

## Correspondence.

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## TO THE EDITOR OF THE CHURCH CHRONICLE.

On Saturday, the 18th May, the Lord Bishop of the Diocese commenced his Tour of Confirmation: leaving Halifax in the morning, he reached St. James' Church, Head of St. Margaret's Bay, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, where he was received by the Rev. John Ambrose, Rector of St. Margaret's Bay, and the Rev. Henry Stamer, Incumbent of Hubbard's Cove. The attendance was not large, owing in a great degree to the unfavourable state of the weather, the day being wet and stormy; 13 young persons were confirmed, some of whom remained to receive the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper; after the Service the Bishop proceeded to the Parsonage at Hubbard's Cove, accompanied by the Rev. Messrs. Ambrose and Stamer, where he remained for the night. The next day being Sunday, many of the parishioners might be seen approaching the parish Church at an early hour; the day was every thing that could be desired, and the large, but yet unfinished, building was completely filled: 39 were presented by the Incumbent for Confirmation, and both they and all present seemed deeply impressed by the solemnity of the Service. In the afternoon the Bishop left Hubbard's Cove for Chester, accompanied by the Rev. Charles Shreve, Rector of Chester, and the Rev. Henry Stamer, to fulfil an appointment there at 4 o'clock.

## BLANDFORD AND BAYSWATER.

On Monday, 20th May, the Bishop, with Rev. C. J. Shreve and H. Stamer, visited this Mission. His Lordship was received by the Missionary, Wardens and Vestry, and immediately service commenced. After a heart-searching address from the Bishop 12 persons were admitted to full Church-privileges by the Apostolic supplemental rite of Confirmation. The Bishop preached in his usual impressive style from Hebrews xi. 1., and a large number remained to partake of the Lord's Supper. After service his Lordship, attended by the building committee, visited the Blandford Church, now in a forward state, and under contract to be finished this summer. Next morning, Tuesday, the new Church at Bayswater was to be consecrated, and a large congregation assembled. The Petition was read by the Missionary, and the procession headed by the Wardens, Rev. H. Stamer, and the Missionary advanced to the Communion Table, the 24th Psalm being read alternately, the Bishop beginning. The donor of the site, W. Cleveland, Esq., then presented the deed, and the Commissary, Rev. C. Shreve, read the sentence of consecration, in which it was dedicated by the name of "All Saints." After being fully addressed by the Bishop, five more here renewed the promises and vows made at their Baptism and afterwards were admitted to the Holy Communion. Several of the Candidates were unavoidably absent from home. The Sermon by the Bishop, from James i. 22, was a most beautiful exhortation. His Lordship spoke repeatedly in terms of approval of the Church, the attention paid to the responses by the people, and of their invariably kneeling during prayer. Early in the afternoon the Bishop and party left for Chester, his Lordship again being pleased to express the gratification he had derived from his visit.

## NEW ROSS, THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY, A. D., 1867.

*Rev. and dear brother.—*

Our Right Reverend Father has been, and blessed us, and is gone again. Would that it were possible his visits could be made less transient! Arriving from Chester on Wednesday, at noon, the Bishop held his tri-ennial confirmation in Christ Church, at 2 P. M. The Rev. W. Shannon, Deacon, said morning Prayer (the Bishop pronouncing the absolution). The Lessons and the Preface to the order of Confirmation