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PORT MOUTON CHURCH has had no regular preaching since Bro. De Witt removed to Cape Island; are holding on to the truth, praying for help. Died, two; whole number of members 97; 44 Brothers, 53 Sisters.

PORT MEDWAY CHURCH has the preaching of Rev. S. N. Royal the 1st and 3rd Lord's days in each month; a good Sabbath-school; are low, yet there are those who have not bowed the knee to Baal Dismissed by letter, two; whole number of members, 122.

EAST PORT MEDWAY has preaching by Rev. S. N. Royal the 1st and 3rd Sabbath afternoons of each month. Last winter they enjoyed a gracious revival, by which the Church was quickened, and six were added by baptism. They have a good Sabbath School. This church is compelled to say, in the language of Isaiah xvi. 11, "Our holy house where our fathers praised Thee is burned with fire." Their place of worship was consumed by fire last February, and they have erected a frame and covered it with boards, but are too feeble to finish it now. They are worthy of any material aid towards finishing it any may feel disposed to give. Added by baptism, six; died, one; whole number, 50.

HARMONY CHURCH has the services of Elder S. N. Royal one half the time; maintains weekly prayer meetings and monthly conferences; are praying for better days; have 25 scholars and five teachers in a Sabbath School in the community. Added by letter, two; died, one; whole number of members, 68.

HALIFAX CHURCH has the labors of Rev. J. M. Lowden, an interesting Sabbath School, an encouraging congregation. This church is in debt for its place of worship, and could that burden be removed, with Divine aid would flourish. Added by letter, three; by baptism, 15; whole number of members, 88; 52 sisters, 36 brothers.

BROOKVILLE CHURCH (Hants Co.).—This Church was organized in June, 1877, as the result of the labors of Rev. G. E. Sturgis. He preaches to them. Whole number of members, 12; 7 brothers, 5 sisters.

In looking over the field we are led to enquire, are the old fields worn out? Are they barren? Why, during the past year, has there been no more conversions among us as a Quarterly Meeting? Will they die? They may be weakly, they are not bearing fruit as they might, but they are not beyond recovery; there are the fives and tens and more left who are true.

The reasons are, apparently, First: Want or lack of Denominational preference. Said a member of one of our churches who could not find time to attend the monthly conference of his church for months, at a Camp Meeting one Saturday afternoon—the afternoon of Conference, "I have a Wesley's Hymns in one pocket, and a Psalmody in the other." Too many are like him.

Secondly: Lack of Ministerial labor. For the past sixteen years some of the churches have had preaching part of the time for four of the sixteen.

Thirdly: A lack of consecration. Were each and every member of the Quarterly Meeting to read and practice Romans twelfth chapter, no such report would be made next year.