

have been still larger but for the prevalence of sickness last Summer.

They have pleasure in recording with devout thankfulness to God, that the students have largely shared in the benefit arising from the quickened state of religious feeling in the church at Fredericton.

The deep interest taken by the Rev. G. Sealy, Pastor of the Church, in the spiritual well-being of the students, and his untiring efforts to do them good, have been much blessed. Several young men have felt the power of divine truth, and experienced a change of heart, which has become manifest in a pleasing reformation of character and conduct.

From the report of the Principal they are gratified to learn, that the diligence of some has been exemplary, and that while engaged in promoting spiritual improvement, they have not neglected the mental cultivation, which was the object of their pursuit.

He particularly mentions the names of Herbert H. Read, Reuben Gross, and W. J. Blakeney, as evincing a praiseworthy, continuous attention to educational duties.

Your Committee know that all interests sink into insignificance, compared with those of eternity, and they are aware that when the mind is aroused to alarm, and engaged in seeking the forgiveness of sins through the merits of the Redeemer, and the whole soul is absorbed in devotional exercises, that attention to the duties of the school becomes difficult and perhaps irksome.

Making all due allowance for such feelings, they are of opinion that the one need not interfere with the other, that while the most wholesome spiritual advantage is secured to the student, he may be stimulated to a still more careful improvement of his time. Your committee desire earnestly that both objects may be attained; they long to see all the youth in the Seminary walking in the truth, and they wish at the same time that they may be distinguished for assiduity in the pursuit of learning.

It must be a gratifying circumstance to all those who have aided to maintain the Institution, and who have had to defend it against prejudices arising from the locality in which it is situated, to learn that a blessing has attended the religious instructions and influences by which the students are surrounded; they are sure that this will contribute more than any other thing to remove the false impressions that may be entertained prejudicial to the Institution.

The Committee cannot allow the opportunity to pass without expressing their deep sense of the ability and zeal manifested by Mr. Munro, in advancing the interests of the Academy, and the efficient aid he has rendered in the discipline and moral culture of the students; and especially his devotedness in affording spiritual instruction and guidance to the young men in the Institution.

The resolution of the two Associations, passed at their last session, relative to the debt of the Society, has been attended to. Immediately after the meeting of the Western Association, in Septem-