

Church. Morning Prayer having been read by the Rev. Mr. Bower, Vicar of Taunton, a most excellent and impressive discourse in aid of the objects of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge was delivered by the Rev. Mr. Street Esqott, after which a collection was made at the Church door. The members of the Society then returned, attended by a party of its friends to the Town Hall, where the Archdeacon having taken the chair, a very satisfactory report of the proceedings of the Association during the last year was read by the Rev. T. A. Salmon, Diocesan Secretary, and ordered to be printed.

The report was followed by the passing of sundry resolutions relative to the institution of parochial and domestic libraries, &c.; one of which was pre-faced by the Rev. W. B. Whitehead, acting secretary of the Bath district, with an energetic exposition of the objects of the Association.

The business of the day being concluded, upwards of twenty persons partook of a social repast at the Castle Inn, after which the party broke up early in the evening.

It was announced that the next annual meeting of the Association would take place at Bath.

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## SOCIETY FOR THE PROPAGATION OF THE GOSPEL.

### *Extracts from Report.*

#### "CAPE BRETON.

"The Rev. Hibbert Binney, Missionary at Sidney, Cape Breton, reports, that the Church has lately been prepared to a certain extent; but without assistance from government, of which hopes are entertained, the building will be incomplete. The following extract from his journal will in some measure detail the nature of his duties:—'Monday, June 14. Embarked in a flat, and rowed seven miles to a place called the Forks; from thence walked six miles to the Portage; hired an open sail boat; remained all night sitting in the boat without cover.—Tuesday, 15th. Arrived at St. Peter's; left at day-break the following morn; the next day reached Arichat in a birch-bark canoe; on his return proceeded to Mire, Louisburg, and Gabbaraus, officiating once or twice each day, according to custom, when

travelling; the latter place had never been visited by a minister of any description; baptized 62 persons. Since the capture of Louisburg in 1758, the old French roads have become a forest again, and the present roads are scarcely passable; on his return, his horse broke through the bridge, and he was placed in a very perilous situation.—The Society had expressed a readiness to appoint a second Missionary in the island, but difficulties have occurred in the selection of a proper place of residence, in consequence of the peculiar circumstances of the island: it is probable some of them may soon be removed, by the division of the island into parishes, when arrangements will be made for the supply of additional spiritual assistance."

#### "UPPER CANADA.

"At the instance of the Bishop of Quebec, the Hon. and Rev. Dr. Stewart has been appointed Missionary for visiting in rotation those townships which are not yet prepared for an establishment; great advantages may be derived from appointments of this nature, under the present circumstances of the country, when new settlements are daily forming in various parts of the provinces, consisting of emigrants from England, whose attachment to the principles of the Church may be confirmed by the attention thus manifested towards their spiritual wants. Independently of this arrangement, new Missions have been opened at Bellville, Perth, Aubigny, Amherstburg, Ernest Town, Hamilton, Upper Canada, and the appointments filled by Messrs. Thompson, Harris, Burrage, Rolph, Stoughton, and Macaulay, respectively; in the Lower Province, Gaspé, Drummondville, Chambly, have been erected into Missions, and Messrs. Suddard, Wood, and Parkin, are now residing at those places.

"The Rev. Mr. Knagg is placed at Stanstead as a temporary measure, and the Rev. Mr. Johnson supplies the place of Dr. Stewart at Hatley. Great exertions have been made throughout the province in the erection of Churches and Parsonage-houses; and the Society have observed, with infinite satisfaction, an increasing zeal for religion, and a growing attachment to the Church. The measures which were adopted last year, for the erection of parishes, and the endowments of Churches, wherever clergymen of the Church of England