

and I will give you rest." "Turn ye, turn ye, for why will ye die."

In just one point the parallel does not hold good. The whole year is not yet ours. To us for present use belongs but the present moment. As we open each compartment in each box it is ours to use but soon it is gone. "Whatsoever thine hand findeth to do, do it with thy might."

We have received the last Annual Report of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society, Eastern Section. It is a neat pamphlet of 84 pages, containing reports of last two general meetings held in Pictou and Stellarton, with addresses of welcome, opening, &c., on these occasions, together with reports of the different officers of the Society. It contains also the reports of the Presbyterian Societies for the year, abstract reports of the different Auxiliaries, with contributors and contributions to the Santo and Jubilee Funds. The Constitution of the W. F. M. S. and its Auxiliaries is also given, the whole presenting in compact form yet minute detail the working of the Society during the past eighteen months.

The Treasurer's Report shows receipts from Auxiliaries, special meetings, &c., during this time, \$2551.80; contributions to Santo Fund, \$1516.38; contributions to Jubilee Fund, \$1023.59. In all \$5091.77.

Surely if there is kindness anywhere it is shewn this winter by the Presbyterian congregations in the Maritime Provinces, towards their ministers. Fur coats, caps, mits, and robes, to make comfortable the long, cold, and sometimes stormy drives that many of them have to take; sleighs, harness, bells, &c., besides the numberless things that women only can think of to furnish or ornament their manses. In Malagawatch, and Bathurst; in Pugwash and Charlo and Harvey; in Shubenacadie and Kincardine; in Stewiacke and Brookfield, Parrsboro, and St. John; in Gays River and Milford, Truro, and Economy and Springfield, and perhaps many other places of which we have not heard, these kindly tokens have been given and received, and while prized for their value are prized much more for the kindness and good will of which they are the expression.

Rev. S. C. Gunn writes from Boston to a friend: "My present congregation is doing well. Our communion was held yesterday. 38 new members were added to our roll. We have now a membership of 105. The interest in all our meetings is increasing and we look for greater good from the Master." Not only is Mr. Gunn one of our own ministers, but his congregation is almost wholly made up from the Maritime Provinces. Our people have the deepest interest in the progress of sound Presbyterian christianity in Boston, where so many of our people now make their home and where there is so much to draw them away from the simple Scriptural christianity of their childhood.

The Presbytery of Lunenburg and Shelburne met at Bridgewater, Dec. 6th. The resignations by Rev. J. Rosborough, of the congregation of Shelburne, and of Rev. I. S. Simpson, of that of La Have, were accepted with regret. The representatives of both these congregations expressed their high appreciation of the faithful and valued labors of their recent pastors and their regret at parting.

The Rev. H. Crawford, who has been laboring for some years as ordained missionary at Roverside, was transferred to New Dublin. Rev. D. S. Fraser was appointed Moderator of Presbytery, in stead of Rev. J. Rosborough, resigned.

The next meeting of Presbytery at Bridgewater, Feb. 7th, 1888.

The Presbytery of Victoria and Richmond have been holding meetings for visitation in Baddeck, and by committee at Lake Ainslie and Strathlorne. In all of these places the Lord's work is prospering. Sabbath Schools, Prayer Meetings, and Public Worship are well attended. In both cases a deficit of salary, part of it of long standing, gives promise of soon vanishing.

The Presbytery has asked the various congregations to contribute to the Augmentation Fund ten per cent. less than sum asked for last year.

The next meeting will be at Wycocomagh, March 13th, 1888, at 11 o'clock, a.m.

Milford has added \$25 to the pastor's salary, and Lower Stewiacke, \$50.