

He will be missed especially at the bedside of the sick and dying. We learn that the congregation, consisting of 125 families, numbering 673 persons, is left in a good condition. It is a scattered congregation, but loyal to the Church, and liberal in the support of the Church's work. We may add that Mr. Clark's departure is much regretted by his brethren in the ministry, and all who had the pleasure of his friendship and acquaintance. He goes, however, to a sister Church, and his labors will be devoted to a large extent to Nova Scotians. We pray that the blessing of the Head of the Church may follow him wherever he goes.

Rev. J. A. F. SUTHERLAND, late of Little Harbour, has been appointed by the Free Church Colonial Committee to a charge in New Zealand. Mr. Sutherland is shortly to proceed to his new field of labour.

BEDFORD.—The Lord's Supper was celebrated by the Presbyterians at Bedford for the first time on the 17th January.—Rev. John Forrest presided. Eleven members were admitted. Members of other evangelical Churches—Episcopalian, Baptist, and Methodist—sat with them at the Lord's table.

PRESENTS.—Members of the LaHave congregation presented Rev. D. MacMillan with a purse of \$82.—Rev. W. Stuart acknowledges valuable presents from his congregation of West Cape and Brae.—The young men of the Brookfield section of his congregation recently presented Rev. William Ross, P. E. Island, with a purse and a complimentary address. Mr. Ross made an impromptu reply expressing grateful acknowledgements, and the occasion was one of great interest.—Rev. George M. Clark acknowledges with many and heartfelt thanks the receipt, on the eve of his departure from Shelburne for Boston, U. S., of \$20 from young ladies in Locke's Island, and of a gold watch chain from the ladies of Shelburne town, accompanied, in both cases, by expressions of affection, and to be followed with prayers.

PERVERSIONS.—The number of perverts from the Church of England to the Church of Rome is on the increase. The clergy take the lead in this shameful movement. Peseysism, Ritualism, High-Churchism, manifestly can be nothing else than a bridge to Rome.

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—The United Presbyterians of Scotland are placing their brethren in England in a position to consummate the desired Union with the Presbyterian Church there.—Active efforts are put forth to increase the number of English congregations.—On the

second Sabbath of each month special prayer is offered up in all the Churches for Foreign Missions. Nearly £4,000 are raised for the Famine Fund for North India.

We find it impossible to give any extracts on the subject of Labrador Missions in the present number.

TEMPORARY HOME, FOR FEMALES SEEKING EMPLOYMENT IN HALIFAX.

Within a month a comfortable Home will be provided, at a low rate of boarding, where females of good character can stay while looking round the city for situations. The sooner the object of this institution is known, the better.

It is a Boarding House for women of good character, under Christian management, where the industrious girl will be *safe*, will have access to morning and evening worship, and will have advice in procuring employment, whether as domestic help or in any other line of work.

She is not received as a pauper, but *pays for her board* \$1.50 per week, remains for one day or a week, as suits her convenience, and may return at any time if thrown unexpectedly out of a situation. But it is not an ordinary lodging house, for no such comforts as can here be secured could be provided elsewhere for the same money. The house rent, taxes, fuel, &c., are paid by Christian people in the city, in order that young women of good character coming to the city may have a *safe, cheerful*, well lighted, and well managed Home, under Christian management, at a rate within their means.

It must therefore be observed that all seeking the benefits of this lodging house must bring with them certificates of good character from their minister, or from some person of known character and position; and farther, they must submit to a few general rules, such as are necessary in every well regulated family, including presence morn and even at family prayers, the proper observance of the Lord's day, and be home in good time every evening.

We call the attention of friends in the country to this movement. We ask ministers, so far as they can, to make it known, and to advise young women to call for their certificates in the event of going to the city, and thus an open door will be ready, and a safe refuge for a day or week, during which they may be looking for employment.

Young men seeking situations are now aided by a committee of the Young Men's Christian Association, when they are re-