his stipend would be worth $1200 per annum, together with the privilege of a retiring allowance of $400, whenever sickness, &c., disqualified for the active duties of the ministry.

WESTVILLE.—The congregation worshipping in St. Philip's Church have applied to the Pictou Presbytery to sanction the use of an organ in their public worship.

Rev. S. McGregor, of Victoria, British Columbia, with wife and family, arrived in Pictou Co. the latter part of January. We understand he is on his way to Scotland, in the interest of that portion of the field where he has been laboring the past few years. We are glad to learn that they are all in the enjoyment of good health, notwithstanding the long and trying journey accomplished at this inclement season.

THE Report of the Halifax Presbytery's Home Mission Fund has been printed. From it we learn that the amount of subscriptions has been,—

From St Matthew's Halifax.....	$ 547 31
" " S. School, 2 yrs.	200 00
" St. Andrews.....	96 35
" Richmond, N. W. Arm, and Goodwood.....	65 38
" Truro.....	113 85
" Musquodoboit.....	38 22
	$1061 11
Comparing these figures with last year's which amounted to.....	1009 54
We find the increase to be.....	$ 51 57

The report says that when this scheme was originated, there was only one missionary in the Presbytery of Halifax, and two-thirds of his salary was paid by the Colonial Committee; now there are three ordained ministers in charge of three congregations, and also two catechists employed in the summer months, and no supplement is drawn from Scotland. The Convener states that much inconvenience would be avoided if congregations would make *their collections at least three months* earlier than they have been doing—which, please note.

St. Paul's Church, Truro.

We make no apology for giving insertion to the following Report in all its details, as the model is one we shou'd like to see adopted by all our congregations:—

(1.) REPORT OF SESSION.

To the Members and Adherents of St. Paul's Church, Truro:

BRETHREN,—Another year has passed away, and it again becomes the duty of the Session to report upon the state of the Congregation. It is with devout thankfulness to God for His continued goodness that the following facts, which show very good progress during the year 1874, are submitted:

No. of Families, 31st Dec., 1873...	60
" Received during the year.....	27
" Removed " " "	6
" of Families, 31st Dec., 1874.....	81

In addition to these, about twenty-five families connected with the Congregation reside in the country. It is much to be regretted that more attention cannot be paid to them. Services are held every fourth Sabbath at North River, but occasional week-night Service only can be given to Harmony and Greenfield. The Session, however, think that the families residing in these Settlements could and should attend Public Worship more regularly in Truro, as many of them live within six or seven miles from the Church. The Session also think that owing to the increase of the Congregation, the Trustees should soon be able to announce that it is self-supporting.

No. of Communicants, 31st Dec., 1873.....	88
" " " received during 1874.	24
" " " removed " "	13
" " " on roll 31st Dec., 1874	99
" " " Baptisms dur'g 1874	27

The Sabbath School continues to prosper. From the Superintendent's Report we gather the following interesting figures:—

No. of Classes 31st Dec., 1873	11
" " " " " 1874.	15
No. of Teachers during 1874.....	19
" " " removed 1874.....	5
" " " 31st Dec., 1874.....	14
Average attendance of Teachers 1874.	11
No. of Scholars during 1873.	200
" " " " 1874.....	241
" " " on roll 31st Dec., 1873	127
" " " " " " " 1874	164
Average attendance during 1873. ...	71
" " " 1874.....	95
No. of Books added during 1874.....	285
Amount raised in connection with S. S.	$203 12

The Report complains of two great