

Tanner addressed the meeting, when the business of the evening closed, and the people adjourned to the basement of the church, where the ladies had provided refreshments and arranged tables for the sale of fancy and useful articles in aid of the Society. The room was well filled, and the sum of \$126.75 realized as the proceeds of tickets and sale.

LITCHFIELD ORDINATION.—The Presbytery of Kennew met at Litchfield on the 11th ult., for the ordination and induction of Mr. Duncan McDonald, a licentiate of Queen's College, Rev. Peter Lindsay, Moderator. Mr. Cameron preached an able and suitable sermon from 1 Cor. ii, 2. The usual questions were put to Mr. McDonald, after which he was, by prayer and the laying on of the hands of the Presbytery, set apart to the work of the holy ministry, and inducted to be the pastor of the Litchfield congregation. Rev. Mr. Thomson addressed the newly ordained minister, and Rev. Mr. Lindsay addressed the people.

Happily for this congregation, it has been but a short time vacant Mr. McDonald's field of labour is wide and scattered, and his duties arduous; but it is, with these disadvantages, a promising and interesting charge. A large number of the leading lumbermen of the Upper Ottawa are Presbyterians, warmly attached to their Church, generous, openhanded men, and it is well that the Church should extend her boundaries so as to furnish the means of grace to a class so much exposed to temptation, yet so important to the country in spreading upward the tide of civilization in the valley of the noble Ottawa.

NEW CHURCH IN SOUTHWOLD.—The church which has been in the course of erection during last summer in the village of Fingal for the accommodation of the adherents of the Church of Scotland, was opened for Divine service on Sabbath the 18th Dec., the Rev. Mr. Nicol of London, preaching in English, from Psalm 122, verse 1; the Rev. Mr. Ross of Vaughan, following in the Gaelic.

The church was filled by a large and deeply interested congregation, and we are sure the solemn services of the day will long dwell in the memory of those who were present. The joy on the occasion was marred by the death on the preceding Sabbath, of one of the elders, Mr. Duncan Macnish, to whom the church is mainly indebted for the erection of its edifice, and the forming of a congregation in the Southwold district. The Providence was very striking which took away this good man just as he had completed the arrangements for the opening of the sanctuary on which his heart had been set; and there were surely none who drove past the sweet little churchyard of Fingal that day on their way to the house of God, who did not reflect deeply on the mysterious ways of God the more, and think of that better sanctuary above where the living and dead will all worship together.

A second service was held in the evening to improve the occasion of Mr. Macnish's death, the church being again crowded, when Mr. Ross delivered a suitable and impressive discourse.

The building is a handsome brick structure, with Gothic roof and windows, accommodating we should think, judging from appearance, about 250 people, and reflects great credit upon the contractor. It was pronounced on all hands a decided success, as respects heating, light, sound, and comfortable accommodation.

A meeting of the congregation was held next morning, at which the name of St. Columba was fixed upon for the church. A resolution was passed, expressive of sympathy with Mr. Macnish's family in their painful bereavement, and some steps were taken towards the settlement of a minister.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR AT LONDON.—A bazaar was held at London, C. W., on Thursday and Friday, the 22nd and 23rd December, in aid of the Building Fund of St. James' Church. Six stalls were amply furnished with the usual articles provided on such occasions, and, under the brisk management of the ladies in charge, were soon emptied of their contents. A sum of six hundred dollars was realized, after the payment of all expenses. This bazaar was got up with great spirit, and passed off most pleasantly, to the great satisfaction of all concerned.

MARTINTOWN.—The active congregation worshipping in St. Andrew's Church, Martintown, have resolved upon giving their church a thorough repair. And the ladies, who never lag behind in a good cause, determined to do what they could in providing the wherewithal. Accordingly, after some months' exertions in getting up work, they held a Bazaar in Martintown on the 27th and 28th December last. We are highly gratified to learn that it succeeded beyond their most sanguine expectations. They netted, clear of all expenses, the handsome sum of \$365. Whenever zeal is manifested to make the house of God a beauty in the earth, it becomes those who love the cause of Zion to give their heartiest congratulations. We recommend to many to ponder well the words of David the king of Israel: "Lo! I dwell in an house of cedars, but the ark of the covenant of the Lord remaineth under curtains." In how many cases do we find professed servants of God living in the finest and most comfortable houses, and never lifting a finger to change the ungainly dilapidated house of their God into a respectable and respected building. In connection with their Bazaar an intellectual treat was given in the Church. Addresses were delivered by Lieut.-Col. S. J. Lyman of Montreal, and Rev. Donald Ross of Glengary. The former spoke on Rural Taste, and placed before his attentive hearers some striking yet practical thoughts on the subject of beautifying their houses, their schools, their churches, and their burying grounds. We trust the lecture will not be without its effect in and around Martintown, especially as regards their burying ground. Mr. Ross spoke at great length of Life in Paris, manifesting a deep knowledge of human nature, and showing that as he travelled he kept his eyes and his ears open. We were particularly struck with his remarks on the present phase of religious thought in France.

SPENCERVILLE.—The anniversary of the Spencerville Sabbath-schools was celebrated on