

service with the family, we proceeded on our way, and arrived next at Mr. Lemmon's, where we were hospitably received in his comfortable home. At the hour appointed we proceeded to the church, but alas! it was shut up and no lights visible. After waiting for a short time the chapel keeper arrived, and after feeling in all his pockets for the key, exclaimed, "I hae na got it noo," and started precipitately for his home to see if he could find it there. He soon returned with it, all right this time. The church was warm and comfortable, the fire having been previously made, the lamps were immediately lighted—the people began to gather, and we soon had an excellent congregation. The cause of the delay was on account of Toronto time, being half hour or more in advance of that of Alton. This will probably not be the case another year, as the railway will soon be completed from Toronto to Alton, when it is to be hoped that Toronto will be informed regarding Alton time, and govern itself accordingly.

Rev. M. S. Grey, has accepted a call to Alton, but as South Caledon refuses to act in concert with Alton in this matter, she will require to seek connection with some other station in order to possess and maintain the preached word. The collection and subscriptions amounted to about the same as last year. This field appears promising, the people appear intelligent, and are strongly attached to their principles; we pray that they may be abundantly prospered. Georgetown was the next station to be visited by Bros. Reikie and Sanderson. Here there was a pleasant meeting. There was choice music; and a noble collection. Georgetown is not large but always does nobly in the Mission cause, and this year has surpassed itself, the contributions being over \$114. May all our churches imitate it.

Next morning Bros. Reikie and Sanderson, started for home; Bro. Sanderson, to drive in his own conveyance about 90 miles and Bro. Reikie, to go nearly the same distance by railway. Bro. Sanderson, started with every probability of reaching home next day, but alas! for Bro. Reikie, it was uncertain at what time he would be likely to reach Bowmanville, for he had to travel by the Grand Trunk.

J. G. S.

Listowel.—DEAR SIR.—As donations and surprise parties are the order of the day, I have the pleasure of both saying and feeling that my friends at Listowel, are not to be left entirely in the shade in the matter of manifesting their sympathy and affection for their Minister and his family.

On Friday evening, the 27th January, all unconscious of what was going on, we were induced to visit a friend, a little way out of the village, and were there purposely detained until about seven o'clock in the evening. Not having the slightest suspicion of any raid, you may judge of our surprise to find on our return, every window in the house illuminated and nearly every room filled with friends. Seeing however some baskets on the table, we began to take the hint as to what was to be the order of the evening.

Well, after having had a good cup of tea and plenty of other good things to eat, we spent a very happy social evening together. Deacon Mortimore read us a very affectionate address, to which I briefly responded, and the company retired about eleven o'clock leaving behind them about forty dollars in cash, and good substantial comforts.

L. KRIES.

Listowel, February 22nd, 1871.

Eramosa.—Speedside.—On Thursday, 16th ult., solemn and interesting services were held at this place, in connection with the induction of the Rev. M. D. Archer as pastor elect of the Congregational Church meeting there. The Rev. W. F. Clarke, of Guelph, who had also officiated at Speedside for the past four years—two years as supply, and two as pastor—tendered his resignation at the close of 1870, as he found the labour too heavy for him; and,