

thousand souls, daily and hourly increasing in means and intelligence : ought we not under such circumstances to be well able to maintain one or more Missionaries solely devoted to ministerial labours in distant and destitute places, throughout this Province, Cape Breton, and Prince Edward Island ; and this, without in the smallest degree dispensing with whatever Missionary services could be afforded by the Pastors of Churches.

It was highly gratifying to observe that the interests of the Education Society, and of the Seminary at Horton, appeared to be growing in the general estimation of the churches and the Brethren ; and that its undoubted importance to the welfare of the Denomination, the public and the cause of Christ, is beginning to be deeply felt. The fact is now too well established to need argument or proof, that one great and efficient means of raising the cause of Gospel truth above the obloquy and contempt that the proud and ungodly are ever ready to heap upon it, is to prepare competent champions for its defence whenever attacked, as well as by giving it a "sweet savour" among the people of God of every name, by fitting and sending forth the Heralds of salvation to the remote corners of the earth, to publish the glad tidings of a Saviour's love, his death and resurrection to save lost sinners. — May we not encourage the hope, that our infant institution may ere long send forth many who in all these respects, will prove a blessing to our land and an honour to the denomination. The peculiar favour of Heaven has appeared of late to rest upon it ; and we doubt not that its interests will maintain a place in the prayers of the people of God, who are earnestly waiting for the increase of Zion ; for the time when the most distant lands "*shall give glory unto the Lord, and declare his praise in the Islands.*" — It is to be hoped, that the recommendation of the Association to the friends of the Institution at Horton, to assist in exonerating the committee of the Education Society from the heavy burden they have incurred in the Building and support of the Seminary, will be met with a spirit of liberality ; and that ample funds will be realized to carry on so important an undertaking with efficiency and perseverance.

In recommending a day to be set apart as a day of fasting and humiliation before God in view of the awful scourge which has visited and desolated so many nations of the earth ; and is now carrying terror and death into the habitations of the cities and countries almost in our immediate neighbourhood, the Association merely expressed a feeling which they trusted would be in unison with that of every church in the connection ; without any assumption of a right to dictate, which they ever sincerely wish to disclaim. We believe that the day has very generally been observed by our churches in a spirit of solemnity and prayer. We admit of no human right, except that vested in each church as constituted after the Gospel pattern, to prescribe rites or observances in this or any other