

Fund," than that its claims should be fully set before you. This has already been done, and a generous response has in not a few cases been made. Perhaps, however, it may not be irrelevant to say, that as our ministry is limited to a very few years in each place, and is necessarily of an exhausting character, each part of our wide extent of labor, and each individual in it, is deeply interested in the prosperity of this fund. "Remember them that have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the word of God, whose faith follow." And as they, in the time of health and strength freely imparted to you the riches of the gospel, so is it becoming that in age and sickness you should administer to their temporal wants.

On the same ground, we might simply notice the Educational Fund. So nearly are all the wants of each minister estimated, and so nicely are his claims adjusted, that the amount which he receives is neither designed for, nor adequate to, the education of his children. The fund above named is intended to meet his wants in this respect, and afford him what he cannot possibly receive from other connexional sources.

Deeply impressed with the importance of widely diffusing a sound and scriptural literature among the people of our charge, we have established a Book-Room in Halifax, having a branch in the city of St. John, N. B., and which we have placed under the superintendence of one of our most efficient ministers, the Rev. C. CHURCHILL,—thus bringing within your reach valuable facilities for the mental and religious training of your families, not hitherto in the same degree available to you. We earnestly entreat you largely to patronize this important agency of our Church, that, amid the deluding and polluting influences of a large portion of the current literature of the age, the principles and morals of our youth may be guarded and strengthened.

It affords us unfeigned delight to be able to inform you that our educational institutions at Mount Allison are in a high state of efficiency, and are enjoying great popularity. During the recently closed term they were favored with a very blessed revival of religion, in which many students of both branches were made partakers of the saving grace of God. Institutions so honorable to our connexion, so smiled upon by "Our Father in Heaven," deserve and demand your most liberal support; and we bespeak it in their behalf, assured that among the most valuable boons you can confer upon your sons and daughters, is the blessing of a thorough and scripturally conducted education.

It has been cause of deep gratitude to us, as it will be to you, that the receipts of the Wesleyan Missionary Society for the past year, have exceeded those of any preceding year. This is the more remarkable, on account of the pressure upon our