

Class. Missionary labour on this Island will need patience, perseverance, piety, prayer and faith.

The Board guaranteed \$100 towards the support of a missionary in Sydney for one year. Bro. Joseph F. Kempton and Rev. D. A. Steele, have been labouring there.

The following is a brief account of Bro. Kempton's labours for a portion of the time, June 3, 1863 :

"I have spent six months on this field, every alternate week of which has been spent in Sydney. During that week I have generally preached three times; twice on Sabbath and once on Tuesday; attended two Prayer meetings, one on Sabbath, and the Union Prayer meeting on Wednesdays.

I have also sought and found frequent opportunities for private conversation on the subject of religion, and a good many tracts have been distributed. The monthly Conference meetings have also been attended. The weeks spent at Mira were very laborious. Besides travelling upwards of 50 miles (to and from) I have generally preached five times during that week. A great deal of visiting from house to house was done. I made it a point in those visits to spend the principal part of the time in religious conversation, reading either the Scriptures or tracts, and in prayer. The monthly conferences of the Church have been well attended. We have also monthly Concerts, both for the Sabbath Schools and the Foreign Missions.

I cannot report great success in connection with either of the churches. In this place (Sydney) two have avowed their attachment to Christ. One of them was immersed by Bro. Geo. Richardson, a few weeks since, and the other expects to be on the coming Lord's Day, both had been convicted of sin and one had found peace in months gone by.

In the Mira district the Church is, I think, in a better state than when I came. There seems to be a deep interest in the things of religion. The services of the Lord's house are better attended to. One addition was made by immersion. The ordinance was administered by Rev. D. P. McQuillan, under whose labours the young person was led to seek Jesus nearly four years ago. Recently she was enabled to exercise a "lively hope" and then joyfully united with the Church.

The Sabbath School in that district is in a much better state now than ever before. The Concert is well attended and a nice library has been sent for.