

*Port Medway.*—This Church has the pastoral labours of Rev. T. H. Crowell one-half of the time. The ordinances of the Lord's house are regularly attended to, and a general interest is manifest in hearing the Word. But, generally speaking, the religious interest and spiritual condition of the Church is rather low. In the spring quite a religious interest was awakened among the young people, and protracted meetings were held several weeks by the pastor, with the assistance of a few of the brethren and sisters; but the Church generally did not seem to enter into the work, and consequently it did not go on as it otherwise might. There were, however, a few young persons converted, and some awakened to more earnestness in the things of religion. In connection with this Church, there is an interesting Sabbath School, with about an average number of 50. There have been 4 added to the Church by baptism. Present number, 108.

The *Harmony Church* is still destitute of pastoral labour. Rev. W. Downey spent a month with them last winter, and laboured in protracted meetings; which labour was crowned with considerable success. This is all the preaching they have had, during the year, by ministers of our own denomination, with the exception of one or two short visits from Rev. Theo. H. Crowell, and a visit recently from Rev. C. Doucett. But they have a few brothers and sisters who are in earnest; and they are labouring hard to maintain gospel order, and sustain the means of grace. The prayer and Conference meetings are attended to regularly. They have a snug and commodious parsonage, just finished, and are hoping the Lord will send them a faithful minister. This little Church has sustained a great loss in the removal by death of a good brother, Deacon Hallett Cole, whose departure they lament very much. They have a union Sabbath School in good working condition, with about 60 scholars. Statistics—2 added; 1 died; present membership, 89.

*Port Matoun Church* has enjoyed a very good degree of religious prosperity during the whole year, and ever since the revival of religion they enjoyed the last year. They still have the pastoral labours of Rev. Theo. H. Crowell one-fourth of the time. In the absence of the pastor, the prayer meetings are well attended on the Sabbath. Present membership is 66.

You may have observed by this report, that many of the Churches are destitute of pastoral aid. This is a lack which we feel very much as a Quarterly Meeting. We have only one ordained Elder belonging to the Quarterly Meeting, and one Licentiate. And had it not been for the transient labours of Elders Downey, Doucett, and Cann, and the assistance of the delegates from the Yarmouth and Shelburne Quarterly Meeting, this is all the ministerial help we should have had this year.

Therefore while we regret that we have to report so little prosperity and progress on the whole—so small additions to the churches, and some spiritual declension, we also feel, considering our position, advantages and circumstances, that we have no reason to complain, but abundant reason to praise God for his great goodness to us.

We have appointed as delegates to sit with you in conference the following brethren:—Weiner Cox, William Foot, F. Hedley, Theodore Shaw, Eldred Cohoon, Benjamin Cohoon, James Cushing, and Solomon Stewart, Jun.

Reference was made in the report of last year to the organization of a Home Mission Society. We may observe here that such a Society is in operation in connection with this Quarterly Meeting. We cannot, however, concerning it report much progress. It was started with a view to raise funds to assist feeble churches, and spread the Gospel among us. We are gathering some funds slowly, but do not see the way yet to get a Missionary, and consequently have not one to pay. There is not much to stimulate the people to action in that direction. We hope, however, that at some future time it may prove a great blessing to the church.

In conclusion, we have only to say, that we are hopeful for the future. We have many faithful labourers who are bearing the burden and heat of the day,