

Peters, Mabou, Port Hood, and Broad Cove, in the one Presbytery; and from then till now in the neighbourhood of Sydney, and in the congregation of Gabarus and Framboise. From the congregation last named he has received an harmonious call, and will probably be present at Synod as its ordained pastor.

Mr. Drummond's removal from Victoria and Richmond Presbytery left Mabou for a considerable time without any supply; but Mr. Gillis has laboured there for the last two months, and Mr. Pollock will be forward immediately, so that there will be at least one Missionary between that congregation and North-East Margaree.

For Cape North, the Board has not been able to do anything since the departure of Mr. J. Murray to Scotland in October; and now that he is expected to return within a few weeks, three Presbyteries are asking for his services, so that we know not definitely when that distant but interesting congregation can be supplied. We do know, however, that they are not destitute of means of grace, for they have not only their Bibles and their family altars, but they meet regularly on the Lord's day and at the weekly prayer meeting, and their religious gatherings are presided over and led by a zealous Catechist whom they highly esteem.

This may be the most appropriate point at which to notice in passing, that reports have been received of the labours of other Gaelic Catechists: and, even where formal reports have not been given in, the Board has reason to believe that they are faithfully carrying out the objects of their appointment, in the visitation of the sick, in the catechising of the young, and in the conducting of prayer and fellowship meetings.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

This large Presbytery, covering the whole Island, was left without a Probationer during the winter, notwithstanding the existence of three vacancies. This was the occasion of deep regret to the Board, but it occurred when the number of our Missionaries was at the lowest, and when, consequently, some portion of the church must be left to feel the dearth. The Board felt relief in the knowledge of the fact that the vacancies were contiguous to congregations having generally young and active Pastors, and that their interests would be well cared for by a vigilant Presbytery. And their expectation in this respect was fully realized, though at mid-winter another vacancy occurred by the removal of Rev. Robert Cumming from Richmond Bay, West, to New Glasgow, Nova Scotia—thus leaving three contiguous charges without one Pastor.

In the month of May, however, the Pres-

bytery were gladdened and relieved by the return of two preachers to their native land; and, in addition, the Board has appointed a third Missionary, who can preach in Gaelic, so that the Highlanders of New London South, and Grenville more especially, may hear the joyful message in their own ancient and almost sacred language.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

The large Presbytery of St. John, covering the greater portion of this Province, has had three congregations supplied with Pastors within the year—Baillic, Richmond and St. Stephen, and has been able to provide considerable supply for Glassville and Florenceville, Jerusalem and Nerepis, Buctouche and Cocagne, and Pisarince; but the most interesting mission of the year has been one of five or six weeks by Rev. T. Cumming to Tobique and River settlements, Arthurette, Three Brooks, Long Island and Rocky Brook, extending to a distance of at least 50 miles from the mouth of the river. Some of these settlements are new, and all flourishing and giving promise of growing prosperity. Some forty families in all, but considerably dispersed in groups, welcomed the missionary, heard with deepest attention his message, and urged his return. The Hon. Benjamin Beveridge has offered \$200 per annum, his brother, Dr. Beveridge, \$100, and others will give according to their means, for the support of a Pastor: and all concur in requesting that Mr. Cumming or some other suitable Missionary should be sent thither without delay. The Presbytery of St. John has seconded this appeal, and as Mr. Cumming declines, the Board are engaged in seeking for the right man for the place: and if they succeed, will have no hesitation in complying with the wishes of the people and Presbytery.

The Presbytery of Miramichi has been aided by the services of a Catechist last autumn for Black River and Kouchibouquack, and this spring by licensed and ordained Missionaries, for the supply of the vacant congregation of Chatham.

NOVA SCOTIA.

In the three central Presbyteries of Pictou, Truro and Halifax, nearly all that has been attempted has been to give supply as regularly as possible to the vacant congregations, of which there were four in Pictou Presbytery, besides Goldenville and Wine Harbour—three in Truro Presbytery, and two, and part of the time three and four, in Halifax. Tatamagouche Presbytery received no Missionary within the year; but the Board had much satisfaction in meeting a long standing request of the Presbytery of Lunenburg and Yarmouth by procuring the services of a promising young man,