

years, they accepting each 100 acres under the Free Grants Act, 1872, with \$110 for house building and four acres chopping on lots located to married persons having two or more children; \$60 for house building and two acres chopping on lots located to married persons having less than two children, and \$40 for house building and two acres chopping to single men. All parties assented to this arrangement. Having completed the necessary arrangements for the instalment of Capt. Heller's colonists I returned, on the 30th May, to the Scotch settlement.

SCOTCH COLONY.

I found that during my absence the work of forwarding the families and luggage had progressed satisfactorily under the management of the parties I left in charge. The weather though dry had been cold and backward. In a few days a warm rain brought out the foliage on the trees and, with the fast appearing evidences of spring, good feeling began to manifest itself among the colonists. Those who, at the out set, had complained of the progress made in Road building before their arrival, began to see in it a means of employment, and though the want of better roads greatly increased the labor and expense of moving the colonists to their lots, complaint on their part practically ceased.

By the first of June, some progress had been made with the burnings and parties began to prepare for planting.

Some, when choppings were difficult to clear, rented small pieces of ground near the River-side and planted potatoes &c., a good number succeeded in getting good burns and got in fair crops of potatoes, &c.

Between the 1st and the 6th of June, I was constantly employed with the numerous details of road and house location, distribution of lots to the several settlers, forwarding luggage, and, as they arose meeting the various difficulties as best I could. A few more of those who were not practical farmers and equal to the hard labor of piling and burning a new chopped farm, sought for employment most of them in the County of Victoria. Many of those who went to St. John and Fredericton obtained satisfactory employment and by the 6th of June I became satisfied those who were still in the colony would become actual settlers.

By the kindness of Post-office Inspector Mr. Millan, and his prompt action in the matter, a Post-office kept by Mr. David Taylor, the store-keeper, was opened and a tri-weekly mail established, the first evening of the 6th June.

ANOTHER PARTY OF DANES.

On the 6th of June another party of Danes arrived, and I went on board the steamer, and, as on the former occasion, I was obliged to take them to Grand Falls keeping them all night on board. Returning early next morning, they were all landed at the mouth of Salmon River at 4 o'clock, a. m. Trains were soon at work conveying the baggage and quite a large amount of stores brought up with them, to the "temporary accommodation" provided for them.

During the seven days I remained here, I had to see to the location of the