

erected a frame 36 by 28 feet, roofed and boarded in; they expect subscriptions from Toronto and elsewhere to enable them to finish it. \$57 was the amount subscribed by the people for the support of the mission, and the list was left with two gentlemen of the congregation.

In the township of Arthur there is at least a house for every lot; the main roads good, side lines generally opened up, and eleven schools. A greater number profess to belong to the Church of England than can be claimed by any other denomination.

Minto is comparatively a new township, it being only five years since the first road was opened through it by Government. There are now 500 householders, and wide clearings for 15 miles along the Government road. In the centre and western parts the population is chiefly Presbyterian; but in the north-eastern and southern a great many Churchmen. The Rev. John Smithurst has made extensive improvements, and has been of much service to the township. He holds a service on Sunday afternoons at a school house three miles from his house, at which both Presbyterians and Churchmen attend. These Churchmen unanimously agreed to do what they could for their brethren in the southern part of the township, and subscribed \$13, the list was left, in the hope of being doubled. The services of Mr. Smithurst are given there gratuitously.

At Harriston, on the Government road, \$15 were subscribed; the list was left in hope of obtaining more. A site has been offered for a church.

At Miller's Corners the following townships meet, viz., Minto, Arthur, Maryborough, and Wallace. The list was left with two members of the Church, \$28 having been subscribed. Half-acre was offered for the site of a church. Within a circle of three miles there are said to be 100 families who profess to belong to the Church. But many have, as elsewhere, despairing of the services of their own church, been induced within the last twelve months to join the Methodists, and there is too much reason to fear that many will soon follow their example unless steps be immediately taken to supply their wants. The Report of Messrs. Tremayne and Stewart concludes with the following remarks:—

"Considering the difficulties under which these townships are now labouring, very many of the inhabitants being obliged to receive aid from the County Council in order to keep them from starvation, we cannot be but well pleased with the subscriptions obtained; and here we cannot refrain from expressing a hope that the exertions made by these impoverished people will stir up the hearts of those who have the means to contribute liberally of their comparative abundance, to afford their brethren the spiritual privileges they themselves enjoy. 'Freely ye have received, freely give.' Let all remember that 'Whatever one member suffers all the members suffer with it.'

"It is evidently very important that the work of the committee be completed as soon as possible, and that the townships of Maryborough, Peel, Garafraxa, Amaranth and Erin be visited during the summer months.

"It is impossible that every part of the county of Wellington can be supplied with the ministrations of the Church unless there be at least six missionaries within its confines. They might be distributed in the following manner:—

- 1. Peel and South Maryborough.
- 2. North Maryborough and Minto
- 3. Arthur and Western part of Luther.
- 4. Garafraxa and part of Erin.
- 5. Amaranth and Eastern part of Luther.
- 6. Eramosa and part of Erin.

"Two of these stations, viz., the 3rd and 6th

—Arthur and Eramosa—are already supplied. Four additional missionaries are therefore required. But for the present, if two could be immediately appointed, our Church might, under the blessing of God, continue to hold her present position. One missionary might take the charge of Peel, Maryborough and the Southern part of Minto, the other of Garafraxa, Amaranth and Erin."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL GAZETTE.

SIR,—Will you be so good as to allow me to acknowledge in the *Ecclesiastical Gazette* the receipt of \$125 collected in Toronto, by the kind exertions of Thomas J. Preston, Esq., towards the completion of the Church now being erected in Mount Forrest.

The Lord Bishop	\$ 21 00
Hon. J. H. Cameron	20 00
Mr. James Henderson	20 00
John Harrington	20 00
Clarke Gamble	5 00
Andrew Mercier	5 00
J. C. Gilmore	5 00
Henry Rowsell	4 00
John Duggan	5 00
J. B. Robinson	5 00
Alexander Murray	5 00
G. M. Hawke	2 00
Hon. Wm. Cayley	5 00

\$125.00

I cannot but think that if our wealthier brethren in the cities were aware how much assistance is afforded to a poor congregation in the back woods, struggling against poverty and the opposition of surrounding sects, by their contributions to an object like that in which the Churchmen in Mount Forest are engaged, there would be more to follow the good example of those whose names appear above; within my own knowledge there are several places in the back townships where congregations are found in rising villages, where it would be most desirable to have a church erected, but the people are so destitute of money that without some little assistance they feel quite unable to attempt such a work.

I am, yours, &c.,

H. W. STEWART.

Guelph, July 6th, 1859.

DIocese OF HURON.

The Secretary of the Church Society respectfully notifies the Clergy of the Diocese of Huron that the Lord Bishop has appointed the next collection for the Church Society to be made during the month of July, and the proceeds to be applied to the Mission Fund of the Diocese. Ingersoll, July 2, 1859.

DIocese OF QUEBEC.

The convocation of Bishop's College, Lennoxville, met on the 29th ultimo. Among the clergy and laity assembled on the occasion, were—Their Lordships the Bishop of Montreal, the Bishop of Quebec, the Bishop of New Hampshire, the Rev. Messrs. Slack, Lonsdell, R. Lindsay, D. Lindsay, Houseman, Horton, Hamilton, Wood, Judge McCord, Lieutenant-Colonel Munro, C.B., &c., &c.

The Convocation met at the College at 3 p. m. Proceedings having been commenced by the Vice-Chancellor, Hon. Judge McCord, the following Degrees were conferred.—

Bishop Chase, D.D., of Harvard Coll., *ad eundem*; Dr. Horton, D.D., of Harvard Coll., *ad*

eundem; Rev. W. S. Perry, M.A., of Harvard Coll., *ad eundem*; Rev. C. Hamilton, M.A., of Oxford, *ad eundem*; Rev. E. Wood, M.A., of Durham, *ad eundem*; Col. Munro, C.B., D.C.L., *honoris causa*; Rev. G. V. Houseman, B.A., of St. John's Coll., Cambridge, M.A., *honoris causa*; Rev. R. Lonsdell, formerly of Trin. Coll., Dub., M.A., *honoris causa*. — Lewis, Bishop's College, M.A.

The following from the speech of the Vice-Chancellor will be found interesting.—The Vice-Chancellor said that he could have but little to say on the subjects previously so ably discussed, but he had to give an account of the educational monetary affairs of the University. Those who had visited the College and examined the students had expressed, as they had just heard, a high opinion of the progress made. Some superficial inquirers might indeed think that enough had not been done, but if they would look more closely into matters, they would see that nothing more could have been effected with such small means. They had been disappointed in their expectations of government support. They had never received from parliament building aid, such as other institutions had—it was therefore their intention to appeal to their friends for funds for School buildings, &c. Many donations had been given to the library and museum, during the past year. The present Archbishop of Canterbury had presented them with a complete edition of his own works. M. Hussey had given 400 volumes; and Mr. M. Rivingtons, the printer, had also sent a handsome donation. The library had, in all, received an accession of upwards of 1,000 volumes. The University had now, he hoped, reached its minimum, and fresh recruits were expected both from the country at large, and from the Preparatory Department, under the able management of its Rector. He begged also to say a few words of thanks to the R. R. Bishop Chase, Mr. M. Horton and Mr. Perry, for their kindness and the interest they had shewn in the University. It was another instance of the warm-hearted kind reciprocity they had always found in the Clergy of the United States. (Applause.) The Vice-Chancellor also congratulated the University upon the addition that day made to its list of graduates, of some names not unknown to fame, amongst whom were the R. R. Bishop Chase, New Hampshire; the Rev. Dr. Horton, Mass.; and the Rev. Mr. Perry, M.A. They have the pleasure of recording the name of the gallant commandant of H. M.'s 39th Regiment, Colonel Munro, C.B., in command of H. M.'s Forces in B. N. A., aliko distinguished in arms and letters. He expressed himself rather disappointed that the modesty of the collegians should have prevented them from addressing any remarks to the audience. He trusted that that would be remedied at the next Convocation; if such should not be the case, he hoped that the boys of the Normal School would give the collegians a good example. (Great applause.)

The Convocation was then declared closed.

The thunder showers, towards the close of the afternoon and evening, did not prevent the conversation from being well attended. The decorations and refreshments were unexceptionable, as were the duets, glees and songs, that gave an additional spirit and zest to the scene.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SYNOD.

(Continued from our last.)

The Rev. Dr. Lewis having obtained leave brought up the following report of the Committee on