

We held a meeting at Bracebridge at three o'clock on the same day.

26th. Baptized two children at a meeting held some miles east of Bracebridge.

On Sabbath, 27th, I preached at Bracebridge at eleven o'clock a.m., baptized a child, and dispensed the Lord's Supper. I then proceeded to Monck, and missed my way. It was three-quarters of an hour past the usual time when I arrived at the place of meeting, where there was a large congregation patiently waiting for me. In my wanderings in the wood I came to a clearing where there was a shanty, at which I stopped, and found a young man who kindly guided me to the place where I was to preach, and remained with us during the service. My mistake was the means of bringing him to hear the word of God.

Here I preached, ordained an elder, baptized a child, and dispensed the Lord's Supper to twenty-three communicants.

Next day I preached at Bracebridge, and held a conference on financial affairs. The people readily engaged to contribute one dollar a Sabbath and half the board to support the missionary, after the seventeenth of September.

These two stations are in a healthy condition. Mr. Williams laboured here during the past summer with much acceptance and success, and imparted some share of his own zeal and energy to the people.

I feel convinced that to secure the permanent prosperity of these four stations it is necessary to build a manse at Bracebridge; without this it is all but impossible to have an ordained minister settled in the district. As the settlers are too poor to build a suitable house, those whom God has blessed with means, and whose hearts are enlarged by his love, must come to their aid. This is not the cause of a few individuals, but the cause of the Canada Presbyterian Church, it is the cause of the Redeemer in this new territory.

On the 30th I proceeded to visit the group of stations in the Townships of Stevenson and Watt, in company with Mr. R. Henderson, who labored there for some months. We stopped near Falkenburg that evening, and next day went to Stevenson, a distance of fourteen miles. On the way we called at the house of Mr. Daniel Bain, who resides near the village of Utterson, and baptized his child. Mr. Bain is likely to be useful in the settlement, as he is educated, intelligent, and well disposed. Among his books we noticed a volume of Turretine in Latin, which he can read. He promised to commence a Sabbath School in the neighborhood. We proceeded then to the house of Mr. Johnson, a considerable distance further on; here we had a good meeting in the evening, though notice of the service was circulated only after we arrived there. It was pleasing to see so many come several miles at such a short notice, to hear a sermon. I organized the station under the title of Cairns* Church, and baptized a child. The people agreed to contribute twenty dollars for the services of this summer, and twenty-five dollars, if possible, for next year.

Sept. 1st. We returned to Falkenburg, and there I preached, organized the station, and directed the people to elect elders, when two men were chosen. They promised to contribute twenty dollars, and pay their share of the missionary's board.

Next day we went to Parry Sound Road Station. On the way, in a house where we rested, I baptized six children. At the ordinary place of meeting, I preached, organized the station under the name of Graham

*It is named after Dr. Cairns.