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(Concluded from the last number.)

February 12th. A little after noon, his Lordship set out upon his journey for the day, being provided with two light and small sleighs of the simplest and rudest construction, the foremost of which he drove himself, the owner of the horses, (a Mr. Osgood, who had that day communicated for the first time,) bringing his baggage in the other. At Wolfestown, however, fourteen miles from the tavern in Ham, after stopping to bait, the arrangement was changed; and Mr. Osgood drove the Bishop, the other horse being tied behind, to follow. Twelve miles more brought them, by 8 o'clock P. M., to Mr. Lord's upon the side of a lake in Upper Ireland, with whom the Rev. Mr. Wickes, Secretary of the Diocesan Church Society, and temporarily in charge of the Mission, is a boarder. Here, by the kind attentions of Mr. Wickes and the master and mistress of the house, his Lordship was very comfortably accommodated during his stay.

The Mission is an extensive and important one, comprehending the whole of Ireland and Inverness, with parts of Halifax, Wolfestown and Nelson. It contains three Churches, although in a state searcely fit for Divine worship, and several other stations where service is held. But the whole country is very rough and backward, and many of the settlers are very poor, their transactions being conducted in the way of barter. Mr. Ward, a Catechist and lay-reader, is stationed in Lower Ireland on the confines of Inverness, near to one of the Churches. The Parsonage-house, (not occupied by Mr. Wickes,) is near the Church of Upper Ireland. Mr. Ward has been exceedingly assiduous and efficient in his endeavors to counteract the effects of a vacancy in the Mission, which occurred before the appointment of Mr. Wickes in December last; but, from this vacancy and other causes, the charge has suffered, and a great want is felt of additional missionary labour, to aid in effecting which object some of the people have made the beginning of a subscription-list among themselves. Under these circumstances, the Bishop. having first confided the temporary care of the mission to the zeal of Mr. Wickes, was desirous of visiting the different congregations, in company with that gentleman, himself; and he found matters in apparent train, under the Divine blessing, for better days than the mission has yet seen.

On Thursday the 19th., Mr. Ward arrived at Upper Ireland in the forenoon and the affairs of the Mission were discussed. Service was held in the Church at two o'clock, Mr. Wickes reading the prayers, and Mr. Ward the lessons. The Bishop preached to a congregation of about 70 persons, from Numbers xxx. 2, (the chapter being the first lesson,) and gave an application of the text to the occasion of a meeting which was to follow after service. This meeting was called for the purpose of following up certain measures taken for the proper completion of the Church and the maintenance of worship in the Mission, and several appropriate resolutions were passed, his Lordship being in the chair and Mr. Wickes acting as Secretary. A subscription was commenced upon the spot. The Bishop afterwards visited his old acquaintance Mr. Amos Hall, now upwards of pinety

years of age, who expressed sentiments of faith in the Saviour of sinners, as well as of gratitude for the goodness and mercy which had followed him all the days of his life. His Lordship also called upon a widowed daughter-in-law of this patriarch of the settlement, from whom, upon some former occasions, he had received be wighle attentions.

he had received hospitable attentions.

The Bishop had two appointments for Friday the 20th., the former of which was about seven or eight miles off, at the Belcher Range Church in Inverness, near Mr. Ward's, to which Mr. Wickes drove him down and in which upwards of a hundred persons were found assembled. His Lordship preached from Nehem. x. 39, making use of his text to enforce a zeal and regard for the house of God, both in a figurative and a literal sense. He had afterwards some conversation upon the same subject, with one of the Church-wardens. His Lordship then went over, with Mr. Wickes, to partake of some refreshment which Mrs. Ward, who is in very deheate health, had kindly exerted herself to prepare; and the Bishop, Priest and Catechist immediately afterwards drove to a school-house in the Dublin range of the same township, distant five miles and a half, where, by the attendance of the Catechist, prayer is wont to be made. About seventy persons were present, and the building, of which one corner was taken off by a partition of rough boards, to hold a bed and a couple of chests, was closely jammed. Eight children were presented for baptism, ufter the second lesson, at the hands of Mr. Wickes (who had baptized one in the morning service, at the Church.) Care was taken, in the midst of the throng and pressure, as well as the noise of the infants, that all the sponsors should distinctly assume their individual obligations. The Bishop preached from Luke n. 29-32. Candles were procured for the registration of the baptisms and signatures, in duplicate, of the witnesses. While all this was going on, the Bishop had some conversation with the School-master, apparently a very respectable man who was formerly a Sergeant in the 66th Regt., and his Lordship endeavored to put things in train among some of the heads of families, for procuring aid from the Provincial funds, for the School, the Act passed in which behalf is so framed as to be extraordinarily embarrassing to poor settlers in the woods, and, practically at least, exceedingly partial in the benefits which it professes to dispense. Fifty-two children are on the books of this school, and forty-six in regular attendance. The school-master has a wife and child living with him in the building. Parting here with Mr. Ward, his Lordship and Mr. Wickes went on three miles farther to the house of Mr. Layfield, a house very well known to the travellers on the Gosford Road, where they were hospitably entertained.

On Saturday the 21st., Mr. Wickes set out upon an extensive round of pastoral visits among "the sick and the whole," and the Bishop remained all day engaged in writ-

ing, at Mr. Layfield's.

On the 22nd, being Quinquagesima Sunday, his Lordship, after breakfast and devotions with the family, proceeded in a cariole hired for the day, in the first instance to join Mr. Wickes at the Plomer Range Church in Inverness, six miles from Mr. Layfield's, lying north of the Gosford road. The little Church was well filled by a congregation of perhaps not more than seventy persons. The Bishop preached the sermon for the Church Society which, by an established rule,

is delivered in all the Churches on Quinquagesima Sunday, and the sum of between ten and eleven shillings was collected. He founded his appeal upon Heb. xm. 15-16, and took occasion to enlarge upon the objects now in view within the Mission. He then went to dine, with his companion in labour, at the house of a respectable settler near the Church, of the name of Wilton, to whose hospitality he had been indebted, upon different occasions, before. His afternoon appointment was at a small private house, three or four miles distant, belonging to a family of the name of Ord, near the mills of Mr. Lloyd of Quebec, upon a branch of the Becan-cour river, and south of the Gosford road. The house consisted of three rooms: two were occupied by a congregation of perhaps thirty persons; and the Bishop and Mr. Wickes stood to officiate in the door-way of the third, which commanded the little auditory. His Lordship preached from a text in the first lesson, Gen. xu. 7-8-and urged upon the people, according to their ability, the duty of making sacrifices and exertions for their religion. It was in this neighborhood that the move was first made within the Mission, (which is thirty-five miles in length,) towards obtaining, if possible, a second missionary. Mr. Wickes went off after service to baptize a sick child, at the distance of about three miles. The Bishop passed on at once, to the house of Mrs. Fraser at St. Giles, a widow living upon her own property, who receives travellers. This place is twelve miles from Lloyd's mills; and here his Lordship was joined by Mr. Wickes, a little after ten, P. M. Mrs. Fraser and her family are attached and intelligent members of the Church of Eugland and two of her young people were confirmed by the Bishop, in one of his circuits.

On the day following the Bishop and Mr. Wickes both came over from St. Giles to Quebec, (thirty miles) the latter gentleman having many matters to arrange for the Churches in his Mission and purchases to make in order to their being fitted up, although in a very moderate way, with a little more exterior decency and their exhibiting, in this point, a correspondence to that improvement which, as it is humbly

hoped, is proceeding in the spiritual fabric.

The Bishop, upon this circuit, has seen with great thankfulness of heart the work of the Church, in the face of many marked circumstances of difficulty and depression, as conducted by the Missionaries of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, who, as a body, are faithfully executing the precise task described in that title; and certainly it is an important part of that task to lay, broad and deep, within the limits of their labour, the foundations of the Church of England in the land.

The number of Confirmations which has been, thus far, held in 1852', is arteen: the largest number of persons confirmed in any one place was in the Cathedral of Quebec, where it amounted to two hundred and twenty-four;—the smallest, was in the little school-house at Ham, in which, as has been above mentioned, three persons were admitted to the rite. The number of services in which the Bishop officially took his part, during his absence from Quebec, from the 19th Jan. to the 23rd Feb., was twenty-nine.

Occasion having been taken, in this journal, to acknow-ledge many hospitalities received, in a manner at every step of the way, it may be proper, though at the close of all, to mention, what occurred at the beginning and before the Bishop had properly entered upon that course of public duties which form the matter of the journal,—the kind attentions of Mr. and Mrs. Gale at the highly respectable and useful school kept by Mr. G. at St. Augustin. His Lordship slept the first night, at Pointe aux Trembles, and on his way to

that place stopped to take some refreshment at Mr. Gale's, who also took the trouble to conduct him to the house of an aged protestant in the same Parish, whom the Bishop desired to visit and for whose spritted welfare Mr. Gale himself is much concerned.

VISIT OF THE BISHOP OF QUEBEC TO THE MISSIONS OF WEST AND EAST FRAMPTON.

The Bishop of Quebec having been under a promise to pay a visit during the present winter, to the poor settlers of Cranbourne, who have for some time been engaged in putting up a diminutive Church, crossed over on the morning of Saturday 20th March, to Pointe Levi and proceeded that day to West Frampton, distant from the city about thirty-five miles, upon which place, in the missionary arrangements of the Diocese, the township of Cranbourne is a dependency. His Lordship prived, towards evening, at the Parsonage-house of West Frampton, where he became the

guest of the Rev. Mr. Van Linge and his ladv.

On Sunday the 21st., the Bishop and Mr. Van Linge proceeded very early to Cranbourne, the appointment at the Church of which place, eighteen miles distant from that of West Frampton, had been fixed at a quarter before ten, A. M., in order to give time for returning to the afternoon service at the latter. Mr. Van Linge's horse not apppearing to have sufficient speed and strength for accomplishing this object, they were obligingly accommodated with the use of a more active animal in his place, by Mr. T. Hodg-on, proprietor of a mill in West Frampton, whose household they roused up in the early prime, to make the exchange. The congregation was in good part assembled and crowded round the stove in the little Church, when they arrived. The building was very cold, being just so far finished as to make it possible to use it for public worship, and the spaces between the timbers were not caulked. The fittings up were, of course, of the roughest temporary kind. Fully-two persons formed the congregation—no family of the Church of England in the township being unrepresented. One woman having undertaken to lead, a few timid and half-sup. pressed voices joined in the 149th Psalm, after the prayers. The Bishop preached from Psalm xxm, and took occasion to exhort the people, according to their ability, to push on the completion of their Church. They have been aided by a grant from the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge and by some contributions chiefly raised in Quebec. The site, with an endowment of fifty acres, was given by Mr. Poole, in charge of the Commissariat bakery in that city. Some applications were made for bibles and prayer-books, of which a note was duly taken.

Immediately after service his Lordship and Mr. Van Linge returned to West Frampton and shortly after their arrival, went to the Church, a small stone building, respectably fitted up in the interior. There was a congregation of about seventy persons. The evening hymn and a psalm were sung auring the service, and the Bishop preached from Gen. xLv., 7,—the text being taken from

the first lesson.

Frampton is a backward place, with wretchedly bad roads in summer-but Cranbourne, peopled by commuted pensioners from the army, is par excellence, a poor and back-woods settlement. There is one portion of the road to it, known by the name of the Burnt Woods: here there is a low secondary growth, with openings promiscuously among the trees,—that through which the road is carried, being only distinguished, in winter, by the track itself upon the snow. As a specimen of Canadian missionary adventure, it may be mentioned that Mr. Van Linge, having been sent for, to visit a sic person in Cranhourne, during a great snowstorm, proceeded on foot, on account of the difficulty of getting a horse through the accumulations of snow in particular spots. It was dusk when he reached the Burnt Woods, alone and some miles from any house; and the track was so obliterated by the drift, that he could not then distinguish it at all. He only got safely through, by instantly stopping when he found, (from sinking into soft snow,) that he was off the track, and by groping carefully with his feet, upon hard bottom.

On Monday 22nd., Mr. Van Linge drove the Bishop round to visit some of the principal families belonging to the Church, within the

[•] It will be borne in mind that, as was stated in the close of that portion of the Journal which was published in the last Number of this paper, the remainder of the journey, described in this Number did not comprise the object of holding Confirmations,—the Mission having been visited for this particular purpose, within the usual interval.

circuit of a few miles; and on the day following, they went over together, to East Frampton on the other side of the river Et. chemin, upon the road to which they were met by the Rev. W. Merrick. Missionary of the place, (whose charge, however, comprehends some of the ranges upon the west side of that river.) The Church recently erected in this Mission to replace the original one destroyed by fire, was to be opened for divine service on Thursday the 25th., (the festival of the Annunciation) and matters had been arranged for holding upon the same occasion, a District Meeting of the Diocesan Church Society. It was for this reason that the Bishop remained for some days in Frampton, dividing his time between the two Missions. He was received and entertained at the house of Mr. Merrick, whose parents and sister reside with him. On Wednesday the 24th., Mr. Merrick took his Lordship round among the neighbors, as had been done by Mr. Van Linge in the other mission. On that evening, four other clergymen had been expected, two from Megantic, (one of whom was the Secretary of the Diocesan Church Society) one from St. Sylvester, and one from Pointe Levi; and, in the true spirit of missionary hospitality, an arrangement had been contrived, with the help of kind and willing neighbors, to receive them all at the house. The Rev. J. Torrance from Pointe Levi, travelling with a good pair of horses and through a more frequented country, accomplished the journey-but an unusual depth of fresh-fallen snow had so blocked up the roads in the other direction, that his brethren from that quarter, could not effect their object. One of them, as it was found afterwards, being the most distant, had come part of the way before the fall of snow had choked the roads, but was brought to a stand at Leeds.

It was still expected that Mr. Van Linge would come over from West Frampton, on the morning of the 25th,, but a note was received from him, with the information of his having been called to Cranbourne to visit a sick person. It was agreed, therefore, as there were only two clergymen of the District Association present, (Mr. Torrance and the Missionary upon the spot.) and as some of the laity from a distance had been prevented from attending to postpone that part of the intended proceedings of the day. The service proper to the Festival was performed, and was interspersed with chanting the voices being principally semale. A sermon very appropriate to the occasion of first opening the Church, was preached from Psalm CXXII, 7, by Mr. Torrance, who took occasion to point it out as matter of thankfulness that, by the Divine blessing upon the exertions of the Missionary, seconded by the good-will of the principal proprietor in the Mission and the people, a substantial stone edifice, in place of the former wooden and in other respects inferior structure, had been so far advanced towards its completion as to be capable of being used. The work has been aided by a grant, through the hands of the Bishop, from the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, and another from the Diocesan Church Society, as well as by some contributions from citizens of Quebec and other friends. The building is about fifty feet long: exceedingly simple; and its style is that species of gothic which is called Early English or otherwise First Pointed, (the style of St. Matthew's Chapelin Quebec.) By great efforts it has been temporarily fitted up in the interior, for public worship-having two open desks, a communion-table decently covered,—the corners on either side of which are screened off to serve as robingrooms,-and uniform ranges of benches for the accommodation of the worshippers,—the whole adapted to serve ad interim till the Church can be made ready for consecration. The fittings are all of unpainted deal, and the walls and roof of the inside, are still in their rough state. During the year and three quarters of Mr. Merrick's incumbency, the former Church having been burnt down before his appointment to the charge, Divine service has been held in his own house in which a partition was taken down every Saturday, in order to throw two rooms into one and the kitchen was entirely dismantled in order to the occupation of its floor by the benches provided for the congregation.

After the service, at which not less than a hundred persons were present, the Bishop, at the desire of the other two clergymen, made an address to the congregation, explaining the postponement of the District Association Meeting, and furnishing some details

of information at the same time, respecting the origin and objects of the Diocesan Church Society and the operations of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, whose Jubilee year may well be celebrated with thankfulness to God in these North American Colonies, and whose labours, especially when the fruits are contrasted with the condition in which British settlers would otherwise have been found, will be more and more appreciated as they are more and more known, by all who have a discerning love of the souls of men and recognize a true interest in the cause of Christ on earth.

The census of Frampton, (Frampton West and East forming one township) has been just completed and exhibits five hundred souls belonging to the Church of England. In Cranbourne almost all the Protestants and in Standon (which constitutes part of the East Frampton Mission) almost all the population, are of that Church. There is an exceedingly small and rudely constructed Church, built however, of stone, in Standon, which there is a hope of replacing by something more deserving of the name.

On Friday the 26th., the Bishop and Mr. Torrance took leave of their kind hosts, and Mr. Torrance brought the Bishop down to Pointe Levi, where his Lordship immediately crossed over to

Quebec.

COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH-IN APPEAL.

The case of Wurtele vs. The Bishop of Quebec was heard at Montreal during the March Term. The judgment of the Court below was affirmed, Mr. Justice Rolland dissenting on a point of form—being of opinion that the writ prayed for ought to have been granted, but that if the question had come up in the manner deemed right by him, the Court then "probably could have nothing to do with these purely ecclesiastical matters."

Total received to date, .. £589 12 91

R. SYMES,

Quebec, 10th March, 1852.

Treasurer, C. S.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL. CHURCH SOCIETY.

A meeting of the Richelieu District Association was held at Clarenceville on Thursday 26th Feby. The Clergy present were, Revds. M. Townsend, Chairman, C. Bancroft, G. M. Armstrong, G. de C. O'Grady, H. Hazard, Jas. Fulton, E. Du Vernet, D. Gavin, and the Secretary. The Committee, after business at the house of the Chairman, adjourned to the Church, where Divine service was performed, after which several of the Clergy addressed the congregation in a series of Resolutions.

The first, which was moved by Rev. C. Bancroft, and seconded

by Rev. G. de C. O'Grady, was,

That this Society humbly refers all the success which has hitherto attended its efforts, to the blessing of Almighty GOD, and gratefully acknowledges that while Paul and Apollos may plant and water it is GOD alone that can give the increase.

The second, which was moved by Rev. G. M. Armstrong, and seconded by Rev. E. du Vernet, expressed,

That while it is the bounden duty of all members of the Church, to contribute according to their means for the support of the ministry, they ought to be actuated by the principles of faith,

and "holiness without which no man can see the Lord."

The third, which was moved by Rev. C. Morice, and seconded

by Rev. H. Hazard, was,

That in the opinion of this meeting, endowments present the most certain, effective and least burdensome means for supporting the ministrations of the Church amongst as; and that it becomes the duty of the members of the Church to meet the liberal offer of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, by a corresponding liberality.

The Association voted out of the funds at their disposal, seventeen pounds ten shillings annually, towards the support of two of the missionaries in the District, and also decided that the Book Depository for the District be kept at St. Johns, towards which

they had previously voted the sum of ten pounds.

The next meeting was appointed to be held at Russell Town in June next, at which time it is expected that the Lord Bishop of Montreal will visit that mission, for the purpose of consecrating the new Church there.

Payments made to the Treasurer of the Church Society of the Diocese of Montreal, since 1st January.

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Montreal, 1st March, 1852.

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T. B. ANDERSON, Treasurer.

EXTRACTS FROM THE REPORT OF THE CHURCH SOCIETY, (CONTINUED FROM THE LAST NUMBER.)

The Board has ever been duly impressed with a sense of its duty and responsibility on the subject of Missionary labour; it has constantly felt that even as this lay first amongst the objects contemplated in the constitution of the Society, it was of the first importance to the well-being of the Church, and the good of souls; they therefore early devoted a large portion of the funds at their disposal to this purpose, by paying five Clergymen and one Student additional sums, to enable them to make more extended visits in the destitute settlements, and carry to the lost the glad tidings of salvation; and placed besides, annually, at the disposal of the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, the sum of £150, to be distributed by him for Missionary purposes, at his discretion.

The following is the list of the Society's Missionaries, viz.:

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The Rev. E. G. Sutton,	£50 p	er annu	ım, St. Remi.
T. Machin,	60 ⁻	66	St. Hyacinthe.
J. Constantine,	50	66	Stanbridge East,
R. Stephenson,	20	. "	Buckingham.
Mr. Wm. Jones,	10	66	Savanne.
Rev. D. Lindsay,	25	66	Froste Village.
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REPORT of the Lay Committee of the Church Society of the Diocese of Montreal, on the subject of Endowments:—

That in the opinion of this Committee, the thanks of the Church Society of this Diocese, are due to the Venerable Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, for the very generous contribution of one thousand pounds per annum towards the attainment of this object of primary and vital importance to the welfare of the Church in this section of the province.

That this Committee feels assured, that upon a due statement of the want of pecuniary means, not only among the inhabitants of the several missions of the Diocese, (and particularly those recently formed), but also in the Church Society itself, the Venerable Society for the Propagation of the Gospel will be induced to modify the conditions attached to the expenditure of its liberality.

That in the opinion of this Committee, in many cases, the extent of land sufficient for the purposes of a Glebe, connot be purchased for a sum less than £300. That if the amount to be appropriated thereto, out of the grant of the Venerable Society, he restricted to £100, there will remain a balance of £200, or two-thirds to be made up in the mission, or otherwise.

That this Church Society, being of very recent origin, and possessing no endowment, and, in fact, almost entirely depending upon the annual contributions of its missions and members, cannot afford out of its funds any considerable amount towards the completion of the two-thirds of the proposed purchase money.

That even should the inhabitants of each mission, with a view of securing the aid of the Venerable Society, undertake to raise among themselves so large a proportion as two-thirds, such subscription would have the effect of materially reducing the income of the Church Society, and consequently its usefulness, the inhabitants not having the means of contributing to both.

That it is the opinion of this Committee, that if the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel would be pleased to alter that part of its conditions, so as to permit us to use a sum not exceeding £150, or such part or proportion thereof as may be necessary as the one-half of each purchase, it might be possible, by the united exertions of the Church Society and the inhabitants of the missions, to make up the other half.

That it is well known that the incomes of the several Missionaries in this Diocese are very small, and that in proportion to the poverty of the mission, is the increased demand upon the charity of the Missionary, and that he can but ill afford to contribute at the rate of 5 per cent., as proposed by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel.

Wherefore this Committee respectfully suggests that a communication be addressed to the Venerable Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, gratefully acknowledging and accepting its very generous donation of £1000 per annum towards the Endowment of Missions, and praying that, for the reasons above assigned, they

may be pleased to remit the 5 per cent., to be contributed by the Missionaries, and permit this Society to employ a sum not exceeding £150, (in the place of £100), in each purchase of a Glebe as the proportion of one-half its purchase money.

That notwithstanding the hope entertained by this Committee, that the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel will be pleased to accede to the above prayer, it is necessary that action should be immediately taken upon the communication received from the Venerable Society, and that a circular be addressed to each Missionary in the Diocese, informing him of the same, and requesting his active exertions among his parishioners to carry out the object

That, anticipating the day when it will be in the power of this Society to make the contemplated purchases, this Committee recommends, that, to prevent misunderstandings, it be previously well understood that so soon as any mission shall be in funds to acquire a Glebe, the locality of such glebe shall be determined by a Committee, to consist of the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, the Chairman or other member of the Lay Committee, and the Missionary and Churchwardens of such mission.

J. S. M'Cord,

Chairman, Lay Committee, C. S.

R. S. Tylee, Secretary.

Montreal, December, 1851.

The following reply has been received from the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, to the application made in acordance with the above recommendation of the Lay Committee :-

"With reference to the conditions on which the Society is prepared to assist in providing Endowments in your Lordship's Diocese, certain modifications suggested in your letter have been

agreed to, to the following extent:

"With reference to the proposed subtraction from the Missionary's stipend of 5 per cent., on the grant of the Society, the Committee will recommend the Society to forego such deduction in any particular case with regard to which your Lordship may certify that the immediate increase of income to the Missionary from the purchase of Glebe, is not such as to make that deduction reasonable for a certain time. Still the Society is of opinion that the general rule should stand as at first proposed.

With reference to the extent of the Society's contribution to any particular Endowment, the Society agrees to modify its former proposal, and to stipulate that no Grant from the Society's funds for the above named purpose shall exceed £150 in amount,

or be more than half the purchase money

"Lastly, with reference to your Lordship's question, whether houses as well as Glebes would be included in the Endowment towards which the Society is willing to contribute, I am to inform your Lordship that it was the intention of the Society to confine its offer strictly to lands."

The aid extended to the Building of Churches, &c., this year, may appear small when compared ormer years; the reason is, that while no application of urgency was been neglected, the Board has kept prominently before its mind, the first object in the Society's constitution, that of Missions; believing that the feelings of the Society and the best interests of the Church would thereby be most faithfully consulted.

New Church, Russelltown,£	30	0	0
Towards Glebe at Vaudreuil	12	10	0
New Church, Berthier,	30	0	0
"St. Thérèse,	25	ŏ	0
66 Hemmingford,	25	0	0
Towards payment of debt on Sherrington Chuch,	15	0	0
St. Ann's Chapel, Montreal,	25	0	0
Repairs of Church, New Glasgow,	10	0	0
New Church, Buckingham,	25	0	0
Aid of Diocesan Female School,	25	0	9
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£2	22	10	0

The third Jubilee of the Society for the Propagation of the Gos-pel, a subject of unusual interest, has been observed throughout the whole Diocese with much zeal, and in some instances even l with enthusiasm, and the 1st Sunday in Advent having been appointed by authority for the commemoration thereof by Sermons, and for affording an opportunity to the people of manifesting their gratitude for past mercies by presenting their thank offerings; the sum of £512 17s. 4d. was received, particulars of which will appear under the proper head.

The subject of a convocation has not been overlooked by the Board. A Committee was appointed and a report made, setting forth the necessity for such a body composed of Bishop, Clergy, and Laity, but at the suggestion of the Lord Bishop, was permitted to drop until an answer could be received from the Archbishop of Canterbury to a resolution referring to Synods and Convocation passed at a meeting of the Bishops lately assembled in Quebec, and until after the general Visitation to be held in January, 1852.

The Board has to deplore the loss, by death, of a valued member, in W. McTavish, Esq., who was also a member of the Lay Committee; he constantly manifested an interest in our proceedings, by his presence at our meetings, and evinced his regard to the last, by a valuable bequest of books, which have been placed in the Diocesan Library, now numbering over 1,000 volumes.

Such are the more prominent features of the proceedings of the Society during the first year of its existence. Who will not thank God for the vital energy displayed by our beloved Church? Who does not feel that there is within her a principle that gradually strengthens and prepares her for every demand, and against which the gates of hell shall not prevail—the principle of love to the Lord Jesus Christ?

And if this be felt, let every one who loves the Church and loves the Saviour Who died for us, let every man, woman, yea, and child, who knows that every blessing comes from Christ crucified, rally round this Society through which the Church in this Diocese puts forth her strength, let them contribute to its efficiency, not only by their gifts, not only by the wisdom and diligence which they bring to the perfecting of its arrangements,these are needed for adapting the Society to its work, and these have contributed to forming it most happily for its weighty mission, -not only by such means, but also by earnest and faithful prayer, that the Spirit of God may be poured out upon us abundantly, and that we may as a body be so blessed as that the success shall be ours, promised to those only who believe.

" Prosper thou the work of our hands upon us; O prosper thou

our handy work."

DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA. CHURCH SOCIETY.

On 19th Feb. the annual public meeting of the Incorporated Society was held at the Temperance Hall, Halifax. There was a large attendance, the Hall being well filled, both below and in the galleries. It is computed that there could not have been less than from 800 to 1000 persons present. The interest thus evinced by the community in the Society's operations is, perhaps, one of the most gratifying proofs of its usefulness.

The Right Rev. the LORD BISHOP OF NOVA SCOTIA, President of the Society, took the Chair at 7 o'clock; and soon thereafter invited the large assemblage to sing two verses of the 100th Psalm; after which His Lordship requested the Ven. the Archdeacon to offer up the prayers appointed for the use of the So-

When these acknowledgments of Divine mercy had been finished, the Bishop opened the business of the evening in a lucid speech, in which he drew the attention of the meeting to the objects of the Cociety, which he emphatically described as "our own Society," to the religious destitution which existed, to the insufficient means at the disposal of the Society to relieve it altogether, and to the duty of Churchmen in providing of their substance, while living, and after death, to uphold the Church, and to promote the increase of true religion.

His Lordship concluded his forcible observations, by directing the Secretary, the Rev. E. Gilpin, junr., to read an abstract of the Report.

The following Resolutions were then moved and seconded, and passed unanimously, prefaced, as usual, by able and effective speeches.

1. Moved by the Rev. W. Bullock, seconded by the Rev. R.

J.. Uniacke, of Newport.

Resolved. That we cheerfully neknowledge our deep obligations to the Providential care of Almighty God, for the measure of success which has attended our past efforts, and express our unshaken trust in His protection for the future.

2. Moved by the Honble, the Chief Justice, seconded by the

Rev. R. H. Bullock.

Resolved, That the present responsibilities of the Society, and the increasing demands for its assistance, call for redoubled exertion on the part of every one of its members.

3. Moved by A. M. Uniacke, Esq., seconded by Rev. Geo.

W. Hill.

Resolved, That our own exertions and the difficulties with which we have to contend, both for the support of the Church and College, serve to increase our sympathy with the kindred Societies in the parent kingdom and the neighboring Provinces, and to augment our joy at their continued success.

4. Moved by J. J. Marshall, Esq., M. P. P., seconded by John

Wade, Esq., M. P. P.

Resolved, That we again acknowledge the deep debt of gratitude which we owe to the S. P. G. for its past benefits; and while we joyfully unite in the celebration of its third Jubilec, we call upon all Churchmen among us to make that effort towards its general objects which will be most pleasing to the venerable Society, viz: by vigorously exerting ourselves in behalf of the Church in this Diocese.

The collection was taken, which, we are informed, amounted

to £25.

That noble song of praise "Te Deum landamus," was beautifully chanted by the choirs of St. Paul and St. Luke, joined by the meeting.

5. Moved by Rev. T. C. Leaver, seconded by Rev. J. C.

Cochran

Resolved, That the appointment of a Bishop of this Diocese, whose counsels may guide and whose zeal may stimulate the exertions of this Society, is a cause for thankfulness to Almighty God.

The Chief Justice moved a vote of thanks to the Choirs of St. Paul and St. Luke, for their effective services, during the pro-

ceedings of the evening.

The Doxology was then sung, and His Lordship the Bishop pronounced the Benediction, thus concluding the proceedings of the evening.—Church Times.

SOCIETY FOR THE PROPAGATION OF THE GOSPEL IN FOREIGN PARTS.

79, Pall Mall, March 6, 1852.

THE following extract from a letter of the Rev. A. R. Symonds, contains a brief account of the very gratifying celebration of the Society's Jubilee in Madras last January:—

"The subject of this letter must be our Jubilee celebration. I rejoice to tell you that this has been successful beyond all our anticipations. Through God's blessing, to whom be all the praise, our Jubilee has been the occasion of a demonstration in favour of the Society and of the Mission cause such as India has not before witnessed.

With regard to Madras itself, the celebration has been such as to fill our hearts with gratitude to that God who has moved the hearts of so many towards us. On Sunday, the 4th January, two sermons were preached in every church, and collections made, with only one exception. In the Church Mission Chapel itself the Jubilee was so observed. The Bishop preached for the Society, in the morning, at the Cathedral, and in the evening at the Fort. Or Tucsday evening following (the Epiphany) a public meeting was held in the Banqueting-room, which the Governor, Sir H. Pottinger, kindly lent for the occasion, and lighted up at his own expense. The room is a no-

ble and spacious one, and holds a thousand people. It was completely full. The raised floor at one end of it served as a platform for the speakers, and for the accommodation of the more distinguished visitors. The Governor and his staff attended; and indeed, all Madras nearly, high and low, may be said to have been present. The general effect was very striking; and as I looked upon the whole, and saw such a vast assemblage of high and low, rich and poor, met together for such a purpose, I felt that years of past anxiety and effort were only too richly rewarded, while the 'Non nobis Domine' of the Psalmist rose to my lips.

"The resolutions moved on the occasion, were heartly and unanimously carried. The Bishop, of course, was in the chair, and gave an animated address, referring to his late visitation of

the Missions.

"The speakers were the Hon. J. F. Thomas, Member of Council, Rev. Dr. Powell, Sir W. W. Burton, and the Rev. R. K. Hamilton, the Rev. John Richards, and myself. The whole affair went off with great spirit. About a thousand rupees were collected at the doors after the meeting, which, considering that two collections had been made at the several churches on the previous Sunday, was very good. All are unanimous in declaring that such a demonstration in favour of the Missionary cause has never been witnessed in India; and we have, indeed, great cause to be thankful, not merely on account of the Society, but for the cause' sake."

The following is the Letter of the Bishop of Madras, recom-

mending the observance of the Jubilee:-

THE BISHOP OF MADRAS TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND, SCATTERED THROUGH THE DIOCESE.

Mv Beloved Friends,—The Society for the Propagation of the Gospel having reached its Third Jubilee year, the Archbishop of Canterbury, the president of the Society, has called upon the members of our Church throughout the world to celebrate the occasion with prayer and thanksgiving. I subjoin his Grace's letter addressed to myself, together with the circular of the parent Society, and a suitable narrative of its labours from the Madras Committee.

I am deeply anxious that the members of our Church in this diocese should most heartily respond to the appeal; and I gladly avow my firm belief that in no other part of Christ's vineyard have the husbandmen and labourers greater cause to

rejoice in them than we have in this diocese.

For, besides the gratitude we ought to feel in common with all others for the growth and extension of our Church in connexion with, and as the result of, the efforts of this Society throughout our extensive colonies, there is no country where they have been more successful than in India, and in Southern India especially. When, moreover, it is considered that there are in this diocese, 23 missionaries, 150 catechists, and 135 schoolmasters, employed by the Society—that three seminaries and one grammar schools are supported by it for the training of missionaries and the diffusion of sound knowledge-that the congregations connected with it consist of more than 19,000 souls, and that above 5000 children are receiving instruction in its schools—that within the last six years sixty-five churches and chapels have been built, besides schoolrooms, mission-houses, &c.—that in the same period 3258 persons, adults and children, have received Christian baptismand that in those six years only nearly one million of rupees have been expended in the missions: it is indeed cause for devout gratitude and thankfulness, and should stir up our hearts on this occasion, when calling to mind what great things God has done for us.

I would also hear testimony to the truly evangelical and high character of the missionaries of this Society. In my late visitation my heart rejoiced to witness in Tinnevelly and Tanjore

[•] These are the Vediarpuram seminary (Tanjore) containing 53 students; the Sawyerpuram seminary (Tinnevelly) containing 160 pupils; the Vepery missionary seminary containing 11 young men preparing for missionary employment; and the Vepery grammar school containing 140 pupils.

the fields white unto harvest occupied by these holy and devoted men, and to see the blessed fruits of their self-denying labours. In connexion with this Society alone I confirmed 1835; persons in the above districts.

If, having these facts before us, we should not keep the Jubilee period with humble prayer and earnest praise, and a more than ordinary thank-offering, surely every thing would unite to reproach our ingratitude to God, as well as our want of

zeal and right feeling in His service.

I would therefore earnestly recommend that on Sunday, the 4th of January, 1852, sermons should be preached at every station, setting forth the claims of the Society on this diocese. and urging the members of our Church to give it their liberal support; and that Tuesday, the 6th of January, being the day appointed to commemorate the Manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles, should be hallowed by a devout remembrance in our respective families of God's mercies to the Society; and that a public meeting be held in some convenient place at your station on the same evening.

The offerings of the people will be collected after the sermons on the Lord's-day, and at the conclusion of the public

A suitable form of prayer for family devotions on the morning and evening of that day accompanies this address, together with a selection of eight hymns adapted to either domestic or

public worship.

The Bishop entreats the clergy and their flocks throughout this diocese to enter into the spirit of this appeal—thankfully and devoutly to "keep this Jubilee season." Let us in all humility bless God for His great mercies, humble ourselves for our sins of unfaithfulness, and carnestly implore the largest blessings of Ilis grace on all our missions; making a liberal offering on the occasion as a proof of our sincerity, while yielding thanks to that "God, Who giveth us richly all things to enjoy." And oh let us do it with full confidence in His grace and goodness, and who knows-nay, who can doubt-but He will, in answer to our united petitions, and through the merits of His dear Son, pour upon us an abundant blessing,-yea, "that there shall be showers of blessing."

I would only add in conclusion that the Committee have determined on devoting the funds raised on this occasion to local objects in this country; and there never was a time in which they were more greatly needed. The abandoning of some of their posts has actually been forced upon the Committee's consideration: but, my tellow-helpers in the Gospel! we must not listen to such a thing; we have put our hands to the plough, and, the Lord Himself being our helper, we must not look

It is my carnest hope that an offering may be made suited to the occasion; and may the Lord so bless us with his Isoly Spirit that we may willingly offer ourselves, as well as our substance, for the honour and glory of His great Name, letting our light so shine before those among whom we dwell, that they may see our good works and glorify our Father which is in heaven.

I am, Your affectionate fellow-helper to the truth, (Signed) T. MADRAS.

SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING CHRISTIAN KNOWLEDGE. January, 1852.

A letter was read from the Lord Bishop of Cape Town, dated Protea, Dec. 1, 1851. The following are extracts:-

"My chief object in writing, is to enclose a Pastoral which I am just issuing, and which will be read in our churches on the Fourth Sunday in Advent It details very fully the reasons for my leaving the Diocese for so long a period as I contemplate. I do not anticipate being able to bring to completion the several works which are of so much importance to the welfare of our Church; but I think it right that my people should know why I visit England, and what our obligations as a Church

" I regret that I am not able to give you a satisfactory account of our social and political condition. The war is still raging with increased boldness and vigour on the part of the enemy, and without much prospect of a speedy termination. And in the midst of it all, we are still torn by faction and national jealousies. I have appointed for this Diocese, in cooperation with the Dutch Church, and with the hearty concurrence of the Government, another day of humiliation, with fisting and prayer. The anniversary of the breaking out of the war, Christmas Eve, is the day fixed upon.

"I am drawing, by this mail, on the Society for their grant £150 towards Caledon church. This building will be, I believe, completed by Christmas. I hope to leave this country This building will be, I shortly after Christmas. I shall probably spend a month or six weeks at St. Ilelena, and arrive in London before the end of

It appeared by the Pastoral addressed by the Bishop to the Members of the Church in the Diocese of Cape Town, that the objects for the attainment of which he contemplated a visit to England are-

I. The Division of the Diocese.
II. The future Maintenance of the Clergy.

III. Missions to the Heathen.

IV. The Foundation of a College.

The Lord Bishop of Toronto, in a letter dated Toronto, Dec. 3, 1851, forwarded with his recommendation two applica-

1. From the Rev. Septimus F. Ramsey, Newmarket, Canada West, for a grant towards the erection of a church at Stoufville (St. Michael's), in the townships of Whitchurch and Markham. The village of Stoufville has a population of 500 souls.

2. From the Rev. Henry Patton, Rector of Cornwall, and Rural Dean, for aid towards two churches in the Johnstown Deanery, Diocese of Toronto. The first is a stone church, recently erected in the rear of Landsdown, in the county of Leeds. The population in the immediate neighbourhood of the church amounts to 700. The second is a church in course of ercetion in the New Boyne settlement, township of Bastard, also in the county of Leeds. The population of this township is about 1000.

Mr. Patton also requested a grant of service books for the church recently finished at New Borough.

It was agreed that £25 be granted towards each of the churches; and that the service books requested be also granted. Captain Erasmus Ommanney, R.N., wrote as follows:-

"On our return from the late Expedition to the Arctic Seas in search of the missing Expedition under Sir John Franklin, I am desirous of conveying to the Society our grateful acknowledgments for the liberal donation of books which were presented to the Expedition previous to our departure from England. They proved a most useful source of amusement and instruction to the seamen during the monotony of an Arctic winter; and I now have to request, on the part of Captain Austin, myself, the officers and crews of the Expedition, that you will be pleased to convey our best thanks to the Society for its very liberal present.

The Secretaries stated that a native of the Arctic Highlands had been lately brought to the Society's office by Captain Ommanney, and had been supplied with some books and prints. Concerning this youth Captain Ommanney wrote as fol-

"I have to inform you that Erasmus York, whose native name is 'Kalabierna,' is a native of the Arctic Highlands, in the vicinity of Wolstenholme Sound, in lat. 76 ° 30 N., at the head of Bassin's Bay,—one of a very small tribe inhabiting that locality, and isolated from the rest of the world. They are the nearest inhabitants to the North Pole, at present known to be in existence: he was placed, by a voluntary act on his own part, on board Her Majesty's ship 'Assistance,' under my command, for the purpose of being useful in our search for the missing Expedition under Sir John Franklin. He is the only person

ever brought to this country from so high a northern latitude. He lived on board for twelve months, and by his amiable disposition became much attached to all on board, and gained · their regard. At present he is an inmate of St. Augustine's College, Canterbury, where, under the kind auspices of the Rev. H. Bailey, Warden, there are good prospects of his becoming useful in the Missionary service of our Church. I thank you for your kind offer to be useful to this interesting person, and, with your permission, I will acquaint you at any future time when he may require the patronage of the Society."

The Rev. E. J. Rogers, Secretary of the Church Society, Montreal, Canada East, in a letter specifying books and tracts for which payment was sent, requested a gratuitous supply of Prayer Books in French, &c., there being frequently a demand for these among the French Canadians.

Copies to the value of £5 were granted.

PROGRESS OF THE GOSPEL IN JERUSALEM.

I had the privilege of going out more than nine , cars ago, with Bishop Alexander, to the Holy Land. The moment I landed on the shores of my fathers, at Jaffa, I commenced to sow the good seed. I had the privilege of speaking of Jesus to the Jews of Jaffa, where formerly the Apostles preached. When I ascended the mountains of Judea, and entered the Holy City, I went into the synagogues of the Jews and preached Christ, and preached the word of God on Mount Zion, in the Valley of Jehoshaphat, and near the Garden of Gethsemane. I expounded the word of God where our blessed Radcemer was born, and at Hebron, in the plains of Mamre, and at Nazareth, by the Lake of Tiberias, and other places in the Holy Land. And this I did not once, but again. And now, my Christian friends will ask me what was the result. I speak within bounds, when I state that one result was, that, of the 14,000 or 15,000 Jews residing in the Holy Land, all have heard the word of the living God. There is not a Jew, I believe, in the Holy Land to whom, through your Christian liberality and instrumentality, a copy of the Old Testament has not been offered, and many are in posession of the New also. The Jews in the Holy Land now know what true Christianity is. What did the Jews know of true Christianity before our Mission was established in the Holy Land? Not much. They saw the abominations of a corrupt Church before their eyes; they saw every year, or heard of, the great falsehood practised in the church of the Holy Sepulchre—I mean the Greek fire. Now, the Jews know what true Christianity is, and what the word of God is, and they read it. Two depots have been established, one at Jaffa and the other at Jerusalem, by which the Old and New Testament, and the Liturgy, and other books, are daily distributed among the Jews. The depot at Jaffa is under the superintendence of a converted Israelite, who was brought to a knowledge of the Lord through my feeble instrumentality. That at Jerusalem is taken care of, also, by a converted and pious Israelite, who heard the tidings of salvation from me many years ago on the coast of Africa. I met with him at Jerusalem again, where he was brought to a full knowledge of the truth, and now he and his whole family have become Christians. When we arrived at Jerusalem, I met four adult Jews who had embraced Christianity. We assembled in a little room for prayer; but it pleased God to call out one after another from Jewish darkness until that little room became too small. A largeroom had been provided on the premises of your Society, and the day it was opened five Israelites were by baptism initiated into the church of Christ; and now, blessed be God, we have on Mount Zion a church and a congregation of believing Israelites, and believing Gentiles, worshipping God, as I trust, in spirit and in truth. In that church we are not ashamed to preach the Gospel of Christ, because we know it is the power of God unto salvation, to the Jew first, and also to the Gentile. The service in that church is performed in the Hebrew, German, and English languages. Here prayers are offered up on behalf of this country, and on behalf of her who reigns over QUEBEC:—Printed and published by GILBERT STANLEY, 4 St. Anne St.

this country, by Jewish believing hearts; and I believe there are no more fervent prayers raised in this country than those offered up on Mount Zion by the band of Jewish-Christian believers, who, through English Christianity and English instrumentality, have been brought to the knowledge of the Lord Jesus.—Rev. C. F. Ewald.

Payments received.—Reeds. E. G. Sutton, W. Bond, J. Johnson, E. Grasett, C. Banciadt, F. C. Judd, Hon, G. Moffatt, Messrs. G. H. Monk, Maclaven, John Bonner, Jun., J. V. Gale, Mrs. C. E. Levey, Mrs. Stephenson, Mrs. LeMesurier, Mrs. Pierce, Mrs. Geo. Rice.

BIRTH.

At Bishop's College, Lennoxville, on the 2nd inst., the wife of the Rev. Principal Nicolls, of a son.

NATIONAL SCHOOLS.

THE ANNUAL EXAMINATION of these Schools, will be held on THURSDAY and FRIDAY, the 15th and 16th inst., at two o'clock, the BOYS on Thursday and the GIRLS on Friday. All friends of the Institution are invited to attend.

By Order of the Committee, ARMINE W. MOUNTAIN,

Acting Secretary.

Quehec, 5th April, 1852.

CHURCH SOCIETY OF THE DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

THE next stated meeting of the CENTRAL BOARD will, D. V., be held at the National School House, Quebec, on WEDNES-DAY, 12th MAY, at TWO o'clock, P. M.

W. WICKES, A. M.

Secretary,

7th April, 1852.

BISHOP'S COLLEGE, LENNOXVILLE.

TWO EXHIBITIONS, each of £30 Currency, per annum, from the S. P. G., and one of £12 10, given by subscription of the " Alumni Emeriti" of the College, for Divinity Students, will be awarded by examination in August next.

The Exhibitions will be open to competitors between the ages of 17 and 25, who will be required to present certificates of age, baptism and confirmation, as well as of character and religious deportment; they must also be communicants of the Church.

These Exhibitions will be tenable for not more than four years; and being given for such Theological Students as have not the command of sufficient means to provide for their course of preparation for Holy Orders, they will not be open to the competition of any candidates who are differently circumstanced; nor yet of any who will not be ready to afford every reasonable pledge and security for their perseverance in the object for which the assistance is given.

Candidates must send in their certificates to the Bishop of Quebec or Montreal respectively, on or before August 1st.

The Examination will be held at Bishop's College on the 28th, 30th and 31st days of August.

The following is the list of subjects for examination;

Latin-Virgil's Eclogues: Terence's Andria and Adelphi.

Greek -Homer's Odyssey, B. 1, 2, 3. Composition-English and Latin prose.

Greek Testament-Gospel of St. Mark.

Old Testament—generally (historically and geographically.) Mathematics-Euclid, B. 1, 2, 3.

Algebra up to simple Equations. Arithmetic-Vulgar Fractions and Decimals.

Bishop's College, December 31st, 1851.