

wards of \$1,000. The pastor is now engaged in making an appeal to sister churches for some aid, and we trust he will succeed in his desire of erecting the school-room at once, and seeing the whole opened free of debt. The deficiency is larger than appears from the above figures, for "estimates" are generally exceeded, sundry "extras" are always added by a building committee "while we are about it," and there are many requisites for finishing and furnishing the building which do not come under an architect's charge.

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#### ORDINATION AT LISTOWELL.

The Church of our order at Listowell has had no pastoral oversight since the resignation of the late Rev. Robert McGregor, more than a twelvemonth ago; but it is gratifying to know that "the few sheep in the wilderness" have now over them a man of their choice. On Tuesday the 17th October, Mr. William W. Smith, late editor and proprietor of the *Owen Sound Times*, and also of the *S. S. Dial*, was in a solemn, public and scriptural manner ordained to the pastorate of that Church. The service was commenced at 10.30, a.m., by the Rev. Mr. Renwick, C. P., who gave out a hymn, read the Scriptures, and engaged in prayer. The Rev. B. W. Day, of Howick, delivered an appropriate sermon from Rev. iii. 22, "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the Churches." The usual questions were asked by the Rev. Robert Brown, of Garafraxa, and the answers given to them showed that the candidate had not only a theoretical, but a practical knowledge of the "mystery of godliness." It was gratifying to hear how God in His providence opened the way for him who has "used the office of a deacon well" for ten years to "go up higher" to the highest "degree" of office in the Church on earth. The ordination prayer was offered by the Rev. John Wood, of Brantford, Rev. Mr. Renwick taking part in the "laying on of hands." The right hand of fellowship was given by the Rev. B. W. Day. The Rev. R. Brown gave the charge to the new pastor, taking as a text 1 Tim. iv. 16, "Take heed unto thyself and unto the doctrine," specifying several things necessary to do, know, believe and teach, in order to success in winning souls to the Redeemer. After singing a hymn, and prayer and benediction by the pastor, the assembly was dismissed to give time for refreshments. The clergy were entertained by Mrs. Mortimore in that magnificent style which has caused "double vision," or some other optical derangement in matters of "resources," among honoured and reverend brethren and royal personages in England who have tasted of Canadian hospitality.

At half-past two, the people reassembled to hear the charge to the church by the Rev. J. Wood, who took for his text, "Men of Israel, help," Acts xvi. 28. The speaker pointed out in a clear and forcible manner many ways in which the people can "help" the man of their choice in preaching the gospel.

The presbyters then left for Howick and Turnberry on an errand of peace. "The Spirit beareth witness with our spirits" that an honest attempt was made to settle the unhappy difficulties that have for some time existed between the pastor and some of his people. All was not accomplished that is essential to future peace and prosperity, yet enough was done to justify a hope of a happier state of things in the future.

R. B.

Garafraxa, October 25, 1865.

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#### MISSIONARY MEETING AND INSTALLATION AT STANSTEAD, C.E.

Tuesday, 24th October, was the day fixed for the Missionary Meeting at Stanstead Plain, where the Rev. J. Rogers, late of Dunham, had been labouring by appointment of the Missionary Committee, since the beginning of July. On arriving at the Plain the brethren found that the church had received Mr. Rogers into their fellowship; that they were prepared to invite him to be their pastor, and wished to have him installed as such. On consulting with the deacons it was resolved to proceed with installation during the Missionary Meeting.