

After praise, prayer and reading of Scripture, the Rev. R. K. Black addressed the Church, with the pastor and deacons—saying many things strikingly appropriate and of useful tendency. Rev. J. R. Kean spoke impressively to the whole congregation; and, after some words from the pastor regarding an era so solemn and interesting, together with some references to the whole enterprise in Halifax, under the auspices of the Colonial Missionary Society, the meeting closed with special thanksgiving and prayer.

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Douglas.—A letter just received from Rev. R. Brown of Douglas, informs us, "that the Douglas Congregational church is now fairly committed to the work of building a chapel this summer.

"At first we thought of building a small frame house, but as the work of getting subscriptions progressed, other counsels prevailed, and finally, it was resolved to build of brick. Nature and Providence were in our favor, for brick was obtained five miles up the river, and the plan was conceived of drawing it down on the ice, which was done in short time, and with little labour. We have now brick and part of the stone on the ground. The site chosen is one of the most eligible in the village. The size of the building is to be 46 x 30, with a tower projecting out from the front end, with a belfry or spire, as may be decided. The windows and doors will be in the Gothic style. The inside arrangement will be exactly like what in my opinion, has been so deservedly called 'the model country chapel,' built last year in this vicinity. The contracts for the different departments of the work are now let. We calculate on a cash outlay of about \$1,200; and to keep under that amount, much labour and great economy will be required. So far the work has gone on with great energy." Mr. Brown adds a hint to the effect that before they complete their new enterprise, they will need help from sister churches,—a fact which we trust our friends will take a note of, and prepare to act accordingly. He also communicates the pleasing intelligence that "the cause is prospering; the Lord has added 11 to our number since we organized, making in all 33; more are inquiring their way to Zion. I trust this entire section is about to be blessed with a revival. The good work is going on in Fergus, and already has reached us in Garafraxa. Come, Holy Spirit."

Fergus.—Our Brother, the Rev. E. Barker, recently settled in Fergus, is much encouraged. Mr. Carroll, the Evangelist, has been labouring there for several weeks past, and Mr. Barker is heartily co-operating with him. One account of the work going on there says:—"The evening meetings are packed, many hundred listeners being present, most of whom stay to the after-meetings. The Congregational, Presbyterian, and Wesleyan ministers here are working very harmoniously in connection with the movement. On Sunday last Mr. Russell came to St. George, where he has addressed crowded meetings, and received the aid of the Baptist, Presbyterian, and Wesleyan ministers. Mr. Russell hopes to visit London shortly, but cannot now fix the time on account of engagements elsewhere. The interest in the movement continues, and many conversions are reported.

Brantford.—The 4th April, 1869 will be long remembered by the Church at Brantford, "for that Sabbath day was a high day." In consequence of the numerous applications for membership on the part of those who have recently been made the subjects of Divine grace in that congregation, the monthly church-meeting had become a *weekly* one, and on that Sabbath morning fifty-three persons who had been admitted during the month (six of them by letter), were publicly welcomed to the fellowship of the Church. Four of them received the ordinance of baptism.

The pastor preached a discourse, with special reference to the occasion, from the words of Moses to Hobab,—“We are journeying unto the place of which the