

ness and the religious meetings. Some of the reports from the Churches were encouraging; and those who came together seemed to be ready to engage heartily in the service of the Lord, and there was enjoyed a refreshing time from His presence. As it was expected that our house of worship in the City would be ready for the Church to occupy in a few weeks, and that consequently our Quarterly Meeting business must be deferred, it was voted to adjourn the Conference to that time and place. In the meantime the business in connection with the purchase of the house was arranged, and on the 9th of August it was dedicated to the worship of God. On the 10th of August, the Quarterly Meeting Conference met, according to adjournment, in the Free Baptist Church in Halifax, and closed up the business of the session.

We will now make a brief reference to each Church, beginning with—

*Scott's Bay and Ell's Mountain.*—We have had no written report from this Church for some time, but have learned that it is in a low and scattered condition for the want of ministerial help, and on account of the dissemination of erroneous doctrines among the people. There are some praying, however, for the prosperity of Zion, and trying to keep up social meetings and a Sabbath school.

*Hall's Harbour.*—No formal report from this Church this year. We believe they have had but little ministerial help, but are still trying to maintain gospel order. According to last report, they have a membership of 55, a Sabbath school of 40 scholars, and library of 120 volumes.

*Canning.*—We are sorry to say that the religious interest and the members of this Church have been considerably scattered this year. They have had no regular pastoral labour, and the social meetings and the Sabbath school have been greatly neglected. Recently, however, there seems to be more encouraging prospects: Bro. Knowles, Bro. Cox, and others, have been with them, strengthening the weak things which remained; and we hope that ere long the glory of the Lord will arise again upon that part of our beloved Zion. The membership is about 180.

*Black Rock.*—This Church is in quite good working order, though they have had but little pastoral help during the year. The Conference meeting and Sabbath school are sustained, and the little band of workers are praying for help and victory. The membership is about 80; average attendance at Sabbath school, 50; number of volumes in library, 100.

*Avonport.*—This Church has not had regular ministerial help for two years at least, but they are doing well in sustaining the means of grace. They are a devoted few who, though very much discouraged sometimes because they cannot have ministerial help, are ready for "every good word and work." The membership is 38. A union Sabbath school is sustained during the year, with an average attendance of 50 scholars, and a library of 100 volumes.

*Mount Denison.*—This little Church is very much scattered. We have had no regular report from it for a long time. Recently, indirectly, we have heard that our esteemed brother, Deacon Coßill, who has for a long time been waiting for help to carry his burden, has become disheartened, and sold the meeting house to the Wesleyans.

*East Medway.*—After a season of trial, followed by a great affliction, in the loss of son of Bros. Leander Cohoon (Clerk) and Edward Ryan, who were faithful workers, the Lord has been pleased to bless this Church by reclaiming the wanderers, and adding to their numbers converted ones from the ranks of the enemy. 17 have been added by baptism, 2 died, membership, 49. There are three under the care of the Church. There is a union Sabbath school sustained, with an average attendance of about 40 scholars, and a library of 100 volumes.

*Port Medway.*—This Church has been greatly encouraged of late with revival