

DIGEST OF LETTERS

TO THE

African Baptist Association.

Halifax Church.—Dear Brethren,—During the past year we have had our sunshine and our cloudy seasons, in which we have been happy as well as sad. The grim messenger—Death—has been amongst us, and borne away some of our best members, wherein we feel sad; but when we realize the reason, and by whose bidding they are called, we repose, and say: “Thy will be done in earth as it is in Heaven.” We have had four added by Baptism, besides two received to membership. Sabbath School and Bible Class goes on harmoniously. Our little Zion is comfortable. On the whole, we believe the labors of our dear Pastor, Rev. James Thomas, are much blessed.

Hammond's Plains.—Another year has passed and taken its members; still God in His mercy has spared us to the present moment. We feel grateful to Him for His loving kindness toward us; for just when we were in our lowest state He broke forth in sweet songs from the threshold of glory, causing saints to rejoice and sinners to fall in with the plan of salvation. Our meetings are interesting, attendance large, twelve (12) having been added by Baptism. Our Sabbath School has been re-organized and is now in good working order.

Preston (First).—Dear Brethren,—We thank Almighty God that we are still alive and striving to do right, and through the mercies of our Heavenly parent, we hope to hold out to the end. Although our membership is small and increase limited, yet we are in harmony with one another. We have had two (2) added by Baptism. Our Sabbath School is in working condition, and all is peaceful and bright.