



INTERIOR OF THE CITADEL, QUEBEC. BY H. R. H. THE PRINCESS LOUISE.

tain quickness, abruptness, and liveliness of manner which characterized him, and which singularly contrasted with the slow measured drawl, and demure austerity of deportment which adhered, from puritanical ancestors, to the ordinary teachers of religion who had been among them. One man, who was a great religionist in his way, pronounced decisively that Mr. Stewart had no piety, because

his boots shone so nicely; his English servant, without much solicitude on the part of his master, having probably brought out some good Day and Martin, with proper brushes, which produced an effect quite new in that locality. He won, however, rapidly upon all parties, and by slow degrees formed a Church congregation at Hatley, and others in the neighborhood; the foundation of those which now exist in the missions of Hatley, Compton and elsewhere.

"It was by no means an uncommon practice with the people, when he first went among them, to follow their rural labors on the Sunday; and a story is told of him (I cannot say that I had it from himself), that once, on his way to church, he expostulated with a man whom he saw yoking his oxen for work, and the man having pleaded that he could not afford to lose a day's labor at this season, Mr. Stewart asked him what the day's labor of himself and his oxen was worth; upon being told of the amount of which, he cut short the argument for the moment by giving just the sum which had been named, and prevailed upon the man to come with him to church. It is added that the individual became thenceforth a regular attendant upon the ministry of Mr. Stewart.

"In this situation I had an opportunity of seeing how uniformly he preserved his cheerfulness; how readily he accommodated himself to the habits of the country, and how completely he gave up his whole man to the work upon which he had entered; for my illness, with the state in which it left me as a convalescent, detained me for five or six weeks under his humble roof."

From the late Rev. Job Deacon, a faithful missionary who accompanied Bishop Stewart in a visitation of Gaspé, the eastern extremity of Quebec, we learn the following incident, well worth recording:—

"The Bishop of Quebec, finding that my health was greatly impaired, kindly invited me in the summer (I think it was in 1829) to accompany him, in the hope that I might derive benefit from the voyage, on a confirmation tour to the Bays of Gaspé and Chaleurs; and subsequently on a visit to Lady Sarah and Sir Peregrine Maitland, who was then Lieutenant-Governor of Halifax, as well as to the Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia, whose visitation was