

inquiry as to their needs and worthiness to come under the Society's consideration. In this way they keep up a personal acquaintance and intercourse with all such as receive work, clothing, food or fuel at their hands."

### Richmond.

On Sunday, the 29th ult., the communion was dispensed at this place by the Rev. John Campbell of St. Andrew's, in accordance with a deliverance of last meeting of the Presbytery of Halifax.— Though the numbers were small, the services were very impressive, and calculated to have a beneficial effect upon the congregation. The new Church is progressing favourably, and already promises to be a very beautiful structure. We have every hope of this becoming, ere long, one of the most important charges in the Church. There is a course of lectures and readings at present being carried on, the proceeds of which are to be devoted towards replenishing the Sunday School Library.— And too much praise cannot be bestowed upon all interested in conducting the Sunday school part of the congregation's work. After throwing off two or three swarms, which have now developed into large Sunday Schools in other Church connections, our school at Richmond is to-day larger in numbers, and more efficiently taught, than ever. May God's blessing still follow and forward this and every other good work.

### Lecture.

The second of a course of monthly lectures before the Young Men's Association of St. Andrew's, Halifax, was delivered on the evening of the 16th of last month, by the Rev. Geo. J. Caie of St. Stephen's, St. John. The subject, "The coming marriage between Princess Louisa and the Marquis of Lorne," was handled in the Rev. gentleman's usual chasteness of conception and lucidity of style; and we feel assured that the audience, overflowing as it did the capacity of the Church, must have retired carrying away much valuable instruction, having spent a pleasant hour. The third lecture will be delivered by William Garvie, Esq., Barrister-at-Law, about the middle of the present month.

### St. Andrew's Church, Pictou.

The munificent example set by four gentlemen in this congregation, referred to in our last, has been well followed up. On Monday the 16th Jan., immediately after the Communion Services, an adjourned meeting was held in the basement, — Wm. Jack, Esq., in the chair. After the reading of the minutes, John Crerar, Esq., rose and stated that his brother David Crerar offered the congregation a bell, to cost about \$400, but which was not to be rung until the first Sabbath after the debt was paid. This announcement was received with much applause. Thereafter Donald Fraser, Esq., intimated that he would be one of ten to give \$200. This was followed up by one after another in sums of \$200, and then smaller sums, and we understand that, ere the meeting closed, the prospects of the debt surviving 1871 became very poor indeed. Well done Pictou!

### St. Andrew's Church Sabbath School, New Glasgow.

#### SECRETARY'S ANNUAL REPORT.

A great degree of prosperity has attended the operations of the school during the past year. The increased number of scholars rendered necessary the formation of two additional classes, and the roll shows, at the end of 1870, nineteen teachers, and one hundred and eighty scholars, against seventeen teachers and one hundred and sixty scholars for the corresponding period of the preceding year.

The general deportment of the scholars is excellent; and the quiet and orderly manner in which they dismiss, is more particularly to be commended.

The *British Workman* and the *Child's Paper* are supplied to the school, and also books from the library, which the scholars select for themselves from catalogues provided for that purpose.

The library is in such excellent condition as to merit and require special mention. It contains six hundred and fifty three volumes, many of them new and of considerable value. This truly delightful state of affairs is due to the Superintendent, Mr. Pollok, by whom was also introduced the new mode of distribution, which avoids many very