

Applicant for the Ministry.—A young man of great earnestness, piety and talent, has made application from the Presbytery of Halifax to the Young Men's Bursary Scheme, for assistance in prosecuting his studies with a view to entering upon the Foreign Mission field. We wish him long life, health and success.

Westville.—St. Philip's Church, commenced some time since in this flourishing village, is now well advanced towards completion. The outside is entirely finished, and the interior is plastered and will be fully completed by the first of January next. The congregation feel very acutely the loss sustained in the removal of their attached pastor to Scotland, especially under their present peculiar circumstances. Notwithstanding this, they still manifest an energetic spirit, and are determined to have their Church ready for occupation as soon as possible, and then, in connection with the Albion Mines congregation, to avail themselves of the first good opportunity of securing a minister. The debt on the building will be considerable; but it is hoped that, by the contributions which they are receiving, and expect to receive from good friends whose kindly patronage they respectfully solicit, and also by their own increasing strength, to be able to meet all demands, and before long to liquidate whatever debt may be contracted by its erection. We have no doubt the Presbytery of Pictou will be as liberal in their supply as possible. In the words of a correspondent, "a congregation without a pastor is like a school without a teacher, in which,—although the scholars may exert themselves and do what they can,—there is no controlling eye—no one to look to for instruction, and no one to whom they can refer in their troubles, and ask for counsel and advice; and consequently, there ensues disorganization, a want of energy, a falling away rather than an advancement." We are assured, however, that the people of Westville will do their best, and we hope and trust that ere long God, in his good providence, will give them a pastor who shall go out and in among them, and break to them the bread of life.

Wallace.—On Thursday, the 15th Sept., the ladies of St. Matthew's Church, Wallace, whose liberality and readiness to promote every good work connected with the Church, instead of lagging, seem to increase by repeated demands, held a tea meeting in the school-house being built in the village.—Here they would tender their thanks to the Building Committee who so kindly placed the school-house at their service on the occasion. The weather being very favourable, the tea and refreshment tables were well patronised. The number of persons who gave their countenance and money would be about 700. The proceeds amounted to nearly \$280, which amount is to be expended in renovating the Church, fencing the church-yard, and painting the manse, &c.

Rev. Dr. Donald.—We regret to learn that Dr. Donald's health is not much improved. He is still unable for duty.

Sabbath School Lessons.—A Committee of the Halifax Sabbath School Association issue annually a Scheme of Lessons, and are now about entering upon their duties for the twelfth year. The lessons are prepared with a view to afford a correct and systematic course of instruction from the leading events in Old and New Testament history, and have been found valuable in many of the Sabbath Schools of our Church, as every scholar, being in possession of a Scheme, is aware of the subject to be taught in the class, in advance of the day. We wish to call the attention of clergymen and Superintendents to the necessity of acquainting the Committee, through their Secretary,—W G. Pender,—with the number they will probably require, before the first of January next, as several schools were left unsupplied this year in consequence of orders not coming to hand till late in the spring. A sufficiently large num-