

the honour of supplying the *Christian Messenger* with editors from its first inception till the present time. The late J. W. Nutting, and John Ferguson, Esqrs., are remembered as editors by the denomination at large, no less than they are remembered by the church as valued members devoted to the Master. It is a cause for gratitude to God that members of the church have been engaged in labours so important and far-reaching in their results—work that has been attended with a good degree of success.

EDUCATIONAL WORK.

In no public enterprise has this church taken so large and important a part as in that of Collegiate Education. In order to see the correctness of this statement in its true light, it becomes necessary to sketch the history of the Baptist Churches in these Provinces, previous to 1827, the year in which the Granville Street Church was founded; and also to point out the condition of the denomination at that time in the matter of Collegiate Education. There were no Baptists in these Provinces, so far as it is now known, till 1760. About that time two ministers from the New England Colonies came to Nova Scotia. One of them preached in the western part of the Province, travelling east as far as Horton; the other preached in Newport. Both of them baptized converts. In 1778 the first Baptist Church in these Provinces was organized in Horton. Sixteen years after its organization Mr. John Burton gathered a church in Halifax. After this the churches in Falmouth, Onslow, Chester, Cornwallis, Granville, Yarmouth, and at other places, first composed of Baptists and Pedobaptists, were changed or divided; and, at all these places, Baptist Churches were organized. The ministers who had been instrumental in this great work were all self-taught men. Not one of them had enjoyed the