

from conversation with them I learned that there would be in all likelihood at east thirty persons who would attend the preaching of our missionary.

Junction. This is so called from its being the junction of the Bobcaygeon and Peterson roads. In order to reach this, it is necessary to return to Gull River and travel along the main road as before. This is about nine miles from Minden. I preached in a private house about one mile on this side of the Junction, to about twenty persons. Further than this I did not attempt to go, on account of the bad state of the roads, but there are many settlers still further on who may be reached by our missionary.

South Lake. Returning, I preached in a private house on the banks of South Lake, a small but very beautiful sheet of water, about three miles south of Gull River. Here I had a very good congregation, consisting of about forty persons. This is but a brief sketch of my tour. I may however say a few words more with reference to this field. It is manifest from the extent of this field that two or three missionaries will be barely able to overtake the work. This may be seen from the fact that there are seven or eight stations already, and these are scattered over an extent of fifty miles. Again, it would be very desirable if all our Sabbath schools would do something to aid the people in those localities to build churches. In conclusion, I beg to say that, having preached nineteen times, dispensed the Lord's supper twice, and baptized ten children, I returned from these places with many prayers for the people in their struggles to obtain a home. May God bless them. May the Lord also give our church more and more zeal in missions at home and abroad, and may our missionaries, as true followers of Jesus Christ, be willing to endure hardships as good soldiers.

I am yours, &c.

Colborne, May 14th, 1863.

PETER DUNCAN.

Obituary Notices.

THE LATE REV. JAMES GEGGIE.

We briefly noticed, some months ago, the death of this highly respected minister, but we have felt that something more than such a brief notice was called for. We are glad that we have been enabled to give our readers a brief sketch of his life.

The deceased was a native of Chirpside, Berwickshire, Scotland, and was born in the year 1793. His parents were members of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, and were known as persons of undoubted piety and worth. His father was for many years an elder of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, but was at the same time on most intimate terms with the minister of the Parish, the Rev. Mr Logan. After receiving the rudiments of education at home, and at the parish school, he attended (for two years) a private and select school, taught by the Rev. J. Phillips, minister of the Reformed Presbyterian Church. Mr. Phillips having resigned his charge, James Geggie was placed under the care of Mr. John Strachan, Allanton, an excellent scholar, and one of the best linguists in the country. Under these teachers his progress was very considerable, so much so, that when he proceeded to the University of Edinburgh, he was allowed, during his first year, to attend the second classes in Latin and Greek. He studied diligently during the four years of his college course, and in his leisure time gave attention to the study of Hebrew, under the guidance of the Rev. Professor Paxton, the grand-father of Professor Young of Knox College. His mind seems early to have been influenced by the truth, and he was led to look forward to the ministry in connexion with the Reformed Presbyterian Church. He accordingly studied Theology for four years, under