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Our six months' dearth of foreign intelligence has been happily relieved by the arrival of two large packets of letters from Antecum. The first half of Mr Geddie's letter to the Board appears in the present No.; and from this, our readers have a fair specimen of what may be expected in future Nos. If Mr Geddie has nothing but *mercies* to record, the friends and supporters of the mission should have nothing but *thanksgiving to present* to the God of missions; whose bounteous Providence and all-subduing grace have been so signally manifested. It appears that the schools are in a most prosperous condition, and that the attendance on public ordinances is so rapidly on the increase that the idea of enlarging the Church, as intimated in the last correspondence, has been abandoned, and a new building was in course of erection with sufficient accommodation for 1200 persons. The organization of a Church at Mr Inglis' station, with the cheering tidings that eight heathen converts have been admitted to the *fellowship of the saints*; and the opening of a suitable edifice with accommodation for 900 persons, are events which should be quite as refreshing to the Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia, as they must be to the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Scotland. We have inserted letters from Mrs. Geddie and her daughter Charlotte Ann, under the impression that they possess sufficient interest to render their public appearance desirable.

What mother, can restrain the tear of sympathy, when called to witness the parental struggle, which attends the separation of our missionaries from their children, at that period of life, when the solicitude of early training is about to be repaid by the buoyancy of spirit, ardour of affection, and expansion of intellect, attendant on ingenuous youth, as it hastens on to womanhood. Among the many acts of self-denial which are required of missionaries in a heathen land, it is questionable whether any be more severe than this. It is the strong wrestling of parental affection with itself, and the true issue can only be determined by that imperious sense of duty, which teaches the Christian disciple to forsake houses, brethren, sisters, father, mother, wife, *children*, lands for Christ's sake.

It must be extremely gratifying to such as contributed to the large assortment of clothing which left Pictou last July, to find that there is such urgent demand for the fruit of their bounty, and doubtless all our female contributors will persevere in this course of *well-doing*, for already *they reap*.

The meeting of the two sisters at Walthamstow; and the return to Nova Scotia of the eldest, are topics which we believe the friends of the mission education fund will diligently ponder, as proffering an ample reward for past, and a powerful stimulus for future effort. There is but one farther point of interest which merits editorial remark, and that is, the many *open doors* which now in-