

comfortably; from a very few at the outset, the congregation averages now about 100. I had not been here two months, when the Lord sent a very gracious spiritual awakening to the village and vicinity, principally in connexion with the labours of Messrs. Carroll and Russell, evangelists. This remarkable movement—remarkable and unprecedented in this locality—is still continuing, with scarcely any abatement in interest, though these brethren are just leaving." Mr. Barker thinks this movement will give the infant cause a temporary if not a permanent impetus.\* A church is at once being formed, that converts to Christ, with our views, may have a nucleus around which to gather. Mr. B. says: "As in many other places our cause here will be a feeder to other churches to a large extent, and there will be a great disproportion between our membership and our congregation, many of the latter being composed of those who have already some ecclesiastical connection." We agree with our brother as to the importance of our having a cause in this village, many of our own people will naturally be drawn thither. We also recognize the Lord's hand in opening the station at the most favourable juncture.

The Report states: "The *Garafraxa* field and church have also been much blessed; 23 have been added to our membership, and unusual interest still continues, special services being held as often as practicable. The Sabbath congregations are excellent. The church is very harmonious and zealous." The finances also are improving, the weekly offering plan being pretty generally adopted. A chapel debt of between \$300 and \$400 is pressing, but not embarrassing. Two Sabbath schools are in operation, small but growing under good management. The prayer meeting is well attended.

*Douglas and Green Settlement.*—The Douglas church was formed in June last, with 22 members, by letter from Garafraxa first church, Rev. Robert Brown going with them. They have since added eight others, and are encouraged to hope for further prosperity. They have proceeded to build of brick, a church 30 x 46, and have most of the material on the ground, and a good

\* Since the above was written, a church has been formed in Fergus with 27 members, about half new converts.