

Anne in 1712 to the Mohawk Indians, then resident in the country now known as the "United States of America."

At the American revolution the Six Nations remained faithful to British rule, and withdrew to Canada, that they might continue under the English crown. They lost in their flight much of their worldly substance; but they carried with them, through all their difficulties, the communion service, the gift of the Queen of England, though more than once they were forced to bury this treasure to save it from falling into the hands of their pursuers.—*Monthly Report of S. P. C. K.*

#### DIOCESE OF COLUMBIA.

The Lord Bishop of Columbia, in a letter dated Victoria, Vancouver's Island, Diocese of Columbia, March 27, 1860, wrote as follows:—

"I am thankful in being able to communicate to the Venerable Society, that it pleased God to allow me to land here in safety on the 6th of January last. I found Victoria more advanced than I expected; and in respect of climate and situation, I should think it not to be surpassed for salubrity and beauty of scenery. We have had what in England would be called a mild winter, and now spring is bursting forth and carpeting the earth with flowers.

"Although Victoria itself has made great progress in the last two years, yet a check has been given to the tide of emigration into this and the neighbouring colony.

"The gold districts of British Columbia are situated in and beyond a mountain range called the Cascade, difficult of access and passage. This caused many to go back who came in 1858 with the 'rush' from California, being deficient in resources and in perseverance to contend with the obstruction. Roads are now in course of formation, which will open out to enterprise and industry not only an undoubted and wide-spread gold region, but a country beyond the mountain range highly suitable for agriculture.

"For my own part, though a different view is taken by the merchants and traders, I consider this pause in the exciting movement of masses pressing on in eager thirst of gold to be providential, and ultimately for the good of the colony, by enabling the foundations of order to be securely laid, and the ministers of Christ to enter in and occupy beforehand every post in the name of the Lord.

"The Church of England has been warmly welcomed everywhere, and addresses to myself have been signed by persons of varied opinion. I am encouraged therefore to think, that through God's blessing the opening for the word and ministry of Christ's Church is most hopeful; and that if faithful, zealous, and wise, and if supported, as we know we shall be, by Christian sympathy and prayer at home, a few years will bring rich reward to the labours of those who are privileged to work here in the vineyard of the Lord.

"I now proceed to lay before the Venerable Society some of our immediate wants, and to ask the aid which they never refuse.