## Fort Massey Church

Held on the 21st ult, its first annual Missionary Meeting. Rev. J K. Smith presided with admirable tact and Christian snavity, and was aided by Rev. Messrs. R. Sedgewick, Currie, McGregor, Grant of St. Matthew's, Forrest and Simpson. The claims of the different schemes of the Church were explained and set forth in excellent speeches, and the meeting increased in interest until it reached the borders of the enthusiastic.

The first appropriation of funds, was made in July, and the second (which may be seen in our acknowledgments) at this meeting. Combined they are as follows: Foreign Missions.....\$400 00 Home "....\$400 00

To this may be added. For Grand Falls Church, paid to Mr. Paradis. . . . . 116 00 In the hands of the Sup. of

S. S., for Mission Vessel and Trinidad Schools.... 70 00 176 00

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This is a record of which neither Pastor nor people need be ashamed, and it is one for which, the thanksgiving of many should seend to God. In this result we have evidence that the people of this Church are recognizing their obligations to Christ and doing their share of the Lords work. It is a grand result for a year, but it represents in fact only the work of eleven months. Enlightened Liberality is rapidly growing in the Church of the Lower Provinces, and this progress is as visible in the Halifax Churches as in any in the land.

MERIGOMISH.—We learn with regret, that this congregation has again been disappointed, the call which it addressed to the Rev. Isaac Murray, of Cavendish, having been declined.

A Good Move.—Sympathy with Mrs. Keay, widow of the Rev. Peter Keay, recently killed at McAdam's junction, is being expressed in the Sister Province and Church, by a subscription for the benefit of the family. Practical sympathy may be expressed in this way by all classes of Christians in the Lower provinces, who may feel so inclined, by an enclosure to Rev. Mr. Caie or to Rev. Mr. Cameron of St. John, N. B.

Calvin Church has been well supplied since the departure of its late esteemed Paster. Rev. Dr. Thompson, Rev. Messrs. Smith, Pitblado, J. A. F. Sutherland,

Simpson of Ontario, and Mr. H. D. Scott, have filled the pulpit in succession, and the attendance and interest of the congregation have been fully maintained.

Meeting of the Presbytery of St.

John-Induction of the Rev. Dr.

Waters.

The Presbytery of St. John met Wednesday Dec. 3, in Calvin Church, when, after some formal business, the report of the general committee was submitted detailing principally the steps taken in relation to the demission of Mr. Houston. The forenoon was taken up with discussion of the conduct of the committee, the action of which finally was sustained, but the committee was censured for, what was deemed by the majority of the Presbytery, undue laste.

In the afternoon of the same day Mr. Burgess was appointed clerk of the Presbytery, when the Rev. Thomas Sedgwick adaddressed the court on the importance of the sustentation fund, when the Presbytery resolved to express their pleasure in listening to Mr. Sedgewick and to bring the subject before the congregations with a view to greatly increased liberality. The Presbytery was engaged with other subjects of minor interest until the adjournment.

The Presbytery met again in the evening for the induction of Rev. Dr. Waters. The train in which Dr. Waters came from the West being behind time, the services were delayed. It was announced that the Presbytery was in waiting to receive any objections to the induction, but no one having appeared for such a purpose, the service was commenced by the Rev. Mr. Stuart, who, with Mr. Gray, conducted the preparatory services. Mr. Bennett then preached an appropriate discourse from Mat. iv. 17th verse: "From this time Jesus began to preach and to say Repent the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand."

After the sermon the Rev. Wm. Stuart, of Fredericton, narrated the steps which had been taken in the prosecution of the call, put the usual questions to the Rev. Dr. Waters, and offered up a solemn installation prayer. The presby tery then welcomed the newly installed minister as a member of the presbytery and pastor of St. David's congregation, after which the Rev. Mr. Wilson, of St. Stephen, gave a very impressive charge to the inducted minister and Rev. James Bennet, in the absence of Rev. Dr. Thompson of New York, who had been appointed to address the people, performed that duty in a terse and appropriate manner. The service being concluded, Dr. Waters was conducted to the vesti-