

DALHOUSIE COLLEGE.—The winter session of this Institution closed on Wednesday, the 28th ult. The classes were largely attended, and the number of students under instruction was larger than ever before. We rejoice in the continued prosperity of this Institution.

ALBERTON.—Union meetings have of late been held by the Presbyterians and Wesleyans at Alberton and great good has resulted.

MURRAY HARBOR ROAD.—This is an important station in connection with Rev. J. Sutherland's charge, Woodville, P. E. I. A Presbyterian Church is being erected.

MOOSELAND.—It is reported that 100 families of Icelanders will form a Colony in Mooseland this season. They are Lutherans and purpose bringing a clergyman with them who will minister to their spiritual wants.

OBITUARY.

Charles D. Hunter, Esq.

This name has long been known in Halifax as that of an esteemed citizen, a trustworthy man, and a successful merchant.

Throughout the bounds of this Church, Mr. Hunter was known as one of the founders and chief supporters of the congregation of Poplar Grove. He was twice the chief contributor in relieving the congregation from an incubus of debt, first, shortly after the church was built, and again during the past year.

He was also known as a liberal contributor to nearly all the general schemes of the Church, while his house, especially during the life of Mrs. Hunter, was a home, in which ministers of the Gospel, as well as a wide circle of Christian friends and relatives, were entertained with cordial welcome and genuine hospitality.

Mr. Hunter had no family. One portion of his property he has bequeathed in legacies of various amounts to relatives and friends; another to the Bible Society, and the public, religious, and humane institutions of the City of Halifax, where he accumulated his property; and a third portion, to religious objects, Congregational and general, connected with the denomination—the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces—to which he was warmly attached.

Two months ago he was hale and hearty, amounting on to 81 years of age, and apparently strong enough to live for years, but he was brought down within the last month somewhat suddenly. He bowed to the Divine Will without a murmur, endured

patiently, and died in peace, looking calmly and confidently to the righteousness and promises of an all sufficient Redeemer.

Intelligence.

United Presbyterian.

The United Presbyterian Synod will meet in Edinburgh on the 10th May.

The total expenditure for Foreign Missions during the past year amounted to £41,657.—The leading agent in the Lake Nyassa Mission will be a United Presbyterian, the Mission itself being under the management of the Free Church and R. P's. This shows how the Churches are drawing together in Scotland.—In 20 years the Foreign Mission Funds of the U. P. Church have increased more than three fold.

The Jews.

The Emperor of Russia has granted an important concession to the London Society for Promoting Christianity amongst the Jews. This Society, which has stations in most of the countries of Europe, as well as in Palestine and the northern parts of Africa, has been excluded from Russian territory since the outbreak of the Crimean War. Various attempts have been made to obtain permission for re-opening the Society's mission, but until now without success. A short time ago a deputation, consisting of the Rev. Frederick Smith (Secretary of the Society), and Mr. J. Alexander, proceeded to St. Petersburg with a petition to the Emperor, signed by the Earl of Shaftesbury as president. This petition has not only been graciously received by his Imperial Majesty, but full permission has been granted for the Society to send its agents to Poland and other parts of Russia where Jews reside; and an extensive field for missionary work has thus been opened, as is evident when it is borne in mind that within the territory over which the Emperor rules, the Jewish population probably exceeds three millions. This concession may be regarded as an important sign of that change of feeling towards England and England's Christian institutions, which has happily been brought about by recent events, and more cordial relationship that has sprang up between Russia and this country.

SYSTEMATIC PRAYING.—The Free Church Record commends the suggestion that "systematic giving" should be accompanied by systematic praying. Let some of our Church enterprizes be the object of special supplication to God day by day.