

Community. Nearly all other Religious Societies in this country have some Literary Institution, in which young men are being trained for their ministry. Our defect in this matter we have felt, and do feel, as the age becomes literary in its character. We are now trying to remedy this evil, by subjecting our young men to a course of studies, comprising English Grammar, Theology, Church History, Universal History, Logic, Natural Philosophy, and above all, a prayerful study of the Bible, as the best means of enlightning and convincing sinners.

Another difficulty in our way, and one not easily overcome by us, is the large salaries held out to Ministers by other and wealthier Societies. This has greatly militated against our interest in this country, by preventing young men of education and talent, who are somewhat influenced by considerations connected with this life, from entering our ministry; and in inducing some ministers, of a similar turn of mind, who have been engaged in our work, to leave us, and to seek a wealthier and more comfortable home elsewhere.

The want of our Ministry, in this country, is a large accession of self-sacrificing, deeply pious, devoted, and intelligent men: men in whom our present ministerial staff can confide. Such an accession, dear Fathers and Brethren, would greatly assist us in this country of toil.

It is known to you, also, that the Canadas have been, and still are labouring under great commercial pressure. The agricultural department, which after all must be acknowledged as the stamina of this Continent's financial prosperity, has been exceedingly slender dur-