

which expense Mr. Doolan kindly bore. You will, I am sure, be glad to learn that our village is attracting new settlers from surrounding tribes of Indians, and rapidly improving in appearance.

"On the 12th of June last His Excellency Governor Seymour paid us his long-promised visit, and expressed himself very much gratified with all he saw. Though he had heard much of Metlahkatlah, yet the reality, he said, far exceeded his expectations.

"On the 20th of May we welcomed our new Missionary brother, Mr. Tomlinson. At once we sat down to consider the advisability of recommencing the Naas Mission\*, as Mr. Doolan's recent visit to Naas had convinced him that little good can be expected to result from occasional visits. It was decided that Mr. Doolan and Mr. Tomlinson should proceed without delay, and endeavour to establish the little band, already gathered out of the heathen at Naas, into a Christian settlement. On the 4th of June, Messrs. Doolan and Tomlinson started away for their arduous work, I trust to be greatly blessed in their labours. Their letters and journals will give you the account of their proceedings and success.

"On the 9th of last month I welcomed here my very dear friend—a warm and tried friend of the Mission—the Dean of Victoria (Rev. E. Cridge), on his first visit to us. The Dean has long anxiously desired and prayed for the opportunity to pay us a visit, and now, at the end of ten years from my first arrival in the country, his prayers have been heard, and he is with us, to the great joy of his heart. He purposes, I believe, writing to you himself upon all that he has seen and done here, so that I will say no more than that I have had the great pleasure of assisting him in examining over a hundred catechumens: the result being, that he accepted, and, on the 8th instant, baptized ninety-six adult Indians and eighteen children.

"The same steamer that brought us the Dean, brought us a letter calling upon Mr. Doolan to return home. You will learn from the minutes of the Committee meeting held here, and now sent you, the circumstances of the case. It is a great loss to the Naas Mission his going away, but the loss has been most providentially alleviated by the step which he

\* This had been temporarily suspended, owing to difficulties that had arisen.