

were of great value to the circles of their influence. Contributions were made during his visit, for which he has accounted with the treasurer; and in many places the great cause which he represented had taken deep root, and exhibited abundant promise of future good.—Amid wild glens of Wycocomagh, he witnessed a Sacramental season which was replete with scenic interest, with earnest attention of the communicants, and with similarity to other highland congregatings, in the native land of the Settlers. Some C. Breton farms and schools, which would serve as excellent models, might be particularised in terms of warm eulogy;—much land has been brought into cultivation recently, the population has advanced, rapidly, in numbers and in comfort; and where the traveller, ten years ago, saw wilderness tracts, occupied by the wild denizens of the forest only,—he now may exult in landscapes varied with pasture and meadow and corn field, and marked by the “heaven pointing spire” rising above the pleasant cottages of the hamlets.

The visits of trading vessels, are mentioned by the Missionary, relative to the effect which they have had on the morals of the population of the Shores. Unfortunately, the practice was to carry Rum as one of the articles of traffic,—this not only introduced and supplied a cause of vice and misery, but prepared the way for foolish purchases of other articles, which resulted in difficulty and poverty. The comforts of life might be considered beyond reach, by some of the poor people, who were thus acted on and tempted; and yet means would be squandered on the “liquid fire,” on tobacco, and articles of frippery, which would not be thought of under better influences. This evil is cause of much regret, and a most happy change would be, for traders to carry on business in useful merchandize, without the introduction of an article, the purchase or gift of which, may be worse in its results, than the loss of money or produce without any return.—At a certain Harbour, one of these dispensers of Rum, was encountered by the Missionary;—the place, formerly, took the article in considerable quantities, and experienced corresponding penalties;—the travelling-dealer

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