

Church members, about 450; Baptisms, 15. Contributions: Mr. J. Robertson, \$20; Mrs. Manger, \$5; Mr. McLean, (H. B. Co.'s Agent, Natasquan,) \$2.50.

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STONEHAM AND LAKE BEAUPORT.

My Report of these two Missions must be rendered with some diffidence, owing to the short time they have been under my care. In entering upon a Mission one is naturally inclined to form an *a priori* opinion as to the spiritual condition of the people, and this may often be found to be erroneous. To know the real state of one's flock involves a thorough knowledge of each individual character, and to arrive at this must necessarily be a work of time. Having, then, only been in connection with the two Missions for the last six months, I shall make no further allusion to their spiritual state than what the following statements may incidentally disclose.

I was instituted to the Missions of Stoneham and Lake Beauport on the eight of July last, and commenced work on the twentieth. I started at once a weekly Sunday Service at both places, a work I believe only irregularly and at intervals before attempted, which may probably be accounted for from the long bad road between the two churches. Whatever labour this involved, it was more than recompensed by the hearty way in which the people manifested their appreciation of such a privilege. This was kept up till the end of October, when the shortening days and the "fall" roads made it impracticable. If God spare me, I shall again begin the double service in the spring.

During Advent we had a Friday Evening Service at Stoneham, and when the distances of the people from the Church are considered, it may be said to have been a great success. The smallest number present, I believe, was seven. I shall again renew this service, if all goes well, next Lent, when I hope to obtain the help of some of the city Clergy.

The Services at both Churches are in one sense at present unavoidably dull: we are without Musical Instruments of any description. I have, however, been making an effort to provide melodeons, and I trust before the summer that one, if not both Churches may be supplied.

With respect to the Churches themselves, the little I have to report is not of a very wholesome character. The flooring in Christ's Church, Stoneham, has in part given away, which renders the appearance of the Church internally, to say the least, anything but decent. The people here are very poor,