

BROTHER JOHN McDONALD, writes that he has immersed several during the summer in Newport and Douglas. A few interesting particulars are given by

BROTHER MICHAEL WALLACE in a letter just now received, from which I make the following extracts: "Since I wrote we have had some additions to the church. Two promising young men when I last wrote had come forward, whom by necessity I baptized. Two weeks after one young man and two females were baptized by brother McDonald; and in one week after that time I led three young men into the hallowed figure of Jesus' tomb, and I trust to rise in newness of life. Making in all, in Douglas, eight persons in their youthful bloom—in age none above twenty two nor under fifteen. Oh, brother Eaton, this is good tidings that will fill your drooping heart with heavenly joys, and tune your lips to the lines: "God on his thirsty Zion hill, some mercy drops has thrown." Brother McDonald baptized two at Newport two weeks since, and expects others. Our reformation here is somewhat strange to many, and very unlike the common excitements of the age; they frequently leaving their common occupations, come to me and mention their intentions, and thus break their long silence by premeditated resolution, with calmness and evident decision. O my brother, the Lord has been gracious to me in applying to my troubled heart [I ought before to have stated that our dear brother Wallace had very recently lost a beloved son, W. W. E.] a balm so heavenly. Tears of grief have often been suspended by the tears of gratitude for unexpected blessings on Zion for which we, according to the deserts of our labours, have not been worthy." * * *

Brother Wallace concludes his interesting letter of the 16th inst. as follows: "Brother Crawford has been with us for a week. He is improving much—is fervent, faithful, and diligent. Had we enough of such brethren we might thank God and take courage in the cause of gospel truth.

"Two of brother Vaughn's family made the good confession in Newport last Lord's day, and yesterday in Douglas three more, making eleven here,—venturing their eternal all upon the well-tried foundation which God hath laid in Zion."

There have been accessions at other points, but I have not the reports in such a form as to give them at present. May the Lord bless and prosper the lambs of the flock and enable all of us to be more grateful, zealous, and devoted. W. W. E.

☞ We should previously have stated that our June meeting was enlivened and made additionally interesting by some four or five who came forward to confess and put on the Lord Jesus by baptism. It was a season of happiness to the young converts and to the saints generally. D. O.

PROGRESS.—Our friends will see that our exertions are being successful in regulating the issues of this paper according to a healthier rule than in months past. It is our desire to be punctual. D. O.