

feel or grudge the moiety. We believe it would be given gladly, proudly, were it only asked for, at short and regular intervals; and the glorious objects to which it is to be applied, explained and understood. When we look at the immensity of good that might be effected at so small a price, it ought to awaken both clergy and laity from their lethargy. We know the thing can be done, because it has been done over and over again. By such an organization Dr. Chalmers built over 300 churches; by such an organization the Free Church raise, we are almost afraid to say how large a sum, every year; by such an organization the Diocesan Society is every year strengthening and extending the Church of England. We might multiply examples, but they are not necessary; we have said enough both to indicate what ought to be done, and how easily it might be successfully grappled with. The only ingredients wanting are earnestness of purpose, unity among the brethren, mutual forbearance, that bond of union which provoketh to good works, and without which our loudest professions are but as sounding brass and a tinkling cymbal. We have represented the work as easy; but it can only be so, by a general harmony in all its parts, by the hearty co-operation of all the members. Let the minister be up and doing; let him make known, instruct, explain at every convenient season; and let the intelligent and influential layman lend his aid, his time, his energy. Let there only be an identity of interest, an identity of purpose, a sinking of self, brotherly feeling and prayerful earnestness, and our Church will assume its proper proportions, be a blessing to ourselves and the land in which our lot is cast.—*Monthly Record for March.*

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LETTER FROM REV. J. SINCLAIR.

The following letter has been received from the Rev. John Sinclair, recently sent out to Nova Scotia as a Gaelic-speaking missionary:—

PICTOU, 3rd, October, 1859.

MY DEAR SIR,—Having now once gone over the whole mission-field prescribed to me in this county, I can communicate a few facts to you regarding it. Being the only missionary here in connexion with the Church of Scotland, my beat is very extensive, embracing St. Mary's at the one extremity, and Earltown at the other, a distance of at least eighty miles, and containing eight vacant congregations. I have preached to them all both on Sabbath and week-days, and have been much gratified with the country and the people. At some places hundreds, at other