

with hope, believing that Baptist principles are to some extent at least, taking root in the hearts of the people, and that eventually a glorious harvest of souls will be gathered in. But there are many adversaries. 1 Cor. xvi. 9.

This field should not be given up. Within its limits there are some dozen or more Baptist members, an equal number of heads of families, who, we have little reason to suppose, will ever be anything else. On the Eastern side, within about the same limits, we have some half dozen members not connected with any church, and a nice school house that has always been open to Baptist preaching, and has, I believe, never been occupied by any others, and where a good congregation has always been secured. It is true they are so scattered, that it would be difficult for them at any time to be all with "one accord in one place," even if that place could be found, and consequently at present distinct organization can hardly be thought of, or even a Conference meeting attempted, yet to now give up what has been gained would be worse than suicidal."

Rev. J. Bancroft performed 6 months missionary labour in Walton and vicinity.

Travelled 1036 miles; preached 93 sermons; attended 22 Conference and Prayer meetings; visited 95 families; collected \$45.39; Lord's Supper administered twice; organized one Temperance Society.

Halifax County.

Rev. R. R. Philp laboured in the service of the Board 8 weeks in the above County.

Preached 30 sermons; visited 15 families; travelled 120 miles; Baptized 10 persons; collected \$9.86.

The following account of his mission was received on the 10th March, 1864:—

"I have completed the mission assigned me by the Board last year. I preached in the following places:—Waverly, Bedford, and 2nd Hammonds Plains.

Both Waverly and Bedford are important points for missionary exertion. The congregation at Waverly is what may be called a floating congregation, but not the less important on that account, for coming as they do from all parts of the Province, some may upon returning home carry with them the seeds of truth, which will yield a harvest at some future time. Good congregations assemble at both places. At 2nd Hammonds Plains I assisted in the Baptism of 20, and administered the Lord's Supper.

Two years ago the Baptist cause in this County was in a sadly depressed state. The Churches in Halifax were the only churches that had Pastors. I accepted the charge of three small churches,