

body of the olden time, the various members of which, for a well known reason refused to perform their respective functions. But I saw at a glance that the disease, though somewhat dangerous, was not at all likely to prove fatal if properly attended to. I felt assured that there was sufficient efficacy in that wonderful catholicon—the Gospel—to effect, by the Divine blessing, an entire restoration. With this conviction deep in my mind, I addressed myself quietly to the duties devolved upon me; and my expectations have been more than realized. The invalid convalesced gradually. I might say, rapidly. The numbers increased Sabbath after Sabbath, until they developed into what we may call a very respectable congregation. A more attentive people have never had the pleasure of preaching to.

The Sabbath school, which had been discontinued for some time, was also re-organized, and though it is not as fully equipped as I would like to see it, it is in a very promising condition.

In Pisarinco, the state of matters from the first was altogether different. In that section of the congregation, 10 miles distant from Carlton, there are 36 Presbyterian families, true blue. You can depend on every man, woman and child of them. They are an industrious, peaceful, church-going people. I preached there once a fortnight; and on every occasion their neat, comfortable church was well filled with a very attentive congregation. They held a prayer meeting themselves, every Sabbath, and also conduct a Sabbath school. This zeal in upholding the ordinances of religion among themselves, is certainly worthy of all commendation.

It is not very easy to state the precise number of families belonging to our church in Carlton and vicinity. I am safe, however, in setting them down at fifty. Besides this, there are several families in which one or more of the members belong to our church, and several others who are favourably disposed towards it.

It will thus be seen that the prospect of the congregation is not so unfavourable as might have been anticipated. With the favouring smile of heaven upon the labours of an acceptable and energetic minister, I believe the congregation would soon be in flourishing condition. The sooner they succeed in securing a settled pastor among them, the better, in my opinion. I do sincerely hope and trust that they will soon have a minister whom they can call their own, and that he will be the honoured instrument in gathering many around the cross, and beneath the old blue banner of Presbyterianism.

Respectfully submitted,

St. John, N. B., T. CUMMING.  
May 12th, 1868.

## Report of Rev. H. McMillan.

To the Rev. Presbytery of Halifax:

I beg to submit statement of supplies given by me since 17th November, 1867, at Bedford, Waverly, and Mount Uniacke.—These extend over six months.

It is gratifying to be able to state that the people in these localities are becoming more regular in their attendance on the means of grace. Their conduct during divine service is highly commendable, and they pay respectful attention to the word spoken.

The moral condition of the mining population is slowly, but surely, improving. At Waverly there is evidently less Sabbath desecration,—at least, drunkenness and profane swearing are not now so common on the Lord's day. Temperance organizations and Sabbath schools have largely contributed towards elevating the moral and religious condition of this place.

At Mount Uniacke our people have all along been distinguished for sober habits. Here the Sabbath is devoutly observed. Taking all circumstances into consideration, I think we have encouragement to continue our labours in these places.

The amount received by me as collections, was \$9.35, money having been remitted directly to the Board from Mount Uniacke and from Bedford.

Yours, &c.,

HUGH McMILLAN.

## Our Foreign Missions.

### Meeting of the Board of Foreign Missions.

The Board met at New Glasgow on the 3rd of May, when the Rev. John Stewart, Chairman, Rev. Dr. Bayne, Rev. Messrs. Roy, Walker, Patterson, Sutherland, and McGregor, were present, also Mr. Roderick McGregor.

Communications were read from both our Foreign Mission fields, and from all our missionaries.

From Trinidad, letters were read from Rev. Mr. Morton, and Rev. Mr. Lambert, U. P. Minister of St. Fernando. These letters had reference to the prospect of the mission in Trinidad, the extent of the field and to the wisdom and practicality of strengthening the mission a subject which the Board agreed to refer to the Synod.

The chief paper read from Dr. Geddie