

we must not deceive ourselves. As I have already said, the Jesuits have now got a footing in Grand Bay village, and they show enough already what their pretensions are. I am quite sure, in a very few years, nay perhaps in a very few months, there will probably be schools, "soi-disant, de la Doctrine Chrétienne;" and convents will spring up like mushrooms on the rich shores of the Saguenay; and afterwards, they will no doubt ask and most likely obtain a grant of land from Government. Of this I am firmly convinced, and this conviction has induced me to be up and doing. And I have some hope to succeed in some measure, in counteracting the plans of those men, who are not only against all religion but also against all civil supremacy. The Protestant people along the shores of the Saguenay are most willing to have a minister settled among them. They are willing and able to build their Churches, their school houses and a manse; to give to the Church a glebe in Chicoutimi and another in Grand Bay, and finally the sum of £40 at least, annually, for the support of their minister, and £20 to a schoolmaster or to a schoolmistress. It is truly a shame to Protestantism—a reproach to every section of the Protestant Church, but particularly to our Church, to leave them without a minister any longer if we can help it. They are all, with two or three exceptions, Presbyterians and descendants of Presbyterian parents; consequently, they have a strong claim upon us, and in spite of our neglect of them, they are still most anxious to be formed and received as a congregation within the bounds of the Presbytery of Montreal. Before I left Chicoutimi they had already adopted a Memorial which they were to send to the Presbytery of Montreal, craving to be so received. I trust that, before long, we will be able to give them a proof of our interest for their spiritual welfare, in procuring them a pious, active and devoted servant of the Lord Jesus Christ, belonging to our Church, or who may become connected with it, able to preach both in French and in English. There is another thing, I trust, which will be granted to that congregation—the Clergy Reserves. I do not speak of the reserves here as a favour, but as a right. And it is my firm conviction that unless justice is done in this case, we will lose the opportunity to get a footing on this beautiful and rich part of Canada, which according to all appearance is destined to contain and to support one day, an immense and wealthy population; and the Church of Rome and the Church of England, or some other denominations, will get hold of all the advantages, and the Presbyterian Church coming afterwards will be regarded as an intruder.

Before I left Chicoutimi to come down the river to Tadousac and to Lancelot I baptised a child, eighteen months old,

who died on the morrow. I could not stop to assist at his funeral. In Tadousac and Lancelot there are a few Protestants and there are several French Canadians; and as the Protestants here understand the French language, I tried immediately to have a French prayer meeting, and I succeeded above my expectations. In the evening of the 8th of August, I preached to about twenty French Canadians, in a large room at Tadousac. There were also some English present. There might be, in all, about twenty-five persons. At the conclusion of the service, I was requested by some Canadians present to grant them the opportunity of hearing me another time; and accordingly, I immediately appointed another meeting for the morrow evening, in the same place and at the same hour. On the 9th, I visited with a friend a chapel which was built for the Jesuits when they were Missionaries among the Indians, which is still in excellent repair. After having visited it, we went along the shore towards the St. Lawrence, and after having walked about one mile and a-half or two miles, we came to some flat lands which, I was told, are known to have been the gardens of the Jesuits. I omitted to mention that at Chicoutimi, there is also another chapel standing, but not so good, and deprived of all its ornaments, which belonged once to the same order. After this, and considering the beauty and the richness of the country, I do not wonder that the resuscitated Jesuits are coveting their confiscated domains, in this part of England's dominion. In the evening, I was again privileged to announce the glad tidings of salvation to about thirty French Canadians, and to a few English people. All this confirms me in the opinion that if a minister, able to preach both in French and in English, was settled on the Saguenay by our Synod, he might be an instrument of great good to the Church and to the people there, in general.

List of Contributions for erecting a French Protestant Church, in Montreal, collected on the Saguenay.

CHICOUTIMI.	
Received from Peter McLeod, Esq.	£10 0 0
GRAND BAY.	
Robert Blair,	1 10 0
David Blair,	0 5 0
John Ritchie,	0 5 0
John Semple,	0 5 0
Wm. Orr,	0 2 6
Alex. Morton,	1 0 0
Edward Montgomery,	0 5 0
M. Miller,	0 5 0
Wm. Denoon,	0 5 0
Grant Forrest, Jr.,	0 10 0
John Hustin,	0 2 6
B. Colelough,	0 2 6
Alex. McKimstry,	0 2 6
Charles Ayling,	0 5 0
Thomas Wallace,	0 2 6
John Hunter,	0 2 6
Cash, T. H. C.,	0 5 0
TADOUSAC AND LANCELOT.	
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John Miles,	0 12 2

E. Blacklock,	0 3 0
Wm. Fraser,	0 15 0
James Hewston,	0 10 0
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PRESENTATIONS.

On the 27th February, the ladies of St. Andrew's Church, Bytown, presented to their Minister, the Rev. Alexander Spence, a splendid new Pulpit Gown, as a mark of their esteem.

A Deputation from the Congregation of Scarborough, of which the Rev. James George is the pastor, waited lately on the Rev. Professor Murray, and presented him with a splendid Silver Snuff Box, as a token of respect. Professor Murray is deservedly endeared to the members of the Scarborough Congregation, having, while the church was vacant, officiated for a considerable time among them,—proceeding from Toronto to Scarborough on Sundays to preach. It is satisfactory to see that these gratuitous services in the Christian cause, are appreciated by those whom they were intended to benefit, and the token of regard will be as highly valued by the Rev. Professor, as its presentation reflects credit on the congregation in question. The following is the inscription on the Silver Snuff Box:—"To the Rev. Professor Murray, King's College, Toronto, as a token of respect and gratitude, from the Presbyterian Church, Scarborough, 27th February, 1849."

THE CHURCH IN THE COLONIES.

We have no doubt that many of our friends will be happy to learn that the Rev. John Macbean, M. A., has been induced to prolong his stay, and to lend his valuable assistance to the ministers of St. Matthew's and St. Andrew's Churches, for a few weeks. In consequence of the extreme severity of the weather and the difficulties and danger of the passage across the Straits to P. E. Island, a numerous and respectable committee of gentlemen from these two Churches waited on Mr. Macbean, on Monday last, and after representing the danger, if not the impracticability of such a journey at this inclement season of the year, invited him to delay his departure for some time, assuring him that he might be usefully employed, in this place, in the mean time, and that they would be happy to make his visit to Halifax, as comfortable as possible. This arrangement, to which Mr. Macbean has assented, will, no doubt, occasion a momentary disappointment among his attached friends in Charlottetown, but we trust it will be ultimately advantageous to all parties, as it will enable him to reach the Island with comfort and safety, instead of encountering, after a stormy passage across the Atlantic, the perils and hardships attending such a long and hazardous journey.—[Halifax Guardian.]

At a meeting of the Teachers of St. Andrew's Church Sabbath School, it was unanimously resolved that the following Address be presented to the Rev. Wm. Stewart, previous to his departure to Miramichi:—

REV. AND DEAR SIR,—It is with feelings of sincere regret we learn your determination to leave us and accept a cordial and unanimous call from the Church in Chatham, Miramichi, to become their stated Pastor. Regret, because of the deep and affectionate interest you have taken in the prosperity of the congregation of Saint Andrew's Church in general, and of its Sabbath School in particular, and the great and successful efforts you have made for its welfare. It, however, affords us much