

ing services were performed was the scene of his first labors in Canada. He found the people "without God in the world." The only preacher of the Cross that had preceded him, was obliged to leave the village discouraged by their waywardness and inattention. But no ways disheartened by this, the zealous missionary called the people together in a "hired room" of the tavern; after a time they assembled in a school house, erected at his own expense; and in the following year, so greatly had their numbers increased, in their present excellent and commodious church; another fruit, I understand, of his liberality. Among this devoted people he had long labored, willing to "spend and be spent" for their good, spiritual and temporal. And when, through the blessing of God on his self-denying labors, they had become a well-organized parish, he commended them with many prayers, into the able hands of him who still breaks to them the bread of life; and he moved further on to build up a new people in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. Here his ample means enabled him, and his large generous heart constantly prompted him, to assist his parishioners in their temporal difficulties, so that when he removed from this scene of his early labors, the complaint was often made (without considering the vast difference between their two cases) that "Priest — was not so good as Priest Stewart!"

It was cheering to behold the delight with which his old parishioners beheld once more their former pastor, and the interest which he still evinced in their welfare. Many hearty welcomes did the good Bishop that day receive, and many were the kind and minute questions put by him to his still beloved people. As he left the church they pressed around him,—rejoicing to behold him again in the enjoyment of comparative health and strength; and all seemed to vie with each other in inviting him (as they did in former times), to their hospitable dwellings. But such were the Bishop's various engagements, that he could promise only one old lady the high privilege of "drinking tea" with her.

In giving me some account of his early labors in this place, his Lordship remarked:—"When I first came here, this country was very different from what you now see it. Then we had to get whatever we wanted from Montreal, as there were no stores in the country, and the northern parts of Vermont were as yet unsettled. Our route to Montreal was much longer than the present one. Whenever I went there, I rode my horse twelve long miles to Missisquoi Bay, except where the roads were so bad that I had to dismount and lead my horse by leaping from log to log on the roadside. Across Missisquoi Bay I went in an open boat to Plattsburgh in the State of New York, whence I took a larger craft to St. Johns. From St. Johns to Laprairie, over the worst road in America, I went in a waggon, and from the latter place to Montreal in a batteau." Before this de-

voted missionary, a scion of a noble house, could purchase for himself the most common necessities of life, or mingle in cultivated society, he had to take this troublesome journey, then requiring three days to effect what is now easily accomplished in much less than one. As we stood at the parsonage window, looking at the village lying below and opposite us, his Lordship remarked, as he pointed out to me a very poor looking house: "Mr. — you see that house. It is the only house I ever owned, and it is much better now than when I had it, for they have put another story upon it!" Not very long after this conversation I left this delightful parish; thankful for and, I trust, profited by what I had seen, and more convinced then ever of the entire devotedness to his great duties, and the single-mindedness of its first and well beloved pastor.

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DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

The second annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary for the Diocese of Ontario was held at Prescott on June 6th and 7th, opening with Litany service and the Holy Communion in St. John's Church at 9.30 a. m. The Ven. Archdeacon Lauder officiated, assisted by the Revs. W. Lewin and G. J. Low. The following address was delivered by Rev. Mr. Lewin:—

Among the cheering signs of the times is the encouraging fact that the women of the Church have taken an open and active part in extending the kingdom of the great Head of the Church, our Lord Jesus Christ. The deep interest they have ever felt in this grand object has received an open and declared manifestation in the forming of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of this Ecclesiastical Province. The object of this so far successful organization is to promote, sustain and extend the missionary work of the great historic Church, of which we, by the blessing of our Heavenly Father, have been privileged to become members. The cause of Christ's kingdom has ever been dear to the heart of woman. She felt at once that the cause of Jesus was her cause. Noble women, women of rank in Galilee, ministered to Him of their substance; women who were poor, came to Him and poured forth their tale of suffering, of sorrow and of sin into His sympathetic and ready ear, and they received His help, His forgiveness and His benediction.

When St. Paul went to Philippi he found no synagogue there, but he went to the proseucha by the river side, whither the Jewish women resorted for prayer and devotion. There Lydia's heart was opened, and she attended to the things spoken