

28th of August, 1798, which suggests that this eminent divine had to turn his attention to some secular pursuit for a period. This paper recommends that the salt-springs should be leased to the Rev. Mr. Addison at five shillings a year, so long as he continues to officiate as a clergyman of the Church of England at Niagara.

At the Centenary of St. Mark's Church, the Venerable Archdeacon of Niagara stated that "Mr. Addison had been appointed to the parish in the month of June, 1791, and that as one of the three clergymen of the Church of England in Upper Canada he had a large tract of country assigned to him as a travelling missionary, extending from York (Toronto) in the East, to London in the West. He was appointed by Governor Simcoe chaplain of the Provincial Parliament, the first session of which was held at the town of Niagara." "I myself," to quote again from Dr. Scadding's paper, "remember Mr. Addison very well. When a boy, I have heard him repeatedly officiate in St. James' Church at York. His oval, intellectual countenance and finished style of reading made a strong impression. In addition, I particularly remember observing him as he walked arrayed in his academic gown, bands, and clerical hat, from the church after the service. . . . Mr. Addison built a house for himself, styled by him 'Lake Lodge,' on some property acquired close to the town of Niagara, wherein, as might be expected from his scholarly instincts, a library soon accumulated around him, a considerable portion of which is still preserved as an heir-loom in the parsonage attached to St. Mark's Church. We have in this library a deposit of the solid Divinity common in English parsonages some sixty years since, including works by Warburton, Walter Land, Jeremy Taylor, John Jackson, Leslie, and so forth. Voluminous folio copies of Pool's *Synopsis*, Bayle's *Critical Dictionary*, and Clarendon's *History of the Great Rebellion*, all likewise seem here to be remarkably in place. There is to be noted also a black-letter quarto folio copy of the Geneva version of the Bible with the Liturgy attached of the time of Charles the First." The late Bishop Strachan, of Toronto, said of Mr. Addison, in 1840: "He was a gentleman of commanding talents and exquisite wit, whose devotedness to his sacred duties, kindliness of manners, and sweet companionship, are still sources of grateful and fond remembrance. He may justly be considered the missionary of the western part of the Province. In every township we find traces of his ministrations, and endearing recollections of his affectionate visits." Dr. Scadding