

needs a permanent pastor. If the board could buy the R. E. Church in Digby, organize a church there and pay part of a pastor's salary for three years, I am sure the two put together would be self supporting by that time.

By a little effort and the help of friends we have painted the church at B. V., upholstered the pulpit and covered the desk cushion, obtained a S. S. Library (second hand) of 104 vols., a S. S. Blackboard, and expect to have a fence around the church within a week. The church is growing and is in favor. Five added to the communion roll.

#### BRIDGETOWN.

Mr. F. G. Greene, the missionary, writes as follows:—

"Field decidedly interesting. An excellent opportunity here for useful work, with judicious nourishing and encouragement the church should become self-sustaining and fully established as an organization. A well established Presbyterian Church should certainly exist here. The outlook has not been so promising any time during the past four years, for this church, as now. There is one elder. The missionary hopes that some plan may be perfected by which the church may be open regularly during the year." Five added to the communion roll.

#### WATERVILLE AND LAKEVILLE.

Mr. G. S. Allan, the missionary says:—"The Presbyterians at these stations are few but willing to do all they can for the support of ordinance. Your Catechist was treated with uniform kindness by all. Our hope is in the young, of whom there are a large number.

#### PRESBYTERY OF LUNENBURG.

In this Presbytery there was only one agent located, Mr. Duncan Cameron, a Licentiate, since accepted by the American Presbyterian Church as a Missionary to Chili. He was placed in charge of East Jordan and Lockport. Respecting the place first named he says:—

Ours was the only service held here this summer. In the section there are in all about 20 families, ours numbering 12, all of whom I visited, receiving from them a cordial welcome. At Lockport we number about 32 families all of whom I visited several times. These stations, are now organized as a Pastoral charge, and now looking out for a minister. At Lockport there was a Sabbath school. At East Jordan I started one and it is doing

well. I started at Lockport a prayer meeting which was well attended, and which I hope will be continued. All the services were well attended, and the people very attentive. Lockport is a growing town, possessing an unusual amount of enterprise and energy. I do not know a field in our province which possesses so many attractions to a young man of the proper sort possessing common prudence and a reasonable amount of godly energy. I have left them hopeful, and I trust that before long God may send to them the proper man.

There were Student Missionaries in ten Presbyteries from the American line to Newfoundland. Samples of the work done in four of these Presbyteries have been given; but the diligence and success in these cases were no greater than could be easily furnished from those passed over in silence. The aggregate of Missionary work done by the thirty eight young men whose names are given in the appendix, last year must therefore have been very great, and the blessing of the Master will not be withheld.

#### PRESBYTERIAL INSPECTION.

The Presbyteries have generally appointed pastors to visit the different Mission Stations to administer Baptism and the Lord's Supper. Such visits have been highly prized and have proved times of refreshing to all concerned, besides affording opportunity for those brought to a decision by the Evangelists' labours, to declare themselves, and to make close connection with the Cause and Church of Christ.

#### OUR FINANCES.

The Committee acknowledge the receipt from the Executors of the late Alex McLeod of Halifax, of the sum of two thousand dollars for Home Missions which has been reserved, till by conference with the Committee on Augmentation, it is decided in what way this sum can be used with greatest advantage in furthering the common object of the Committees.

Apart from this sum which may possibly be set apart for augmentation the receipts for the year for this part of Home Mission work have been \$4,233.60, which with balance on hand May 1st, 1883, gives on the credit side of the account, \$4,405.72, expenditure \$4,324.42 leaving the small balance in fund of \$81.30.

Our hindrance in this important work is the want of Preachers, a want felt even in summer; but especially felt when some