

It is observed that some of our congregations make fair collections for the Foreign Mission, while their contributions to the Home Mission and Supplementing Funds are paltry in the extreme. Let the Foreign Mission receive hearty support: But liberal aid in that direction does not lessen nor remove our obligation to give generously towards the Home Mission. Let those, then, who cherish their Church see to it that the Home Mission Collection is made before the end of May—that earnest Collectors are sent out and all are asked to give. Is it too much to expect that not less than an average of 75 cts. per family will be given? The stipends in the assisted charges are far below what they should be. Give as the Lord has prospered you.

GEO. MURRAY,
Con. Home Mission.

NOVA SCOTIA.

PICTOU.—We are glad to be able to announce the safe arrival of the Rev. Mr. Callan, the pastor elect of St. Andrew's Kirk, who will shortly be inducted into the charge of the congregation.

The ladies of St. Andrew's congregation, New Glasgow, are making vigorous preparations for a Bazaar and Pic-nic to aid in building a new Manse. Their intention is to hold it early in July. Contributions will be gratefully received by Mrs. BELL, New Glasgow.

STELLAERTON AND WESTVILLE.—This large congregation, of which Rev. C. Dunn has for many years been the energetic and successful Pastor, has grown to such an extent that it is only by excessive toil he can overtake the arduous work. There are about 300 families under his pastorate, and a number of these are in the country. Very few would be equal to the task of efficiently ministering to so great a body of people. Mr. Dunn gives close pastoral attention to his whole congregation. If he toils hard, he has the satisfaction of seeing the work prosper, the weak grow strong—attaining to such strength, indeed, that ere long it must become a necessity to form the now united charge into two separate congregations.

RIVER JOHN.—Tenders are asked for with a view to the thorough renovation of St. George's Kirk at this place.

It is worthy of note that the two largest benefactions towards Dalhousie University from our own Province have been by those who were staunch Kirkmen, as also the largest bequest to the Widow's and Orphan's Fund of the United Church:

NEW BRUNSWICK.

NEW KINCARDINE.—On the evening of the 12th ult. Lower Kintore was the scene of a very successful concert. The evening was very fine. The school-house was crowded. The occasion was a particularly interesting and happy one. The object was to show in a practical way the high esteem in which Mr. Thos. Watt is held by the people of the colony, and the gratitude felt towards him for his many acts of kindness. Mr. Watt is an elder in the congregation, earnest in the cause of truth, is a postmaster, a J. P., and not only a chemist and druggist, but, ever since his coming to the colony, he has acted the part of physician. He has been ever ready to answer the call of distress. In storm or in sunshine, at any hour in the night as in the day, he has willingly furnished advice or medicine, or gone to the abode of the sick, as the circumstances demanded. A short time ago he was brought to the point of death. Throughout the community were anxiety in his behalf, kind words in his favor, eager inquiries as to his health, and frequent were the visits made to his bedside by sympathizing friends.

The evening of the concert found him improved in health; but, very much to the regret of his many friends, still too ill to be present with them to participate in the evening's enjoyment. The diligent efforts put forth to make the concert a success were rewarded in a gratifying measure. The duties of chairman were performed in a happy manner by Mr. Robert Watson, of Upper Kintore, who feelingly made reference to Mr. Watt's self-denial, generosity and kindly administration to the sick. A lengthy programme, carried out by representatives of different sections of the colony with spirit and zest, entertained the audience till midnight was left in the distance; vocal and instrumental music, dialogues, recitations and readings were agreeably blended. During the intermission, in the middle of the programme, tea was served. Among the many visitors from the river side were Messrs. James Porter and James Ford, each of whom favored the audience with a speech. The passing of several hearty votes of thanks brought this very enjoyable meeting to a close. The amount realized was slightly over \$80, which was presented by two of the committee, next day, to Mr. Watt at his home.

The next Friday evening, which was beautifully fine, smilingly favored the holding of another concert in the schoolhouse at Upper Southaven. A goodly number were present. Mr. James B. Adams presided in an efficient manner. The programme was similar to that