

country about twelve miles long by six miles wide, only sparsely settled, but the settlers in the district have been there for years. I preach there every third Sabbath; this is the only service held in the district, and the settlers were totally without the Gospel till we took up the appointment.

Englishman's River is a farming district, eight miles beyond "Manoose Bay," and twenty miles from Wellington. There is good land here, and the settlement is improving. We have an appointment every third Sabbath, and it is inspiring to see how the people appreciate the services. The settlers are very scattered and some of them come miles, even in ox waggons. The great floods of two months ago carried away the bridges and cut off the road communications. Last Sabbath I had to leave my horse in the woods, two miles this side of the river, pick out my way and then cross the river on a drift pile. This will soon be an important place; saw mills and coal mines will bring in many people; no other service but ours, ministers here.

It was impossible for me to keep all the appointments going, as Wellington and Northfield need services at the same hour morning and evening. The President secured me the services of a very earnest young man, Brother J. Hicks, who is now helping me in the work, especially at Northfield, and the friends at that appointment will provide for him, so that no extra expense is incurred by the committee, and by this means we are enabled to open out and give the Gospel to these places that were in need.

Brother Hicks is looking forward, working and studying with the view of entering the probation for the ministry at the Conference of 1892.

FROM THE COLLEGES

SACKVILLE, N.B., 26th March, 1891.

DEAR DOCTOR,—Having noticed in the OUTLOOK a letter from some of your western volunteers, we too were influenced to give you a few facts from here.

At the college we have a Student Volunteer Mission Band. This was organized nearly two months ago. We have at present nine members. We meet weekly for prayer and for the discussion of some missionary topic. Our aim is to gather all the information possible and, when gathered, to communicate the same to one another and to any that may be interested, and to interest those whom we can in this, to us, the most important subject.

Our aim is to become foreign missionaries. We are praying that God may qualify us for the work and open our way to those fields where He may want us. While thus giving, as it were, the first signs of our existence, we do it that our people may know that also with us there is a zeal for missions. Having learned this fact, may they be willing to do their best in sending us, for—"Here are we."

While many of us may not be prepared to go abroad immediately, we trust that when there are any openings, we too may be communicated with. I remain, dear Doctor, on behalf of the Mount Allison Student Volunteer Band, yours truly,

OSKAR GRONLUND.

MANITOBA AND NORTH-WEST CONFERENCE.

THE past two months have been anxious months to many in this Conference, as the examinations loomed up before the young men, and now that the examinations are over, there is still some anxiety as to what the results will be. But most, if not all, the "boys" have gone back to their respective fields resolved to make the last weeks of the Conference year tell for God and the good of souls.

The revival flame is still spreading, the points where it has been burning most brightly being Pilot Mound, Manitoba, and Wesley Church, Winnipeg. Some other places have had some sparks, and are looking for greater life and fire in the near future.

There does not always exist the best of harmony between people of different denominations in a new and sparsely settled country, hence we are pleased to report the following signs of good fellowship:—The Roland Presbyterians have the use of the Methodist church for services; Portage la Prairie Presbyterians have given the use of their church for Conference meetings in June next.—*Gleaner*.

IN March, 1888, the population of British India, including the Protectorates and Feudatories, was reckoned by the Government at 269,000,000. It is calculated that there are about two millions of Christians in India.

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