

by the church and community. We have three prayer meetings and a sabbath school, all well attended and interesting.

*Lower Stewiacke.*—There have been no additions to our number during the past year, but precious seed has been sown, which with God's blessing will yield a glorious harvest. We hope that no change, expect for the better will be made in our H. M. Board. We believe under present management, the wants of the times would be met if men and money were forthcoming.

*Merigomish.*—God has been merciful to us during the past year. For several years previous we had been without a Pastor, and our number always small, had been decreased by death and removals till there was scarcely a nucleus left.

In 1871, our Bro. Rev. J. B. McQuillin came amongst us. The Lord came with him, the church has been resuscitated, many souls converted, and prayer and conference meetings established.

*Mira Bay.*—Without a Pastor. Our members scattered over a large tract of country. We have sabbath meetings in different sections. Bro. Newcomb, Lic., has come to spend a twelve weeks' mission amongst us. We feel thankful that the Board has remembered us.

*Mount Pleasant.*—Little of interest to report. There is not that coming up to the "help of the Lord" as in former days. Rev. E. B. Corey, our Pastor and county missionary is highly esteemed by us. We are deeply indebted to the H. M. Board for their remembrance of us.

*New Annan.*—Nothing that betokens progress to record. But to the contrary, we say sorrowing, our number seems gradually to diminish, as one by one our brothers and sisters, are removed by death and other causes. Have no Pastor, and seldom hear Baptist preaching, except in summer when the Board kindly remembers us and sends a Missionary for two or three months. Bro. Armstrong is now with us. May God bless his faithful ministrations.

*North Sydney.*—Most of the time since last report without a Pastor. This want supplied. Rev. John B. McDonald recently of Bedeque, P. E. I. has come amongst us. We devoutly hope the relationship thus formed may be attended with a large measure of blessing.

*Onslow West.*—We cannot report a large ingathering, yet we are not without encouragment. We have regular preaching by Revd. John Coombes. Our new chapel is approaching completion. It will be opened in the early Autumn.

*Paraboro Village.*—Our church is not in a thriving condition. So few to come to the help of the Lord against the mighty.