

Church; but whether the people are disposed to sustain a co-adjutor the undersigned does not know.

Hearing of a passage by sea to Halifax: being informed that the Presbytery had ordered his recall, the undersigned left Lock's Island on 21st May. The wind proving unfavourable, had to spend the 4th Sabbath of May in Liverpool. Found few Presbyterians in that town; but deemed it advisable to visit the few families to whom he had access. Preached twice on the Sabbath, at the request of the Rev Messrs. Tomkins and Melvin.

Reached Halifax on the 28th May.—Attended the prayer-meeting in Poplar Grove Church. Heard an interesting address from Mr Matheson, preacher.—By request of the pastor addressed the Throne of Grace. From him received notice of appointment to the Railroad people.

Left Halifax on the 30th May, and spent the two following weeks among the operatives on the Rail Road in the vicinity of the Grand Lake; was cordially received by Mr Frazer the contractor, who gave due notice of his arrival.—

Preached on the *first* Sabbath to an attentive audience of about seventy people; was kindly driven by Mr Cameron to the school-house at Elmsdale; in the afternoon, preached there to an attentive congregation at the request of the Rev John Cameron. In the course of the following week, visited twelve families, preached three times on week evenings, baptized two children to men who formerly received baptism from ministers of the Church, who also engaged to adorn and to sustain the gospel. On the *second* Sabbath, preached three times in the same locality, and baptized a child to a man who engaged to comply with the order of the Church.

Such is the Report which the undersigned has to submit. He can honestly say that he has devoted himself to the service to which he was appointed. He declines expressing any opinion regarding any good that may have resulted from his labors—all will appear at the last day. May the divine blessing accompany all domestic missionary operations.

All of which is respectfully submitted.
HUGH ROSS.

Foreign Missions.

• TWELFTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE P. CHURCH OF N. S.

During the past year your Board have found much more than usual to awaken their interest, and employ their energies, both at home and abroad.

ANOTHER MISSIONARY.

They can now tell of another missionary, under their care, having left these shores, to carry the unsearchable riches of Christ to the remote Isles of the Southern Pacific. On this individual the eyes of the Church have been anxiously set for some years past. His probation under their immediate oversight has satisfied your Board that, in point of bodily constitution, mental endowments, educational acquirements, ardent piety and thorough devotedness to the mission work, he will prove no unworthy associate to the much esteemed, very efficient and highly successful missionaries already on the field. Great care was taken

to afford every congregation under the inspection of Synod an opportunity of seeing and hearing Mr Gordon, during the interval which elapsed between its last meeting and his departure, and substantial proofs of the propriety of this arrangement were everywhere visible in the numerous and deeply interested audiences which he addressed, and the abundant free will offerings by which our people recognized him as their accepted missionary. It may well be anticipated that Mr Gordon also must have felt the happy influence of this general introduction to the Churches, and that he must have thanked God and taken courage when he met so many christian friends, who were forward to take him by the hand and bid him God speed.—In a lengthened and interesting report of these congregational visits which has not yet been published, he says, "I feel I cannot be too thankful to God for the special mercies of which I have been the recipient, during last summer, while vi-