

for them. We waited, however, till half-past eight, and then gave them up—but had, without them, a congregation of about twenty persons. It appeared that it was *pay-night*, and the miners could not get away.

On the next day, I went to South Durham, where the people from Metcalfe-Hill, some miles distant, were to meet the South Durham congregation. The Rev. L. C. Wurtele, connected with the junior department of Bishop's College at Lennoxville, (who was with me upon the occasions here described,) has paid much useful attention, to such extent as is compatible with his duties at that place, to the three congregations here mentioned, who (together, probably, with the care of some out-lying settlements besides) will constitute the charge of the Missionary at Acton. Mr. Wurtele renders his own reports to the Board, and the Board are acquainted with the means by which the compensation of his services is provided. I held service at the school-house in South Durham, and confirmed two persons, who had been prepared by Mr. Wurtele. The earlier labours of the Church, in the ground which, from time to time, she takes up, exhibit only "the day of small things;" but that day is not a day to be "despised," and may be pregnant with auguries of blessing.

The Metcalfe-Hill congregation being composed, in part, of residents in Ely, within the Diocese of Montreal, the Church Society of that Diocese has, upon the recommendation of the Bishop, engaged to contribute \$50 a-year towards the salary of Mr. Mitchell. The sum was indicated by myself as proportioned to the claim existing upon the spot, to help from the sister Diocese.

Mr. Charles Roberts, the other gentleman to whom I have referred, arrived at Quebec in the middle of Passion-Week, and I brought him out to my own house. As he will not be of age for Orders till September, I have appointed him to act, in the service of the Church Society, as lay-reader at Bourg-Louis, within the Mission, at present, of the Rev. A. Pearse, under whose direction he will conduct his operations; and his allowance will be provided from the disposable balance, as far as it will go, of the fund reserved by the Board for these objects. As you accompanied him to Bourg-Louis, and introduced him there to Mr. Pearse and to the people, you will be best enabled, yourself, to give the particulars connected with his first assumption of duty. I will only state that he comes highly recommended from home, and that he produced favorable impressions upon those who were concerned with him at Quebec.