

School House in the district. During this winter Mr. D. C. Ross, from Nova Scotia, is engaged in teaching school during the week, and conducts religious services on Sunday. This important mission is supported wholly by the students of the Presbyterian College, Halifax.

Presbyterianism in Newfoundland is very weak. Our people in St. John's and Harbour Grace are liberal and faithful to the Church, but there is no growth of the Presbyterian population in any quarter, and therefore there is no prospect of church extension.

In P. E. I. there has been in ten years a very cheering increase of six new congregations and fourteen preaching stations.

New Brunswick is the chief mission field of our Synod, and steady, if not very rapid progress is made from year to year. Both Presbyteries are enthusiastically striving to overtake the work of caring for their extensive fields.

For many years the parent churches afforded us very valuable aid in men and money. But now, we are not only independent so far as money is concerned, but we give about \$3,000 per annum to the North-West, and spend about \$30,000 on Foreign Mission Work. We still receive *men* from the parent churches, and they are heartily welcomed, but most of our ministers are trained in our own colleges, and as a rule they are eminently successful.

Looking backward we thank God for the progress of our Church in these Maritime Provinces. Looking forward we hope, we believe, that He will bless us still, and grant us even greater prosperity. The God, who was "our Help in ages past," must be "our Hope for years to come."

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