

tions put to them, the students evinced a thorough grounding in the science, and much readiness in displaying the knowledge which they had acquired. Essays were also read, principally on subjects connected with Logic. These showed in a good degree their proficiency in composition, and also displayed to much advantage the extent of their acquirements in this part of their education. This was the junior class, all the members having commenced their studies at the commencement of the present term, and their course of instruction in composition had not been completed. The Moral Philosophy class was next examined, and gave very general satisfaction. The essays read by the students of this class were on various subjects, and were in general good specimens of composition.

They were also examined in Mathematics, Latin and Greek, and a class of six or seven in Hebrew. In all these, their proficiency evinced much industry on the part of the teacher, as well as themselves.—Several of the clergymen present addressed them at the close of the exhibition, in suitable words of encouragement and direction, and expressed themselves as well pleased and satisfied with the efficiency of the institution, and the industry and acquirements of the students. The Rev. Mr. Smith said, that though he had been many years in this province, this was the first opportunity he had ever had of witnessing an examination of any institution of philosophical and classical learning within it, and that he did not hesitate to say, that in respect of the system of thorough grounding in all the branches taught, it would compare most favorably with any institution of learning that he was acquainted with in the old country. With this examination, the present term of this department of the seminary terminates.

The following is a list of the students in attendance during the term which has just terminated:—

James McLean,	East River
Alex. Cameron,	do.
James McKay,	do.
John McLeod,	West River
John Fraser,	do.
James A. Murray,	Roger's Hill
J.W. Matheson,	do.
George M. Clarke,	Musquodoboit
James Thomson,	Truro
George F. Hill,	Economy
Henry Crawford,	Five Islands
David V. Terhune,	Londonderry
Jacob McLellan,	Economy
Samuel Johnson,	Stewiacke
James Collie,	Middle River,
John Curry,	Tatamagouche
William Kier,	P. E. Island.
Allan Fraser,	do.
James Sinclair,	do.
John Hardie,	Miramichi
George Roddick,	Carriboo,

#### THEOLOGICAL HALL.

The Theological Hall of our church under the superintendance of the Rev. John Kier, Professor of Systematic and Pastoral Theology; and Rev. James Smith, Professor of Biblical Literature, was opened at West River, on Thursday, 3rd October last. Each of the Professors delivered a lecture introductory to their respective course. Eight young men were in attendance regularly admitted as students of Theology, besides one or two others, who are attending as hearers. For two years our Hall have been closed for want of students, and we are sure that every friend of our church will rejoice, that it has been opened under such favourable prospects. In the present destitute state of our church on account of the want of labourers—and the urgent call for Missionary labour, it is gratifying to see that there is now the promise of having at no distant day, a band of faithful labourers to occupy the vacant watch towers of our church.

### Some Missions.

#### REPORT

OF A MISSION TO PORT-HOOD AND MABOU.

In compliance with the appointment of the Presbytery, I proceeded to Cape Breton, and preached at Mabou on the second Sabbath of August, and at Port Hood on the

third. From both pulpits I intimated, that the Presbytery had agreed to accept from Mr. Miller the resignation of the pastoral charge of the congregation of Mabou and Port Hood. While in Cape Breton I endeavoured to be as useful as possible, both