

gress and present condition of the Settlements.

New Kincardine, Aug. 6th, 1874.

REV. AND DEAR SIR,—You will doubtless be anxious to hear how the Colony is progressing and how I am succeeding in my labours. Since my arrival at New Kincardine on Friday night, 17th July, I have been as busy as possible.

Saturday morning I began my labours by visiting along the Kincardine Road, I visited each house on both sides of the Road for four miles, and found the people as a rule quite content. I am glad to be able to state that they hope to have good crops this year.

I returned to my lodgings about 9.30, p. m., somewhat fatigued.

Sabbath, July 19th.—I had two services, morning on Kintore Road at 10.30, to which I walked three miles; the other on Kincardine Road at 3.30, to which I walked about 5 miles, not being able to get a conveyance.

Tuesday, July 21.—I was driven over to the Kintore Road by one of the Hon. B. Beveridge's sons, I then visited on 5 miles of this Road, the new Colonists, those who came out last spring, and found them very comfortable and content, except a few. These settlers will find the winter very hard, not being able to get work. Some means must be taken to have the people employed during the winter.

Wednesday, 22nd.—Had a meeting of session, at which it was resolved to pay into the Home Mission Fund all the money raised in the Colony for the sustenance of the ministry. No money, that is subscriptions, had been raised yet.

Thursday, 23rd.—Visited along the St. John River, from Bairdsville to Andover, and found the people much interested in the Colony.

Sabbath, 26th.—Had to give up one of my appointments, not being able to get a team. I preached in the evening at the Forks to a large audience, at 3.30.

Monday, 27th.—Preached in a school house in Riverside, also on Thursday 30th on the other side of the River St. John.

ARTHURETTE.

On Sunday, Dr. Beveridge kindly offered me a seat in his waggon. He was going to Arthurette and Three Brooks.

I thus had an opportunity of visiting these places, and arranging for service on Sabbath 9th August.

Mr. Beveridge, of Arthurette says that they will be able to raise \$100, as soon as a minister is settled in the Colony permanently.

Sabbath, 2nd August.—I had two services in the Colony on Kintore Road, at 10.30

and Kincardine Road at 4.30. (I was late half an hour owing to an accident to the harness, caused by driving over a tree that was across the Road.)

(Very often trees are blown down across the Road which makes it difficult to pass.)

On Tuesday last I had a team for 5 days as it is impossible for me to get over the ground without it.

Wednesday, 4th August.—I visited along Kincardine Road, almost to the end of it. The people are busy clearing their land and seem to enjoy themselves very much.

NO SCHOOLS.

The great want is schools. No schools have been opened yet. Means are now being taken to have a school house erected as soon possible.

I am endeavouring to get the Colonists to commence Church building.

SUPPORT OF THE GOSPEL.

Money is at present not plenty in the Colony. There a few who have money, but they like to keep it. I have been somewhat disappointed in finding that although there has been a great cry for ordinances very few of them have come forward, to say what they will do to sustain ordinances among them. Still I hope in about a fortnight to bring them to something definite as to Church matters.

PROGRESS AND COMFORT.

I may also state that I have been very agreeably surprised in my travels through the Colony. I did not expect to see the people so comfortable or the roads so good as they are, though in some places they are bad enough at the best.

MINISTERIAL WORK.

One minister cannot overtake the work in the Colony, and Tobique District satisfactorily. I am doing as much as I am able, and will do so during my appointment, God helping me. I have arranged to hold two sacramental services, one on each Road the last two Sabbaths of August, on the Kincardine 23rd August. Also, I preach this evening on St. John River at 7 o'clock, the other on Kintore Road at 11.30, and preach at Andover 7 o'clock. I trust we shall have much of the Lord's presence in this, the first communion service the Colonists will have had since their departure from the land of their fathers.

HARD WORK REQUIRED.

This Church if properly worked, will no doubt be one of the best in the Provinces, but it will require very hard labour. It is very difficult to get the Colonists to do anything. This is evident from the fact that a year has been lost as far as schools are concerned.