

indulging the hope that this growing colony will be favoured with a resident Bishop; and it was my effort and my prayer that it should be useful to them and to myself. They listened with apparent earnestness, and my hope is, that it will be recollected with a portion of the affection with which it was offered to them. The day departed before we left the church. At half-past six I returned to the chapel at Portland, and was again met by a numerous congregation, of whom forty-four were confirmed. They gave every evidence I could desire of intelligence and devotion; and it was my desire to cherish these in the concluding address. If the day and its labours were followed by some fatigue, they were full of satisfaction, and prompted much gratitude to Him whom we were endeavouring to serve.

Monday, November 2.—Frosty, but clear. Mr. Harrison called for me at sunrise, and drove me to Loch Lomond (twelve miles), over an indifferent road, but much improved since I last travelled on it. We had service at ten, in All Saints' Church, which was consecrated, to the great joy of its congregation, who have long desired and struggled for its completion, now happily effected. I did what I could in the pulpit to cherish their best feelings, and animate their faith and holiness. As soon as this service was finished, we proceeded ten miles farther, over a very bad road, to St. John's Chapel, in the same parish, and on the road leading to Quaco, a settlement on the shore of the Bay of Fundy. This building was also consecrated; and I have seldom preached to a more affectionate people than those who now listened to me. Here, as in the morning, notice was given for the celebration of the Lord's Supper, for the first time in this parish. Several of the aged members of the congregation, both men and women, flocked around me after the service, and expressed their gratitude to God, with throbbing hearts and abundant tears, that at last they were to partake of the memorial of a Saviour's dying love. These had been regular communicants in Ireland, their native land; and I have never heard the want of a settled pastor more feelingly deplored than by this people, both now and in my former visits to them. They early commenced the building of a church and a chapel, hoping thus to accelerate the appointment of a pastor over them. But they could not have completed their work if they had not been assisted by the bounty of the Society. They are still embarrassed; but if the Society should be pleased to grant the £25 which I requested for them, in my letter of December 3d, they will be able to extricate themselves from their present difficulties, as far as the pecuniary affairs of the two buildings are concerned.\* I am well aware that the Society have every inclination to relieve their greater suffering from the want of a Missionary, whenever a fit person can be found for the charge; and I feel confident that if such shall be placed over them, we shall soon hear of the progress of two additional churches at Quaco and Black River. I hope and pray that the way may be opened for such appointment; but until a settled Missionary can be appointed, I have requested Mr. Harrison to take the temporary charge of these interesting settlements, and give them at least one Sunday, and one or more week-days, in every month,

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\* This sum was granted by the Society, in February 1811.