

ville as a means " (1) of training the Candidates for Holy Orders in the composition and delivery of Sermons; (2) of cultivating in them the faculty of extemporaneous preaching; (3) of exercising them in the intelligent, simple and devout reading of the Liturgy; and (4) of initiating them into the practice of, and exciting their zeal for pastoral work by employing them where possible as Lay-Readers."

There was work of a Missionary character done from the College before and side by side with that of these Missions. There was Mr. Emberson's work at Milby, where he opened Services, built the Church, and searched out with loving assiduity the lost and wandering sheep in that neighbourhood. Milby was taken charge of by Principal Lobley on his coming to us, and Capelton a little later, and were served, I need not say, with loving devotion and conspicuous ability. Upon Capelton Mr. Tambs also had bestowed much labour. These, however, were not strictly speaking College Missions for which the Professor of Divinity was responsible, but were rather Stations in the Parish of Lennoxville under the superintendence of the Rector. The first College Mission proper was that of *Ascot Corner*.

5. In the Spring of 1874, when I was casting round how to begin, one of my students, now the Rev. Albert Stevens, called my attention to a desirable opening for mission work at Sandhill. We went out there together and offered to give them Services, but our overture was coldly rejected. They had Universalist preaching with which they were all satisfied.

In September of the same year Mr. Scarth and Mr. Chapman, of Dudswell, came to me and invited me to break ground at Ascot Corner. Services and Sunday School began at once and were warmly welcomed.

Some two or three weeks later, a young man from Sandhill was accidentally present at our Ascot Corner Sunday Morning Service, and was so attracted that he applied on the spot for the same work to be extended to Sandhill, promising us a warm welcome. I need not say how glad we were to accept so unexpected an invitation. Very soon, practically all the people in the two neighbourhoods were gathered into the Services and all the children into our Sunday Schools. Churches were built in both places,—at Ascot

Corner in 1876 and at Sandhill in 1880. Johnville, now one of the Church's most promising stations, was occupied in 1883.

Early in 1878, in answer to an urgent appeal from Mr. Chapman, of Dudswell, we took Westbury off his hands and carried it on from the College till the summer of 1881, when a blight fell upon our work there, and we were obliged to hand it back to Mr. Chapman.

6. Down to this point, that is for about eight or ten years, whatever work was done on the part of the Divinity Students was unpaid labour. The only money spent was for team-hire to the more distant places, but the expense of this was invariably borne by the people we ministered to. Not a cent of help was obtained from outside. For several years, my own carriage was utilized. Besides we did a good deal of walking. I remember many walks with my two helpers out to A Corner, seven miles, on the Q. C. R. track, after breakfast on Sunday morning, for Sunday School and Service, and back to College to dinner. Some would have thought it a grind, but we were all young and full of enthusiasm.

We slid insensibly into the present system, first, by paying the men for vacation work, and later on adding a fee for work which required their absence from College from Saturday to Monday. But it was the people who paid. A prime matter, kept in view from the beginning was, educating the people in self-support.

7. At the end of 1882 my attention was called to the new settlements then being formed around Lake Megantic, some seventy miles from Lennoxville, and I was earnestly entreated to extend our work to those settlements. We did so and have been working there ever since. I found there, by searching out, some fifty families who, more or less, acknowledged us. These were visited in their homes again and again; two churches were built; the children gathered into Sunday School, and many baptized and confirmed. This course of procedure with similar results of course is true of all the College Missions. On Lake Megantic much labour was bestowed by the Archdeacon as General Missionary Agent after his connexion with Bishop's College came to a close.

Of these stations, Ascot Corner and Westbury became a Mission of the Diocesan Board with a