

Lively's, four miles apart. The largest meeting I ever held there, as Colporteur, was about 30 in the School House and 20 in Bushy Hills. When I was there last Mr. Bond took me in his waggon. He held a meeting in Mr. Lively's at 10 o'clock Sabbath morning, and I held meeting in the School house at 11 o'clock a.m., 43 in attendance. In the afternoon we were together in the School house at 3 o'clock—attendance 63. The people were very attentive and quite a number deeply affected. We considered it a very encouraging meeting indeed, and the morning meeting was quite as encouraging.

On Monday afternoon, at 3 o'clock, I held a meeting for the children, and though it rained all day, we had the very encouraging attendance of 20. I appointed another meeting on Friday afternoon. It rained again all the afternoon—still 18 attended. Sabbath morning I walked about 5 miles, and held service at Mr. Lively's at 10 o'clock, attendance 25, good for that locality. In the afternoon, at 2 o'clock, held service in the School House, attendance 71.

IMPROVEMENTS.

No lack of interest was manifested whatever. Several, whom I never saw at any meeting before, attended both Sabbaths, and some were present, who, I believe, have not attended any meeting for the last 10 years. I received 3 collections, making \$2.22!—held 5 meetings and assisted at another, visited 23 families and travelled over 90 miles. When I contrast the state of these people 8 years ago, with what I saw and heard when there last week, I feel constrained to say what hath God wrought.

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Our Foreign Missions.

Our Foreign Mission Funds.

Only four months till the new year, and only two till the time for remitting salaries to the New Hebridean Missionaries will be upon us, and as yet a balance is still due to the Treasurer. The funds to be remitted have all to come in, and unless there is a general movement to bring them in, the Board will feel serious embarrassment. Our September RECORD shews good specimens of liberality from different quarters, and though we do not look for larger contributions for the next few months, we must have them in greater numbers, and especially for the great work of missions. Strong appeals

are being made at the present time by the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, for funds to carry on their work, and the people are being notified, that their liberality must be prompt or missionaries must be re-called. We neither anticipate nor fear such a result in this Church, and it is to prevent such a step being thought of that we ask that the facts of the case be examined, and the situation considered in proper time.

The Departure of the "Paragon."

The events of last week in connection with the Mission to the New Hebrides, claim our attention. And remembering the practical proofs given by the many congregations the missionaries have visited in Australia, during their six months sojourning in this land, and by those who have been otherwise appealed to, of attachment to the cause of this mission, we may conclude that a very large number of the members of the members of the Presbyterian Church regard those events with deep interest.

Our readers are aware of the calamity which befel the New Hebrides Mission, in the loss of the mission vessel *Dayspring*, some fifteen months ago. It is pleasing to know that that loss has now been fully repaired. Through the generous and persevering efforts of the supporters of the New Hebrides Mission in Australia, New Zealand, and Tasmania, a new vessel called the *Paragon*, has been obtained and thoroughly fitted up for the use of the mission. This vessel, a fine three-masted schooner of 160 register, was built by Messrs. Duncan and Sorrie, of Balmain, and was launched the week after the *Dayspring* was lost. She was chartered last year to do the work of the mission, pending arrangements for the obtaining of a vessel for permanent service. On her return from the Islands, she was highly recommended by the missionaries as a vessel of excellent sea going qualities, and capable of being easily adapted to the requirements of the mission. The Board entrusted with the management of the affairs of the mission vessel, after having satisfied themselves of her character and capabilities, resolved to purchase her for the mission. At this time, however, the requisite funds were not at command, and but for the generosity of two gentlemen well-known in our Church for their readiness in every good cause, the opportunity of obtaining her might have been lost. Learning how matters stood, these two gentlemen—Messrs. J. H. Goodlet and Alexander Learmonth, came promptly forward and secured the vessel for the mission,