

excellent teacher, offered his services to the Society. They were accepted and he and I were authorised to seek pecuniary aid in England, that this part of our scheme might be carried into effect. I drew up a statement and appeal, and we proceeded to London in relation to our object. A cordial recommendation of it was signed by Drs. James Bennett, J. Pye Smith, E. Henderson, and Rev. Messrs. Geo. Collison, John Clayton Junr., Eben. Miller, Henry Foster Burder, John Yockney, Thomas Lewis, J. Fletcher, Andrew Reed, Wm. Thorp, Bristol, J. A. James, Birmingham, Thomas S. Crisp, Bristol; and J. Arundel, John Blackburn, and Wm. Broadfoot. The London Missionary Society gave £100; and A. B. £100. We had a number of £10's and smaller sums, making a total of £470; together with 25 Hebrew Bibles, 25 Greek Testaments, from the B. & F. Bible Society, and upwards of 200 volumes of books, the nucleus of our present College Library.

Rev. Richard Miles, recently returned from South Africa, read our appeal and visited us in London. After obtaining from me the information he required, he resolved to migrate in company with Mr. Smith, that he might also take part in our missionary work. He settled at Montreal, and was the founder of what is now Zion Church. The two families sailed from Greenock, in August, 1831, and while the one remained at Montreal, the other proceeded to Kingston, and ministered in the Union Church there, at the same time taking charge of two students, one of whom died ere he finished his curriculum. The other was for many years in the Baptist ministry in Canada, until his death.

My visit to Canada in 1832 to promote the objects of our Society, revealed unforeseen difficulties in the way of prosecuting such a work as we had undertaken apart from denominational action. Meanwhile our society had introduced Congregational ministers into the Eastern Townships from the United States, who laboured at Danville, (Rev. A. J. Parker,) Granby, Waterloo, Russeltown, &c. The visit of Rev. Drs. Reed and Matheson from England, which was in 1834, resulted in 1836 in the formation of the Colonial Mission of the Congregational Union of England and Wales. A carefully drawn up narrative of these movements will be found in the *Canadian Independent* vol. viii. p. 22.

From the year 1835 our missionary movements necessarily became denominational, inasmuch as we were linked with a Society in England, organized to carry forward the work of evangelization in Canada on Congregational principles. Accordingly, while the Colonial Missionary Society's work was superintended in the Western portion of the field by Rev. John Roaf, and in the Eastern portion by myself, as agents of the Society, there was, after a time, organized in each section, a local Home Missionary Society, whose special mission was to enter upon fields in rural districts, and thus to call forth in direct action upon their respective neighborhoods, the missionary zeal and enterprise of the Churches. Thus there were three societies at work, having the same general object: one in England, acting by its two agents, and one in each of the cities, Toronto and Montreal, acting by their committees and raising funds in the country. To be quite accurate it should be mentioned in this note, that the churches in Eastern Canada acted in connexion with the Canada Education and Home Missionary Society, until 1845, when a distinctly Congregational

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