is being pushed vigorously and is very encouraging. This year's Assembly assisted us very much in our work there by ordaining our catechist, Mr. S. A. Fraser. He promptly proved the wisdom and necessity of that step by exercising his power in several legitimate directions. At Harrington he started a Presbyterian Church by receiving over 30 into her communion. A competent teacher is now in the field holding the fort till another ordained man goes there next summer.

Dr. Hare has our warmest thanks and deserves the gratitude of the church for his free services, which, owing to an epidemic on the coast last summer, were invaluable.

The Literary and Debating Society was re-organized Saturday morning the 24th ult., in a most promising manner. The following resolution was moved by D. MacLean—"that the pulpit maintain silence with regard to the recent revelations at Ottawa and Quebec." This was opposed by F. W. Thompson, and a warm discussion followed, in which all participated with but one exception. An admirable critique was read by A. Laird and much enjoyed. A large majority were in favor of giving the clergy freedom of speech.

The total number of students in our College this session, is twenty-eight, divided as follows:—Third year, nine; Second year, seven; First year, twelve. There are seven others boarding in the building that take classes in Dalhousie alone.

NOTES ON THE HEBREW TEXT OF THE BOOK OF GENESIS, WITH TWO APPENDICES.

By G. J. Spurrell, M. A., late scholar of Balliol College, Oxford. Oxford: at the Clarendon Press, 1887. Crown, 8 vo., pp. viii, 380. Price, ten shillings and six pence.

HERE are two ways of reading the Hebrew Bible. A student may take the text in one hand and King James, or the revised version in the other, and read with no greater effort than that which is necessary to prevent the application of the wrong English word to the right Hebrew word,—a feat which, simple as it may seem, has not always been performed without mishap. Or, he may furnish himself with scholarly ap-