

held in the basement of the church, followed by a very interesting lecture by Mr. McIntosh, upon Oliver Cromwell. As a preacher and lecturer, brother McIntosh is winning golden opinions in these Maritime Provinces, and it is to be earnestly hoped that his stay in this region may be a very protracted one. There is room for good men down here.

MAITLAND.—Maitland church is looking up, thanks to the Yarmouth church, who have come again to their relief, this time sending five boxes of glass. This will put lights in all the windows. The outside is expected to be finished and painted by June. Perhaps before the summer is over services will be held in it.

NEWFOUNDLAND.—**QUEEN'S ROAD** Congregational church, **ST. JOHN'S**, held its various annual meetings last month, and the reports from the several societies show a steady and healthy increase of numbers and well sustained interest in their separate departments of church work. From the Secretary's report it appears that eight new members joined the church, the greater number of whom were from the Bible classes. Four left the country, other losses four, leaving our membership still 128; and the total under pastoral care is about 560, including sailors in port. The Treasurer showed a balance on the right side; and a resolution was passed to make up to the pastor the sum of £25 stg. which the Colonial M. Soc. had withdrawn from its grant for 1885. The Sunday school showed in a vigorous condition, and its contributions for missions amounted to the sum of \$218.60, with 17 officers and teachers and 150 scholars. During the year a sale of ladies' work, under the auspices of the Ladies' Sewing Circle, was held and the sum of \$840 added to the new organ fund, which now amounts to \$1,086; and which reflects much credit upon the choir and L. S. Circle in their persevering efforts to attain this result during the past two years. The Secretary of the pastor's Bible class read an admirable report shewing an attendance averaging 74, with \$10.20 collected for missions. Reports were also read from the Board of Management, The Temperance Society, The Ladies' Sewing Circle, The Sunday School, The Mutual Impt. Ass'n, and the Savings Bank, and a general view of the year's work of the whole church thus clearly presented to the people. As pastor I cannot too warmly record my gratitude to the Great Head of the church for the co-operation of these several society officers. We feel not only that many hands make light work, but that the mutual help and prosperity of all these affiliated societies is the only real indication of the permanent good work of the church. By means of these societies, covering as they do the spiritual and intellectual, and missionary and social aspects of life, the church can more especially interest the young people and call forth their energies on behalf of the Redeemer's kingdom. Our annual tea meeting was held on 14th Feb.; and a most successful programme of music, readings, etc., was rendered by the choir; and addresses given by ministers of the sister churches. The first real storm of the present winter opened upon us that night, but the room was well filled, and inside amid the evergreens and bright bunting with which the committee had decorated the room, the wrath of the storm king was entirely forgotten. The only drawback to our position this year is the intimation of Miss Good, the zealous principal of the St. John's Teacher's

Training School, of her inability longer to continue in this work. Under the system of Denominational education here, the training school under the Misses Good has done a work of the first importance not only to us but to education in the colony; and has besides become a most valuable auxiliary to our Missionary work in the outposts. Miss Good's decision lays the responsibility of assuming the duties of the school upon the church funds, as Government grants for this purpose are given *per capita* and our numbers are too small to secure us a grant for this purpose. A resolution of appreciation of the generous, self-sacrificing character of the Misses Good's work was passed at our meeting, and we are now earnestly seeking a way to continue the work. If we could get some educated woman, with the educational and missionary zeal of our English sisters, the Misses Good, to come over and help us, it would be a great and noble work for the Master.

[We heartily congratulate our Newfoundland friends on their most excellent report. They cheer our hearts.—Ed.]

SARNIA.—Our Missionary Superintendent has been supplying this place since New Years, evidently with great acceptance, as on his retiring from the field, an address was presented to him, expressive of esteem and appreciation of loving services earnestly rendered. This church, however, is suffering severely by removals, though with a good settlement and mission support there is room for growth, and prospect too. Seven have been added to the fellowship during our friend's work here.

QUEBEC ASSOCIATION.

The Quebec Association met in Emmanuel church, Montreal, on Tuesday, March 2nd, at 2:30, p.m. Owing to the snow blockade and other causes, the attendance from the country was not as large as had been expected.

The members present were Revs. Drs. Wilkes, Stevenson and Cornish, Geo. Purkis, E. M. Hill, H. A. McIntyre, A. F. Rivard, J. G. Sanderson, John McKillican and Geo. Willett. Mr. Geo. Hague was present as a delegate from Emanuel church, and Messrs. R. McLaughlan and John Ritchie from Calvary church. Rev. James A. Pettee, missionary from Japan, and the students of the Congregational College were invited to sit as honorary members. Devotional exercises were conducted by the moderator, Rev. Geo. Purkis. Geo. Hague, Esq., introduced the topic—"Our College, its present condition and needs." The points specially emphasised were its needs, viz.: a resident professor, a larger number of students, and increased contributions from our churches.

Rev. Geo. Willett opened a discussion on the relation of the missionary society to the church at Belle Riviere, and its pastor Rev. A. F. Rivard. After a lengthy discussion it was decided to refer the question back to the general missionary committee.

Rev. Geo. Willett was appointed to represent the association on the executive committee.

In the evening the annual public missionary meeting of the Montreal churches were held in Emmanuel church. The attendance was larger than on former occasions, and the musical service rendered by the choir, under the direction of Mr. Clarence Lyman and