

2. Rev. N. McKay also, of St. John, received besides other favours a Purse with a handsome sum of money, over the Breakfast table, on New Year's morning.

3. Rev. Arthur F. Carr of Alberton received a Sleigh, Silver mounted harness, Buffalo Robe, and whip.

4. Rev. D. McDougall of Cow Bay, was presented with a Sleigh worth \$35 with Provender for his Horse for great part of the winter.

5. Rev. William Grant of Earltown, and W. Branch of River John, received gifts of useful articles, and Mrs. Grant had a purse presented from the West Branch Section.

6. Mr. and Mrs. Munro, of Wallace, were presented with a Purse and articles worth \$50 from the people of Gulf Shore and Fox Harbor. The accompanying address referred to 23 years of laborious and faithful service. N. B.—The people of this Section have supplied Mr. M. with Firewood for 19 years.

The Young Men of Wallace presented Mr. Munro with "The Comprehensive Bible and Library," value \$15.

8. Rev. James Watson was presented with a Sleigh and Fittings worth \$40.00

9. Rev. P. Morrison of Bridgewater, received a gift of \$126, with a notice that his Salary should be raised from \$500 to \$700.

10. The Mira section of Dr McLeod's congregation, including Catalone, Blackbrook, and Carrihou Marsh, presented him lately with a purse containing more than \$112.

### Testimonial.

The Congregation of Poplar Grove presented Mr. D. Blackwood their retiring Secretary and Treasurer, with a valuable Clock, with a suitable inscription, to express their appreciation of his zeal and devotion to the interests of the Congregation.

## Religious Intelligence.

### The Gospel among the Gallas.

More than a year ago, Mr. Waldmeier, Inspector of the British Syrian Schools at Beyrout, wrote to Menelek, King of Shoa, in answer to a letter he had received from him, requesting him and Mr. Taalinillar to return to Abyssinia, to superintend industrial work in his country; and in that letter Menelek said he could no longer give himself up to secular employment, seeing his life had been spared in so miraculous a way, and he must therefore consecrate it to the preaching of the Gospel and the advancement of Christ's kingdom. He also stated that he had counselled King Theodore to allow the preaching of the Gospel

in his kingdom, but Theodore's pride would not allow him to listen to his good counsel, and all know what an unhappy end overtook Theodore and his kingdom. Mr. Waldmeier wrote to King Menelek requesting his support to the establishment of a Protestant Christian mission in his country for the Galla nations, at the same time promising that if the King would do so he would not decline to bring out some Christian artisans with him, who would serve the King in the secular affairs of his country, but Mr. Waldmeier would reserve himself entirely for the service of Christ among the Gallas. He also told him the cost of the journey, and that the responsibility of protection would rest with the King Menelek. To all these points the King has sent the following interesting letter:—

"In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, King of kings, and Lord of lords—the True Light, which will never be extinguished—the only King who will live eternally—to Him belong honour, power, and glory for ever and ever, Amen. This letter is sent from the king of kings, Menelek, of Ethiopia, to Mr. Waldmeier. How are you? God be praised I am well; my kingdom and people prosper, through the mercy of the Lord. I received your letter which gave me much pleasure. I will hear and accept your counsel that the Gospel of Christ should be preached to the heathen nations, and I will never hinder you nor prevent you from preaching the Gospel. Two points in your letter specially gladdened my heart; the first is, that the Gospel of Christ should be preached to the heathen Galla nations; and the second is that when you come you will bring me some good artisans who will work for me. Now, come quickly, I give you permission to preach the Gospel among the heathen, that they may be enlightened; and bring those men and buy some instruments for me. I have sent you for your journey 1000 dollars; receive it from Messrs. Mayer and Bender, in Tigre, and send me word when you will come, that I may receive you. I send two copies of this letter, one by Tajoorra and Eden, and the other by Adoura and Massowah.

"Written in Shoa, in the City Benwasi, May 15, 1871.

"Seal of King Menelek.

"When you come, come by the Province of Tajoorri. I have prepared the roads; do not be afraid."

It is now evident from the invitation sent by King Menelek to Mr. Waldmeier, to go and establish a Church in his country, that both the heathen and the Mohammedan Gallas are now open for the preaching of the glorious Gospel of salvation.