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The station of Barford has been re-opened since my last report. The church, which was begun some time ago, has been finished, and was consecrated last December. Regular fortnightly services have been held since its consecration, and the congregations have been larger than I expected. An excellent organ has been bought, but we are very much in need of a Communion service. Towards defraying the expenses of building this church, a small amount was given by the people, principally in work; a small sum contributed by friends in England. A grant of \$100 was made by the Church Society, and the remainder was given by the family of the late Dr. Ward. Dr. T. W. Ward has also deeded to the Bishop an acre of land for a graveyard (which has been consecrated), and twenty acres in another lot for general church purposes.

At Stanhope and Norton the congregation is not quite as large as last year. Very many families have left the place, owing to the shutting down of the mills. We are indebted to the Right Reverend the Bishop of Vermont for a grant of prayer books of the American Church, for use at Norton.

At Hereford the regular fortnightly service has been kept up; the congregation has remained about the same, but the number of communicants has increased. Last winter I had a large class for confirmation here, but they gradually left the place to seek for employment, and now only a few of them remain.

The congregation at Perryboro' has increased. Nine persons were confirmed here in July last, and I hope to have another class ready for next summer. As soon as the "hard times" are over, an effort will be made to build a small church at this station. A very interesting Sunday school has been maintained by the efforts of Mr. James Nish, Dr. Scott, and a few self-denying women of the congregation.

There is also an adult bible class, which is attended by nearly all in the neighborhood. This, I am sure, is a source of much good, especially on the Sundays when they have no service, as the young people of the place are thus kept from many temptations to evil.

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