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## PROTESTANT CHAPLAIN'S REPORT.

Halifax Penitentiary, December 31, 1875.

Sir,—Amid the mutation of time and the numerous events which usually follow in its train, it is natural that a sombre and solemn feeling should pervade our minds and bring vividly to remembrance that this world is not our permanent home.

During the flight of the year that has now gone, some of the convicts who were under my pastoral instruction when it commenced, have been restored to their wonted liberty. What amount of spiritual benefit may have resulted (or may ultimately result) from the advantages which the Government has kindly provided for them, I do not know and am incompetent to predict. A coming day will declare it. Our late Warden, who often attended our services, has repeatedly said the sermons and addresses which the convicts heard must prove beneficial sooner or later. Be that as it may, I have endeavored to do my duty, and leave future events, which are not under my control, to the God of all grace.

The convicts, almost without exception, behave with decorum and seriousness

during divine service.

They all appear highly pleased with the kindly treatment which they receive

from our new Warden.

Our religious services are held as usual at ten, on the Sabbath mornings, and at one P.M., on Wednesdays.

The number of convicts now under my pastoral care is, whites, 23 males and one

female; colored, 13; total, 37.

We are thankful for the additional supply of hymn-books, and for a few others to increase our library.

Mr. Cotton, our Schoolmaster, performs his duties faithfully.

I have the honor to be, Sir, Your obedient servant,

HENRY POPE,
Protestant Chaplain.

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Inspector of Penitentiaries.