

all the people—that no Minister who ever came there mentioned that such a class was at all necessary : so that I anticipate a numerous class.

I left Musquodoboit on the 30th September to preach at Truro on the 2nd October. When I was here last I was requested by some of our members who came to Truro to worship, to preach and dispense the ordinance of Baptism where they reside, on the North River, about 8 miles out of the town, and then in the afternoon to conduct public worship in Truro, to this I cordially consented.

Such were our arrangements on the 11th September for Sabbath, the 2nd October, when, to my amazement, I was waited on late on Saturday evening by a member who informed me that to-morrow my services would not be required at the North River, as on that day the communion was to be dispensed at Earltown, to be conducted by ministers of our Church in the Presbytery of Pictou ; that the residents of North River had always been in the habit of joining the communion there. There was no alternative for me but as usual to preach twice, morning and afternoon, in Truro, and go next Sabbath to the North River. I anticipated, therefore, a very small meeting of our friends in the morning, but they had got information that I was to preach, and the attendance was better than I expected. At 3 o'clock I preached again, and the Hall was crowded to the door and passages, many standing without. I at no time in Truro conducted worship to a larger, more respectable, and attentive audience, than was assembled at this meeting. It was most exhilarating to my feelings, and gratifying to the members in anticipation of a prospect, however distant, of a congregation being formed here.

I went up to the North River on the morning of Sabbath the 9th inst., and preached in the little Church unitedly held by the Presbyterians and Wesleyans. I also dispensed the ordinance of baptism. The attendance fair. In returning to Truro we were caught in a deluge of rain, which continued for the whole afternoon. In the Hall, I officiated again to a large meeting ; a few had to go to the gallery, which this day was opened for their reception.

During this week I met the Rev. John Martin, on his return from a mission of preaching the Word to the people of Londonderry. He very kindly devoted with me a whole day to visitation. Mr. McKay gave us a horse and waggon to visit any of the members residing in the country, of which we gladly availed ourselves. All were glad of the prospect of forming a congregation in Truro. We were led to understand that members for a building Committee were nominated at a meeting held this week in Mr. Gunn's ; and that it was resolved that subscriptions should be canvassed for, and that a house 60 feet by 45 should be erected. We also learned that as many stones as will be necessary for the foundation, and lumber to cover the erection, have been offered by two persons. Before I left Truro I urged upon Mr. McKay to send a statement to the Presbytery of Halifax at its meeting on Wednesday, 2nd November.

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