

all fulfilled according to the notices I had given, except that for Sydney, which was one day later by delay in the arrival of the steamer from Newfoundland.

These meetings took place in the following order—at Sydney on the 9th of October, Strait of Canso, 11th, Antigonish, 12th, New Glasgow, 13th. On Saturday, 14th, we arrived in Pictou, and on Sunday and Monday Mr. Kent took part in the services of Rev. Mr. Bayne's church. On Monday evening a Bible Society meeting was held in the Assembly room which was filled with attentive hearers, and another in the Rev. Mr. McCulloch's church at Truro. Of all these meetings it might be said they were seasons of special interest—those of Antigonish, New Glasgow and Pictou in particular.

These truly Evangelical labours of the Rev. Mr. Kent, in carrying out the objects of his important mission in this Province, were closed by a farewell address at a public meeting held in the city on the evening of the 25th of October, and on the morning of the 27th he took his departure in the Royal Mail Steamer for England.

These visitations among the Branch Societies having more immediate reference to a special object, and so hastily prosecuted, afforded less opportunity for collecting funds than those of former years, the receipts of the year were consequently comparatively small. But this is no criterion of the general feeling of the country in reference to the objects of the Bible Society. In a recent tour I had occasion to make by the "shore route" to Yarmouth, and back to the city by way of Annapolis, I was gratified and encouraged by the spirit manifested on this subject in all the places I visited; and I am persuaded that if active measures be adopted by the branches generally, and suitable collectors appointed for gathering up contributions, there will be a large increase of Funds.

The great and noble object of the Parent Society and its Auxiliaries, and the character and importance of their operations, are now so well understood and so fully appreciated by christians generally, that little need be said in the way of argument or explanation;—they "commend themselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God." It remains then for us all to "work while it is day, for the night cometh when no man can work."

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