

tian Associations of the land. Laws repressing this vice have been passed, and nearly 100 men have been arrested in that time. Mr. Abbott denounced the practice on railroads of thrusting pernicious literature on readers, and urged associations to press religious literature into every railway car, town and village. Many a father sleeps Sunday afternoon over his religious paper, and does not know what his boy is reading in an upper chamber. Pernicious literature creeps into the house wrapped about new shoes, new hats, and bundles generally, and there is where the evil starts. Further reference to this important subject, we must defer till next issue.

PERSONAL.—Mrs. Kennedy's friends through Canada, and they are many, will be glad to read the following letter just received from her.

SALTOATS, July 10th, 1873.

According to promise I write to say that we arrived all safe in Glasgow, about a week ago, after a very pleasant passage of 14 days. We sailed from Quebec on the 18th of June, in the steamer St. Patrick, and we were very fortunate in having three very pleasant female companions in the same apartment with us, with whom we could hold not only social intercourse but true Christian fellowship. I met also a Mr. and Mrs. M.—, from Harrison, who were passengers in the cabin, with whom I had many a pleasant chat. They told me that they were subscribers to the *Good News*, and Mr. M— had known my husband a little.

Two of my children were very sick—Eva and my delicate little boy Willie. The latter got so weak one night that I was almost afraid to let him go to sleep for fear he might never awake: but by feeding him on beef tea and brandy he soon recovered his strength, and as the weather got very fine and the sea smooth I got him up on deck and he improved in health every day after that.

We arrived in Glasgow about six o'clock in the evening and I had the pleasure of seeing my sister and Mr. K.'s brother waiting on the wharf to receive us. I only remained two days in Glasgow, long enough to see my relations, and then came down here to visit Mr. K.'s mother who was anxiously waiting to see the children. I find this place (Saltoats) very beneficial to my little boy Willie, and am in great hopes his health will be greatly improved, if not even to the length of his disease being checked. The rest of the children and myself are in good health, and I am enjoying the

rest and quiet of this place very much after the turmoil and excitement of the last few months. Mr. Kennedy's mother and brother are very kind to me—nothing could exceed their kindness, as also the kindness of my own brother and sister; but still I know they all have got enough to do, and therefore, kind and all as they are, I would not like to be a burden on any of them; and I propose, as soon as I see my way clear, to try and rent a house of my own, and perhaps I might get a few boarders. Of course I am not able to decide positively what I will do. I have no doubt but He who has led me thus far and made provision for me will provide for me to the end.

My youngest brother-in-law, who was in Canada three years, is missionary in this place and has been very successful in his labours for Christ. Two other evangelists were labouring along with him, holding meetings, a few months ago, in which the minister took part. There was quite a revival, and a great many souls brought to Christ, and amongst these not a few children. The minister has still a children's meeting, which I attended last night and felt much interested in it. It is refreshing to me to see so much spiritual life here. There is to be a great open air meeting on Sabbath evening. Both my friends and myself return you our grateful thanks for the kind mention you made of me and my family in the *CHRISTIAN MONTHLY*. I hope you are getting encouraged in the undertaking.

I remain, &c.,

Yours very sincerely,

(Signed,) AGNES KENNEDY.

It is understood among Mr. Kennedy's friends in Canada that the money now in the hands of the Revd. Andrew Kennedy, London, and whatever moneys are now being received and acknowledged on the cover of the *CHRISTIAN MONTHLY*, are to be appropriated in the way of furnishing Mrs. Kennedy's house, and so putting her on the way of providing for her family by her own exertions, the mode most congenial to her own spirit. For various reasons it is desirable that to friends in Canada should belong the credit and the privilege of doing at least this much for the family of a man who has done so much in spreading sound religious reading in our rural districts and in our backwoods. It would be creditable to us could Mrs. Kennedy say of the furnishing of her house, "That is the gift of my Canadian friends."