

Everything is to be gained and nothing lost by making known what is really the apostolic and reformation order of ecclesiastical polity. But above and before all should go the Church's Head, and with Him the Church's life, the saved soul, the devoted servant, the holy walk and conversation adorning the gospel, making Presbyterian a name to be highly honoured, turning into synonyms what now are far from being necessarily synonymous, the good man and the great Presbyterian.

Missionary Intelligence.

MR. HAMILTON'S REPORT.

BRANTFORD, ONTARIO, September 12th, 1872

EDITOR HOME AND FOREIGN RECORD.

DEAR SIR,—I enclose for publication in the October number of the Record, a report of missionary work performed at Prince Albert's landing and Fort William, by the Rev. Robert Hamilton. Mr. Hamilton at the request of the Home Mission Committee spent three months in that district, from May to July, inclusive. The Rev. Mr. McMullen, of Woodstock, who succeeded Mr. Hamilton, writes us as follows, regarding the station at Prince Arthur's landing: "The last sabbath that I preached there, the attendance was larger than could crowd into the Court room, and a number stood outside the door during the service. At the close, I requested those belonging to the Presbyterian Church to remain for a few minutes that I might confer with them in reference to future arrangements. A number of heads of families and others remained, and all were of one mind, that if possible a missionary should be sent to them for the winter. The Rev. Mr. Alexander, of Norval, was present, and assisted in explaining to the people the steps that should be taken, and in the appointment of a Committee, with a Secretary and Treasurer, to take charge of the cause for the time being, and to be a medium of communication with the Home Mission Committee. The Secretary's address is Mr. D. A. Grant, Government Depot, Thunder Bay."

I have only further to add, that the Rev. Mr. Smith, a Probationer of the Church, has been appointed for the winter months, and is already in the district.

Yours truly,

WM. COCHRANE.

To Rev. Wm. Cochrane, Convener of H. M. Committee.

DEAR SIR,—

According to arrangement, I left for Thunder Bay on Tuesday, 14th May, by the steamer *Frances Smith*, in the hope of being in time to preach at Fort William and Prince Arthur's Landing on the following Sabbath, but by getting aground twice, by fog and ice, we did not reach Thunder Bay until Wednesday. We had a short service on board on Sabbath evening, and also on Tuesday evening. These were largely attended by those on board.