

tends to the arduous and endless duties of a large congregation, with many extra calls daily. Only think of it! Then we are sure you will refuse your most hearty aid, as freely as you can! But we hope to show our appreciation of your valued help, as above indicated, in the near future. Let EVERY MAN DO HIS DUTY faithfully and devotedly.

Is it not strange that men who wish to dis-  
cuss the Church of Scotland, yet ask us to  
help to endow their Colleges?

## FOR OWN CHURCH AND COUNTRY.

### NOVA SCOTIA.

**RIVER JOHN.**—On Sabbath, 10th Oct., Divine service was resumed in the Kirk. The building had been closed since June last, and had undergone extensive alterations and improvements. Viewed either from the outside or the inside, the improvement in the Kirk is very decided. A neat tower has been added, and a bell, whose tone is both sweet and powerful, now calls the worshippers together. An addition of some 18 or 20 feet has been made to the building. The interior has been newly painted by Mr. Purves, of Tatamachewie, and various improvements made, the whole work reflecting the greatest credit both on the workmen and the committee under the superintendence the work was executed. The unsightly and unsatisfactory stoves and the old pipe are removed, and the church is now warmed by two furnaces, from the establishment Messrs. Robb & Son, Amherst. Not the least noticeable feature is a neat and moderately powerful organ, whereby the service of praise has been greatly improved. At the opening service the church was quite filled, the large congregation being drawn together partly from interest in the renovation, and partly from the popularity of the preacher at the opening services, Rev. W. McMillan. The devotional exercises were conducted by the Pastor, assisted in the morning by the Rev. Mr. Swallow, and in the evening by the Rev. J. Fitzpatrick. It should be added that the whole of the carpentering, which has given great satisfaction to the committee, was done by John Mitchell, of River John.

The sister Church at River John, the Rev. J. Gordon enters on his pastoral charge with the good wishes of the entire congregation, which could be seen by the large and

appreciative audience which assembled on the occasion of his induction.

**SALTSPRINGS.**—The Rev. Mr. Fitzpatrick of St. Luke's Church left for four weeks vacation, which he is to spend in the States. On Sabbath, Oct. 31st, Mr. William McLeod preached at Saltspings and Mount Thom; and on the following Sabbath service was conducted in the church at Saltspings by Rev. Mr. McCunn.

**HOPEWELL.**—Among our new students at Pictou Academy, we notice Duncan Fraser and Daniel G. McKay of Lorne, and Harry A. McDonald and the Crockett brothers of Hopewell. We cordially wish them all success.

Our Autumnal Communion, in the first week of November, was a most precious time, and will be gratefully remembered. Rev. W. McMillan and Rev. A. J. McKichan assisted the Pastor, and the attendance was large and most orderly, although the Sabbath was wet and stormy.

**EARLTOWN.**—Rev. D. Mackenzie of Earltown has received a unanimous call from St. Columba Church, Lochiel, Ontario, in connection with the Church of Scotland.

**VACANCY AT GAIRLOCH.**—Intimation was received from the Presbytery of Skye that the Rev. Neil Brodie of Gairloch was admitted Minister of Stenschohl, Skye, on 14th Sept. ult. The following is the official letter:—

MANSE OF KILMUIR, SKYE,  
Sept. 21, 1886.

THE REV. A. MACKICHAN,  
Clerk of the Presbytery of Egerton, Nova Scotia.

MY DEAR SIR,—I have to inform you that the Rev. Neil Brodie, late of Gairloch, N. S., was, on the 14th current, inducted to the pastorate of Stenschohl, in the Presbytery of Skye.

Yours faithfully,  
JAMES GRANT,  
Clerk of the Presbytery of Skye.

Rev. Mr. MacKichan was appointed by Egerton Presbytery to preach in the Church of Gairloch on Sabbath, 17th Oct., and to declare the Church of Gairloch vacant from and after 14th Sept., 1886,—the date of Mr. Brodie's induction to Stenschohl.

The following appointments were made for Gairloch:—Oct. 17, Rev. Mr. MacKichan; Oct. 31, Rev. Mr. Stewart; Nov. 14, Rev. Mr. McCunn; Nov. 28, Rev. Mr. McMillan.

HOLY COMMUNION was administered at Gairloch on Oct 31st. Rev. Mr. Stewart and Rev. Mr. Melville officiated. The solemnity and good order were excellent, though there were more than a thousand persons present. Rev. Mr. Callan and Rev. Mr. Dunn officiated on the Monday of Thanksgiving. The Rev. Mr. Brodie was expected to revisit us before the Communion, but arrived afterwards.