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"Ger Soundations are upon the holy hills."

"Stand ne in the ways and see, and ask for the Old Daths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ne shall find rest for your souls."

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THE HAPPY VOYAGE. "indigrant that, being steadfast in faith, joyful through kee and rocked in charity, he may so pass the waves of the truthie-me world that finally he may come to the indiversating life, through Jesus Christ our Lord."— and deverlating

Isroop on the deep blue ocean's shore, And watched the wild sea bird lave; While murmuring low, fell sweet on my ear, The flow of the passing wave.

When, dancing so light in the morning bright, A fair little bark came by ; Is tiny white sail so joyously shone, With a gleam from the sunny sky.

And I thought of youth, of its early morn, Fresh launched on life's restless wave, When each gale that blows, with rich odour is fraught,

To the young hearts so gladsome and brave. That gleam vanished soon—the sky was o'ercast in terror each sail was furled; I thought of the Christian mariner tossed On the "waves of this troublesome world."

On the billow's rough foam the little bark Was tossing from side to side; I marvelled it sank not but One was there-Jesus, the ruler and guide.

No empty shells had that mariner sought from the barren and sandy ground; Deep treasured within his bosom there lay, The "pearl of great price" he had found.

The darkness came on, the tempest rose high, And I heard the breakers roar; But the little vessel bore bravely on, Fast nearing a giorious shore. The morning broke on that night of sorrow.

A morning serene and still; l looked for the bark-it was safely moored In the haven under the hill.

The white sail was furled, the anchor dront." The winds were bushed to a sleep; And gentle the bark wafted to and fro. On the face of the glassy deep.

Oh! blest the repose and eternal the peace Of the ransomed soul shall be; No more "toiling in rowing;" no fear of storm For "there shall be no more sea." L. B. Churchman's Penny Magazine

Ecclesiantical Entelligence.

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND IN THE COLONIES. [From the Morning Chronicle.] The Eclesiastical Bills at present before Par-

liament will bear a general as well as a specific moves, or rather negatives, a supposed disability. legislative curiosity, especially as contrasted with its predecessors of the sessions of 1852 and like speech was an exceedingly good one, and This speech was an exceedingly good one, and was well received by the Bishop of the Diocese "Whereas doubts exist as to the rights of the bishops, clergy, and lay persons inhabiting the colonial possessions of her Majesty, and being in communion with the Church of England, in regard to the management of their internal exceedingly good one, and was well received by the Bishop of the Diocese and the Clergy. How delightful, my dear Brother, it is to go, such a manifestation of the unity of our Church. May it go on and increase, until every species of dissent is put down by the unity of the Catholic Church. eclesiastical affairs; and whereas it is expedi- And how different is the state of things at simply recognizes the existence, without saying together in unity." anything about the reasonableness, of the doubts in question: and it certainly does not imply— which the Bill of 1852 did—that, by any operose

Australian Church of the present day.

After this cautious preamble follows the soli-After this cautious preamble 10110ws and 2011 tary clause:—"No statute, law, rule, usage or other authority of the United Kingdom shall to "the giver of every good and perfect gift," "extend or he constructed to prevent the Me-" in whom we live and move and have our be-"tropolitan of any province or the Bishop of any diocese, in the colonies of her Majesty, together with his clergy, and the lay persons of such province or diocese, being members of the United Church of England and Ireland, "from meeting together from time to time, for "the purpose, at such meetings, of making or "entering into any such regulations, agree-"ments, or arrangements as local circumstances shall, in their judgment, render necessary "affairs within such province or diocese. Pro-"rided always, that such meetings, or the regu-

all other persons or corporations, civil or reli-four, the must of course keep within the laws; and if anything is enacted in ecclesiastical asand if anything is enacted in ecclesinatical assemblies contrary to the supremacy of the Queen
of the law, she must answer for this illegal act,
just as every other body must. The Church is,
in short thrown back man her own spiritual and inalienable functions. She is left to settle her own disputes, provide for her own necessities, expand or contract, advance or fall back, up a her own responsibility. The imperial Parby-laws or internal provisions the Australian or Canadian Churches may, in their wisdom-or, to some may think, in their lack of wisdomthe Caited States, will agree upon any consti-13 own members, who are alone responsible, h mens scarcely possible for the most obdurate ness to see, in such a measure as this, any-

tary's Bill of last session. That measure came

nerous and narrow-minded restrictions. It stereotyped the idea of a Colonial Church egislature as something fixed and unclastic, improvised a doctrinaire constitution, one and indivisible, for the icebound Canada and tropical India. It very unwisely provided for the mutual relations between the Colonial Church and the Church Legislature, which the respective parties can settle for themselves, in Toronto and Sydney, infinitely better than we can in Westminister. It implied, too, a jealous and unreasonable claim for a hyper-l'apal jurisdiction on the part of the single see of Canterbury. We certainly hope that lay representa-tives will, in some way, find their place in a Colonial Church Legislature; but we had rather that this and all such arrangements were self-developed in the colonies. It is possible that the regulations of last year's Bill were, in the main, judicious, and we spoke of them as such at the time; but, on all accounts, it is better for the colonies to make, rather than take, their Church constitu-

UNITED STATES.

In a private letter, received by one of the Editors, Archbishop Sinclair thus speaks of the impression made by his late visit to this country, and of the present state of things in England We quote the venerable Archdeacon's expressions in relation to this country, sincere we know them to be, with greater pleasure, because of the somewhat different views expressed in a Lecture at Oxford by one of those attending upon the Delegation. Manifestly this reverend gentleman did not remain long enough to understand, or had not the capacity to appreciate, what he saw in this country. On the other hand, the Arch-

deacon thus expresses himself:

"Now that my visit to your magnificent country is over, and I have leisure to consider all that I saw and heard, I feel that I have laid up sources of agreeable recollection for my whole future life. I dwell especially upon the unmeasured kindness which leverwhere experienced. * * * * 1 should be very sorry give up the hope of again crossing the At-

" England is now in a very critical position with foreign war in prospect, and various do-mestic changes, in particular the Reform Bill, the effect of which it is impossible to anticipate."—Banner of the Cross.

COLONIAL.

A correspondent of the Philadelphia Banner of the Cross thus writes in that journal, with reference to Bishop McCoskry's late visit to

"We have just had a most delightful visit from the Bishop of Michigan. He came down to attend the annual meeting of the Gore and to attend the annual meeting of the Gore and Wellington branch of the Church Society, which was held in Hamilton on Friday evening, the 8th instant. The Bishop of Toronto came up on purpose to meet Bishop McCoskry, and the presence of two Bishops added more than ordinary interest to the meeting. The Mechanics' Itali was secured for the purpose, and it was quite filled with a highly respectable audience, who seemed delicated at the closures of the examination. The only Government measure who seemed delighted at the eloquence of the is the "Colonial Clergy Disabilities Bill." It Bishop of Michigan. When he arose to move would perhaps, be too much to call this an enther third resolution, the Hall rang with applause, and it was some time before order could be restored, to enable him to address the meetproposes to dissipate them. All that it aims at did not cease them. Every few sentences he is to lay the ghost of an unsubstantial and uttered called forth the npplause of the aushidowy suspicion; and it is, in this respect; a dience, and when he said down it was repeated dience, and when he said down it was repeated

ent that, under certain restrictions, they should be permitted to make regulations for the said We were then strangers to each other, and selmanagement by agreement among themselves, be it declared," &c. This recital we conceive to wisits. But now one sees them visiting each be it declared, "Cc. This recital we conceive to be an improvement on that which ushered in Mr. Gladstone's Bill of 1852, which rested the doubts respecting the rights of the Colonial Church on the Tudor enactments. The present measure how delightful and pleasant a thing it is to dwell with the colonial church and the colonial church is the c

ANNUAL BEPORT OF THE NIAGABA DISTRICT CHURCH SOCIETY.

It is the privilege of the Managing Committee construction, the Submission of the Clergy Act
under Henry VIII. could possibly fetter the of the Ningara District Branch of the Diocesan Church Society to present this evening their twelfth annual report: and for this great privi-

Whilst others have been called during the past year from this earthly scene of their ence, they are all spared as monuments of God's mercy and forbearance ;—whilst other countries are distracted with wars and rumours of wars. the happy land in which our lot is cast enjoys the great blessing of peace; —whilst an All-wise Providence has denied to many countries of Europe the usual gift of plenty, we have enough and to spare; and whilst on a portion of this continent and in some of the islands on its eastern coast the yellow fever has raged with almost lati ms, agreement or agreements that may be unparalleled severity, this country has enjoyed an unusual measure of health. These are great "authority from the enactments hereby made." More the bill does not propose; and this brevithankful for them. But, above all, those who ty we conceive to be the very essence of wisdom. The Caurch in the colonies is simply told to do what she cau, and what she pleases. Like estimable boon in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the rich means of grace provided for them in their several parishes.

supplied with the valuable services of a travelling missionary. On learning that there was no clergyman who could be spared for this duty, —sereral of the established parishes being unsupplied on account of the great scarcity of clergymen,—the Rural Dean of this district drew up a plan, and submitted it to the Lord Bishop of the diocese, by which the destitute portions wree apon. The Church is remitted to its own of the district might have been supplied through sed-control. like other voluntary associations.— extra services performed by the clergy residing If it was such liberty wisely and well, it will nearest the several stations of the travelling advance by the use of deliberative assemblies— missionary. His Lordship expressed his entire Assure by the use of deliberative assemblies—
If unwisely, it will suffer. But the State refuses
the responsible for its success or failure; and as
it internal regulations, the State declines to
the distances to be travelled by the clergy to
whom the stations were allotted were great, he more than. All this must be left to the dia-cretion and experience of the Church's own members; and its own members are those who choose to their favourable consideration. In accord-ance with this plan the Rev. E. Grasett, Rector of Fort Erie, has supplied Port Colborne once a fortnight since last June; the Rev. T. B. Fuller tations or by-laws detrimental to its own efficienthe law if it does, it must take the consequence year, the Junction once a month, and Queensto year, the Junction once a month, and Queensto Rector of Thorold, has supplied, for about a once a month, on Sunday evenings, and March-ville occasionally on week days; the Rev. Thos. the Church is to enforce its own legislations on its own members, it will be for the Church, as it has been for all other religious bodies, to set their services once a month at Queenston; whilst in has been for all other religious bodies, to set their services once a month at Queenston; whilst is the services once a month at Queenston; whilst is the services once a month at Queenston; whilst is the services once a month at Queenston; whilst is services once a month at Queensto Hill, of York, Grand River, has four stations in

the free institutions of our colonies.

It contrarts with the Archbishop of Canter
it contrarts with the Arch say a Bill of last session. That measure came they are given, and your committee trust that the disadvantage of being manifestly a they will tend to keep the people together until the classical concession. It did not treat the color the district can be favoured with the services of tes with confidence. It set up all sorts of a travelling missionary, which they trust will be

Owing to the absence of the Secretary as one f the deputation from the diocesan syned to the general convention of the Protestant Episco-pal Church in the United States, during the month of last October (the usual time for holding the parochial meetings of the church society in this district), none of them were held at that time, and he has been enabled to attend only three since that time, viz., one at Christ's Church, Port Maitland; an interesting one in the much improved church of St. Paul's, Dunnville, on which occasion was present of the clergy only the Incumbent, the Rev. E. Grasett, Rector of Fort Erie, and himself; and the third in the parish of Fort Erie. These were all held last month, and the latter of them especially showed to the few clergy who were present—the Rector, the Rev. A. Townloy and himself—the deep interest taken by the parishioners of Fort Erie in these meetings: for though it had rained most of the day, and the evening was very stormy yet there met us, that evening, a goodly assem-blage in the neatly decorated church of St. l'aul's

The Secretary has performed two journeys this winter to the mission of the Rev. C. B. Hill, Grand River, for the purpose of forming branches of the church society therein. On the former a branch was established at Cayuga, the county town of Haldimand, and on the latter, two branches were formed, one at York and one at Though the attendance on these occasions was was not very encouraging, yet it is to be hoped that through the zeal, energy and perseverance of the untiring missionary in charge, these branches will yet be most useful nuxiliaries to this district branch association. The county of Haidimand, all of which is included in this rural dennery, is fast filling up with an industrious and enterprising population, a good proportion of whom are Church people; and the interests of the church imperatively require that, instead of two, there should be settled at least four clergymen in that important county.

Your managing committee feel it their duty to recommend the bolding of parochial meetings once a year in every parish and mission in this rural deanery, except in that where the next annual meeting of the district branch association is to be held; and, whilst they would press upon the several incumbents the duty of urging their people to attend them in large numbers, they would also gladly induce the clergy and laity generally to take a warmer interest in them than they have hitherto exhibited. These meetings afford excellent opportunities for explaining many matters connected with the constitution and working of the church society, of which many of our people are ignorant, and for pressing its claims upon them in a forcible manner, and for discussing many matters connected with the best interests of the church, which do not seem quite suitable in discourses from the pul-pit. Bosides, we are so constituted by nature that to meet together and speak of these things tends to increase our interest in them, to bind us more closely together as members of the great family of Christ, and to make us all, clergy and laity, feel that Almighty God has intrusted to our care talents, for the due improvement of which we will have to render a trict account on the great day of judgment. The more the pressing wants of our fellow Churchmen are brought before us, the greater will be the bense we shall entertain of our reeponsibility in regard to them; and the more frequently we are reminded that we are only stewards of the good things of this world en-trusted to our care, the nearer will we come, through the grace of God, to the due discharge of our stewardship. In order to obtain from these meetings the benefits they are calculated to afford, it is not only necessary that the clergy of the several parishes should use their influence with their people to secure a good attendance, but it is also necessary that those who can give the requisite information, and treat successfully xercise a little self-denial, give some time to the cause, and improve those personal talents entrusted to their care for the good of the breth-

ren.

If the clergy would do what they could in the matter, and the lay members of the church (whose speeches are always listened to with a great deal of attention, and have a very benefi-cial effect, when they favor the meetings with them,) would make themselves masters of the subjects to be brought before the meetings, and then not be afraid to express their sentiments and feelings before their brethren, our meetings would be very different from what they have usually been. The beneficial effects of the course here recommended have been witnessed of late years in the parish of Fort Eric, where the incumbent has exerted himself to secure a good attendance of his people, and where has ways (with the exception of the last occasion) been a goodly company of the clergy present, and where the laity have given life and animation to the meetings. But where the interest of heavy calls made on its members for other the meeting has to be sustained year after year by the secretary, aided perhaps by a single clerical brother, as has often been the case since sions of the Rev. Messrs. Armstrong and Shanklin, whilst the lay brethren content themselves with merely moving or seconding the resolutions committed to their care, it is not surprising that the meetings should be uninteresting, and on the next occasion more thinly attended. Believing these parochial meetings to be of essential importance in sustaining the operations of the Church Society, and promoting the best interests of the Church; and feeling as they do, that to render them what they are well calculated to be, demands a deeper interest in them and more self-denial and exertions on the part both of the clergy generally, and of the laity, your man-aging committee would press this subject upon the serious consideration and earnest faithful attention of their brethren throughout the district. And they would at the same time recommend the holding of these meetings during the month of October in each year; and that, inmediately after the meetings are held, the work of collection should be commenced and completed as soon as practicable. During that month the weather and the roads are more to be depended on, in this rural deanery, than during the winter months; it is not a particularly busy time in the rural parishes, and the farmers having just sold their great staple, wheat, all are more in funds than during the winter months.

The monies thus collected might be retained by the parcelial treasurer, or transmitted to the treasurer of the district branch at any time previous to the meeting of the district associa

Several matters of importance, requiring the attention of the managing committee of this district branch, a meeting thereof was held in St. Peter's Church, Thorold, on the 29th of December last.

At that meeting resolutions were passed securing greater punctuality in sending in the several reports to the secretary, and paying in the collections to the treasurer of the branch association; excluding from the returns matters not properly belonging to them; and inviting information from the several clergy of the district as mitted to his care and to lay deep and strong to the amounts raised for church purposes in their several parishes during the year ending the preceding Easter, in order that it might be during the proceeding to the several parishes during the year ending the past of the several parishes during the year ending the past of the several parishes during the year ending the past of the several parishes during the year ending the past of the several parishes during the year ending the past of the several parishes during the year ending the past of the several parishes during the year ending the past of the several parishes during the year ending the year end year. put on record for future reference, if at any portonce to its well-being.

Doubling can be plainer than the greatness of the time required. Resolutions were also passed

Peeling his utter impossibility, even with his principles laid down by the Church in Scotland

TORONTO, CANADA, APRIL 13, 1854.

orphans' fund, £12 10s. : making £47 1s. 3d. being an increase on the preceding year of

The same parish reports, through the chairman of the associations in connection with St. John's Church, Stamford, and St. George's. Drummondville, £17 93.

At Drummondville very praiseworthy exertions are being made to erect during the year a church on a beautiful site generously bestowed by a lady who takes great interest in the well-being of the church. These exertions fully account for the slight decrease in the subscriptions from Drummondville, whilst those from Stamford have an increase over those of last year.

The purish of St. Catharines reports, through the chairman of the parochial association, that t affords them great pleasure to state, that the annual subscriptions were never more cheerfully paid than they have been this year, several subscribers having voluntarity increased the amount of their contributions. This is the more gratifying, as the parish is now burdened, and will be for some time to come, with the payment for a handsome and substantial parsounge which has been recently purchased, and raised by voupon which a considerable sun stary contributions, has just been expen in necessary improvements. The amount of the annual subscriptions this year-although in realty greater-does not appear quite as large as that last year; but this apparent deficiency: can be satisfactorily accounted for by the fact, that an important portion of this parish has been, within the past year, marked off into a separate district, and attached to the new and beautiful district, and attached to the new and b little church recently erected at the Eight Mile Creek, and placed under the spiritual charge of the Rev. Mr. Phillipps: its subscriptions, therefore, can no longer be considered as belonging

to the parish. The amount of collections for the current year are £51 12s. 4d.

The parish of Thorbid reports, through the chairman of its parochial associations, that in

consequence of the temporary removal from the parish of some of its most liberal and regular contributors, but more especially on account of the large expenditure, amounting to about Lino, on the new church ereating in the vil-lage of Thorold, most of which has been furnish-ed within the parish, the amount collected this year falls a little below that reported last year, and would have been still lower but for the liligence and seal shown by one of the ballectors.

The amount collected this year is, for general purposes, £32 11s. 3d.; widows and orphans' fund, £1 5s.; district travelling missionary fund, 12s. 6d.; making £34 8s. 9d. The parish of Grimeby reports, through the secretary of its parochial association, as collect-

od for the current year £21,32. 9d.

The chairman of the parochial operations, in connection with St. Paul's Church, Dunnville, connection with St. Paul's Church, Dunnville, Christ's Church, Port Maitland, and St. John's, Church, South Cayuga, reports that the amount collected for the Church Society in Dunnville is, amount subscribed, £18 16s, 7dd.; additional sold in the content of the Church Society in Dunnville is, amount subscribed, £18 16s, 7dd.; additional sold in a chief over last year of £6 1s, 103, St. John's Church, South Cayuga, £1 19s.; Christ's Church, Port Mailand, £9.17s 6d.

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In sending in his report, the Rev. chairman states: "Dunnville is steadily progressing in its clerical exertions, its funds are larger, its congregations steadily increasing. Indeed, owing to its being recently powed, there is a painful want of room for strangers and occasional worshippers; if, we had the means of doubling our church accommodation, leaving a large part free, I feel satisfied that the congressional Bishop Stewart,—and of his reverend

In regard to St. John's Church, South Cayuga, he says: "Here the congregation is small, but contains some valuable church families, and I trust that their leaven, by the blessing of God, will in due time add to their numbers.

The Parish of Fort Eric.

This, the chairman of its parochial association reports the collections for the current year to be £9 is. 3d.; donation to widows and orphans' fund £1; making £10 is. 3d.

The Parish of Louth reports the Branch of the Church Society in this mission, which for church purposes, has again revived. The amount of the collections is £3 10s., which sum is handed in full to the Treasurer. This sum is small, but in addition to it the members of the church in this mission have sub-scribed the sum of £114 towards extinguishing the debt on the church at Jordan, and for various other objects set forth in the appendix. Niogara District Bronch of the Discount Church Society in account with George Hykert, Transver.

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ahows the necessity for more frequent and bet-ter sustained meetings in the different parishes. Sures for carrying out those great objects, in Still as the decrease in amounts collected for the Church Society has been in most instances, as our means and opportunities will enable us where local objects of the first importance, as to do; we wish, as a daughter, to be allowed the purchase of an excellent personage at St. to aid her in the great work of planting Christ's Catharines and the building of a very superior kingdom in this rising country, "whilst we church at Elora, have called for large contributions from those who would otherwise have more together,—whilst we are anxious to acknowledge than made up the deficiencies in those parishes; and as several of the reports show a decided subjection in spiritual matters to his Grace the increase, your managing committee see no cause for discouragement; but feel encouraged to trust that the spiritual union—the union of make renewed exertions for the coming year.

next October, and the townships of Walpele and ments of the missionary services performed by duties of the episcopate for the whole of his Rainham, where there is a church population of about 1000 souls, can be supplied with the ministrations of a resident elegyman.

Instruction of the moticed above, and to meet unavoidable discose; his Lordship has, for some time past, about 1000 souls, can be supplied with the ministrations of a resident elegyman. spenses incurred by them in the performance urged upon the authorities of the fithose services.

For the current year the Parish of Niagara

Toronto into three diocesses at a very early day,
and into four diocesses at no distant period.— For the current year the l'arish of constant period.—
reports through its chairman, general purposes and into four dioceses at no distant period.—
£51. 1%, Od.; widows and orphans fund, £1 5s.; And he has lately addressed his people on the making £53 5s. 9d.

subject, and urged upon them the duty of providing an endowment, which which will yield a The perish of Chippens reports through the chairman of the association in connection with Trinity Church, subscriptions for general purposes. £84 lis. 8d.: donation to widows and important, responsible and onerous duties of

important, responsible and ouerous duties of bishops over the discesses. And your managing committee would urgently press upon the members of the church in this district the careful perusal and prayerful consideration of that able document; and, at the same time, the selemu enquiry as to what their duty to God and the souls of their fellow crestures require them to do in this matter. The plan proposed by the Lord Bishop appears to be simple and admirably calculated to accomplish the important objects contemplated. It is true that it will require some labour and exertion from those who solicit subscriptions and done-tions from the various members of the church scattered throughout this extensive dioceso but, in what more important work and labour of love could they be engaged? And it will require those solicited to exhibit a deep sense of

their accountability as atewards of the good things of Almighty God. We hear on all sides mention made of the great prosperity of the country-of the rapid prices of all kinds of property. know that our farming community have respect during the past season a golden harrest from the greatly increased value of all the productions of their farms, and we know that it is an estab lished rule, in this country, that when the farmer thrives all the other members of the community share in his prosperity. Your managing com-mittee consider the well davised plan of our aged but still most able and active Disocean as afforting a most admirable medium for showing that our people feel thankful to Almighty God for that increased prosperity, and are willing to show that thankfulness by devoting a goodly portion to God's glory, and the promotion of the best interests of his people; and they would re-commend their agricultural brethren particularly lo mako an esti mate of the increase of their incomes during the past year, arising from the increased price of the fruits of their labours, and to devote as much as their culightened consciences may direct them to do to assist in endowing four Bishopries in Upper Canada.

It has been found, both in the United States and in the colonial empire of Great Britain, where the number of colonial hishops has been increased from five in 1835 to twenty-air in 1853, that a great increase of clergy, and consequently an extension of the church; has always resulted from the multiplication of blehopries. It must be evident to any one who will reflect for a mo-ment upon the subject, that a country stretching from the Ottawa to the St. Clair, and from Lak Superior to Lakes Erie and Ontario,-fully 600 miles long and from 100 to 150 deep-a country lubabited by fully 260,000 members of the church scattered over about 180 missions, many of them as large as an English diocese,-must require far more episcopal supervision than it is possible for any, one man to afford it. The interests, therefore, of the church demand an immediate increase in the collectuate and it is carrestly hoped that what will probably be the last appeal from our venerable lighton, fast ap-proaching three score years and sixteen and rio has laboured for upwards of half a century in this country, will not be in vain, but that a noble componee will be made to so noble an ap-(Hero follows the extract on the subject of the

ation would rapidly increase."

It regard to Port Maitland, he says: "This in a pamphlet which he published and of which and our former average, considering our decrease in subject has been frequently spoken of, which is not supported by the class of the clarge of the diocese. From that time to this the our former average, considering our decrease in subject has been frequently spoken of, written and our former average. about, and agitated in various wavel " Resolutions in favour of it have been passed by various bodies of Churchmen, addresses upon the sub-ject have uses sent to the authorities of the church in England, and to the three branches of the Imperial Parliament, and frequently have we hoped that we were about to have our urgent requests granted, but as often have we been

doomed to disappointment.

So urgent, however, was the want, and so great was the anxiety of Churchinen on the subject, that, at the meeting of the clergy and laily convened in Toronto last October under the presidency of our devoted and indefatigable discenar, the meeting resolved itself into a die synod, with the full concurrence, it is believed, of its presiding officer, and adopted an address to the Imperial Parliament, asking for a short bill which would remove any doubts that might exist as to the legality of our proceedings, and exist as to the legality of our proceedings, and to repeal any old statutes that might possibly be urged against our taking those steps in the premises which the combined wisdom of the church might suggest. A resolution in favour of meeting in Toronto in June next, as a discount synoi, was adopted; and there is every reason to hope that by that time a permissory act will be passed in the imperial Parliament, by which we will be authorised to meet together and to consult for the best interests of our beloved Zion. The hishops of the several dioceses of our church in the North American colonies, feeling the anamolous position in which they are ed, without any practical rules for guidance in mattern of discipline, and without any means of enforcing that discipline, in most cases, have expressed an urgent wish for a change of their position in this respect, and, in common with the clergy and laity of the countries as a conventions as calculated, in the providence of Gori, to afford them that relief they so feelingly

St. Catharines 9th March, 1854.

This statement shows that much more might have been done in this old and wealthy district than has been done during the year, and calls for renewed exertions on behalf of the clergy and leading laity in the several parishes, and shows the necessity for more frequent and better that the different training of the clergy and attention. All that we ask and desire is, that we shall now be allowed to take such meanings in the different training. the great temporal head of the church, and our Our indefatigable discessen, ever auxious to joy, may prove indestructible."

promote the best interests of the church com
It is true that, in some respects, we will differ

from our beloved mother, when we shall be regu-larly established with our synods and our convocations; but these are points in which we may most legitimately differ from her; for unanimously, granting small allowances to the practical business talents and his extraordinary in her preface to her canons of 1889. "The Rev. Messra Gravett and Ingles, as acknowledge powers of endurance, adequately to perform the doctrines of the church," says the language in

this preface, "as founded on the authority of the children and perform other occasional scripture, being free and immovable, ought to vices of the church be uniformly received and adhered to in all times and in all places. The same is to be said of its government, in all these essential parts of its constitution, which were prescribed by our advrable head. But in the discipline which may be adopted for furthering the pur-poses of ecclasiastical government, regulating the selemnities of public worship, as to time and place and form, and restraining and rectifying the crits occasioned by human deprayity, this character of immutability is not to be

ti unquestionably is by a large pertion of both large and laity in Hagiand, where they have township of Prince in the 17th concession of the clergy and laity in Hagiand, where they have township of Derby, making in all sea Banday and an established church with all its substantial advantages, how much more is it to be desired.

At Southampton, there has been an increase

stension of our church till it shall embrace within its fold the whole land.

Most of them churchmen by inheritance Most of them churchines by innertance, the initial state of them churchines of the elements and content of the church "(to use the elements of the church in the church) "(has rooted the belief in our minds that in our church we belief in our minds that in our church we have the nearest approach that the world mances of the church shall be more frequently one present to the church which the Saviour and proceed them. They carriedly play that the saviety of the church is the church is the saviety of the church is the saviety of the church is American branch of the church) than rooted the belief in our minds that in our church we have the nearest approach that the world one present to the church which the Saviour authorized his Apostles to establish. As we believe that all hope of the real prosperity of our country rests upon the prevalence of Christianity; so do ;we believe that the more the tianity; so do we believe that the more the people of this country are anohored in the doctrines and principles of our pure and apostolic church, the more surely will our country be able to abide every assault it may be called to encounter. Her cautious spirit—her; firm yet well-tempered discipline—her strong foundatious in the Holy Scriptures—her stately columns strongthened by all historic avidence and primitive action—the beautiful chastity of her gar-ments of worship as she approaches the Pather of Spirits, and that most expulsite union of gospel truth and devotional ferver, the Book of Common Prayer,—all combine to supply every thing that a pure imagination, an expect piety, or an enlightened intellect can crave or desire. or an amplituded. Interest and arrest or courter the spirit of forberance and toleration move among ourselves—let us, but uphold her doctrines, with framess and obsrity—let; her holiness be exemplified in our lives; and the

doctrines with firmness and country—let her holiness be exemplified in our lives, and the mind of the country will give way to her claims—will imbite her truth, and will appeal has induses from the, valot to the hill top, ustill the whole land rejoices in her presence.

"Yes," to employ the language of one of Rugland's noblest crators, "yes," I would have her great and powerful. "I wish to see her foundations laid low and deep, that she may crush the giant powers of rebellious darkness. I would have her head raised up to that heaven to which the would conduct us. I would have her open wide her hospitable gates, by a noble and liberal comprehension; but I would have her specifically represented in her walls. I would have her cherials all thise who are within, and pity all those who are without are within, and pity all those who are within, and pity all those who are within a carample, if the is not permitted to be an instructor, to all who have not the happiness to belong to her." I would have her her five in a casample, if the is not permitted to be an instructor, to all who have not the happiness to belong to her." I would have her five in an example, if the is not permitted to be an instructor, to all who have not the happiness to belong to her." I would have her five in an example, if the large the manufacture of the Church. When they do large many is permitted to be an instructor, to all who have not the happiness to belong to her." I would have her a common blessing to the world; an example, if the is not permitted to be an instructor, to all who have not the happiness to belong to her." I would have her for the manufacture of the instructor of the carample of the Church." When they do large many examples of the carample of the instructor of the carample of the carample of

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T. B. PULLER. St. Catharines, Dili March, 1854. MISSIONARY REPORTS

CONNECTED WITH THE GOES AND WELLINGTON

Elora, November 29, 1863.

Rev. and Dean Siz.—Since receiving your letter my time has been so continually taken up in the mission; the roads being so bad as to make it difficult to keep my appointment, has prevented the report being sent in time for the meeting. Since my last report, a few changes have

hince my last report, a lew changes have taken place in the mission, which make my stations, at present, as follows:

Sunday Stations, — Boundleon's B. II., Qurefrans: Erinville, Erin; Woolwich, Woolwich; Rush's fleeting House (instead of Hawkiville), Wellesley; Alderville, Peel; Irwin's, Wellesley;

Smith's, Egremont; Rooney's, Arthur; Smith's Arthur. Week-day Stations. - McKee's S. H. Garafraxa ; Hawksville, Wollesley ; Holetiville, Maryboro'; Hay's S. H., Maryboro'; Sth. line Maryboro'; Brown's Bill., Egramont; Puel ch., Peel (Mr. Smithurst: also visits this once a month, they have therefore service once a fort night); 4th line Peel; and Bristean's, Woolwich, consionally non-design of the congregations, with one or two excep-

tions, remain steadfast and seem to increase in real for the welfare of the church, and there are now, two parts of the minden in which think the people would be willing to raise helf of the stipend for a settled dergynam, viz., Garafrana and Erin, and Woolwich and part of Wellesley. I have been disappointed in getting up churches in Garafrana and Arthur village, as vas expected, but hope to do so next summer. The last year has made rapid changes in the ondition of the farmer in the back townships;

we can great harm ensures from this require stations in a new township, the visit more of the Church is for great in the prace of the church is for great mired on the first of the chief of the fall of the chief of the chief of the chief of the chief in any extrements, and enable him to contribute to the support of those sent as missionaries among them.

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The mission is a present to extended as to prevent a missionary being often in any endough the condition in a new township, to be visited every six weeks or two months, the Dissenters make that move especially their sphere of action, and by means of revivals, camp meetings, and other called in the Great language. The called in the minds of the psople, and not having the ascrices of the church is efficiently often is any measure to satisfy this feeling they are led to attend the meetings of discenters, and gradually become joined with them. Another reasons for formed every month or two, the people support the missionary to visit these at their own homes, which is impossible in such extended missions; and their inshility to do this makes the people look favourably on the charer. For these reasons, it seems to be the opinion of the travelling missionaries that much more permanent good would be done by confining themselves to a smaller sphere, in which there would be regular ascrices any once a fortuight, and that the more distant should be virited occasionally, say occe every three or four months, in order to baptise

hurch.
I remain, yours truly,
Especie Tannague.

OWEN SOURD SETTLEMENT. Your missionary begs to state that be com Tour inisionary hege to state that he continues to perform service on Sundays,"at the acceptant stations which have been monifolded in last year's report, with one exception, 'via," that at Mr. Grey's house in township of Artemesia, which is now a week-day station. By this Stange your missionary has been enabled to aid free new Sunday's tations to his list, viz., 'Mr. Kenney's house in the township of the state and the Now, if synodical action be much dedired, as nedy's house in the township of Arran, and Mr. tunquestionably is by a large portion of both Barbor's house in the This concession of the

advantages, how much more is it to be desired in this country, where we have none of those advantages, and where our discussionable are so different from those which gave rise to the various enactments of the canon law.

We require authority for making laws suitable to the possiliar position in which we find durable to the possiliar position in which we find durable to the possiliar position in which we find durable to the pale of our church; but which will also give new life to our whole body and inspire all our members, both lay and elerical, with the full purpose and firm resolve, fiel being our helper, to do all that in us lies to strougthen her stakes and lengthen her chords.

Your managing committee believe that the best interests of this noble country demand the extension of our church till it shall embrace dren die andeptitied, their deed are burted with-out the soloun brillances which they drive, and some are tempted to John his bury fath, the emissiste of which are we'nt band to be-mute and all and are to be deed to be and the beauty and the be that dergymen may be sent to reside among thom, and promise to give according to their means to their support. The harvest such the ripe, if not plentoons. What windless but to pray the Lord of the harvest to send of the send o

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MRY. AND DRIA BIN. — It is now solve months aince I forwarded to the Editor of the Eche copies of the accompanying well written articles on that vexorin questio, the Episcopal Voto, of it is improperly called. In a note which I it the hame time addressed to him. I expressed the hope that, as an impartial advocate of train and justice which he has often professed in himself to be, he would give insertion to those in grandelists.

A few plain words of some points connected with the philos approaches at which this Diocesan Assembly of the Church of Thirtish this been called, remarks and question come forth from time to thin, and here said there apprehensions appear to other about the design apprehensions appear to other about the design and probable have of that itselfight and real out to the head of the said of th

the world.

The principal point which has littracted attention and caused discussion is what his littracted attention and caused discussion is what his little point unbappily called the Blahop's power of web. "It is power intended by this Adré soulding mission were properly understood, the difficulties which it has raised would been fall into their delitival.