that build it."

We are happy to find the frame of the old Building, which came from Boston about 86 years ago, apparently as sound as the day it was put up.

BROAD COVE CHURCH.—We briefly noticed this addition to the churches of the land in our last paper. We have since learnt that the frame is 36 by 28 feet, with Tower and spire, very substantial, and well put together.—Not the slightest accident occurred, and after the frame was up, prayers were offered up and Psalms sung—the Rev. Mr. Weeks officiating. "This Church will be seen at a great distance seaward, and when completed will be a great ornament to the sea-beaten shore. The proud waves

of the ocean roll majestically in, within a very short distance of the site." We trust it will long stand to cheer the heart of the worn-out mariner, as he draws nigh to the haven where he would be, reminding him of that Saviour who can still the winds and bid the sea be calm, and of that harbour of rest above, where all the storms of life will cease. And to the honest and worthy sons of the Church, whose zeal is leading them on in this good work, as well as to their children after them, we trust it will prove none other than "the House of God and the Gate of heaven."

CORRECTION.—We have observed in a late Nova-Scotian, a communication signed "A friend to the Bible Society," which, we think, demands a word of notice. The professed object of the writer would appear to be, to complain that due prominence had not been given to a Baptist minister in the late proceedings at Halifax. With this matter we have nothing to do; but we have to complain that he has brought forward the Bishops and Clergy of the Church of England, and especially the Bishop of Nova Scotia, and the question of their uniting or not with the Bible Society, in a manner quite uncalled for and reprehensible. What had this matter to do with the subject of his complaint? What conceivable motive can he have had but to cast odium on the Church, on his Lordship, and on such of his clergy as do not feel themselves bound in duty to unite with that Society? Moreover he has not stated the truth.

1. It is not true that "the great majority of the Dignitaries of the Church of England are unfriendly to the objects and success of the Institution which he advocates." They may not generally have patronized that Institution, but they are as warm and zealous in the distribution of God's Word, as the foremost in the ranks of the Bible Society.

2. It is not true that the Bishop of Nova Scotia, from the first formation of an Auxiliary in this country, has "openly arrayed himself against it, in steady and uncompromising hostility." What the Bishop has done, and most properly done, has been to recommend the Church's Bible Society to the cordial support of churchmen. His Lordship has acted upon the principle which all consistent churchmen will approve,—that it is best to promote the cause of Religion in our own way, by means of our own peculiar institutions, which are under the guidance of our own ecclesiastical superiors—leaving Dissenters to the exercise of the same principle, and rejoicing, as we do, in whatever success may attend their labours.

3. This writer ought also to have known, and if it he knew it, ought to have candidly stated, that churchmen consider it good to accompany the word of God by plain and instructive tracts, explaining and enforcing the doctrines of that Word, and especially that they regard the Prayer Book as a very suitable companion to the Bible, and that on this account they prefer the old Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge in England; and their Diocesan Church Society here, to the Bible Society, which professes to send forth the Bible alone.

4. We wish to be understood. We never have opposed, and as long as the object of the Bible Society be simply to distribute God's word, we never will oppose that Society. On the contrary we rejoice unfeignedly (as who does not?) in the large circulation, by its means, of that blessed Book. We have ourselves experienced its liberality, and been the almoners of its bounty. But we must still crave the liberty of saying that it is our duty as churchmen, to devote whatever means God has blessed us with, to the upholding of that Society in the Church, which has the same objects in view, but embraces also others of vast importance, and is moreover under the auspices of the Church. This consideration does not operate with Presbyterians, Methodists, or Baptists, who, we believe,

are without such a society, which circumstance may account for their being the chief supporters of the Bible Society.

5. With reasonable men we shall not incur the charge of bigotry or illiberality, much less that of opposition to good cause, because we hold these opinions. But however that may be, we confess that we would prefer such an imputation to any compliments founded on a defiance real or supposed, of our ecclesiastical superiors; and were persuaded, our esteemed Brethren at Halifax will look upon such compliments as are paid to them by this writer as no better than insult.

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH.—The frame of the new Lutheran Church in this town, 42 x 60 with a Tower, was raised on Tuesday last. It is intended to be finished in the Gothic style, and no doubt will be an ornament to the town.

KING'S COLLEGE.—We are happy to hear that a considerable increase of residents is expected at the University next term; and that a respectable addition has also been sent out to the Library by the Bishop.—We find that Messrs. Philip Carteret Hill of Halifax, James Odette of Fredericton, scholars; and Charles Merritt of St. John, N. B. commoner, were last term admitted to the degree of B. A.

MISSSES GROVE.—These ladies who are opening a Seminary at Halifax, for the instruction of female scholars, are furnished with the following high testimonial from the Rev. Dr. Stone, Rector of St. Paul's church, Boston— To the friends of Education in Nova Scotia and British Provinces adjacent.

Understanding that the Misses Grove are about to forward an application to Windsor and the provinces generally, for pupils,—I take the liberty to say, that I consider them highly qualified for the important work of female education in all its branches. The Misses G., though at present members of my parish and communicants in the Episcopal Church here, are native born English ladies, and received in their own country a highly finished education. They are possessed of excellent talents, and are amiable and truly pious christians;—they are worthy of all esteem and confidence. I know of none to whom I would more cheerfully entrust the education of a daughter. For engaging and rightly directing the affections of the heart; for improving and embellishing the powers of the mind; for forming and fixing the manners of their pupils,—they have proved themselves, by ample experience, to be particularly fitted. I wish them all desired success in their present application, and in their future labors.

JOHN S. STONE, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Boston.

NEW BISHOP.—We perceive by our exchange papers, that the Rev. Dr. Whittingham of the Theological Seminary, New York, has been elected to the vacant Bishopric of Maryland—the Rev. Dr. Gadsden of Charleston, to that of Carolina—and the Rev. Professor Elliot, to that of Georgia.

☞ We have never recorded a death with more sincere sorrow, than that of Dr. ALMON of Halifax, in our columns of this day. Personally, we lament his loss as one of our earliest and uniform friends, unchanged, amid changing scenes; and publicly, we look upon the removal of one so useful, and so respected in every way, as an event to be deplored by the community at large.—We add our heartfelt condolence with his bereaved relatives on their sudden affliction.

☞ We have to apologize to our Halifax subscribers, for the detention of our last No.—owing to the unexpected delay in the sailing of the Packet.

NEW BRUNSWICK.—We take the following notice from the St. John Observer:— The Episcopal Sunday School in this City, was