

McCullagh is highly esteemed by all her acquaintances, and has been very favourably regarded, as a worthy partner of missionary life. Well educated and of considerable experience in the art of teaching, it is believed, she will prove a highly useful helpmeet, not only to her husband, but to the mission.

Mr. Gordon was, immediately after last Synod, placed under the charge of the Halifax Presbytery with a view to ordination.—This important service was performed by them with all due diligence, and notice of its completion received by your Board. Mr. Gordon found opportunity to visit several congregations, during the progress of his trials and subsequently. His services in this way were increasingly acceptable, and profitable. His health during the voyage, to the Cape, was rather feeble, but greatly recruited after landing, and at last dates from Australia, was, in quite a satisfactory state. His latest letters are written in exuberant spirits, and with most pleasing effect.

Mr. Morrison completed his visitation of all the congregations, and thereby commended himself and the Mission, to the favor of all who enjoyed the benefit of his zealous and faithful addresses. The high expectation of the Church is not likely to meet with disappointment from this devoted missionary. Mrs. Morrison has been universally regarded as every way worthy to occupy the high and responsible status of a missionary's wife. Her talents as an educationist are well known and highly approved.

The three missionaries being thus prepared for designation, your Board appointed October 21st, ult., for that important service. Prince Street Church, Picton, was filled to overflowing with a deeply interested auditory, during the progress of the solemn ceremony; and large numbers, unable to find accommodation, had reluctantly to withdraw. After praise and prayer, the missionaries were duly designated by the Chairman, to the New Hebrides field; and, along with their wives, were suitably addressed by the Secretary of your Board. Each missionary, thereafter, ad-

ressed the audience with excellent effect; and at a late hour the large assembly was dismissed, without having exhibited any appearance of lassitude or impatience. On the following day, your Board took final leave of the designated brethren, and of the Mission ship and crew.

Another public meeting, more numerous still, if not also more enthusiastic, was held in Halifax, when the largest public building in that city was crowded by a most respectable and highly attentive auditory. Addresses were delivered by ministers of the Episcopalian, Baptist, and Methodist Churches, as well as of our own denomination. The missionaries also addressed the assembly in brief, but pointed and most impressive discourse. On the day following this most graceful valedictory (Nov. 5th), the missionaries were accompanied to the ship by their friends, who, after religious exercises, took affectionate and Christian farewell of both passengers and crew.

JEWISH MISSION.

To complete this review of Home operations, it only remains to introduce to the notice of Synod, and their considerate judgment, the offer of missionary service from Mr. Edward McCurdy, one of our students of Theology, who has recently completed his course of study in Scotland, and is now a probationer under the direction of our Home Mission Board. He stated in his letter of application, that, while not averse to enter the New Hebrides field, he felt that the Jewish Mission had stronger claims, and that he was disposed to prefer that to any other mission, but to be, if possible, under the control of your Board. Along with this tender of service was received a satisfactory medical certificate. On view of these facts, your Board, while unable to accept, did not feel at liberty to reject the proffered service, inasmuch as though the Supreme Court had limited their authority to the New Hebrides, the claims of God's ancient people were felt to be of such a grave character, as not to be lightly turned aside, without full and patient hearing. It was therefore unanimously agreed that the whole subject be