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still valid, and an active minister is expected to assume the pastorate in the early future. Bro. Ralph Hunt has been assigned a mission for three months at Fall River and Waverly; and Bro. C. Haverstock has accepted a similar mission to New Ross.

After the departure of Rev. T. Trotter from Shelburne, Bro. J. Goodwin was induced to take charge of that field. Aided by a grant of \$150 00, he has labored during nine months of the year at Shelburne, Jordan River and Sand Point. The church at Annapolis has been assisted by a subsidy of \$150.00. A grant of \$100.00 was voted to help the churches at Kempt, Milford and Graywood in the support of Rev. L. M. Weeks. Having received a call from the church at Bridgewater, Bro. Weeks resigned his charge over the former churches after having labored with them about six months. Rev. E. N. Archibald received \$40.00 to aid him in giving a part of his time to the church at Lower Sable River, Shelburne Co. He reports several baptisms and some evidences of spiritual improvement. The churches at Argyle were assisted in supporting Rev. W. B. Bradshaw by a grant of \$167.38. Two new meeting-houses are in course of erection as a result of this aid. Rev. P. R. Foster, stationed at Tusket, received a grant of \$58.33 in order that he might devote part of his time to the interest at Riverdale, Yarmouth Co. A subsidy of \$60.00 has been voted to the same field for the current year. Bro. L. C. Vickery spent six weeks in missionary labor at Forest Glen, Yarmouth Co. His reports are very satisfactory. To the church at East Dalhousie a grant of \$40.00 was promised to aid them in securing the regular services of Rev. E. J. Grant for a part of his time.

Rev. W. H. Richan, pastor of the church at Barrington received aid to the amount of \$33.00 to enable him to perform missionary labor at Villagedale and Barrington Head.

Your Board are glad to report that among our pastors there is a growing disposition to perform gratuitous missionary labor. An excellent example of this kind is furnished by the ministers of Annapolis Co., who have entered into an agreement to visit occasionally the neglected stations which surround them, and to report their work and forward all contributions to the Home Missionary Board. It is most desirable that this kind of work should be done much more generally by pastors who are conveniently situated, and who are adequately supported by their own churches. We are convinced that many prominent Baptist Churches would sustain no loss to themselves and would do a vast amount of good to others by allowing their Pastor to go forth occasionally on such missionary tours. In this way the Kingdom of our Redeemer would be more rapidly extended, and our Home Missionary treasury would be materially assisted.

From this outline it is obvious that a large number of weak churches have been materially assisted in sustaining their pastors, and a goodly number of zealous missionaries have been endeavoring "to preach the gospel in the regions beyond."