

£10. At these Mr. F. was much gratified with the spirit of brotherly catholicity evinced. At Saltsprings, the Rev. Mr. Lawson, of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, not only gave a handsome subscription himself, but avowed his willingness to urge his congregations, in the adjoining settlements, to contribute in support of the same object—an object which he held to be essential for the propagation of a sound Presbyterianism in these Lower Provinces. Here too Mr. Forrester met with a brother of the author of the prize essay on the Sabbath, styled "The Orphan's day of Joy," and was truly delighted to find him imbued with a similar spirit,—a spirit of deep appreciation of the Sabbath Institute, because of his love to the Lord of the Sabbath. At Lower Norton, both Methodists and Baptists subscribed to the fund, and that simply on the ground of their belief that the Collegiate Institution at Halifax is well fitted to promote the glory of our common Lord, in the salvation of souls.

Though Mr. Forrester had only visited about the half of Mr. Donald's wide and scattered district, he was obliged to leave, in order to fulfil his other engagements, and proceeded, along with Mr. Wright, to Mr. Jack's field of labour.—Mr. Jack ministers to two congregations, the one called Springfield, and the other English Settlement. The day of their arrival happened to be the Fast-day preparatory to the celebration of the Lord's Supper at Springfield, and this circumstance secured to them a large congregation, many from the English settlement being present. After Messrs. Wright and Forrester had preached, they both addressed the large audience, the former on the general missionary operations of the Free Church, at home, abroad, and throughout the Colonies, and the latter on the specific object of his mission. After these addresses were delivered, parties were invited to come forward and subscribe according to their ability, but before doing so some important and pertinent questions were proposed by the congregation, and amongst the rest was the question, "What pledge or guarantee could be given them, that after the three years were expired, another call would not be made to them on behalf of the same object?" They stated, what was quite true, that they had contributed during the continuance of the four years, the period formerly fixed, whilst many other congregations had li-

terally done nothing, and supposing that they were now to exert themselves more actively than before, how did they know that at the end of three years the call would not be again repeated. Mr. Forrester expressed his satisfaction that that question had been propounded, complimented them on their past diligence and faithfulness in reference to this Fund, and showed them how completely the scheme now proposed met their case, and the case of congregations similarly situated, viz., that no one would be under any obligation to pay a farthing of the sum subscribed, unless subscriptions to the amount of £7,000 were obtained, and on this ground he (Mr. F.) urged them to make every sacrifice, that the proposed sum may be realized, and the College at Halifax placed, as speedily as possible, on a permanent basis. And to this appeal they liberally responded.—We feel satisfied that about £100 will be got from this district.

Mr. Forrester then proceeded to the Bend of Petticoodiac. In consequence of Mr. Ross, the Probationer officiating there, not having received Mr. Forrester's intimation of proposed visit, no arrangement had been made. These arrangements were, however, soon made, and a meeting was held the following evening, attended by the leading stranch Presbyterians of the place, who, after sermon, and a statement regarding the College at Halifax, subscribed liberally. The Bend, if properly worked, will contribute £150 or £200 towards this object. The importance of this place cannot be over-rated. The population is increasing at an immensely rapid rate, and in the course of five or six years will in all probability number some 8,000 or 10,000 inhabitants. Were a talented and experienced minister placed over this charge, we have no doubt but a large and influential Presbyterian congregation would be gathered together in a short time. Shediac also holds a very important position. There is here a small Presbyterian Place of Worship, with a valuable piece of ground attached, got up and supported mainly by the activity and zeal of such men as Messrs. Livingston and Macalister, &c. Shediac must also necessarily, from its situation, increase rapidly, and will, ere long, with some of the adjacent settlements, be able to support a stated Presbyterian Pastor. It is a lovely spot on the banks of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and will form one of the most important of the termini of