

of affairs commercial and religious, has been unprecedented in British Colonial History.—such extravagant expectations, resulting in such retrogression and depression, and the effect upon my own mind has been at times indescribably depressing. I must say, however, in the face of all, that I cannot but think from the many yet very imperfectly developed resources of these Colonies, a prosperous future is in store for many thousands in these woods, and waters, mountains and valleys; especially if better governmental measures be soon adopted, and above all better qualified men to carry them out. And I must also say most advisedly and with gratitude to God and humility before Him, that the value of your mission cannot possibly be measured by any money test, particularly the invaluable labors directly, and perhaps even more indirectly, of Mr. Duff during his thirteen months residence in Cariboo. At the same time, I now cease to wonder that when the six years engagement of ten or eleven English Church ministers expired, they returned home, and only two or three have come out to supply their places.

I shall—D. V.—write very soon again and keep you informed as to our progress or otherwise in Nanaimo, up to latest dates before meeting of Synod. My family were all well when I left them on the 4th of last month.

Yours fraternally
R. JAMIESON.

REPORT OF VISIT TO ST. ANN'S, ILLINOIS.

To the London Presbytery of the C. P. Church, the Report of the deputation to St. Ann's Illinois respectfully sheweth, that we visited St. Ann's on the 9th, 10th, and 11th December, 1865, and received a most cordial welcome from the Rev. Mr. Chiniquy and the congregations, and the pupils of the School or College.

The information we have to communicate may be included under the following heads:—

1st. The Congregation of St. Ann's. It is composed of 500 communicants, all converts from Romanism. The average attendance in favourable circumstances is nearly 800. We preached twice to them and received an address presented by the Elders, in which they expressed fervent gratitude to God for bringing them out of darkness into the blessed light of the gospel, and also thanks to the C. P. Church, for receiving them into its fellowship, and also craved an interest in the prayers of the Church, and sympathy, and assistance in their present trying circumstances. There are evident tokens of a work of grace among them, and there is a freshness in their religious feelings and a thirst for the word of life, such as are rarely to be found among those who have long enjoyed the gospel.

The Sabbath School, which we also visited, has an average attendance of 75. It is conducted in an interesting manner. A pleasing feature is the attendance of a considerable number of grown up persons—some of them aged—diligently learning to read the Scriptures in their own language. There is also a prayer meeting on Tuesday evenings, attended by 55.

2nd. The School, or College. It is under the Superintendence of Mr. Chiniquy, assisted by one male and two female Teachers. The attendance last summer averaged 135—all studying French, English, Geography, and Arithmetic, and sixteen studying Geometry, Algebra, and Civil and Ecclesiastical History. About 12 are expected to study Latin and Greek. The School is opened and closed with prayer and exposition of the Scriptures. Thrice a week there is an exercise in controversial Theology, having special reference to Romish errors. The pupils evince the liveliest interest in their studies.