

"The weather has been very rough and severe this year, or rather during this month that has just gone by. I had very rough weather during my journey, with bad travelling. I expect to go as far as Forteau in the Newfoundland Diocese, as the people in that vicinity seem to appreciate the opportunity of the Sacraments during our visits. I have heard from all the principal places in our extensive Mission, and the people seem to be in good spirits and provided with sufficient supplies for the winter. The flour sent by the Provincial Government was much needed in most places, especially by two families at Old Fort. Mr. Almond is still taking great interest in this Mission, by the way he is working for a new boat. I trust to have her for the summer; but, if this is impossible, I am quite satisfied to spend another summer in the "Evangeline." As to the new building at St. Paul's River, I am going to have a talk with the people, and see if any lumber can be got for next year. At present I have three school-houses in progress, and I should like to get these off my hands before taking up another building here. On returning I will bring the matter of Insurance before the Wardens at Mutton Bay."

A further letter dated March 16th from Natashquan shews that between February 2nd and March 16th the Rev. G. Pye actually descended, passing Blanc Sablon, to Forteau, in the Diocese of Newfoundland, and returned upwards some three hundred miles to Natashquan. This great journey of about four hundred miles with ministrations at resting points every day, occupied just six weeks.

Mr. Percy Boyle, B.A., acting as Lay Reader and Teacher at Harrington Harbour, Labrador, says :—

"This year has been a pleasant one to me, and I must say I have enjoyed it in many ways, far above expectation. The people are of a superior class. Should

my services be required for the same work next year, I am glad to offer them."

Such letters tell of quiet, earnest, progressive work.

CHURCH COLORS.

In many of our Parishes there is a desire to make some difference between Services of penitence, like Advent and Lent, and seasons of holy Christian joy, like Christmas, Epiphany, Easter, Ascension, Whitsunday, and Trinity Sunday, and to indicate these differences by changing the color of the covering for the Communion Table or Altar, and by the Clergy wearing different colored Stoles. Since, on occasions when Clergy meet for united Services, there is often considerable confusion in this matter, we venture to give the following suggestions or rule :

The different Church colors should be used as follows :—

White.—From the evening of Christmas Eve to the Octave of the Epiphany inclusive (except on the two Festivals of S. Stephen and the Holy Innocents); from the evening of Easter Eve to the Vigil of Pentecost or Whitsunday, on Trinity Sunday, on the Festivals of the Purification, Conversion of S. Paul, Annunciation, S. John the Baptist, S. Michael, S. Luke, All Saints, on Maundy Thursday, at Confirmations, Ordinations and Consecrations, at Synod Services, and General or Ruridecanal Episcopal Visitations, and Institutions and Inductions, Harvest Festivals, Baptisms, Marriages, Funerals of young children, Anniversaries of Consecrations and Dedications of Churches, and also at Public Thanksgivings.

Red.—Vigil of Pentecost or Whitsunday till the next Saturday inclusive, and Holy Innocents and all Festivals not named above.

Violet.—From Advent Sunday to Christmas Eve. From Septuagesima