

CAPE BRETON.

Looking through your fine paper I seldom, if ever, see anything in its columns about our little corner in Cape Breton. I am glad to inform you, now that Church work has again been revived here, and bids fair to come up to the old standard which the former Missionary, now Rural Dean of Parsboro', left it in five long years ago. The Rev. Mr. Gibbons removed from here with regrets from every member of his congregation, and up to within a few weeks our Church has ceased to grow. You will naturally ask why this should be. The question must at present remain unanswered, it is sufficient to say the God of all Truth knows 'and to him alone all secrets will be revealed.' Time has been misspent and talents wasted on the trivial things of this world.

A very interesting Sabbath school has now been organized with a good attendance. We have had several services from Mr. Stansfield, of Neil's Harbour, who has created quite a favorable impression. He is a young man of marked ability and full of energy, anxious to do all the good that lies in his power, he remained over two Sundays. We also had a flying visit from the Rev. Mr. Gibbons; he had two services in St. Peter's Church, and addressed the Sabbath school. The children were delighted to see him once again. People came far and near to the services to hear the old familiar loving voice of their former pastor. The Church was so crowded that many had to go away without the satisfaction of hearing him. We have engaged the services of the Rev. Dr. Willets, of King's College, Windsor for the summer, and on the whole Church matters look for the future very encouraging. God grant that the seeds of discord heretofore sown amongst us may in time be forgotten, and that our beautiful little Church and once happy congregation down here by the sea may again flourish.

A TRUE STORY.

BY DR. GEORGE WILLIS.

I remember many years ago when I was a rough boy at play, I had uttered a profane word, when I heard my name called from across the street, and saw a young lady beckoning to me. I crossed over to her; she took my hand, and speaking kindly to me, asked if I would do her a favor? I was pleased and said I would. She said she was getting up a class in the Sunday School, and wished I would come to it. On looking up I saw a tear in her brown eyes. She spoke so kindly I was interested, and went to the school and joined her class, where I was kindly welcomed. This was the turning point in my life.

She afterwards told me that, intent on doing something for her Saviour, she had gone out upon the street, and hearing me use a profane word, and knowing my name, called to me praying for help from above to reclaim me. She never had spoken to me before.

Should this meet the eye of some discouraged Christian, I would say, Go to your Saviour, and, on your knees in prayer, say, Dear Lord, here are my hands; set them to work in Thy vineyard, and inspire my tongue to speak some word that may be the means of bringing some soul to Thy feet, of turning some wayward heart to Thee!—Parish Visitor, N.Y.

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