

APPENDIX.

REPORT OF THE REV. JOHN MARTIN,

SUPERINTENDENT OF MISSIONS TO THE PRESBYTERY OF HALIFAX, FOR THE
YEAR 1860.

I gladly avail myself of the favorable opportunity now afforded for bringing the claims of the different Missionary Stations where I have officiated during the past year under the notice of the Presbytery, as I believe it to be one of the most efficient means of strengthening the ties which bind the different branches of our Church to each other. My services during the year have been almost entirely confined to four Stations in the neighborhood of Halifax, and have been subdivided, as last year, in nearly equal proportions between Lawrencetown, Sackville, Lake Thomas, and the Hall Settlement. I have preached ten times at Lawrencetown, eleven times at Sackville, nine times at Lake Thomas, twelve times at the Hall Settlement, and seven times at other parts of the Province—forty-nine times in all, to attentive but not numerous audiences. I have also visited during the year as many families as I could find leisure to see at their own houses, and have baptized a number of their children. As the members of the Presbytery must now be familiar with all the places where I labor, it is unnecessary for me to repeat at length the statements which I furnished in a former Report respecting the different localities. It is due however to the people in all the Districts to record their continued attachment to the Church, their anxious desire for the ordinances of religion, their kindness and attention to your Missionary, and their liberality in supporting the Gospel according to their limited ability. In confirmation of the truth of these observations I may state that several persons have offered to increase to a considerable amount their annual subscriptions, could they obtain regular service once a fortnight instead of once a month, as at present. Indeed, I am fully convinced that if the people had public worship twice a day every fortnight, the contributions for the support of religion would in some Districts be increased two, perhaps three or four, fold. This could very easily be