

The Missionary Association has held a number of interesting meetings. At one of these Mr. F. W. Thompson, who was employed during the summer to carry on the work in Labrador, submitted a very interesting report of his labours in that isolated field. The Association has passed a resolution requesting students to write out reports of their work during the past summer in the various mission stations of our church, in order that these reports may be preserved by the Secretary. The following is a list of places supplied by the Missionary Association this winter. North-west Arm, Goodwood, Lawrencetown, Montague, Bedford, St. Croix, Coburg Road, the Ropewalk and the Sugar Refinery. All applications for supply should be addressed to Mr. J. P. Falconer, Secretary of the Association.

The Literary Society has been holding a series of debates, which have been well attended. The first discussion was on the advisability of introducing a liturgy into the Presbyterian Church. The debate was not without interest, but when the vote was taken, those in favor of a liturgy formed what Lord Dufferin calls, a "microscopic minority." "Is it advisable to use the manuscript in the pulpit?" was the second question brought before the Society. From the beginning it was plain the answer would be a negative. The usage of prominent preachers in the Maritime Provinces was cited in vain, and a large majority declared against the reading of sermons.

The third debate was a temperance question, "Whether the Church should make total abstinence a condition of membership." This debate became very general and loose in its character. As the hour advanced the Apostle Paul, and a young disciple of his, were, as usual introduced on one side; but the Apostle had much advice to give on both sides, as the interest grew. When the vote was called the greater number present "suspended their judgment." The spirit shown was neither one of omnitolerance nor rigid exclusiveness.

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