

service at Lachute, has severed his connection with that Church. Lachute must secure the services of a prudent and aggressive pastor at the earliest moment possible, or much of the fruits of the toil and expenditure of the past seven years will be lost to our cause. Sawyerville, Bulwer, Coaticooke, Barnston, Potton, and Baldwin's Mills have had generous additions to their membership, and their position and prospects have distinctly improved. Sherbrooke has not shared with her sisters in the joy of welcoming many converts into her fellowship, and the pastor, somewhat disheartened, has presented his resignation; yet, we look for the day to dawn upon Sherbrooke when the "Plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that soweth seed, and the mountains shall drop sweet wine, and all the hills shall melt, and the Lord shall bring again the captivity of His people." A year ago Beebe Plains seriously discussed the propriety of disbanding as a Church, but the past few months have brought such encouragement to them that they are putting forth supreme effort to maintain regular preaching throughout the year. Potton also is moving in the same direction. Abbott's Corners reports increase in interest and attendance, while Kingsey Falls, silent as the grave for two years, has again become vocal with praise to God Almighty. Clarenceville shows improvement. Special services were held for a few days with hopeful indications, but the wind and the rain interfered. The people would not venture their lives in the building if a cloud appeared in the west, or if a breeze more forceful than a gentle zephyr was blowing, or likely to blow. Within the past two months the building has been put into a good state of repair, and one hindrance, at least, to prosperity has been removed. Looking over the whole field, we regard the past year as one of the best the churches in the Eastern Association have ever enjoyed.

OTTAWA ASSOCIATION.

In the Ottawa Association we have had *eight Missionary pastors* and *six students* upon mission fields. A large number, and yet it can be said with perfect safety, that there is not a spot within the bounds of this Association that invites our help that does not warrant immediate attention. Ottawa, McPhail Memorial, has declared for *self-support*. Their success has been phenomenal. They dedicated a beautiful and commodious chapel in January, provided in full for its cost six months afterwards, and within nine months declared their purpose to stand alone. Billerica and Clarendon have not added many converts to their ranks, but Clarendon has built and paid for a parson-

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