

a profession of righteousness. Indeed, last year several parties of young men were accustomed to drop their cards at seven o'clock on Sabbath evenings, to "go and hear what the parson had to say." But they resumed their cards after the service was over.

When Mr. MacKeracher went to Kaslo, the congregation was entirely without organization. There was no communion roll, no session, and no board of management. A board of managers, however, consisting of four energetic and loyal young men, was elected, and at the communion in January, sixteen persons united with the church, twelve of these by profession of faith. On the departure of Mr. MacKeracher, the work was taken up by an alumnus of our college, the Rev. David Campbell.

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Petrel is situated seven miles north of the flourishing little town of Carberry, near to the main line of the C. P. R., in that fertile district of Manitoba known as the Carberry Plains. Mr. J. R. Elmhurst worked in this desirable mission field which belongs to the Brandon Presbytery. The farmers are engaged principally in wheat raising, and last fall their efforts were rewarded by an abundant harvest. This is a comparatively old settlement, as it is about seventeen years since the first settlers dared to brave the wilds of the winter, and the loneliness of the plains. Now, however, it is quite thickly settled, and chiefly by people attracted thither from the highlands of Scotland, and from Ontario.

One year ago, owing to the largeness of the district, a division was effected. The former pastor, who for ten years had labored successfully amidst the difficulties incident to a new country, retained a portion of the field, while what is now known as the Petrel and Sunnerville Mission was placed under the care of Mr. Elmhurst. At these two places, weekly services were held, and also a Sabbath School during the fall months. Bright prospects for a flourishing congregation and