

of God over one sinner that repenteth." Overflowing congregations were in attendance at each service, numbers being unable to get in. The usual services at Kleinburg and Thistleton were omitted for the day. The collections amounted to \$50.

On Monday, at 2 and 6 30 p. m., a *binary* social-meeting was held, which might fitly be called "a feast of tabernacles," as well as "the feast of the dedication," for the tables were spread under a large booth on the church lot, made not of branches, however, but of planks from some *pine grove*. The provisions were superabundant and of choice quality. After the earlier tea, (for those who needed to be at home in the evening,) addresses of a pertinent character were made in the church by Revs. C. Spettigue, — Brown, (New Connexion,) and B. W. Day. After the evening meal, another public meeting was held, over which George Hague Esq., of Toronto, presided. Several other friends were present from the city, and more would have attended, had not, "various hindrances" come in the way. Rev. J. G. Manly, for example, was detained by sickness. The choir of the church, assisted by Mr. Irwin of Aurora, performed several anthems in the course of the evening. A brief statement was made by the Pastor, Rev. R. Hay, of the financial condition of the undertaking, from which it appeared that the cost of the building (exclusive of the site, which was presented, as well as river-stone for the foundation, by Messrs. Gooderham and Worts,) was about \$2,900: of this fully \$500 had been given in the form of voluntary labour, in clearing and levelling the ground, hauling of stone, lime, and timber, &c. There had been contributed by the church, congregation and neighbourhood, between \$1300 and \$1400. The ladies, by various social meetings, including those of that day, which yielded \$75, had supplied \$230. There had been collected abroad, *one hundred and eighty dollars only!* And there now remained due between \$500 and \$600, which, he hoped, might be provided for that night. Addresses were then delivered by Rev. W. F. Clarke and F. H. Marling, and Messrs. H. J. Clark, C. Pago, A. Christie and John Wickson, all of whom cordially congratulated the church on the completion of their beautiful building, and on the liberality displayed, and warmly encouraged the idea of liquidating the small remaining debt immediately. In the course of the meeting, a subscription list was opened, to which with the aid of the visitors, between \$200 and \$300 were put down, although some liberal friends were absent.

On the following Friday an adjourned tea-meeting was held, and on the succeeding Sabbath, 22nd ult., the opening services were continued, sermons being preached by Rev. H. Mellville.

Having previously recorded the first steps towards the erection of this building, (see *Canadian Independent* for Nov. 1865, p. 212, vol. xii., and for Oct. 1866, p. 187, vol. xiii.,) we have much satisfaction in publishing at length the successful consummation of the plan. The new church at Pine Grove is one of the best specimens of a rural church to be found in our body. The spacious site, in an excellent situation, and the church-like and tasteful building will strike the passer-by pleasantly, especially when the grounds are put in order. The horse-sheds, for which Mr. Poore put in a plea, will not be wanting. And the internal arrangements, when the schoolroom is added, will be as complete for all church-uses as they will be gratifying to the eye. It augurs well for the progress of the church, that, notwithstanding the extraordinary demands made upon them for this object, they have increased their pastor's salary, and their contributions to other christian objects.

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Rev. J. Howell at Granby, Quebec.—By a letter from the Rev. James Howell, of the 19th ult., we learn that he has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Congregational Church in Granby, eastern townships, (vacant by the death of Rev. G. B. Bucher,) and is about to enter on his labours immediately. The church-building has recently been refitted and painted.