

GASPE OF YESTERDAY

THE 1847 JOURNAL OF THE REV. GEORGE MILNE, M.A.

Appointed by the Anglican Bishop of Quebec to the Mission of the Bay of Chaleur in 1841, the Rev. George Milne, M.A., and his wife, the former Isabella Smith, natives of Aberdeen, Scotland, took up residence at New Carlisle East which would be home to them for the remarkably long period of forty years.

Assigned additional duties as Rural Dean of the District of Gaspé in 1856, the life and work of the Rev. George Milne touched the lives of more than one generation of Gaspésians from the Bay of Gaspé to Restigouche.

Throughout the long period of his Gaspesian Ministry the Rev. Milne kept a regular and precise JOURNAL of his clerical and other duties. A number of these JOURNALS have survived as a unique and fascinating part of the Gaspesian heritage.

In presenting this 1847 JOURNAL, "GASPE OF YESTERDAY" wishes to record its deep appreciation to Donald and Tikié Hall of New Carlisle for making the text available.

KEN ANNETT

FOREWORD

To provide perspective for the ministry of the Rev. George Milne, M.A., it may be helpful to recall briefly the state of early Protestant ministry in the vast District of Gaspé.

Though Protestants had begun to settle in Gaspesia from the early 1760's and an important influx of Loyalists and disbanded soldiers, predominately Protestant, had come in the 1780's, there was no Protestant clergyman resident in Gaspesia until 1820. This situation was deplored in 1813 by Colonel Henry B. Johnston of Douglstown and Point St. Peter in an eloquent letter to the Anglican Bishop of Quebec, in which he stated:

"...In this north-eastern division of the district (Gaspé Bay)...there are fifty-six Protestant families producing a population of three hundred and thirty-six souls...all of whom (a few of the parents excepted) have never looked a regular Protestant clergyman in the face..."

Prior to the arrival of the Rev. John Suddard as the first regular and resident clergyman of the District of Gaspé in 1820, some of the Bay Chaleur settlements were visited by the Rev. John Young of the Church of Scotland parish in northern New Brunswick. His records date from 1811, e.g. the burial of Capt. Azariah Pritchard, Sr., aged 68, in August of that year. In his letter of 1813, Colonel Henry Johnston mentioned that "certain itinerant preachers from the Mother Country" had visited the Coast but their influence was slight and their records, if any were kept, remain to be found. Thus, for more than a half-century, from the 1760's to 1820, the baptism, marriage and burial of many Gaspesians was performed either by a Justice of the Peace, if available, or by anyone who could read appropriate passages from the Bible or Prayer Book.

From his home base in the Basin of Gaspé the Rev. John Suddard ministered not only to the settlements about Gaspé Bay but to those along Bay Chaleur. In 1821 the Rev. Richard Knagg came to the New Carlisle-Paspebiac area but remained only until 1825 when both he and the Rev. Suddard left the Coast.

The Reverends William Hough and Arthur Norman ministered briefly during the interval preceding the appointment, in 1828, of the Rev. William Arnold who would have a long and effective ministry in Gaspesia. He was on the Coast when the Rev. George Milne was appointed to the Mission of Bay Chaleur in July, 1841, and came to take up residence at New Carlisle East.

The ministry of the Rev. Milne would be one of remarkable continuity and influence - extending over some forty years. His memory, and that of his wife, is evoked by the following inscription on a simple, granite tombstone, appropriately located at the entrance to St. Andrew's Anglican Church, New Carlisle:

Rev. George Milne, M.A.
of Aberdeen, Scotland
Died 25 February 1881
Aged 82 years

wife

Isabella Smith
of Aberdeen
Died May 1878
Aged 80 years

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 chiefly of acts of Clinical Duty -
 G. Milne M.D.

January 1847.

- 2 Visited Mrs N. W. Finnon who is sick.
- 3 Serv at P. M. road very heavy long for good
- 4 Serv at N. C. M. long small.
- 7 Sent off School Report for Cox. -
- 10 Serv at N. C. M. long large. & cold & road not good.
 - at P. M. long not so large.
- 12 Visited old Wilson. He is ill with Asthma
- 16 When leaving for P. D. was informed of old Wilson's
 death, which took place last night, gave an or-
 der for his funeral, & said if I could would be back to do
 Bahit on way to P. D. Benjamin (28 Dec 46) & of
 Andrew Young of H. F. & Jane Smith w. Snow rain
 & sleet & wind all the way & commenced drifting at night
- 17 Left Mr Carters at usual time to go to P. D. Schoolhouse
 for service, but the road was so blocked up, had to turn
 back at the bottom of the mountain
- 18 P. M. assembled all Mr C's household more than 20 & read
 & sung sero & a sermon - weather is cold & strong wind
- 18 Could not leave as still drifting & road blocked up
- 19 Sick to day & unable to travel, weather a little milder
- 20 Blowing & drifting a bad & very very cold.

TYPICAL ENTRY OF MILNE JOURNAL

KEY TO ABBREVIATIONS USED BY THE REV. GEORGE MILNE IN JOURNALS

B = bachelor
bal = balance
bef = before
c = cold
C = Cox
Col = collection
cong = congregation
conf = confirmation
CRC = Charles Robin Co.
D = daughter
F = farmer
fr = from
g = good
H = Hope
Lumbr = Lumberman
mid = middling or average
maj = age of majority
N.C. = New Carlisle
P. = Paspebiac
P.D. = Port Daniel
pr = pretty (as with good) or privately.
Rom = Roman Catholic
S = son
Sc = Scotch
sm = small
Sp = spinster
Serv = Service (of the Church)
v = very
w = wife or with
wid = widow

1847 BAPTISMS - REV.G.MILNE

<u>NAME (S)</u>	<u>BORN</u>	<u>FATHER</u>	<u>MOTHER</u>
YOUNG, Benjamin	46.H.	Andrew, F.	Jane Smith
Hall, Barbara	44.P.D.	Daniel, F.	Rachel Hall
HALL, Elspeth	47.P.D.	"	" "
BEBEE, Daniel	47.P.D.	Amos, F.	Jane Ross
HALL, Archie	46.P.D.	Benjamin, F.	Sarah Adams
MANN, Andrew	47. H.	William, F.	Rebecca Bebee
ROSS, Catharine Diana	46. H.	William, F.	Margaret Travers
MARETT, John Samuel	47. N.C.	Daniel, Carp'r	Maria Assels
DUVAL, James	47. C.	Philip, F.	Janet Scott
McKINNON, Jemima	46. C.	Neil, F.	Catharine Flowers
McDONALD, William	46.P.D.	George, F.	Mary Ross
McRAE, Annabella	46.H.	John Duncan, F.	Margaret Cass
CALDWELL, Hannah	44.C.	Jesse, F.	Julia Cooke
CALDWELL, Sarah	46.C.	"	" "
McDONELL, James	43.N.C.	Peter, Lumb'r	Christiana Thompson
FORSYTH, George	47.N.C.	John, F.	Mary Ann Renouf
MORRISON, Mary Ann	46N.C.	Hugh, Lumb'r	Mary Hillock
THOMPSON, Margaret	47.H	Joseph, F.	Barbara Ross
DOBSON, Susan Violet	47.N.C.	William, F.	Jane Flowers
CASSIDY, Elizabeth Ann	43.N.C.	Michael, F.	Rebecca Caldwell
MOIR, Robert	47.G.P.	Robert, B'smith	Margaret Dawes
SKENE, Agnes	47.H.	William, F.	Mary Jane Holms
DODDRIDGE, Dolly	47.N.R.	John, Ship'wrt	Jane Robertson
MORRISON, Mary Jane	46.N.C.	Hector, F.	Amelia Flowers
HOLMS, James	47.H.	James	Esther Huard
CHEDORE, Francis Th.	47.Gasc.	Philip, F.	Martha Ahier
RIDEOUT, Catharine J.	47.P.D.	George, F.	Elizabeth Sturgeon
ROSS, Jane Amelia	33.H.	Hector, F.	Sarah Huntingdon
POWERS, William Owen	46.H.	Farquhar, F.	Jane Gallon
McRAE, Mary Catharine	47.H.	Christopher, F.	Agnes Allen
WILKIE, Annabella O'H.	46.N.C.	John, Prothon.	Martha Sophia O'Hara
ASSELS, Sarah Jane	46.N.C.		
SCOTT, Eliz. Caroline	47.C.	James, F.	Ann LeGallais

1847 BAPTISMS (CTD)

NAME(S)	BORN	FATHER	MOTHER
THOMPSON, Ann	47.P.D.	Thomas, F.	Elizabeth Dunn
MUNRO, Sophia Maria	45.C	William, F.	Mary Charlotte Munro
MUNRO, Johnston Bingham	47.C	"	" " "
DAY, Sarah Jane	(Privately bapt. 26 July 43)		
VIBERT, Robert Douglas	47.N.C.	Philip, Merch't	Susannah Dove
JENNE, George Norman	47.G.P.	George*	Ellen Bellet
		* Supt.of Gaspé Fishing and Coal Mining Co. (Grand Pabos)	
HAMILTON, Eliza Louisa	43.N.C.	John R. Adv.	Eliza Racey
STARNES, Philip	43.N.C.	Andrew, F.	Sarah Smith
STARNES, Sarah Ann	45.N.C.	"	" "
STARNES, Charles William	47.N.C.	"	" "
CHISHOLM, Mary Jane	47.C	Hugh, F.	Louisa Cooke
RAY, Maria	38.C	Bartholomew, F.	Sara Rafter
MILLAR, James	47.P.D.	James	Mary Jane Young
MUNRO, Jane Elizabeth	47.P.D.	Thomas Brock, F.	Joanna Gallie
CHATTERTON, Christy Jane	45.H.	Samuel	Margaret Huntingdon
SINCLAIR, William	47.N.R.	John	Susan Tozer
SMITH, William Thomas	(Privately bapt. 31 Aug.1846)		
HAMILTON, Emma Mary	*	John R. Adv.	Eliza Racey
	* See text of Diary for 8 Oct.47.		
SAWYER, Maria	46.C	Daniel, F.	Mary Jane Assels
NEILSON, Matilda	43.Sh.	-	Ann Neilson
SULLIVAN, Margaret Amelia	46.H.	William	Mary Walton
HUNTINGDON, Mary Ann	47.H	Andrew	Elizabeth Chatterton
HINTINGDON, Mary Isabella	47. H.	William	Margaret Powers
YOUNG, William	47.H	John	Mary Minahan
STARNES, Mary Ann	47.C	James Melvin	Elizabeth Hall

1847 MARRIAGES -REV.G.MILNE

- APRIL 8 - William Prosser, formerly of N.B. now of C., Lumberer, widower, and Mary Jane Russell of C., widow of late Richard Powers of C., after banns.
- MAY 10 - Hezekiah Flowers of N.C., F., S of Robert and Sarah Chatterton, w, B., and Mary Caroline Murphy of C., D of late Jeremiah of N.C., F., and late Margaret Rafter, w, Sp., both Maj. Banns.
- JUNE 19 - Johnson Garrett of C., F., S of late John and Margery Basto, w, B. and Jane George of C., D of late William of County Down, Ireland and Mary Orr, w, Sp. Both Maj. Banns at N.C.
- NOV. 30 - David Baillie of C., F., Son of late James of Montreal, Mason, and late Elizabeth Chrysler, w, B. and Sarah Gallan of C., D of William of C., F., and Mary Flowers, w, Sp. Both Maj. Banns

1847 BURIALS - REV.G.MILNE

- JANUARY- Mr. Wilson. Described as "old Wilson" he was visited by Rev. Milne on Jan. 12 and died Jan. 16. Milne, about to leave for Port Daniel, "gave an order for his funeral".
- FEB. 24 John Samuel Marett. Bapt'd 20th. Died 22nd.
- MAR. 2 Jane Thompson, D. of Robert Thompson of N.C., F., and Ann Morrison, w. Died on 1st - aged 2 years.
- MAR. 19 Victoria Eliza Day, D of James Day, of C., Miller and Maria Day, w. Died 17th - aged 13 months.
- APR. 17 William Day of C., F., son of late James, Master Shipbuilder to C.R. and C. - found dead in his bed on the morning of 15th. Coroner's warrant.
- APR. 20 Margaret Shaden, widow of late Neil McKinnon, in life of C., F., Died on 18th - aged 93 years.
- MAY 3 - George Forsyth, S. of John and Mary Ann Renouf, w. Bapt'd May 2nd., and died about an hour after.
- JUNE 22 - Mary Pearson, wife of William Scott of C., F. Died on 20th - aged 74.

1847 BURIALS (CTD)

JULY 8 - Rebecca Caldwell, wife of Michael Cassidy of N.C., F.

AUG.10 - Annabella Stewart, widow of late Oliver O'Hara, in life
Collector of Customs of Carleton. Died on 8th.

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for Port Daniel. "Gave an order for his funeral."

FEB. 24 John Samuel Margett. Bap't. Died 22nd.

MAR. 2 Jane Thompson, D. of Robert Thompson of N.C., F., and Ann

Morrison, w. Died on Sat - aged 2 years.

MAR. 19 Victoria Eliza Day, D. of James Day, of C. Miller and Maria Day, w.

Died 17th - aged 1 1/2 months.

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Coroner's warrant.

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Chiefly of Acts of Clerical Duty. G.Milne, M.A.

January, 1847

- 2 Visited Mrs. N. McKinnon who is sick
- 3 Service at P. AM. road very heavy, cong pr good
Serv at N.C. PM. cong small
- 7 Sent off School Report for Cox.
- 10 Serv at N.C. AM. cong large. v cold and road not g
- at P. PM. cong not v large.
- 12 Visited old Wilson. He is v ill with asthma.
- 16 When leaving for P.D. was informed of old Wilson's death
which took place last night, gave an order for his funeral
and said if I could I would be back to it.
Bapt'd on way to P.D. Benjamin (28 Dec. 46) S of Andrew Young
of H.F and Jane Smith, w. Snow, rain, sleet and c wind all the
way and commenced drifting at night.
- 17 Left Mr. Carter's at usual time to go to P.D. Schoolhouse for
service, but the road was so blocked up, had to turn back at
the bottom of the mountain.
PM assembled all Mr. C's household, more than 20, and read
evening Serv and a Sermon - weather v cold and strong wind.
- 18 Could not leave as still drifting and road blocked up.
- 19 Sick to day and unable to travel, weather a little milder.
- 20 Blowing and drifting v bad and very very cold.
- 21 Still v cold, left P.D. along with Mr. and Mrs. Bruce and Mr.
Carter and Mrs. Hall, some parts of the road not broken.
Bapt'd Barbara (20 Oct. 44) and Elspeth (6 Jan. 47) children of
Daniel Hall of P.D., F. and Rachel Hall, w, on way home.
- 22 v.v. cold. Ther. more than 20 below Zero.
- 24 Serv at P. AM. cong small almost all ill w measles.
Serv at N.C. PM. large cong about 90.
- 25 Attended meeting of Sch Com'rs at H.
- 27 Sent off Report of Hope Schools.
- 31 Serv at N.C. AM. cold and rough.
Serv at P. PM. cong sm

February, 1847

- 6 Walter Ross came for me to go to P.D. to Am. Bebee's as his child was sick. Went and Bapt'd Daniel (27 Jany 47) S of Amos Bebee of P.D.,F., and Jane Ross, w. On way home Bapt'd Archie (23 Dec.46) S of Benjamin Hall of P.D.,F., and Sarah Adams, w, and Andrew (31 Jany 47) S of William Mann of H.,F., and Rebecca Bebee, w, the mother is very sick.
- 7 Serv at P. AM and at N.C. PM. congs good mild day
Notice of Serv at P.D. next S. and at N.C. on Ash Wed, 17th.
- 14 Serv at P.D. AM and at H. PM where bapt'd Catharine Diana (1 Nov.46) D of William Ross of H.,F., and Margaret Travers,w.
Serv next 14th Mar. cold day.
- 17 Ash Wed. Serv at N.C. AM. 29 present.
- 18 Attended a meeting of Sch Comrs at N.C.
- 20 Bapt'd John Samuel (28 Jany 47) S of Daniel Marett of N.C.
Carp. and Maria Assels,w.
- 21 Serv at N.C. AM and P. PM. very cold day.
- 23 Bapt'd James (21 Jany 47) S of Philip Duval of C.,F., and Janet Scott, w.
- 24 Buried John Samuel Marett. bapt'd on 20th. Died 22nd.
- 28 A heavy snowstorm and strong drift from east so that could not go out and so there was not Serv at either Church. Wind fell a little aft 4 PM but cont'd snowing. No one went out

March, 1847

- 1 Bapt'd Jemima (13 Dec.46) D of Neil McKinnon of C.,F., and Catharine Flowers,w.
- 2 Buried Jane, D of Robert Thompson of N.C.,F., and Ann Morrison,w. Died on 1st aged 2 yrs.
- 7 Serv at N.C. AM and at P. PM. Notice of Serv at P.D. next Sunday and requested those who wish to be confirmed when the Bishop comes to let me know in the course of this month.
- 10 Attended meeting for the purpose of raising contributions for relief of Scotch and Irish. One of Committee.
- 12 Attended meeting of said Com. and undertook to bring the subject before the inhab's of H. and P.D. and urge them to contribute.
- 14 Serv at H. AM and at P.D. PM where bapt'd William (11 Nov.46) S of George McDonald of P.D., F., and Mary Ross, w. Notice of Serv next on 11 April if road good and called on them to contribute to the relief of the famishing Scotch and Irish and send the amount to me before the 22nd.
- 19 Buried Victoria Eliza, D of James Day of C., Miller and Maria Day,w. Died 17th aged 13 mos.
- 20 Attended meeting of Sch.Comrs at Hope.
Bapt'd Annabella (11Dec.46) D of John Duncan McRae of H.,F., and Margaret Cass, w.
- 21 Serv at P. AM and at N.C. PM. Banns William Prosper, Wid'r and Jane Russel, Wid., 1st time.
- 22 Attended meeting of Com.for relief of Sc.and Ir. Paid the am't rec'd from P.D. and H. Whole AM collection was paid over to Mr. Hardeley to be transmitted direct - 1/3 to Sc and 2/3 to Irish.
- 25 Attended meeting of Coun Auditors of Agric Soc'y.
- 28 Serv at N.C. AM and at P. PM. Notice of Serv and Com'n at P. on Friday. Good F. AM and Serv at N.C. PM. Also Com'n at N.C. on Sunday (Easter) AM.

April, 1847

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- 2 Good Friday Serv and Com'n at P. AM and com'ts Serv at N.C. PM. Cong pr good. Day fine.
 - 3 Bapt'd Hannah (17 June 44) and Sarah (25 Apr. 46) D's of Jesse Caldwell of C., F., and Julia Cooke, w.
 - 4 Serv and Com'n at N.C. AM and Com'ts Serv at P. PM. Notice of Vestry meetings tomorrow in N.C. at 11 AM and at P. at 4 PM. Rec'd into the church James Duval, Bap'd 23 Feby and Mary Morrison bapt'd 3rd Aug't 46. Notice of Serv at H. and P.D. next S.
 - 5 Went to Vestry meeting at N.C. There were only one church warden present. The other from home. No meeting. Meeting of Vestry at P. at 4 PM. pr large meeting. Mr. Gallie's Debt paid off - the bal of Col and Pew rent to be applied to furnish materials for finishing the Porch and Stair Case and Painting the vestry, the carpenters in the Cong volunteering to do the work. Thanks voted to Mr. Gallie for Communion Plate. Messrs J. Hocquard (by me) and J. Lawrence (by people) Church Wardens. The Pews were then let nearly same as last year.
 - 8 Married Wm Prosser formerly of N.B., now of C., Lumberer, Wid'r and Mary Jane Russel of C. wid. of late Rich'd Powers of C. after Banns due.
 - 11 Serv at P.D. AM and at H. PM. Could not fix the time for next Serv, would go to P.D. the Sat'y bef.
 - 15 Attended meeting of Com of Relief of Sc and Ir. Read the Bishop's Circular and it was resolved that the bal not yet collected should be given to me to transmit to the Bishop. Visited old Mrs. McKinnon, will not live long.
 - 17 Buried William Day of C., F., S of late James, Master Shipbuilder to CRC. Found dead in bed on the morn'g of 15th. Coroners warn't.
 - 18 Serv at P. AM and at N.C. PM. Banns Hezekiah Flowers of N.C., B. and Mary Caroline Murphy of C. Sp. 1st time.
 - 20 Buried Margaret Shaden wid, of late Neil McKinnon in life of C., F., Died on 18th aged 93 yrs.
 - 22 Attended meeting of Sch Comrs at H.
 - 23 Bapt'd James (26 Dec. 43) S of Peter McDonell of N.C.. Lumberer

May, 1847

- 2 Serv at P. AM and at N.C. PM. Between Serv Bapt'd George (22 Apr.47) S of John Forsyth of N.C.,F., and Mary Ann Renouf,w.
- 3 Buried George Forsyth - Bapt'd yesterday and died about an hour after.
- 6 Attended meeting of Sch Comrs Cox
- 9 Serv at N.C. AM and at P. PM. Banns H.Flowers and M.C.Murphy, 3rd time. Road broken up - had to walk to both churches.
- 10 Married Hezekiah Flowers of N.C.,F., S of Robert of Do,Do, and Mary Caroline Murphy of C., D of late Jeremiah of N.C. and late Margaret Rafter, w, Sp. both maj. Banns.
- 16 Serv at P. AM and at N.C. PM. waggon.
- 18 Bapt'd Mary Ann (7 Mar.46) illegitimate D of Mary Hillock, formerly of Miramichi, N.B. now of N.C., who says that Hugh Morrison, formerly of N.C., now residing Miramichi, Lumberer, is the Father.
- 23 Serv at N.C. AM and P. PM. Notice of Com'n at P. next S. Banns Johnson Garrett and Jane George, Sp., both of C. 1st time Whitsunday.
- 30 Serv at P. AM. No com'n as only one com't. Serv at N.C. PM. Notice of Serv at P.D. next S.
- 31 Attended meeting of Sch Comrs at H.

June, 1847

- 5 Vis Mrs.Scott.
- 6 Serv at P.D. AM and at H. PM. Notice to have Serv next on
4 July. Aft Bapt'd Margaret (23 May 47) D of Joseph Thompson
of H.,F.,and Barbara Ross,wé
- 10 Attended meeting of Sch Comrs at N.C.
- 13 Bapt'd Susan Violet (26 Mar.47) D of William Dobson of N.C.,
F., and Jane Flowers,w, before Serv. Serv at N.C. AM and at P.PM
- 17 Twelve of the candidates for conf'm fr N.C. attended this
evening. As the Bishop does not intend to visit till Sept.,
they had not been since 13 May and are now to come once a
fortnight.
- 18 Visited Mrs Scott - had been before sev times.
- 19 Married Johnson Garrett of C.,F., S of late John and Margery
Basto, w, B., and Jane George of C., D of late William of
County Down, Ireland and Mary Orr,w, Sp. both Maj. Banns.Lisc.N.C.
- 20 Serv at P.AM and at N.C.PM.
- 22 Buried Mary Pearson, wife of William Scott of C.,F., died on
20th aged 74.
Examined a Daughter of Hector Ross of H. who has not been
baptized. She is now 14 or 15 yrs old and wishes to be bapt'd.
She has learned the catich and is not very igno.
- 23 Three of the cand for conf from P. attended this evening, it
rained very hard and prevented some others from coming. Two or
three are engaged at work so that they cannot come on a week
night. Three have not been since 13 May; having, as the Bishop had
deferred his visit and the road being bad and the spring work
taking up their time, put off their attendance till now. They
are to come now every second Wednesday.
- 24 Jane and Joanna Duval attended this evening as they had mistaken
the night
- 26 Attended meeting of Sch Comrs Cox, balloted -.
- 27 Serv at N.C.AM and at P.PM. Notice of Serv at P.D. and H. next
Sund. Sunday Schools commenced.
- 28 Visited the Sch's of N.C. and P. That in the country shut.
Visited Mrs. Mich.Cassidy, sick - Bapt'd also Elizabeth Ann
(16 Nov.43) D of Michael Cassidy of N.C.,F., and Rebecca
Caldwell,w.
- 29 Visited Hope Schools. Mrs.Arnold on visit.

July, 1847

- 1 Fifteen cand's for Conf'r attended this evening.
- 2 Visited Mrs. Cassidy.
- 3 Visited Mrs. Cassidy
- 4 Serv at H.AM and at P.D.PM, rained mostly all day. Cong's small
- at P.D. After Serv in evening at P.D. Bapt'd Robert (29 June 47)
S of Robert Moir of Grand Pabos, Blacksmith and Margaret Dawes, w.
Child was born at P.D.
- 5 On way home Bapt'd Agnes (26 May 47) D of William Skene of H.,
F., and Mary Jane Holms, w. Visited Mrs. Christopher McRae who is
very ill. Was informed that I had been reelected a Sch Com'r at H.
- 6 Visited Mrs. Cassidy who died while I was present. She was very
desirous of receiving the Sac't but she was too low before I
got notice and a few minutes after I got to the house she ceased
to notice anything.
- 7 Only Four C for Con attended this evening.
- 8 Buried Rebecca Caldwell, w of Michael Cassidy of N.C., F., at
N.C. aged -
Very narrowly escaped being thrown out of our waggon by
A. Chisholm running foul of us.
- 11 Serv at P.AM and at N.C.PM wh. baptized Dolly (8 May 47) D of
John Doddridge of New Richmond, Shipwright, and Jane Robertson, w.
Notice of Com'n in N.C. next Sunday.
- 12 Attended meeting of Sch Com'rs Cox - elected Ch'm
" " " " " Hope " "
- 15 Candidates for Con'fr fr Carlisle attended - 14 present and
Hannah Lauder from P.D.
- 18 Serv at N.C. and Com'n - 14 Com'ts. Serv at P.PM
- 20 Attended meeting of Sch Com'rs Hope
- 21 Candid's for Conf - five attended.
- 22 Went to Bonaventure intending to visit the settlement on the
river but was met by Mr. Freeman who stated that all the men
were absent but himself - did not go up.
- 25 Serv at P.AM and at N.C.PM. Bapt'd Mary Jane (26 Dec. 46) D of
Hector Morrison of N.C., F., and Amelia Flowers, w. Cong's large.
Notice of Serv at P.D. and H. next Sunday.
- 26 Attended meeting of Sch Com'rs at Hopetown

August, 1847

- 1 Serv at P.D.AM v large Cong'r. Bapt'd Francis Thomas (22 Apr. 47) S of Philip Chedore of L'Ance aux Gascons, F., and Martha Ahier, w and Catharine Jane (14 Jany 47) D of George Rideout of P.D., F., and Elizabeth Sturgeon, w.
Serv at H.PM, v large cong. Bapt'd Jane Amelia (10 June 33) D of Hector Ross of H., F., and Sarah Huntingdon, w - William Owen (28 Oct 46) S of Farquhar Powers of H., F., and Jane Gallon, w, and Mary Catharine (29 June 47) D of Christopher McRae of H., F., and Agnes Allen, w.
Notice of Serv on 29th at H.AM and P.D.PM. very hot day.
- 4 Candid'ts for Conf'r - five attended.
- 8 Serv at N.C.AM and at P.PM. large cong's. Notice of collection for Ch.Soc'y next Sunday.
- 12 Cand for conf'r N.C. 16 attended and H.Lauder.
- 15 Serv at P.AM. Collec for Ch.Soc'y L4.5/8. Serv at N.C.PM Collec L1.4/5.
Bapt'd Annabella O'Hara (7 Oct. 46) D of John Wilkie of N.C., Esq Prothon of Q.B. Dist. of Gaspe and Martha Sophia O'Hara, w, and rec'd Sarah Jane Assels, pr bapt'd 22 Sept. 46. very warm day. cong large at N.C. mid at P.
- 18 Six candidates for Confirmation attended.
- 22 Serv at N.C.AM 7/6 in ad to Col'n and 1/3 on Friday.
Serv at P. PM and Bapt'd Elizabeth Caroline (22 June 47) D of James Scott of C., F., and Ann Le Gallais, w.
5/ in ad to Collec'n. Notice of Serv at H and P.D. next Sunday.
J.P.LeBrun and Br evening for Conf'n
- 26 Cand for Conf from N.C. 15 attended.
- 29 Serv at H.AM. Rec'd Annabella McRae, pr bapt'd 20 March last.
Serv at P.D. PM. Bapt'd Ann (9 Apr. 47) D of Thomas Thompson of P.D., F., and Elizabeth Dunn, w. Notice of Serv next on 26 Sept. at P.D. AM and H. PM.
- 30 Conversed with Christian Hannah and Isabella Lauder on Confirmation and vis Mr. McKenzie and Basto.

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- 1 Cand for Conf'm. 5 fr P. and 3 fr N.C. attended.
 - 5 Serv at P.AM. Bapt'd Sophia Maria (9 Jany 45) D of late William of C.,F., and Mary Charlotte Munro, his w., also Johnston Bingham (2 May 47) S. of same and Rec'd Sarah Jane Day, pr bapt'd 26 July 43 and James Holms, pr bapt'd 27 July last.
Serv at N.C.PM. Bapt'd Robert Douglas (10 June 47) S of Philip Vibert of N.C., Esq., Merch't and Susannah Dove, w - George Norman (7 June 47) S of George Jenne of Gr Pabos, Esq., Superintendent of G.F. and C M Coy and Ellen Bellet, w - and Eliza Louisa (20 June 43) D of John Robinson Hamilton of N.C., Esq., Advocate and Eliza Racey, w. Rain-Cong not v large. Three of the cand for conf'm from P. attended in the evening.
 - 7 Attended Meeting of Sch Com'rs at N.C.
 - 8 Visited Mrs. Provost who is deranged at present and in the evening at 8 o'clock was called to visit Mrs. O'Hara who was said to be very ill - went and found her so but sensible - she died while I was there at 10 o'clock - was in her usual health till yesterday evening.
 - 10 Buried at N.C. Annabella Stewart, wid. of late Oliver O'Hara, in life of Carleton, Collector of Customs. Died on 8th.
 - 12 Serv at N.C.AM. Bapt'd Al Philip (23 Mar. 43), Sarah Jane (16 Jan 45) and Charles William (17 Jany 47) children of Andrew N.C. Starnes of C.,F., and Sarah Smith, w. Serv at P. PM. Day not pleasant. Cong's mid.
 - 15 At N.C. about School Accounts.
 - 19 Serv at P.AM and at N.C.PM and Bapt'd Mary Jane (17 July 47) D of Hugh Chisholm of C.,F., and Louisa Cooke, w, and Maria (16 Oct'r 38) D of Bartholomew Ray of C.,F., and Sara Rafter, w. Notice that if Bishop be not arrived before next Sunday Serv will be at P.D. and H., but if arrived Notice of Serv will be given. Day fine and large congs.
 - 20 Attended Meeting of Sch Com'rs at H.
 - 22 Rec'd a letter from Judge Bowen informing me that the Bishop of Montreal had arrived at Point St. Peter on Saturday last.

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- 25 Went to Port D. today. Sinclair's and Mr. and Mrs. B.
- 26 Serv at P.D. AM and Bapt'd James (24 Aug't 47) S of James Millar of P.D., F., and Mary Jane Young, w - Jane Elizabeth (3 June 47) D of Thomas Brock Munro of P.D., F., and Joanna Gallie, w. also Christy Jane (1 Aug't 45) D of Samuel Chatterton of H., F., and Margaret Huntingdon, w, and received into the Church Agnes Skene pr baptized on the 5 July last. pr large cong.
Serv at H. PM v large cong. Notice of Serv next on 24 Oct. at H. AM and P.D. PM.
- 28 Mrs. Bruce called aft. breakfast to let me know that the Bishop was at P.D. last night and was to come on to N.C. this morning - went to meet him - Met the Bishop and his son and Mr. and Mrs. Short and Mr. Arnold about the middle of the Hopetown woods. The Bishop came into my carriage and informed me that he had fixed the consecration of the Pasp. Ch. and a Confirmation for tomorrow at 11 o'clock AM and that notice had been given as they came along - called at Mr. Bruce's and then came to the Parsonage. Arrangements were then made for the Services tomorrow and Serv and Confirm'n fixed for 3 1/4 PM at N.C. on Thursday. All remained to dine and then Mr. Mountain went to Mr. Bruce's to lodge according to invitation. Mr. and Mrs. Short to Mr. Macdonalds and Mr. Arnold to Mr. Hardeleys. Mr. A. undertook to give notice as he went along of the Serv tomorrow and to the Church Wardens to provide chairs and to be at church at 10 1/2 AM to sign the Petition and Mr. S. to notify Mr Macdonald. Hugh Thompson and a Son of W. Ross, Marg't McGie and another girl came from H. with a view to get confirmed - but I advised H. Thompson on acct of the quarrel with J. McRae and A. Clark not to come at this time and the Bishop refused to admit the others as they could not give any good reason for not having come to me before esp. the girls - M. McGie being not yet 14 and the other only 15. The Bishop draughted the Petition, which I copied while he prepared the Sentence of Consecration. Sent Hugh Christie to Carlisle to give notice of the Services tomorrow - in the evening Wm Baudaing, who has been working at P.D. this summer, a native of Jersey, walked up from there to request to be admitted to

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confirmation. It had been mentioned to me before by Mr.Lauder that he was very desirous to become a candidate but did not know whether his Master would allow him and had not come before to be examined. On mentioning his case to the Bishop he thought, as he had shown his anxiety by coming so far on foot that he might be received, if on examination I should find him fit and having tried him I gave him a ticket being well pleased with him. Mr.Gallie called in the evening when the Bishop thanked him for his donation of Com'n Plate to Pasp. Church.

29 St.Michael's Day. Unfortunately the weather looked like rain in the morning and rain began to fall just as we left for church.

Mr.M. came up from Mr.B's and drove Isabella to Ch. and the Bishop and I went in the waggon - we found the Church pretty full when we arrived and it filled up more during the Serv. Having got the Petition signed by myself, the Church Wardens and Mr.Hardeley, and the Bishop and clergy being robed the ceremony of consecration commenced - Mr.Hardeley and the Ch. Wardens having proceeded to the Porch, the Bishop and clergy proceeded to the same place in the following order - Rev'd Mr. Mountain and myself first, Rev'd Major Short and Arnold next - then the Verger and then the Lord Bishop. At the church door I, attended by the Ch.W's and Mr.H, in name of the congregation, presented the petition praying his Lordship to consecrate the Church, which he received and then delivering it to Mr.Short, requested him to read it. Having heard it read the Bishop declared his willingness to comply with the request and that he would proceed immediately. Upon which the procession was again formed as before, with the addition of the Ch.W's and Mr.H., after the Bishop and I walked up the Aisle, the Bishop and clergy repeating the 24th Psalm alternately by verses, the Bishop beginning. As the Psalm was finished we arrived at the Chancel rails, when I went to the Desk for the purpose of reading the Morning Service. Mr.M., Mr.A., and the Bishop went within the rails Mr.S. having a chair outside the rails at Mr.H., when the Bishop had taken his seat in his chair, presented the deed of gift of the land on which the Church was built to his Lordship

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which he received and stated what it was and that all was properly secured - His Lordship then read the Preface to the Consecration Service and then the Prayers as in the form - After which I commenced the Morning Serv, which, with the lessons and Litany was all read by me, the Bishop, at the proper places, reading the proper prayers. The Litany ended, the first 4 verses of the 65 Psalm was sung - after which the Bishop read the anti com'n Serv, Mr.Mountain reading the Epistle and Mr.Arnold the Gospel. The candidates for confirmation then were called up when 17 approached, viz. 4 from P.D., 1 from H., and 12 from P. The Bishop read the whole Serv himself, Mr.M. taking the tickets and as his Lordship was to preach, he reserved his address to the end of the Sermon and the confirmed therefore retired to their Pews. 4 v of the 2nd part of the 119 Ps were sung while the Bishop went to the Pulpit and he gave an extem discourse suited both to the consecration of the church and the confirmation from the 1st part of the 1st ver of Chron 22 - a collection was taken up after the sermon which amounted to more than £ 2. As the day was very rainy his Lordship, instead of perambulating the churchyard, retired to the Vestry door and having requested the congregation to come into it, said the prayer for that part of the Service and the blessing. The bishop, after the Service, as Mr.Arnold intended to proceed on his return home that evening, gave a few instructions to the clergy- 1st about the Church Society and the circular of the S.P.G., that each mission would have to contribute something towards the support of the missionary, otherwise they would run the risk of loosing him- that whatever amt was collected in a mission would be given to the clergyman in it and that it is the intention of the S.P.G. that it should be paid through the Ch.Soc'y of D.ofQ. Also about interfering with the duties of another mission.

After Serv in ch I went to N.C. and bapt'd a child that had been brought from New Richmond, viz. William (25 Mar.47) S of John Sinclair of N Richmond, Lumb'r and F., and Susan Tozer,w.

Had Mr.Mountain and Mr.and Mrs.Short to dine with his Lordship - ar tea. Night dark and rainy.

Notice was given in Ch of Services in N.C.tomorrow.

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30 Assisted his Lordship AM to make corrections in the Journal of his Tour las summer which had been printed very incorrectly and he wished to give a correct copy to each of the clergy.

Mr. McDonald called and Mr. M and Mrs. Bruce, also Mr. B. and Mr. and Mrs. Short on way to -?- by Norman. After - Bishop and selves only went to Church of N.C. Mr. Sheppard, to whom I had, through Mr. Short, sent a request, had placed 4 chairs in the chancel. The Services were arranged as follows. I read the Prayers - Mr. Short the Lessons - then a part of Ps 121 was sung - then Mr. Mountain preached an excellent Sermon from 1 Cor 15.58, Be ye steadfast etc. - then 4 v of 2nd part of Ps 119 was sung, then the Confirmation by the Bishop when 17 belonging to the cong of Car Ch were confirmed - ne having gone to Bathurst had not got back in time. His Lord. addressed the Confirmed at considerable length in his usual excellent and impressive manner and the whole of the Services both yesterday and today appeared to impress the hearers deeply. The congregations in both Churches considering the weather were very large.

After Serv his Lord. called at Mr. Kavanaghs, having a letter from Mr. Jessup to him, who willingly offered his Boat to take his Lord. and Son and Serv't to Bathurst tomorrow - called also at the Judge's - none of their family had been at either of the churches. Then came home to tea - Mr. M and Mr. and Mrs. Short being of the party, who had a very dark and rainy night to go to their respective lodgings - the rain having commenced just as we left for church. Rec'd a note between 9 and 10 o'clock from Mr. Macdonald informing us that one of Mr. Cunard's agents had come across with a large boat and was to return in the morning and would be happy to give his Lord. a passage and would wait until 10 AM., which was gladly accepted by his Lord. and I returned answer accordingly and stated that his Lord. would be ready to leave at 10 AM. Had some conversation about going to Quebec but came to no conclusion but that it will be necessary to decide before February.

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- 1 Got up early and having got the Bishop to write a note to Mr.Kavanagh walked over to Mr.Macdonalds and learned that the Boat was at Mr.LeBoutillier's. Found the Bishop making preparations before breakfast as he intends to have part of his luggage to be sent to Quebec by a Schooner. Mr.Bruce drove up Mr.Mountain and said he would return fr N Carlisle to which he had to go on business in time to drive him to Paspebiac. Seeing Mrs.Bruce passing I stopped her and she gave up her carriage to take the Bishop to P. as the mare had to be put to the cart to take down the luggage. Mr.B. returned just when we were about ready to leave - left a little past 10 o'clock and on arriving at Paspebiac found the boat ready and waiting for his Lord. and the luggage having been immediately put on board we took leave of one another and the boat immediately proceeded across. Mr.McDonald drove down to take leave of his Lord but there was no time to send to the Messrs Robin's Establishment and they of course were ignorant of what was going on. There was no display of flags from their vessels or a salute fired as there otherwise would have been. Mr.LeBoutillier's vessels displayed all their flags. We Mr.and Mrs. Short as we went down who were coming here to take leave and they arrived at Paspebiac a few minutes after his Lord. had left. I took leave of them and returned with Mrs.Bruce's carriage.
- 2 Went to P. and explained to Mr.Hardeley how we had no time to give him notice of the Bishop's motions, which he much regretted as he could pay the compliments which he wished - gave to Mrs. Bruce, Mrs Macdonald and Mr.Gardeley the copies of his Lorship's Tour in 1846 which he left for them, having made the corrections at his Lord's request.
- 3 Serv at N.C.AM and rec'd after Serv, as the parents did not get to church till the Serv was beginning, William Thomas Smith, pr bapt'd on 31 Aug't 1846 into the Cong of Christ's flock.
- 8 Bapt'd pr Emma Mary (today) D of John R.Hamilton of N.C.,Esq., Advocate and Eliza Racey, w, Mrs. H having particularly requested me to do so, she being much troubled that her last had died without being bapt'd I not having been at home at the time - the Rom Priest also being absent.

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- 10 Serv at P.AM and at N.C.PM. Day v cold and high wind. Congs small.
- 17 Serv. at N.C.AM and bapt'd Maria (20 Nov.46) D of Daniel Sawyer of C.,F., and Mary Jane Assels, w, Serv at P.PM. Day fine. Congs large. Notice of Serv at P.D. and H. next Sunday and of Com'n at P. on Sunday after next. Com'ts to give notice and for first to call on me on Wednesday week.
- 18 Went to Shigawack and bapt'd Matilda (10 June 43) illeg.D of Ann Neilson of H. and Margaret Amelia (1 Feby 46) D of William Sullivan of H.,F., and Mary Walton,w, the latter being sick, a boy came for me last night - borrowed Mr.Wilkie's mare.
- 24 Serv at H.AM. Bapt'd Mary Ann (27 June 47) D of Andrew Huntingdon of H.,F., and Elizabeth Chatterton, w, and Mary Isabella (8 May 47) D of William Huntingdon of H.,F., and Margaret Powers, w, Serv at P.D. PM., bapt'd William (26 Apr.47) S of John Young of H.,F., and Mary Minahan, w, Notice of Serv next on 21 Nov and Com'n next Sunday at P.
- 25 Rained so could not travel at P.D.
- 26 Came home- v cold. Mr.Wilkie's mare.
- 29 Attended Meeting of Sch Com'rs at H.
- 30 Mrs.Murison came to enquire whether I would have any objection to her being a communicant tomorrow - none. Mrs. McDonald gave notice that she and her sister Cath. and Mrs Robson were coming. Charlotte Flowers called on Wednesday - she had not been before. She had been in trouble - now better. Mrs Ph Renouf also Mrs R. Joseph on Thursday and Mrs.Phelan if she can come up.
- 31 Serv at P. AM and Com - 20 Com'ts. Cong small, if there had not been a good many strangers, none from CRC's as Ships sailed this morning.
Serv at N.C.PM. Cong pr good - notice of Serv at P. tomorrow at 11 AM. ALL SAINTS.

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- 1 All Saints Serv at P.AM. Cong 32,
- 7 Serv at N.C. AM, aft.Serv buried Margaret Amelia,D of William Sullivan of H.,F., and Mary Walton, w, died on 5th., age 1 yr 9 m. As they were more than an hour after the time at which they said they would be at the church I had only the time to read the part of the Service appointed at the grave and then even was late for the afternoon church.
Service at P.PM. Aft Serv gave the reward books to the Sunday Scholars - Part of those were from Mrs.Bruce, a small gilt Test't from Mr.J.Lawrence and the rest fr Mr.Robin's Books. Day fine and congs large at both churches.
- 14 Serv at P.AM and at N.C.PM. Banns between David Baillie, B., and Sarah Gallon, Sp., both of C. 1st time. Day very cold and stormy in evening. Congs good. Notice of Serv at P.D. and H. next S.
- 15 Should have gone to H. today to attend a Meeting of Sch Com'rs and inhab't but it was so stormy I could not go.
- 20 Went to P.D. - on way stopped at H. at 12 having rec'd a note last night stating that the meeting fixed for last Monday had been postponed till today - but there was not a quorum of Com'rs and only two Inhab'ts.
- 21 Serv at P.D.AM and at H.PM. Cong at P.D. not quite so large as last - at H. good. Notice of Serv next on 19 Dec at H.AM and P.D.PM and that Collec for wid and orph would then be made.
carriole.
- 28 Serv at N.C.AM. Banns D.Baillie and S.Gallon-3rd time.Serv at P. PM. Congs pr good. Road v bad -waggon.
- 30 Married David Baillie of C.,F., Son of late James of Montreal, Mason and late Elizabeth Chrysler,w, and Sarah Gallon of C., D of William of C.,F., and Marg't Flowers,w, Sp., both Maj. Banns After Banns at N.C.

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- 5 Serv at P.AM and at N.C.PM. road v heavy. congs not v large. Carriole. Snow om Thursday and a v heavy fall fr Friday to Sat.PM
- 9 Attended a Meeting of Sch Com'rs at N.C.
- 12 Serv at N.C.AM and at P.PM. Congs pr good. Notice of Serv at P.D. and H. next Sund, of Serv at N.C. on Christmas AM and com'n then. Requested notice fr intending Com'ts and first Com'ts to call on me Thursday preceding. Day fine. Road v rough and icy after thaws of Fri. and Sat.
- 14 Attended Meeting of Sc Com'rs-Hope
- 19 Serv at H AM and collection for wid and orph of Dec'd Clergy £ 1.17.10 1/2. Serv at P.D. PM and col £ 2.6.2 1/2 includ'y 5/ rec'd at Mr.Carter's in the cong.
- 20 Called on Mrs.Dow, Mrs Phelan and Mrs W.Sullivan. Rec'd from W.Skene 7 1/2 to Col Hope - now £ 1.12.6
- 25 Christmas. Bapt'd before going to church Mary Anne (24 Dec 47) D of James Melvin Starnes of C.,F., and Elizabeth Hall,w, weak. Serv at N.C. AM and Com'n - 12 Com'ts. Cong pr good. Day cold (family of Mrs. B-- and Mrs.W.Day from Pasp.)
- 26 Serv at P. AM and at N.C. PM. Notice of col'n for wid. and orph in both Ch next Sunday, also of Meeting in N.C. on Thursday at 2 PM for letting Pews. Day v cold. Cong at P. mid and at N.C. large.
- 30 Meeting in N.C. Church for letting pews. The rents fo this year were paid ex one or two and the whole of the pews were let at rents higher than before. Nothing else was done at the meeting.

Travelled on duty this year 1295 miles.
