

*The following is from one of their Ministers, under date 8th of June last:—*

The formation of societies as numerous as possible, seemed the most likely plan to secure our end. Thus something might be realized in permanent shape, the burden on individuals would be but small; and, by rendering the scheme general, a wide interest in our favour would be diffused. Three agents, accordingly, were appointed to form societies, in as many sections of our Church. It fell to my lot to visit Prince Edward Island. With the cordial co-operation of our clergymen in that quarter, I formed societies in St. Peter's, New London, Princeton, Richmond Bay, and Bedeque. These are the only stations in which, as yet, on the island, we have ministers fixed. Although living under a separate Government, and having from this circumstance, it might be supposed, a less immediate interest in our welfare, still on laying our situation before the people, and giving them a short history of the injustice and oppression with which we had met, it was gratifying to see with what readiness they came forward and formed themselves into associations for our relief. Money among them is scarce; but by sending produce to Halifax and elsewhere, what they subscribed comes to us in the form of cash. The subscriptions amounted, in all, to about £80 currency. Part of this has been received; and, by a letter lately received from the Rev. John Keir of Princeton, there is reason to believe that nearly all the above sum we will ere long realize. There is ground also to hope, that less or more they will continue their exertions, till we secure Legislative provision.

It would be foreign to the object of the present communication, to enter into minute statistical details relative to the island. There are several particulars, however, that may be noticed. The population is estimated at about 35,000, of whom nearly one-half are of the Roman Catholic persuasion. By much the majority of the Protestants are Presbyterians; the rest are Episcopalians, Baptists, and Methodists.

*In conclusion, he writes thus:—*

Permit me to observe, that we highly appreciate your Christian and enlightened generosity, are convinced, that but for your