

are very anxious to have a minister settled among them as soon as practicable, and had a meeting to consider whether or not they would petition the Presbytery to moderate a call; but it was agreed not to petition till they would ascertain whether or not I accepted the call from the congregation of Mabou.

I held a Bible class every Wednesday evening. Those attending would average thirty-five or forty. Many of the young people have a considerable knowledge of the Scriptures, and have an ardent desire to improve. Some of them have talents, which if only properly exercised in time, and blessed by the Holy Spirit, would render them ornaments in the church of Christ. The last evening we met they made me a handsome present. I received as a token of gratitude and respect a gold watch-key, and a gold pen and pencil case.

In Harvey are the materials for a good congregation. A prudent, pious minister in that place might be the means of doing much good. There are already fifty-one families adhering to our church besides a number of young men who would readily assist in keeping a minister. The families in general are young families, and a minister now settled among them and gaining their affections, might be the means of leading the youth, as they grow up, in the paths of virtue and piety. Besides it is a young settlement; and as there are some large tracts of land yet within its limits, which have not been disposed of nor cleared of their woods, it is most likely the settlements will soon greatly increase, both in population and wealth. It is thus, I think, one of the most promising stations in connexion with our church. I hope the Presbytery will give them as regular a supply of preaching as they can. The persecutions which they experienced for a few months, have resulted as persecutions directed against the people of God have generally done. They tend to make them more determined to walk in the path of duty, and they have proved pits into which the persecutors themselves have fallen.

They paid me in full for the time I was among them.

JAMES McLEAN.

Annapolis, Sept. 18th, 1854.

Since Mr. McLean's departure, the Rev. Alexander McKenzie has been engaged in supplying Harvey. Mr. McKenzie since writes:—

"I rejoice to inform you that things here are in a prosperous state. The people are active and harmonious in their movements. Their church in a few weeks will be fit for divine service, and they entertain the hope of having a minister settled among them soon."

WEST RIVER, 18th October, 1854.

The members of the Students' Missionary society held their fourth annual meeting in the hall, and closed the business of the society for the current year. Several meetings were held by them in different sections of the church, at which liberal collections were taken, and much interest manifested by the people. The sum of fourteen pounds fifteen shillings and eight pence was obtained from the several localities, as specified below:—

1854.			
July 19.	Middle Musquodoboit,	£1	4
21.	Mr. Samrel Brayden,	0	1
"	Mabou, Cape Breton,	1	3
Aug. 2.	Upper Settlement, Mus-		
	quodoboit,	1	6
21.	Little River,	0	10
"	John Taylor, 2s 6d }		
"	Wm. Taylor, 2s 6d }	0	5
Sept. 25	Primitive Church, N. G.	4	3
Oct. 9.	James' Church, N. G.	4	2
"	Miss. Box, Prince Town,		
	P. E. I.	1	9
"	Rogers' Hill,	0	11
		£14	15

The above sum was appropriated as follows:—one-half to the Foreign Mission, and the other half to the Domestic Mission.

The following persons were appointed office-bearers for the ensuing year.—

Alexander Cameron, President; David McDonald, Secretary; John W. Matheson, Treasurer.

SAMUEL JOHNSON, Secy.

NEW CHURCH OPENED.—The new church recently erected in Tatamagouche, under the name of St. John's Church, was opened for divine service on Sabbath, 17th inst. After praying the reading of a portion of the