

The scenery along the drive was very picturesque, and in one place the view seemed to the Bishop's English eye to be strikingly like the view of the Thames at Richmond Park.

The drive led past the Plaster Rock, which is very valuable. An offer is said to have been made to build a railway to the rock if compensation be given to the projector in a grant of part of the gypsum quarry. If this be carried out splendid land will be opened up.

On their return to Three Brooks the missionaries held service in a Presbyterian Kirk generously placed at their disposal; and the Bishop Coadjutor preached to an attentive congregation, though several violent squalls (one of extreme violence) in the afternoon and evening probably thinned the numbers; about thirty were present.

On Saturday, August 15th, the pair had their hardest drive, not so much from the horizontal distance passed over (for the chain would only have told twenty miles), but perhaps a nearly equal distance was accomplished vertically, in consequence of the jumps and bounds taken in passing over poles, and logs, and slabs unenumbered with earth. It was the most tiring drive ever experienced by Bishop Kingdon: Mr. Hoyt rather liked it, and at its close started for a round of parochial visits on foot.

From Three Brooks they drove down the Tobique, and crossing over to the South Bank turned up to the settlement of

#### BED RAPIDS,

which is in the parishes of GORDON and PERTH. Here they visited Mr. Finnis Neales, the son of one of our oldest and worthiest missionaries, who has a farm beautifully situate and very fertile. He is hoping to put up a little Church on the spur of a hill, where he first saw the Bishop Coadjutor when he paid them a visit two years ago, before the road had reached so far. The site is certainly very commanding, and a Church here would be seen for a very long distance. In the afternoon the two travellers drove over what was euphemistically called a road to

#### BIRCH RIDGE.

The drive was very trying to the animate and inanimate moveables concerned. Once when the pair quitted the wagon for fear of danger to their necks, the other moveables were inclined to follow their example. Mr. Hoyt went first, leading the horse, the Bishop Coadjutor brought up the rear and picked up the stragglers. Luckily no service had been arranged for Saturday evening.

On Sunday morning service was held in the School House on Birch Ridge. There were 102 present, who were very attentive and devout. The Bishop preached, and confirmed four persons; and communicated 16 besides the clergy. The Bishop had his travelling communion service with him; and the beautiful old English oak reredos, with the embroidered fair linen, and elegant silver vessels, made the service Church-like, though the plaster on the walls was broken and dirty, and the seats were rough boards supported on chunks of wood. It was a very pleasant and impressive service,

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