

The next notice should relate to Poiton, and Missisquoi Bay. Can any of our friends afford us similar information to the above, concerning Churches in these localities?

[FOR THE HARBINGER.]

*Journal of the Tour of the Deputation for Congregational Missions, Western Canada.*

The Union Meetings at Toronto, (a report of which, was given in our last number,) having terminated, the Rev. Messrs. Wastell and Harris, proceeded to visit the Churches in connexion with the Union, together with their respective neighbourhoods, on behalf of the above department of their local operations.

On June 12th,—Sermons were preached, per Rev. W. P. Wastell, at Pine Grove, Vaughan, in the morning; and at Clairville, Etobicoke, in the afternoon. A collection was made after each sermon, and auxiliaries formed, of a promising character. The people are evidently aroused to the claims of the Missionary cause; and we may hope, that, by the Divine blessing on the oversight of our excellent brother, the Rev. S. J. Harris, their pastor, much more fruit will be reaped from those rural and verdant spots, in the midst of the wilderness.

On Friday evening, the Deputation arrived at Cobourg; and, on the following evening, visited Victoria College, where, at the request of the Rev. Egerton Ryerson, prayer having been offered by the Rev. S. Harris, the Rev. W. P. Wastell delivered an address to the students and pupils, on the behalf of Total Abstinence principles and operations, which was attended by several of the officers of the institution, together with several ministers of the Methodist body; after which, Mr. Ryerson made a few remarks, and in the name of the Committee, thanked the Lecturer in the most handsome manner for his acceptable service.

On Sabbath 19th—Sermons were preached in the Congregational Chapel, (Rev. W. Hayden's;) those in the morning and evening, by the Rev. W. P. Wastell; that in the afternoon, by the Rev. S. J. Harris. On the afternoon of the same day, a sermon was preached by Mr. Wastell, at Cold Springs, an interesting station, about 8 miles north of Cobourg.

On Monday evening 20th—A public Missionary Meeting was held at Cobourg, at which, the Pastor presided; when addresses were delivered by the Secretaries, the Rev. Messrs. Wastell and Machin, and by Mr. Harris. They were kindly assisted by the Rev. J. Spencer, Edward Ryerson, and Peter Jones, of Murrey Town, whose services were peculiarly opportune as they supplied a deficiency seriously felt, occasioned by the absence of our Indian brother, Peter Paul O. Sunkehrine. These several meetings were well attended, and highly interesting;

the collections, considering the season of the year, were liberal, and a hopeful auxiliary in each place, is already in operation.

On Tuesday morning—By special invitation, the Deputation were present at the opening of Victoria College. The Inaugural Address delivered by the Rev. Egerton Ryerson, on his assumption of the Chair, as Principal of the Institution, was of a high order; but the letter of Rev. W. Hayden, which has already appeared in the Guardian, supersedes the necessity of further remarks.

The Deputation, leaving Cobourg on Wednesday, proceeded to make arrangements at Brighton and its vicinity, for the following Sabbath. On Friday evening, they delivered Addresses to the Brighton Total Abstinence Society, the movements of which, we are happy to say, tell powerfully on the neighbourhood, in general.

On Lord's Day, 26th—Three sermons were preached by the members of the Deputation, in the Presbyterian Chapel, at Church—the morning, by Rev. S. Harris; afternoon and evening, Rev. W. P. Wastell. The Rev. S. Harris, preached at the Carrying Place in the afternoon, and at the Trent in the evening. Their visit to these places convinced them of the value of a permanent and evangelical ministry. The labours of the Deputation appeared to be highly prized by many, who, sigh for privileges not at present enjoyed; and although the funds did not receive that amount of aid that had been anticipated, still, it is hoped, that a feeling was awakened favourable to our object, and also to our Denomination.

An incident that occurred at Brighton, must not be unnoticed. In the afternoon collection, was found a gold ring wrapped in paper, bearing the motto, "An offering to the Lord." We may cherish the hope, that on the individual thus acting, the Divine commendation was silently passed, "She hath done what she could." May her example encourage others, to "go and do likewise."

On Monday, the Deputation returned to Cobourg, when the Rev. W. P. Wastell, accompanied the Rev. W. Hayden, on his visit to the back Townships, including Monaghan, Cavan, Otonabee, Asphodel, Percy, and Crambe. Mr. Harris having visited the neighbourhood immediately contiguous to Cobourg, was invited to attend and assist at the Temperance Soirée, Port Hope, the arrangements of which were highly creditable to the Committee of Management, and most satisfactory to the numerous and respectable company, assembled on the occasion.

On Lord's Day, July 3rd—Sermons were preached by the Deputation at Cobourg, Cold Springs, and Grafton Road.

The Deputation intend resuming their Tour in a few days, by visiting the Churches west of Toronto, the particulars of which, will be forwarded in due time.—*Communicated.*