

our own Diocesan Church Society, and if all the labourers in the field be under one Overseer, and the work pursued according to the order and discipline of the Church, (of all which we are assured by Mr. Richardson,)—then, surely, we should heartily welcome this young auxiliary in the cause of that venerable Parent of all the Missionary Societies of the day, whose bounty we have so long enjoyed. The vineyard is wide enough, and desolate enough, for all the husbandmen that both can stir up and send forth, Thousands in this province alone, and they too nominally of the Church and preferring the services of the Church, are for months and even years together, uncheered by the ministrations of the servant of Christ. And thousands of children are in need of instruction both secular and religious. We want a supply of godly men in both departments, as missionaries and catechists, to fill the length and breadth of the land, and to train up these thousands for the church below and the church above.

We repeat the expression of gratitude to these new almoners of the pious charity of bounteous and noble England, who in that land of Gospel light and privileges, do think themselves of our darkness and destitution. It is to be hoped that the difficulty which at present exists in finding men duly qualified for the missionary work, will be removed by Him who has the hearts of all in his disposal; and that especially amongst ourselves, He may stir up many an heart to seek the salvation of the suffering souls in their native land.—Our Bishop, and the Society for propagating the Gospel in Foreign parts, are anxious to receive persons so disposed. So is our Diocesan Society, and so is the Colonial Church Society, whose worthy servant, Mr. Richardson, invites applications from all who are qualified for the office of catechist, and Sunday reader. He informs us that the Bishop of the Diocese has expressed his best wishes for the success of his mission. And we are further given to understand that the salary of Catechist, &c. will be about £75 sterling, per annum.

SIR PEREGRINE MAITLAND.—We are convinced that our readers will peruse with interest the documents inserted in this and the last No. with reference to the resignation by this distinguished officer, of the lucrative and honourable situation which he lately filled at Madras.—Such a step is what all might expect, who know his high and religious character, the happy influence of which, it was once the privilege of Nova Scotia to enjoy.—We recall with pleasure those cheering days, when, in public and in private life, by himself and his noble and excellent lady, such a devoted example was afforded of real and unaffected piety. Truly edifying and delightful it was to witness, as we had the pleasure of doing, persons so exalted in earthly station, evincing the meekest and most lowly devotion to the King of kings, and humbly seeking at His altar the Bread of life. Who could expect any thing else from such a spirit but the determined and conscientious refusal, even at great personal sacrifice, to take part in the idolatrous services which, to the shame of the government of this christian empire, are still imposed upon the British soldier in India.

DOMESTIC MANUFACTURES.—It is gratifying to report any useful addition to the number of these, which are yet so few and limited in Nova Scotia.—Mr. John A. Jost of Lunenburg, has just commenced a pottery here, which we hope may prove both lucrative to himself and beneficial to the country. Although contending with many difficulties incident to a new and untried undertaking, he has already put forth from his pottery creditable and substantial specimens of the art: and he is now ready to manufacture all articles in his line. We repeat our hope that he may be encouraged by the consumers in the province at large. We are informed that the domestic manufacture resists the action of fire better than the imported article.

STEAM.—We hoped by this time to have seen this powerful agent which is performing such wonders in other parts of the world, at work in these harbours of the western coast, converting a tedious and uncertain passage of three or four days, into a sure and agreeable trip of little more than the like number of hours. But Nova Scotia steam seems slow to rise, except when British bounty provides the fuel. It is said, however, now that we are to have something more than words, and calculations, and plans—that shares are already taken up in some of the ports for the purpose of providing a Western Steamer from Halifax to Yarmouth, touching at the intermediate ports.—We have not seen any public call, however, to embark in the undertaking, nor the notice of any systematic attempt to accomplish it. It would seem a pity to waste more time in unnecessary delay; and we hope Halifax will at once awake and proceed with energy in an enterprise which it appears to us cannot but succeed. While our cautious speculators have been weighing the pros and cons in this matter, Mr. WHITNEY of St. John has built and set in motion a new and elegant steamer on a much longer line. And before we shall hear the hissing of our little western steam, no doubt CUNARD'S gigantic progeny (conceived about the same time) will be splashing their way across the great Atlantic; and it will not be surprising if, after all, we have to wait for an offshoot from them to do the business for us here.

GUYSBOROUGH.—This is among the most flourishing of our country parishes, as well as a very laborious one for its Rector, who does not spare himself, nor confine his ministrations to the neighbourhood of his church, but seeks for his Master's sheep that are scattered in the wilderness, or along the secluded harbours of that spiritually destitute coast. We have had the pleasure of recording substantial proofs of the good will with which our esteemed Brother is regarded by his people, and we have now much satisfaction in making known the praiseworthy offering to the house of God, by one of the parishioners, which is mentioned in the following extract of a letter from that quarter:—

“On Sunday last, Nov. 10th, the friends of the church in this place were much gratified, and many were agreeably surprised, to see put up in the church, the creed, the Lord's Prayer, and Commandments, and on the pulpit hangings the inscription “J.H.S.” (Jesus the Saviour of men), all very neatly executed and presented by Mr. William Cutler. A very important scriptural truth is conveyed to the mind by the arrangement of this handsome gift. We have the prayer which our Lord gave to His disciples—the moral Law given us by the Most High God,—and a brief summary of the doctrines of the church on the right hand and on the left, as a guide to our steps; but upon these we are not to build our hopes of salvation, because we have before us in bright characters this heavenly truth, that Jesus is the alone saviour of mankind. ‘Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world.’”

SIR JOHN COLBORNE.—Before the departure for England, of this excellent and distinguished officer, so deservedly beloved and regretted, the following address was presented to him by the Bishop and Clergy of the Diocese of Quebec:—

To His Excellency Lieutenant General Sir John Colborne, G.C.B. and G.C.H. Governor General in and over her Majesty's Provinces in British North America, &c. &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency:

We, the Bishop and Clergy of the Diocese of Quebec, cannot but feel that in the person of your Excellency we are about to lose a friend to those high and sacred interests over which we are appointed to watch; one who, by his official acts, has promoted

the lasting prosperity of Religion, and by his example has maintained its ascendancy: we trust, therefore, that we may be permitted to approach your Excellency with the expression of our deep regret at your departure, and with the assurance that our affectionate wishes will follow yourself and your excellent Lady and family, in whatever quarter of the world you may reside.

Independently of the facts universally known that the military dispositions made by your Excellency, and your command in the field have, under God, suppressed that wicked and unnatural rebellion which evil minded men had created among a peaceful, happy, and highly favoured people, and that your civil administration has restored order and tranquility to a distracted land,—it has inspired us and our flocks with confidence and comfort to feel, that the reins of government were in hands which were daily lifted in prayer to God through Jesus Christ; and we have rejoiced to know that when called upon by the imperative voice of the public good to show that (according to your high commission from God and man), you did not bear the sword in vain, you remembered mercy in the execution of wrath; sparing wherever it was possible, in consistency with duty to do so, and mourning wherever it was not.

While we feel assured that your Excellency will now be honoured by fresh marks of approbation from your Sovereign, and will be greeted by all that is good in England with the respect and gratitude to which you have earned so just a title, we are aware that you are actuated by higher incentives than the breath of human praise; and that this tribute from ourselves is no otherwise really valuable to you than as a testimony from those who serve the same Great Master with yourself.

We hope to be still remembered in those prayers which your Excellency will offer for the Colony which you have been the honoured instrument of preserving, the Church which you have fostered, and the Institutions for the advancement of education which you have promoted.

Our supplications in behalf of yourself and yours shall not be wanting in return.

HIS EXCELLENCY'S REPLY.

My Lord Bishop;

In requesting your Lordship and the Clergy of this Diocese to accept my sincere thanks for this Address on the occasion of my approaching departure from this Province, I am most happy to avail myself of the opportunity which now offers of expressing to you my earnest desire to render any assistance it may be in my power to give, to the zealous labourers in the vineyard, the Clergy of this Province, with whose difficulties no individual is more acquainted than myself.

The sentiments contained in this Address afford me much satisfaction, because, I am convinced that you are persuaded that although I may not be indifferent to the opinion of those who serve the same Master as myself, I depend on that Master alone for all support, and guidance, and protection. Allow me to thank you for your kind wishes for the welfare of myself and family, and to assure you of my solicitude for your interests and for your successful labours.

CROSS ISLAND LIGHT HOUSE—situated on the island of that name, off the harbour of Lunenburg, has been lighted since the 1st instant, and must prove a great comfort and means of safety to the numerous vessels that are continually approaching the coast, or traversing it to the east and west.

MARRIED.

At Miramichi, N.B. on the 15th ult. by the Rev. Samuel Bacon, Mr. George Joseph Parker, to Miss Maria Burke, both of that place.