

Sanderson and Robinson will have reported up to the time of my leaving Owen Sound. Neither of the brethren Kribs and Campbell appearing, we took it for granted that they found themselves shut up, for truly Owen Sound is the region of snow.

Having found my way back to Osprey, Mr. McLean took his horse and cutter to *Kincardine*, distant seventy-five miles, where we received a truly Highland welcome. Preached all day on Sabbath to a full house. On Monday we held our Missionary Meeting; explained to the dear friends there the new state of things, of which they had not heard a word, as no *Independent* looks in that direction, but will after this. The collection was very good, \$25, and the subscriptions yet to come. At night we gave a farewell sermon, which I trust will be held in remembrance. We were gratified to find one added to the church, converted under a sermon preached by one of the deputation to the place two years ago.

There is life in that little church worth caring for, and a wide field for labour. We found our way back to Manilla just in time to appear on the Sabbath, after an absence of three weeks all but one day, and a tour of nearly five hundred miles. These annual visits cannot be dispensed with: they do good to all.

D. McG.

Manilla, 20th February, 1866.

MISSIONARY MEETINGS, WESTERN DISTRICT.

STRATFORD, LISTOWELL, MOLESWORTH, TURNBERRY, AND HOWICK.

MR. EDITOR,—Having been appointed to visit the churches in Stratford, Listowell, Turnberry and Howick in company with Revs. Smith, McGill and Durrant, as a deputation to hold missionary meetings, I must first of all, thank God for all the numerous mercies bestowed upon us in our journeyings, and for the affectionate consideration of all persons with whom we came into contact. *I never met with greater kindness.*

We began the series of meetings on Monday, the 22nd of January, in *Stratford*, Dr. John Hyde, chairman. The meeting was small. Speakers, Durrant, pastor, Christopherson, Wesleyan, Smith, McGill and Snider. Seldom have the claims of Congregationalism been more earnestly presented than on this platform, or more affectionately pressed in view of their spiritual character. The audience were directed to inquire into the subject, by reading the reports of the London Missionary Society, the Home Missionary the Irish Missions, the Colonial Missionary Society, to read the reports on Sabbath-schools, Chapel Buildings and other labours of love, if they wished to know what Congregationalists in Britain are doing, and then to refer to the Canadian report for intelligence on our own small field. Contribution from Stratford more than last year; \$33 paid in at the meeting.

On the 23rd reached *Listowell*, 34 miles from Stratford. Mr. Langsdale, Baptist, occupied the chair. Speeches were made by Smith, pastor, Perry, Wesleyan, Brown, Episcopal, Snider and McGill. The attendance was good, and no doubt many will long, long remember truths they heard on that evening. This station will give fully as much as last year.

On the 24th, a drive of six miles brought us to *Molesworth*, one of Mr. Smith's stations. The night was stormy, and the attendance thin. Mr.