

uniting them, owing to the distances to be travelled from place to place. The field embraces a distance, in length, of about 22 miles, viz.: from Buctouche to Shediak. Cocaigne lies half way between these places and Scotch Settlement about six miles from it, further up the river in a S. W. direction.

PLACES OF WORSHIP.

At present there is but one church, that in Buctouche. In Cocaigne I hold service in the School House, a small building very unsuitable for preaching in, but I have strong hopes of seeing a church erected there before long. Some of the frame has been hauled, and I have been informed the remainder is hewed, but not hauled as the site is not yet decided on. They will require some help to build, and I recommend their case to your liberality, and trust that the propriety of assisting weak, but willing places, may receive your consideration, that aid be granted them.

In Scotch Settlement a church was commenced some years since, but instead of progressing is rather beginning to fall to pieces, however there is a very good school room here in which service is held.

In Shediak I have always conducted service in Smith's Hall. As a general thing I do not approve of preaching in a hall or building where negro concerts and magical shows are held during the week, but in this case, the difficulty, if you consider it such, cannot at present be removed.

PROSPECTS.

In all the places I have held service, the attendance is good and the attention "marked," so that I am forced to conclude, that although much work is necessary, and much prayer needed, yet a hearty support and a cheerful assistance will be given to any one who may, in the Providence of God, devote his time to this field. I am a strong believer in direct answer to faithful prayer, and do not hesitate to say that in answer to prayer, the servant of God labouring in this vicinity will see "the work of the Lord prosper," and he will thus be encouraged to go on in his good work. May God grant this, our request, and to His name be the praise.

SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Shortly after my arrival here we formed two Sabbath Schools, one in the village of Buctouche, the other further up the river in Mill-Creek Settlement. I visited both as often as my arrangements would permit, and now take this opportunity of publicly thanking Mr. Wilkins and Mr. Jackson, the superintendents for their assistance in this work.

I expect my labours here will close about the end of October, but I trust this part of the "vineyard" will not be long without a

faithful, earnest labourer, whose soul is devoted to the cause of Christ. I am convinced from observation during the past few months that although discouragements may arise, they will soon disappear and a good work will be accomplished.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN LEISHMAN.

Buctouche, Sept. 27th, 1870.

Our Foreign Missions.

Nothing later than the intelligence already published having been received from the New Hebrides, we give Rev. Mr. Inglis, letter on the death of Rev. Mr. McNair, being another testimony to the excellence of his character, and the value of the services thus lost to the Church.

The letters which follow from Messrs. Morton and Grant will be read with deep interest. Mr. Grant's letter assumes that his readers have before them the facts briefly noted in our last number, that Providence conducted himself and family safely and speedily to Port of Spain first, and next to San Fernando; that they were joyfully received at both places, first by Rev. Mr. Brodie and next by Rev. Messrs. Lambert and Morton. We would now add that as Mr. Lambert's manse was about becoming vacant it was kindly placed at the disposal of Mr. Grant, who expected to occupy it in a few days, and to commence his missionary experience in San Fernando, many Coolies being within easy access. The vacant Congregation of San Fernando will receive a supply for a time from the two brethren. Mr. Grant declined giving any opinion respecting mission prospects so soon after landing, but mentions that all with whom he had conversed regarded Mr. Morton's fluency in the language of the Coolies as remarkable.

The letters which this number contains, are decidedly the most encouraging which have been received, and should be read with mingled feelings of gratitude, and prayerful, humble expectation. "In the morning I will direct my prayer unto thee and will look up." "Unto thee will I lift mine eyes, O thou that dwellest in the heavens."