

prudent to make any stay among them.— However, at the request of some of the inhabitants, I agreed to remain among them on the Sabbath. I accordingly preached twice on Sabbath in the south church, and on Monday evening at the north church.— There was a good audience on both occasions. There I met with the usual respect and kindness. The inhabitants are not divided in their adherence to sectarian dogmas. They would receive a minister from any branch of the Presbyterian Church. They have had many changes, were very often disappointed in their ministers, and as they say sadly neglected. They once were in connection with our body, are still friendly to us, and some of them blamed us with remissness in not visiting them in their former neglected state. They are at present committed to the Free Church in a call to Mr Bethune. If it be not accepted by him, they will then be at liberty to apply to us, if we can supply them.

The next district which I had visited is the Baltic, in the neighborhood of Bay Fortune. It is a Highland settlement.— Immediately upon my arrival, I intimated my intention to preach in the evening.— The place being appointed, I drove to the house. In less than two hours it was crowded. In this secluded settlement I found the people divided in their attachment to the different branches of Presbyterianism. Mr Munro of the Free Church was among them, and preached in the same house the Sabbath previous. I have not visited a settlement since I left home, but what has been previously visited by these missionaries. Their zeal is worthy of our imitation. I could not but be delighted by the earnestness and attention with which the young and the old listened to what was spoken to them in their own native language. They were united in the call to the late Mr Handyside, and some of them told me they would write again, if the minister settled in St. Peters-

could preach in Gaelic. Mr McDonald has some adherents in this place also. There is a revival among them at present, and the old work is still going on. One of those lately converted was a hearer. In the vacant congregation of East St Peters and Bay Fortune I spent three Sabbaths, and had many meetings with the people on week days. Mr Murray spent four Sabbaths in this congregation in January.— May the Lord cause the seed sown on both these occasions to take root and bless it abundantly to the people, who are evidently thirsting for the word of life. I must, however unwillingly, state that I found a want of individual exertion among them, there being only one prayer meeting in existence among the whole congregation, and only one Sabbath School in operation. Their efforts also in the missionary cause are in a very languishing state—there being nothing collected for the last two years.

Returned to the south shore, on Thursday the 8th of March, and arrived in the evening at my former very hospitable friend, Mr McNeil's. Here I was again visited by some friends anxiously enquiring if I should remain with them on the ensuing Sabbath. I consented, and intimated that I would preach in the Baptist Chapel, Long Creek, on Friday evening. When I stated at that meeting my intention to remain with them on the Sabbath, joy was visibly seen on every countenance. Sabbath came in with a storm, and on my way to the church I felt much depressed in spirits, expecting only a small audience; but on entering it I found a goodly number assembled, and shortly the house was filled: I preached both in English and Gaelic. At 6 p. m. preached at DeSable. The notice was so short that it was doubted whether the neighbors should come out, particularly as the roads were blocked up by the snow drift. Every person that got notice—parents and children—came out. At parting with them, they pressed me to