

us one Sabbath. We hope we have been divinely directed in this, and that he will prove the right man in the right place. It has been very unsatisfactory to many of our society to have so many changes as we have had since our late worthy and esteemed pastor left us, and we deeply feel the need of a resident pastor to go in and out among us, and break unto us the Bread of Life.—*Com.*

THE MARITIME PROVINCES.—We are indebted to our new contemporary the *Christian Standard* for most of the following items in regard to Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

St. John, N.B.—The Union Street Congregational Church recently received seven by profession and one by letter, to its communion, making thirty-four in all, that have been added to its membership during the past four months, twenty-four of whom were admitted on profession of their faith.

Keswick Ridge, N.B.—The new church at Keswick was to be dedicated early in October.

Yarmouth, N. S.—The Tabernacle Church (Rev. Alex. McGregor, Pastor) has been renovated and painted, and its already pleasant interior made still more attractive.

Chebogue, N.S.—The people at Chebogue have nearly completed their new parsonage. We trust the Lord will soon send them some one to fill it.

Milton, N.S.—The church here is still without a pastor. Mr. McGregor, of Liverpool, at present preaches occasionally and administers ordinances until a pastor is secured.

Maitland, N.S.—At the last quarterly communion three persons were received into church fellowship. Since the organization of the church, not a year ago, the membership has increased from nine to nineteen.

South Maitland, N.S.—This is the largest and most flourishing church of our order in the county, having a membership of fifty-three, and sustaining two regular weekly prayer meetings and two sabbath schools.

Noel, N.S.—On the 1st September, the Rev. Alex. McGregor, of Yarmouth, preached to a large congregation, from Col. i. 28, after which the hand of fellow-

ship was given to three members, and the ordinance of the Lord's Supper administered. This church which is associated with the churches at Lower Selmah and Moose Brook, is at present without a minister. Meanwhile, three new church edifices are in course of erection.

Brooklyn, N.S.—Fifteen have recently been added to the church on profession of their faith. The sabbath school is well attended, and the prayer meetings are full of interest.

Liverpool, N.S.—The pastor of this church preaches a quarterly sermon to the young. A quarterly "scripture examination" on one of the books of the Bible, is a feature in the Sunday-school work. The contents of the different chapters and the circumstances under which written, may indicate the range of questions asked. Prizes are awarded to those passing the best examination. The object is to gain a more thorough acquaintance with the Word of God, and to secure a greater expertness in localizing Scripture incidents and passages.

THE REV. JOHN FRASER, formerly of Montreal, writes us:—"I have declined the unanimous and urgent request of the people of Hardwick, that I should become what they call their permanent pastor. They are a stable and intelligent church and society, having retained their last minister fourteen years. But my strength did not prove equal to undertaking any longer a forenoon and afternoon sermon, with a third meeting on Sunday. I have therefore returned to my former residence at West Derby, and have agreed to supply the new church in Stanstead, which is a few miles distant, until next June. They then expect their pastor elect, the Rev. J. L. Litch, of McIndoe's Falls, to be settled over them."

THE REV. J. G. SANDERSON has been presented by his congregation at Ottawa, with a ticket to the Centennial and return, and something more wherewith to pay his other expenses.

THE REV. D. MACALLUM, Chairman of the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, preached in the Congregational Church, Ottawa, on Sabbath, Oct. 15.