

## Pastoral Letter.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE  
CHURCH AND CONGREGATION.

MEETING IN QUEEN'S ROAD, ST. JOHN'S, N.F.L.D.

DEAR BRETHREN AND FRIENDS,—

The past year has been marked by important events in our Church life; both in St. John's and among our missions we have seen decided signs of prosperity. Our efforts to repair and renovate the Church edifice have been signally successful, and indeed the absence of all pressure in collecting such a large sum as £900 for this purpose may lead some to underestimate the extent of the work done. My intercourse with you in this connection has drawn our spiritual bonds closer, and now a renovated house of worship calls for a quickened and purified spiritual life among the worshippers. Special attention has been given so to the spiritual care of the young, and our Sunday School and Bible Classes are in a very efficient state, while the Pastor's Bible Class is kept up with unabated interest, and questions affecting the most vital issues of life are thus brought before the persons who are the real hope of the Church. The new Temperance Society has been singularly successful, and we hail with deep gratitude the presence of so many young persons of both sexes to the ranks of the pledged abstainers. These Classes and Societies for the regular and healthy maintenance of Church life, and as a proof of our interest in the spiritual and temporal welfare of the people are of supreme importance, and demand the prayerful interest and cooperation of all. But the thought is pressing home upon many of us—"Is there an adequate spiritual harvest from all this sowing of seed?" We want to gather in the golden grain for the garner of the Divine Master. God has been knocking very loudly at the doors of many of our families the past year, and many hearts we know have been troubled. Are these impressions to die away, are we not to see when good