

the last Sabbath of August, covering a period of four months.

My stations for preaching were, Baillie, Tower Hill, Meredith Settlement, Lynnfild, Pettengill Corner and DeWolfe Corner. Services were held at Baillie every Sabbath day, Tower Hill once a fortnight, and at the other stations with the exception of Pettengill Corner once a month. The last named place is a new station. The people who live in this district did not seem willing to attend the church at Baillie for reasons which though insufficient I could not remove. I therefore felt it my duty to go among them on some week evening and teach them the way of salvation. A meeting was held on every Tuesday evening, which I am happy to state was well attended both by the young and old. We have good grounds for supposing that our efforts have been greatly blest of God to the salvation of souls. The attendance at my other stations was good, regular and steadily increasing. The close attention paid during Divine service was most marked and exceedingly encouraging to the Missionary. Neither the prayer meetings nor the Sabbath schools were well attended.

Contrary to my previous impressions the number of Presbyterian families is pretty large. In the Baillie section there are between 25 and 30 Presbyterian families, and in Tower Hill section there are 11 families besides many others that might be claimed by the Presbyterians. The field of labour is a wide one but very hopeful and encouraging. It has its difficulties which are very trying in many respects, but notwithstanding these I believe that a minister who possesses "herculean strength" and "Apostolic zeal" shall be able to cultivate it. There are some faithful and devoted followers of the Presbyterian church who will exert their utmost ability and influence towards the establishing of a church in this place if they can secure the services of a settled minister. I am thankful to inform you that active steps have been taken within these last few weeks towards that end. A meeting was called and it was the unanimous vote that this section of the country should have a settled minister. A salary was named, and the parties present subscribed very liberally to make up the required amount. All that they require now is some assistance from the Board, and if the Board extends that aid, I have no doubt but what Baillie and Tower Hill will rejoice in having a stationed minister next spring. My predecessors have been doing a good work in this section of the country, and I believe that we are now about to see the fruit of their labours. I am sure that better and brighter days are in prospect for Baillie and its neighbouring districts. It is to the Presbytery of St.

John that this Presbytery now looks for aid and direction. The congregation has done nobly will you come forward and help them?

Report of Mr. John Murray. Mission to Cape North.

The following are extracts from the Report submitted by Mr. Murray to the Presbytery of Cape Breton:

I arrived at Cape North on May 14th, and left on Oct. 11th, thus spending twenty-one weeks in the place.

THE FIELD.

It consists of Cape North proper, Bay St. Lawrence and Grand Ance. From Cape North Church to Bay St. Lawrence is a distance of ten miles, while from that church to Grand Ance is a distance of twenty miles, across the most elevated land in Nova Scotia. There are 72 Protestant families in Cape North; 12 in Bay St. Lawrence, and 25 in Grand Ance. These families, with a few exceptions, are adherents of our Presbyterian body. There is a neat church in course of erection at Cape North, of which the outside is finished. In it the people have worshipped for nearly two years. Bay St. Lawrence has no place of worship, while Grand Ance has a building intended to serve both as a school-house and a place of worship.

THE WORK.

Of the 21 Sabbaths during which I was employed, fifteen were spent at Cape North, three at Bay St. Lawrence, one at Grand Ance and two at Ingonish. The Rev. D. Sutherland took up his abode at Grand Ance early in the summer and ministered to the people; and so my services were not required there. I gave part of the time due Grand Ance to Ingonish, a place standing much in need of the Gospel. Every Sabbath I was at Cape North I held two services, one in English and the other in Gaelic. I also usually superintended the Sabbath school. When at the other stations, three diets of worship were held. The Thursday Gaelic prayer-meeting was conducted with increasing attendance throughout the summer. On arriving I found a Sabbath school conducted by Mr. Angus McLean, the worthy Gaelic Catechist of Cape North; a man of deep piety and of great earnestness in his Master's work. The school was attended by 30 or more young people, and taught by Mr. McLean alone. This school I saw enlarged and improved, until it had twelve regular, and two occasional teachers; while the average attendance of pupils for the summer was about one hundred. Two weekly Bible