

river myself in a canoe amidst the drift-ice. I travelled about one hundred miles on foot, and most of the way through the woods and deep snow, without a track, sometimes stepping into spring holes up to my knees in the mud and water : the snow would wear off the mud, but did not dry my feet. Some part of the way was on the ice, which at that season covered the Bay, where I found the water three or four inches deep ; and being compelled to travel in shoes (having no boots), I had wet feet of course." He then gets his horse, but horse dies towards summer ; gets another, and at the close of the year starts on horseback to Conference, 400 miles, reports to Conference an accession to the Church of 125 members. His first circuit in Western Canada was the Oswegotchie. Some of his appointments had twenty miles of woods intervening. His colleague had a narrow escape from being devoured by wolves. On the Bay of Quinte Circuit, had carried oats in his saddle-bags to feed his horse in passing through 34 miles of woods. After a long and toilsome journey through the woods, and "by keeping a sharp look out," he arrives at his stopping place, and, on some meal his hostess had to borrow ; he has dinner and supper at 11 o'clock. Next we find him on the Niagara Circuit. A tavern-keeper invites him to take up an appointment at his house : he replies, "Sir, you do not want meeting in your house : there was no room for the Lord in the inn. You know you do not want it, and the Lord knows you do not want it." The man, on his way home, began to reflect. "I did not want meeting, but how did the man read my heart?" The interview led to his conversion, and the conversion of his six brothers and their wives. Mr. Vannest has recently deceased.

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