

After my return from Truro, I went to preach at the Grant, I had a very large meeting, all very attentive and interested. After having been hospitably entertained by Mr. Dumbreck, one of our warmest and most liberal supporters there, I made my way toward the Little River. I got there about 3 o'clock, and, to my no small astonishment, with difficulty I got to the preaching desk—the place being crowded to the door. This is the first time that ever I preached here in an afternoon, and I imagined that our meeting would be small. As this day was named to enroll adult pupils, 24, of both sexes, presented themselves.

On Sabbath, the 23rd inst., I went and preached a full service in the Middle Settlement, Musquodoboit; assembled in its capacious Church was a large congregation. Every attention was given to both my services.

I preached again at the Little River, twice on Sabbath, 30th inst., and had at both services a large attendance, though the day was cold and raw yet it is most remarkable how much the people desire Divine service. To-day, at 10 o'clock, A. M., I held the first meeting of my adult class, when 30 more pupils were enrolled. I find a number are too young, and therefore I shall make two classes—one for intending communicants, and the other for the explanation of the Shorter Catechism, devoting to each one half hour's instruction.

In presenting this report of my labors in Musquodoboit and Truro, though it is hastily thrown together, yet I hope it will show that I have fulfilled all the Presbytery's appointments, with what success time will show.

GEORGE W. STEWART.

REPORT OF THE REV. JOHN MARTIN,

SUPERINTENDENT OF MISSIONS TO THE PRESBYTERY OF HALIFAX, FOR THE YEAR 1859.

As a large portion of my ministerial services for the past year have been performed within the bounds of the Presbytery of Halifax, and as it is desirable that its members should be intimately acquainted with all the congregations and missions under their ecclesiastical inspection, I have felt it to be my duty to furnish you with such information, respecting the state of religion as I have been able to collect in the different districts I have visited. I preached last year, fifty-eight times, in seventeen different places. On three occasions I have officiated in Halifax—nine times at Laurencetown—seven times at Sackville—eleven times at the Hall Settlement and Elmsdale—seven times at Lake Thomas—nine times at the Little River and Meagher's Grant Settlements, Musquodoboit—once at