

time, when I needed all the consolation, support, and encouragement, that love itself could convey, on account of the then very untoward state of my station here. I am happy, and do praise God that I am at last able by His grace to report some better things.

"You know that the Bishop had promised us a visit, and on the 28th of February last, to our no small gratification, he arrived here. It was late in the evening, the duties of the day were over, and though we were expecting him, the reality of his coming seemed scarcely credible, and I knew not how to believe my own eyes, or to refrain from rude expressions of delight and surprise, when I beheld the good Bishop seated by our own fire-side. It was such an event after being for six years shut out from all clerical society, unless I travelled some twice two hundred miles to obtain it, and indeed from all other society, except that of the poor people about me, and the Company's servants passing and re-passing once a-year on their way to and from York Fort.

"I fear the Bishop must have thought me troublesome, but my joy was too great to be easily restrained, and we kept him up to a late hour. I could have wished to have given him better accommodation, but I do not think he cares much about such matters; and, therefore, having done the best we could, we felt the less on this point.

"As my station presented but little work for episcopal hands, I had done my utmost to make that little interesting.

"There were a few candidates whom I had been preparing for confirmation,* and one Indian for baptism, and I had reserved the final examination of all these for his lordship. We had, at his own request, arranged to celebrate the Lord's Supper during his stay, and he would, I hoped, meet the few communicants on some previous evening, as I am in the habit of doing.

* None of these were from Mr. Cowley's *own Indians*; some seem to have been his own servants, and some came from a distance. One woman had walked sixty miles for the occasion; another had been baptized by Mr. West, at Brandon House, in 1821.