

store, together with a considerable sum of money, were presented with appropriate remarks by Mr. Oulton, Elder, in the name of the contributors. Mr. Anderson acknowledged the gift in suitable terms. Such tangible tokens of love and esteem, on the part of this congregation, serve to show the high appreciation in which Mr. and Mrs. Anderson are held, and indicate a suitable sense of gratitude for their pastor's labors among them.

Sabbath School Festival and Presentation.—On Friday evening, the 5th ult., the teachers and friends of the Sabbath School connected with St. Paul's Church, Fredericton, N. B., gave a very bountiful and agreeable entertainment to the scholars attending the school. It was exceedingly gratifying to all present to witness the feelings of happiness manifested by the young people, as they engaged in the various exercises of the evening; and it is hoped that the festival will have the effect of awakening a livelier interest in the proceedings of the school. During the course of the evening, the teachers and scholars took advantage of the opportunity to present testimonials of their regard and good wishes to the Rev. Mr. Murray, A. M., who has been for some months acting as assistant to the Rev. Dr. Brooke, but who has now entered upon another sphere of labour. A very nice writing desk and gold pencil case were given by the lady teachers and the scholars of the Rev. Dr. Brooke's class; while a copy of Dr. West's Analysis of the Bible was presented by the male teachers and scholars. Suitable addresses expressive of kind regard and hearty good wishes for his future prosperity were presented to Mr. Murray, to which he replied in appropriate and feeling terms.

Induction at DeSable, P. E. I.—We understand that the Rev. Jas. McColl was inducted last month to the pastoral charge of the congregations lately under the care of the Rev. D. McDonald, to the West of Charlottetown. A notice of the Induction was written for us, we understand, but up to the hour of going to press has not been received. More than 1,000 names were appended to the call, and the members of Presbytery were deeply impressed with the piety, zeal, and unanimity displayed by the people.

NOTES OF THE MONTH.

THE European nations enjoy more peaceable relations than for some time past. Greece and Turkey, without being reconciled, are not to come to blows. When that fight does take place, Russia will be into it, and the days of Turkey, as a European power, will be numbered. Few will regret it. The soil of ancient and modern civilization has too long been defiled by the foot of barbarism. The Crescent has too long reigned in lands once sacred to the Cross—places where Paul preached and Apollos watered, and God gave the increase. Spain is behaving better than was expected. The Cortes—the Spanish Parliament—has settled down to business. Montpensier is the likely candidate for the throne. Bible and tract distributors are quietly and cautiously venturing out to the principal towns, and meeting with warm friends. Devoted men are needed. Spain is a noble field. There must be generous hearts in that great and famous country hungering for truth. In Spain we see the effect of "distinct schools." Priestly education produces mental paralysis, upon the principle that any power, when disused, ceases to be a power. This is more especially the case when it is not only *disused*, but *abused*.

In Britain there was some disappointment that the Queen did not open Parliament in person. Her Majesty's health does not allow public ceremonial. In other respects she fulfils all the duties of her station, and finds time for literary labours. On the whole, the public have little reason to complain. The stroke which unfitted Her Majesty for one very insignificant part of her duties