

history, what she had to contend against, and how nobly she acted, I cannot tell you, my dear Mr. Somerville, the satisfaction and pleasure I felt in receiving this sable daughter of Abraham into the communion of saints. She is a fine-looking woman ; not much to say ; modest, but shrewd and resolute. She has been compelled to leave all her children behind her. May she, poor woman, realize the fulfilment of the Saviour's words, 'There is no one who has left house or children for my sake and the gospel's, but shall receive an hundred fold in this time, and in the world to come, life everlasting.'

The Rev. Tiyo Soga writes, also, in very encouraging terms of the prospects of the mission. The chiefs are favourable ; the attendance is increasing ; and the young people manifest a great desire for school instruction.

Home Ecclesiastical Intelligence.

CALLS.—The following calls have been given by congregations :—*Lindsay*, to Rev. R. Binnie ; *Chinguacousy*, to Rev. R. M. Croll ; *Brampton*, *Knox Church*, and *Malton*, to Rev. John Aull ; *Thamesville*, *Botany*, &c., to Rev. J. Becket ; *Elmira*, U. S., to Rev. A. McKay

ERSKINE CHURCH, MONTREAL.—**EIGHT YEARS' PROGRESS.**—We referred briefly, in our last number, to the operations of Erskine Church, Montreal, during the past year. As showing the progress of the congregation during the past eight years, we give the following statement, submitted to the congregation at the annual social meeting of the congregation on 25th January :—

Total Revenue raised for ordinary purposes during the years 1860-'61-'62-'63	\$9081
Total Revenue raised for Missionary and Benevolent purposes.	5539
Total	14,620
Average each year	3635
Total Revenue raised for ordinary purposes during the years 1864-'65-'66-'67	\$14,766
Total Revenue raised towards building Erskine Church	26,272
Total Revenue raised for Missionary and Benevolent purposes.	11,130
Total	\$52,168
Average each year	13,042

From the above figures it will be seen that this congregation has, in 4 years, increased its ordinary annual income about 66 per cent., and has more than doubled its Missionary and Benevolent contributions in the same time ; while, in addition, there has been raised \$6,568, each year, towards the payment of the new church, which has cost about \$50,000, and on which there now only remains a debt of about \$15,000, towards which debt \$5,000 is subscribed.

HAMILTON, CENTRAL CHURCH.—We have received a copy of the annual report of the Central Church, Hamilton. The total amount raised during