

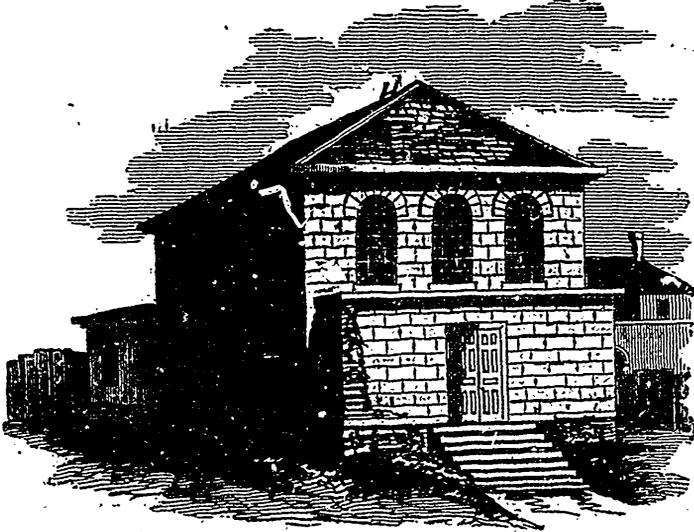
only sixteen days from Liverpool, by way of Boston, has bought five thousand acres of land in Kandiyohi, where he will settle. He passed through Canada West, but was not favourably impressed with its appearance."

This English gentleman may be a mythical character, or if a real person, the rapidity of his journey prevented him seeing anything of the country;—he very likely went through from Suspension Bridge to Detroit, in a sleeping car, on a night train, rubbing open his eyes in the early morning, as the cars rushed over the flat country, between Chatham and Windsor, and was not favourably impressed with its appearance;—but never mind, all arts are lawful in war, all tricks admissible in trade, all misrepres-

entations allowable in advertising. The impression will be made that Canada West is a wretched country, far inferior to any new country with an unpronounceable name, in the far off wilds of Minnesota, more Leicester sheep will flock to the green pastures of the far west, and Uncle Sam's coffers will be anew replenished with British gold.

CHURCH ARCHITECTURE.

The march of improvement which is everywhere going on has, happily, reached the domain of church architecture, and in all parts of the land, neat, commodious and attractive places of worship are being erected. It is high time that



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wide-spread reform should take place in this particular. The worship of God may, doubtless, be acceptably presented in any sort of a building, or in no building at all, but it is greatly to be lamented that there are still so many unsightly, barn-like edifices called churches, around which alone the popular associations of holy worship and true religion are forced to gather. In many cases improvement might be effected if people were only convinced of its practicability and desirableness. With a view of exciting emulation in this direction, we propose, in a brief and simple manner, and with the help of a couple of illustrations, to narrate the story of what has been done in one instance, and what may readily be done in many more.

A small, and by no means wealthy congregation, in one of the county towns of our good Province of Ontario, found itself, at the commencement of the year of grace 1867, very poorly accommodated in the place of worship, represented a little too flatteringly by our artist, in engraving number one. This building, put up rather more than a quarter of a century previously, was deemed a spiritual palace at the time of its erection, but in the lapse of 25 years a young country like Canada, grows very rapidly, and the general onward course of events, left the little, square, old-fashioned church, high and dry on the beach of time-worn things. Moreover, it was beginning to show signs of age and decay. Winter's frost and summer showers were