

weeks, this is the third. It is a barren spot, but God's Spirit is almighty, and 'His Word shall not return to Him void.' I began with the intention of holding these meetings only one week, but the interest in the preached word so grew, and the members (male) of the church so cordially helped me, that we have gone on till now, with increasing interest. Last night the first fruits appeared in two accepting Jesus. Others deeply moved, could not bear the sneers of the hardened. I believe much more is done than we know. The Lord is at work evidently among them."

Brantford.—The pastor gratefully acknowledges an addition of one hundred dollars to his salary at the commencement of the year, and more recently, on the 18th ult., of a donation visit at his house, the proceeds of which amounted to over sixty dollars.

Scotland.—The members and friends of the Congregational Church at Scotland, held a social on Wednesday, 16th inst., and presented the Rev. William Hay with a gift of \$107, in addition to a beautiful shawl and Buffalo robe. The meeting was held in the church, and was largely attended, the sister churches of Burford and Kelvin being well represented. Mr. Robert Eadie, Sen., occupied the chair. Appropriate addresses were delivered by Messrs. Cox, Eadie, Yeigh, Chapin, and D. W. Malcolm. Interesting readings were given by Messrs. Nason and McLim.

Mr. Eadie reported that the church was in a prosperous state,—meetings well attended,—finances improving,—weekly offering working well,—33 members added during the year,—and Sunday School growing in efficiency. The choir, led by Dr. Malcolm, and accompanied by Miss Hay on the organ, rendered some excellent music. The evening was spent very pleasantly, and the kindest feelings were manifested towards the pastor, who expressed himself greatly encouraged by the warm wishes and generous gifts tendered him.

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SCOTLAND, February, 22nd, 1870.

Unionville and Markham.—**Donation.**—In the news of the churches, it is always pleasing to read of the exhibitions of kindness shewn by the people to their pastors, in the shape of donations. The members and friends of the Congregational Church of this place, with those of the sister church, Unionville, met at the house of the Rev. Mr. Macallum, and presented to him goods and money to the amount of fifty dollars. There were between sixty and seventy present. The meeting broke up at an early hour, after devotional exercises, and all returned home well pleased with the social time they had enjoyed.—*Markham Economist.*

St. John, N. B.—The Union street Congregational Church is at present enjoying the ministry of the Rev. S. G. DODD, who has resigned his charge of the Central Church in Middleboro, Mass., and accepted an invitation to occupy the pulpit in St. John for six months.

The Rev. F. Hastings, recently pastor in St. John, has just returned to England, from an excursion to the Holy Land, and is at present at Sheerness.

Osprey.—According to arrangement, I visited Osprey, spent five days with the friends there, preached twice through the week, and three times on Sabbath. We had good meetings, in the midst of such snow storms as that part of the country is celebrated for. I was glad to see such indications of wil-