James Aikins returned to the States at the close of the year, and died in the work, 1824.

John Robinson, whose history is rather melancholy. He was well known to many of our senior brethren in the church and ministry,—held the office of Presiding Elder. Married and located in 1805, near the Bay of Quinte ; afterwards became mentally deranged. Would remain for days in profound and gloomy silence, not uttering a word ; then set out wandering through the Province, sometimes attempting to preach ; then employ his time in writing what he called a book against Methodism. He had intellectual faculties of a superior order. In person he was tall and well formed; an oval face and broad forehead. He suffered his hair and beard to grow, when venerably white,—the former falling in graceful ringlets upon his shoulders, presenting, on the whole, a very singular and imposing appearance. We believe he has been dead some years, and hope he has gone safely home to heaven.

1801.—Caleb Morris travelled one year on the Ottawa Circuit, and located in the United States in 1808.

1802.—Thomas Madden held a very distinguished position in this and a later period of our history; was several times elected delegate to the General Conference, and served as Presiding Elder four years. Gentlemanly in dress and appearance. His sermons were short and well studied; full of pith and sound divinity. He was far longer in the regular Canadian work than any preacher of this period, except Rev. W. Case, extending to 1834, deducting therefrom four years in the States, from 1811 to 1814. His retirement from the active work, through failing health, was brief: died in August, 1834.

Peter Vannest. Of this active pioneer, the Rev. J. Carroll, in his "Pastand Present," says, "He wore no buttons on his coat, but fastened it with hooks-and-eyes, and bore hard on all who did not come up to his standard in plainness." As we admire his labours more than his dress, we shall give a few extracts from letters publised by Mr. Vannest in the *Christian Advocate* some ten years ago. In reference to a circuit partly in Vermont and partly in Lower Canada, he writes, "We had a good time all round the circuit; I baptised by sprinkling, pouring, and immersion four hundred persons. My work required me to cross Missisquoi River. When winter came I was unable to get my horse over the river, on account of the boat being sunk. I therefore left him with a friend to bring im to St. Albans, a distance of seventeen miles. I got over the