them to be worthy of the help generally tendered by Methodists in this city. It may be remarked that the financial prospects of this mission are brighter than those of some others, as the land here is excellent and the facilities for farming very good, so that the settlers are not dependent upon the precarious fishery, which, though yielding sometimes wonderful returns, is at best uncertain. Well would it have been to-day with many in Newfoundland if they had paid more attention to the soil.

Fogo

has been occupied a good many years, but we have had to contend with special difficulties, one of which has been the want of a comfortable and respectable church in the centre of the population. This is now about to be overcome, as Brother Swann writes that his people have lately gone to work in earnest to provide this long felt necessity, encouraged by the wonted liberality of some brethren in St. John's. "I am happy" says Mr. S., "to inform you that the cloud under which I have laboured since I came to Fogo seems, in a measure, to be breaking. I think we are on the eve of a change."

I fully expect, from the success attending the labours of this devoted brother elsewhere, that the change of which he writes will be no less than the rejoicing over newborn souls. Number of members returned, one hundred and seventeen; on trial nine.

Change Islands.

These islands—the largest of which is about six miles long and one and a half to three in breadth—formed a part, till lately, of Fogo Mission; but now, with Herring Neck and Merritts' Harbour, constitute a distinct Mission, with ample scope for the most zealous Missionary. Bro. Taylor thus writes: "My first impression on landing was that a great work was to be done here, and subsequent acquaintance with the physical peculiarities of the country, the intellectual and social status of the people, together with their lamentably low spiritual condition, but confirms this opinion. The scattered population, want of roads and difficulties of communication with the extern settlements, lack of educational advantages, and the comparative poverty of the people, are some of the features adverse to Mission work on this circuit."

Our brother has diligently visited from house to house in Change Islands, and was waiting with anxiety for the ice to form a natural bridge that he might be able to reach the outlying parts of his circuit. He is casting his bread upon the waters, expecting to find it after many days. Here, as in other places, the cry must be, "Come, let us rise up and build." At our principal station, the church is unfinished; at other preaching places, small houses for worship must be erected. Brethren acquainted with the country think this field very promising. Everything as yet is in a very elementary condition, but indicates that in due time will come the joy of harvest.

Morton's Harbour.

This Mission is intermediate to Twillingate and Exploits Circuits. By some mistake it is omitted from the printed Minutes of our former Conference. It is nevertheless one of the most hopeful of all our recent Missions.

Bro. Jennings wrote in August as follows: "Last Sabbath evening, while I was preaching, one sinner was convinced of sin, and found pardon to the joy of her soul." Again, in September, thus: "I opened a Sabbath-school last Sunday, with 60 scholars and 15 teachers, and the prospect is really encouraging. I like my circuit exceedingly well, and shall like it still better when I see that through my feeble endeavors precious souls are being converted to God."

Our brother is laboring in faith, and hopes ere long to see gratifying results.

St. Johns, Jan. 20, 1875.