

energy of the Windsor congregation, and taken in connection with other recent erections in the same places, (by the Episcopalians and Wesleyans,) augurs well for the progress of Evangelical truth in this part of the Province.

The opening services were fixed for the first Sabbath of the year. Had it not been for the severe storm and heavy snow-drifts the House would have been densely crowded. As it was, it was respectably filled. The Rev R. Sedgewick after devotional services appropriate to the occasion, preached from the Gospel by St Luke, Chap. ix, v, 33:—"It is good for us to be here," and in the afternoon from Psalm cxxxii., last verse, and last clause "But upon Himself shall His crown flourish."

The Rev J. L. Murdoch the Pastor of the United Congregations of Windsor and Newport preached in the evening from Job. ch. xxiii. v. 3, "Oh! that I knew where I might see Him, that I might come even to His seat.

The audience were deeply attentive and appeared evidently impressed with the solemn, suitable and important truths, to which during all the day they listened. Religious services were also held and discourses preached to large and delighted audiences on the Monday and Tuesday evenings following, by Mr Sedgewick.

May the building thus set apart for the public worship of God long remain the Home of a united and pious people. May many souls be there ruffed from disobedience to the wisdom of the Just, and when the Lord reckoneth up the people, may it be found that many were born there! May the congregation enjoy times of refreshing from the presence of the Lord.—*Com.*

Chatham, Dec. 29, 1856.

ABRAM PATTERSON, Esq.,
Treasurer P. C. N. S.

Dear Sir—I forward you the inclosed Four Pounds towards a Fund for aged and incapacitated ministers of the Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia, should the Synod determine to take action on the subject. If some thoughtful and pious members of the Church, previous to the next meeting, should forward to you such sums as they might feel it a duty to give to this object, I doubt not the Synod would see its way clear to organize a scheme. In the united Presbyterian Church success has attended

such a scheme beyond the most sanguine expectations of its earliest promoters. All considerate persons know that the income of most of our ministers will not admit of their laying anything past to serve them and their families after they have become incapable of any longer serving the church.

Your very truly,
JOHN McCURDY.

New Glasgow, 16th Jany. 1857.

Mr. Editor,—

I send you a copy of a letter I received a fortnight ago, and I request you to publish it, in the hope that others of our christian brethren may be induced to do as this "Friend" has done; and enjoy the sweet pleasure of disbursing at this season of the year the contents of their "Mission Box."

GEORGE WALKER.

New Glasgow, 1st Jany. 1857.

Rev. and dear Sir,—

Enclosed is the proceeds of our Mission Box for the last year, which please dispose of as follows—

The Home Mission,	£1 0 0
Micmac Mission,	1 0 0
Education of Mr. Ged-	
dies' children,	1 0 0
Foreign Mission,	2 0 0
	£5 0 0

And oblige,

Your's, truly,
A FRIEND TO MISSIONS.

Notices, Acknowledgments, &c

We have again to request that agents and subscribers who have not yet forwarded their orders for the *Instructor* or *Register* will do so without delay to Mr James Barnes, Halifax, who has been appointed agent, as hereafter we shall only print what is necessary to supply orders. Remittances may be forwarded to him or to the Synod's Treasurer, Abraham Patterson, Esq. We would again press upon our ministers the propriety of efforts to increase the circulation of the *Instructor*. The draft upon the funds of the Church for its maintenance during the past year has been heavy, and cannot be repeated. Unless there be a considerable increase in the subscriptions it must be discontinued at the end of the present year. With an increase of subscriptions such as we think might be readily obtained it would not only pay expenses, but might be made to yield a surplus. The matter is therefore in the hands of the ministers of the Church. We would also beg