

the Church and the world, by the habit of excluding from the range of personal obligation, all but the duties which press immediately upon the conscience! Might it not be a profitable enquiry, whether conscience itself may not be trained to a habit of indifference to matters which, according to a higher standard, should come within her jurisdiction? We should be glad to receive a communication on this subject from some whom, at the outset, we had hoped to number in our list of correspondents, and who would have no reason to regret the temporary pain which the virtual acknowledgment of their remissness might occasion.

We beg to remind our correspondents that the day of publication is the 15th of each month—and that all communications should reach the Editor before the 10th, at farthest.

In reply to the enquiry of "Q," we refer him to 1 Tim. 5-22, as supplying a sufficient rule for his personal guidance in the matter to which he alludes.

NEW CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, SIMCOE, WESTERN CANADA.

Owing to circumstances which it is not needful to explain, an error crept into our last number, in relation to the erection of a new place of worship under the superintendence of the Rev. Mr. Clarke. We mentioned *London* as the spot. Mr. Clarke was the means of erecting a very neat structure in that town, which is now occupied by a Congregation under the care of the Rev. Mr. Ebbs. The building now in progress, is at Simcoe, the present sphere of Mr. Clarke's labours.

OPENING OF A NEW CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH AT BROCKVILLE, WESTERN CANADA.

On Thursday the 23rd November, the place of worship erected at Brockville for the use of the Congregation attending the ministry of the Rev. James Drummond, late of London, England, was solemnly dedicated to the service of the TRULY JEHOVAH, by appropriate religious exercises. Mr. Drummond preached in the forenoon, being assisted in the devotional parts of the service by the Rev. Mr. Carrol of Prescott and another Minister of the Wesleyan Methodist Church. The Rev. H. Wilkes,

of Montreal, preached in the evening. The audiences were large, and seriously attentive to the word of life. Collections were made in aid of the building fund.

The site of this beautiful edifice is admirably chosen on the elevation behind the principal street, on a level with the Court House, and amid a grove of evergreen trees. The design, generously furnished by Mr. Howard, Architect, Toronto, without charge, is at once massive and chaste. Gothic in style, the walls are relieved by a series of buttresses projecting between each of the five windows, and tapering to a point towards the roof. It is built of hewn stone from the quarry of William Freeland, Esq., who, with another member of the Congregation, has contributed very largely to the building fund. The tower, which like the other parts of the structure, has at once a massive and chaste appearance, does not project into the interior, and thence forms a large, well lighted, and convenient vestibule. The fittings within are in harmony with the general character of the building, as to their neatness and simplicity, while the whole forms an ornament to a town which is far-famed for its beauty, both in site and arrangement, and does great credit to the taste of all the parties concerned. The tower is carried only to the roof, and is therefore unfinished. Irrespective of the amount which will be required to finish it, the building and the ground have cost £900. There is room, however, for a house. Towards this sum the members of the Congregation and the inhabitants of Brockville, have contributed the handsome sum of £500.

FORMATION OF A CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

On the following Lord's Day, Divine Service was held in the new building. The Rev. James Drummond officiated in the forenoon, and delivered an exceedingly interesting and affecting discourse on "Love to the House of God." The Rev. H. Wilkes of Montreal addressed a large audience in the afternoon, on "the nature and claims of Christian fellowship," and then proceeded to assist in the formation of a Church in accordance with primitive and Apostolic order. As Agent of the Colonial Missionary Society, Mr. Wilkes explained to the assembly that Mr. Drummond had left an interesting charge in London and had come forth at the request of that Society,