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(*Incorporated by Act of Provincial Legislature in 1850.*)

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OF THE ASSOCIATION.

HON. H. H. COGSWELL, L.L.D.

STANDING RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION.

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" 1. Annual Subscribers of Ten Shillings or upwards shall be Members of the Association during the continuance of their subscriptions. Benefactors of Ten Pounds or upwards at one time shall be life Members.

" 2. Members will be entitled to receive the Annual Reports, and other occasional publications of the Parent Society, and will have the same privileges as if they subscribed direct to the Parent Society.

" 3. The objects of this Association shall be, to call forth the zeal of Christians in general, and especially of Members of the Church of England, in support of the Colonial Church Society; to promote its objects and proceedings; to procure collections, subscriptions, and other contributions, and to give the Corresponding Committee information respecting any places coming under the notice of the Association where destitution prevails, either as regards pastoral superintendance, or the education of the young.

" 4. The whole of the funds obtained by the Association, after deducting incidental expenses, shall be remitted to the Parent Society.

" 5. A General Meeting of the Association shall be held annually on such day as shall be fixed by the Committee, when a report of the proceedings shall be read, and an account of receipts and disbursements presented duly audited, and the Officers of the Association chosen for the ensuing year.

" 6. The Officers of the Association shall be at all times re-eligible to their respective offices. All Officers of the Association shall be Members of the Church of England."

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## An Act to Incorporate the Halifax Association in aid of the Colonial Church Society.

(Passed the 28th day of March, A. D. 1850.)

Be it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly, as follows:

I. The persons hereinafter named, that is to say: Robert Fitzgerald Uniacke, John W. Ritchie, James G. A. Creighton, William Howe, Henry Ince, Thomas A. Brown, and all such other persons as now are Members of the Society called the "Halifax Association, in aid of the Colonial Church Society," and their Successors, are hereby created a Body Corporate, by the name of "The Halifax Association, in aid of the Colonial Church Society," and by that name shall have Succession and a Common Seal, and by that name may sue and be sued, and may purchase, take, and hold Real and Personal Estate, and may let, sell, convey, or otherwise manage and dispose of the same, or any part thereof, and shall have power to make Bye-Laws for the rule and good management of the Association, the establishing of the Officers proper for the management of its affairs, and generally for the promotion of the interests of the Society; but such Bye-Laws shall not be contrary to the Laws of this Province or the provisions of this Act.

II. The Society shall not hold at any time Real Estate of greater value than Ten Thousand Pounds.

III. All persons paying an Annual Subscription of Ten Shillings or upwards, or making at one time a donation of Ten Pounds, when admitted, pursuant to the Bye-Laws, shall be Members of the Society; but if such Annual Subscription or Donation shall not be actually paid into the Funds on or before the First day of April in each year, such Member shall cease to be a Member of the Society until the same shall be paid, or until such person shall otherwise become a Member thereof, under some Bye-Law or Rule of the Society.

IV. The Association shall be governed, and its affairs managed, by a Committee of not less than Fifteen Persons, comprising a President, Two Vice Presidents, and not less than Ten other Members, a Secretary and Treasurer—the Committee to be henceforth called the Executive Committee; and such other Officers as the Society may deem proper.

V. The persons who now hold the offices of President, Vice Presidents, Committee, Secretary and Treasurer, shall continue to be the President, Vice Presidents, Committee, Secretary, and Treasurer, until their Successors shall be elected under this Act.

VI. The Society shall have power to appoint its office-bearers at some General Meeting of the Society by a majority of the Members

present, being not less than Twenty Members, according to the Bye-Laws to be made under and by virtue of this Act.

VII. All Donations to the Society shall be invested, under the direction of the Executive Committee, as a permanent fund for the benefit of the Society, and the Executive Committee shall be bound to account to the Society for all their Acts, Receipts, and Expenditures, and to make an Annual Report to the Society, at its General Meeting, of the progress and state of the Society, and of its affairs generally.

VIII. A General Meeting of the Society shall be held once in each year, and as much oftener as may be directed by any Rule or Bye-Law of the Society.

IX. The Executive Committee shall meet as often as there may be occasion, and any five of its members may form a quorum.

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*The Third Annual Meeting of the "HALIFAX ASSOCIATION IN AID OF THE COLONIAL CHURCH SOCIETY," was held at Temperance Hall, on Friday evening, January 3rd, 1851.*

The Rev. R. F. UNIACKE, Rector of St. George's, in the Chair.

The Rev. Chairman offered up prayer.

Extracts from the Third Report were read.

The Rev. R. F. UNIACKE having left the Chair, S. P. FAIRBANKS, Esq., V. P., took the Chair.

It was moved by the Rev. R. F. UNIACKE, seconded by THOS. A. BROWN, Esq.,—

1. That in adopting the Report that has been read, this meeting are gratified to find that the affairs of the Society are prospering; and they have much reason to be thankful to Almighty God, that its Catechists and Teachers have, during the past year, been the means of much usefulness in the remote and destitute parts of this Province.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Rev. Mr. UNIACKE having resumed the Chair,

Moved by S. P. FAIRBANKS, Esq., seconded by Wm. PRYOR, Jr., Esq.,—

2. That this Association are grateful to the Parent Society, for its liberality in supplying, and its care in selecting Teachers of Evangelical principles, and personal piety, to labour among us; and trust that increased exertions will be made in the Province to aid them in their good work.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by PETER LYNCH, Esq., seconded by WILLIAM HOWE, Esq.,—

3. That the thanks of this meeting be given to the Rev. R. F. UNIACKE, for his kindness in taking the Chair on the present occasion; and that the Hon. H. H. COGSWELL, L.L.D., be the President; the Hon. M. B. ALMON, and S. P. FAIRBANKS, Esq., be the Vice Presidents; EDWARD BINNEY, Esq., the Treasurer;

WILLIAM HOWE, Esq., the Secretary; and that the following Gentlemen be the Lay Members of the Committee for the ensuing year, [see Committee List on previous page] with power to add to their number, and

All Clergymen of the Church of England who are Members of the Association.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**Catechists and Teachers in Nova Scotia.**

- MR. JOS. ALEXANDER, *Itinerating Catechist, Eastern Shores.*
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- MISS A. J. CLARKE, *Schoolmistress, Moser's River, do.*
- " C. E. CLARKE, *do. Necum Quoch, do.*
- MR. THOMAS WILSON, *Catechist & Schoolmaster, Three Mile House.*
- " G. TURNER, *do. Sherbrooke.*
- " G. BAINBRIDGE, *Schoolmaster, Preston.*
- MISS PARKER, *Schoolmistress, Nine Mile House.*
- " GOREHAM, *do. St. Mary's River.*
- MR. GEORGE SMITH, *Catechist & Schoolmaster, Cape John, Pictou.*
- MISS NICHOLS, *Schoolmistress, St. Margaret's Bay.*
- MR. H. L. YEWENS, *Catechist & Schoolmaster, Shubenacadie R. (West)*

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## REPORT.

THE objects of this Association being necessarily few, and simple in their character, your Committee have but little to record of their own doings since their appointment to office in January last. They rejoice however to learn, that the progress made by the Parent Society, during the past year, has been highly encouraging; and that through its means, the blessings of a religious education, still continue to be diffused among hundreds of our fellow-subjects, in this and other portions of Her Majesty's vast Colonial Empire.

During the last session of the Provincial Legislature, your Committee applied for, and obtained on behalf of the Association, an act of Incorporation; which measure will, it is hoped, tend to render the Association more permanently and extensively useful.

Your Committee regret to state, that the receipts for the past year have not amounted to so large a sum as that collected in 1849. This may be accounted for by the absence of some, and the death of others, who were in the habit of contributing, and in some measure also, by the formation of other associations of a religious or social nature, during the year, creating additional demands upon the resources of the community.

Your Committee are happy to record, however, that there has been no falling off in the interest taken in the Society; on the contrary, they have witnessed with pleasure a steady increase of public favour; and several, who, at one time, regarded the movements of the Society with distrust, have now become its warm supporters.

It is cheering to receive such encouraging tokens as the following note, from an influential clergyman in the country, presents:—

"I enclose twenty shillings as my annual subscription to the COLONIAL CHURCH SOCIETY, and should rejoice if I could send five pounds instead of one. I beg to express my entire satisfaction with the recent movements of the Society, and with the best wishes for its welfare, I am, dear sir, &c. &c."

During a portion of the past year, some few stations have been unoccupied; but these vacancies will be filled up as soon as suitable persons can be obtained.

Your Committee gratefully notice the arrival in this Province, in August last, of Mr. H. L. Yewens, a young man sent out by the Parent Society, at an expense to them of £50 per annum, to the West Branch of the Shubenacadie River, where he is now usefully employed as a Catechist and Teacher, as will be seen in a subsequent part of this Report.

The following account of the work of the Society, and its Agents, in this Province, is presented by your Committee, prepared from the journals and reports of the Catechists and Teachers, which were placed in their hands by the Corresponding Committee. No apology is made by your Committee for the number of extracts given from these journals, many of which are of the most interesting character, convinced that they will be a source of gratification to all sincere followers of our common Lord, and that they will shew more clearly than your Committee could otherwise do, the striking benefits that are resulting from the operations of the living agency employed amongst us by the Parent Society.

#### THREE MILE HOUSE.

The Day and Sunday Schools at this place still continue in efficient operation, under the superintendance of Mr. Thos. Wilson. The former numbers 50 scholars, and the latter about 30.

"In the month of December last, the Rector and Curate of St. George's, devoted an entire day to the examination of the Day School. They report that the proficiency of the scholars, in the several branches of education taught by Mr. Wilson, was a matter of surprise and pleasure to themselves, and the few who were present. Each class was attentively and closely examined. Their accuracy and readiness in grammatical exercises, their correct replies to questions in arithmetic, their clear pronunciation

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and proper emphasis in reading, their advancement in geography, history, &c., proved them to be thoroughly conversant with all they had been taught. The lateness of the season, and the severity of the weather, prevented the attendance of many who had been expected from Halifax. Mr. Wilson under a conscientious sense of duty, has spared no pains with his pupils. The inhabitants of this district are deeply indebted to the Colonial Church Society, under God, for much useful instruction imparted to their children, both at the Day and Sabbath School."

#### NINE MILE HOUSE.

The Day and Sunday Schools at this place, have been conducted during the past year by Miss Parker, formerly stationed at St. Mary's River on the Eastern Shores. Her services appear to be highly appreciated by the Trustees, and the people generally; indeed they are so satisfied with the value of this institution, that they have determined upon making a collection on behalf of the Society. Several members of this Association, with a number of ladies and gentlemen from Halifax and vicinity, attended at an examination of the Day School on the 8th June last. The Rev. Mr. Gray of Sackville, conducted the examination, and the progress made by the young people excited a great deal of interest and surprise among those present. Some of the more advanced of the female pupils recited several very choice selections from the poems of Mrs. Hemans, with considerable taste and elocution. The children, both male and female, were very neat and orderly, and many of them appeared to be remarkably intelligent.

The Committee are assured that if the members of this Society, and others interested in the cause of education, would but pay this school, and that at the three mile House, a visit occasionally, and their proximity to the city renders this of very easy accomplishment, it would excite in them a warmer interest in behalf of a Society whose designs are so benevolent, and whose exertions are of such manifest benefit to this Province; and dispose them to contribute more cheerfully, if not more largely, to its comparatively meagre subscription list. At the close of the examination the Trustees handed a note to

the Secretary of the Corresponding Committee, expressive of their gratification for the interest manifested towards them by the Society.

ST. MARGARET'S BAY.

The Committee are much gratified in being able to state that the health of Miss Nichols, the efficient and highly esteemed conductress of this school, has, by the blessing of God, been sufficiently restored to resume her occupation in the management of the Day and Sunday School, so auspiciously commenced at this place, as stated in last year's report. The following note, received from her in June last, expresses her feelings on re-opening this establishment:—

"I am quite happy to state that I have a prosperous school again, but not without some trouble to get the scholars collected. I have commenced a new year, have 39 scholars on the roll, and about 35 on an average in regular attendance. The people are very much pleased to have me return, and seem to be sorry they cannot subscribe more largely to the support of the school. Poverty seems to be the general cry among all. The children who attend our Day School, principally compose our Sunday School. I find the books you sent me very useful."

The Rev. Mr. Stannage still manifests the same lively interest in these schools. Although his impaired health has prevented him visiting them so frequently as he used to do.

SHERBROOKE (PARISH OF CHESTER).

Mr. George Turner, lay reader and catechist, still continues to hold services in the Church at this place, in the absence of the Rector, the Rev. Dr. Shreve; whose distance from the Church renders his attendance of very difficult and unfrequent occurrence. Circumstances have compelled Mr. Turner to relinquish the charge of the Day School. He, however, imparts religious instruction to the children on the Sabbath as usual.

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The Committee regret that since Miss Woolaver's relinquishment of this school, as stated in last year's report, they have not been able to procure a suitable person to ply her place.

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## ROCKVILLE (NEAR THE MOUTH OF THE SHUBENACADIE).

Mrs. Stewart continued to conduct the Day and Sabbath Schools at this place, until the month of June last, since which time she has resigned the Day School, and confined herself exclusively to the management of the Sabbath School.

The following are extracts from letters received from her :—

*7th March, 1850.*

“I have now 55 scholars on the list, or 40 in regular attendance, at the Day and Sunday Schools; some of them come 3 or 4 miles to attend them. The people of the place and its vicinity, exceedingly appreciate the Christian liberality of the Colonial Church Society, in establishing these schools in their neighbourhood, and I myself trust that through the blessing of God, the good seed which your Society has charitably sown in this wilderness, may yet bring forth fruit to everlasting life.”

*June 5, 1850.*

“I shall continue teaching the Sunday School. Very much good has been done in this place, as well as in Salmon River, by the wisely directed efforts of your excellent Society. It is among the rising generation, that the fruits of your labours will be perceived. In educational, as well as in religious efforts, the promise, I think, beautifully applies:—‘Cast thy bread upon the waters, and thou shalt find it after many days.’”

## PRESTON.

Mr. George Bainbridge is still pursuing his unassuming, but highly useful labors, among the colored population of this district. He conducts two Sunday Schools, and gives gratuitous instruction two evenings in the week, to such as are disposed to attend. Upwards of a hundred colored persons—both children and adults, are participating in the benefits of his persevering exertions in this humble, but interesting field of labor. From the proximity of these schools to the city, they may be easily visited; and would afford striking evidence of the usefulness of the Society's operations.

## MUSQUODOBOIT HARBOUR.

Miss Goreham has been removed from this station to supply the vacancy at St. Mary's River, occasioned by the appointment of Miss Parker to the Nine Mile House

School. The Committee have abundant evidence of Miss Goreham's usefulness at this place. The Rev. Mr. Jamieson, under date 18th March last, thus writes:—

“The people here uniformly bear testimony to the efficiency of Miss G.'s labours, among their children, who have made very satisfactory progress under her instructions. If your Society could induce a female, of even moderate pretensions, to take charge of the schools, it would confer on this isolated and destitute spot, a great boon; as it would afford them, and their children, a continuance of those means of grace and religious instruction, which they have enjoyed for the last two years from Miss G.”

RIVER JOHN (COUNTY OF PICTOU).

Mr. George Smith, Licensed Lay Reader and Catechist, still occupies this station. His labors here appear to be beneficial and much appreciated. The last report received from Mr. Smith is given below, together with the remarks of the Rev. Mr. Elliot, through whom it was forwarded to the Corresponding Committee:

“It is but a short account that I can give you of my labors, still I hope that the blessing of God will attend my feeble endeavors to advance his glory. Perhaps God has already blest my labors, I humbly trust He has. For we may well hope that where prayer is made, the scriptures read, the praises of God sung, and the Gospel proclaimed, even through the medium of a printed sermon, some good must follow.

“I find it of great advantage to have the service regular at my different stations, for the people know the exact time when to expect me, and would find fault if I were not punctual. I have within the last half year held 47 services, divided among the five stations mentioned in my last report. One Sabbath I attended the Rev. C. Elliot at two services, one at River John, and the other at Barraswa. I was two Sabbath mornings, and one Sabbath evening, prevented by strong weather from holding service, though it did not prevent me from being at the appointed place.

I greatly fear I am not able to give that information to the Society which they have a right to expect. Knowing they would like to be informed of particular cases, in which my efforts have been useful. Now, though I think I have been of benefit to some persons, I am not willing to mention any particular case, because I know we often err in hastily noticing the reformation of sinners, when their subsequent conduct has shewn that it was not repentance unto

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In transmitting the above report to the Secretary of the Corresponding Committee, the Rev. Mr. Elliot makes the following remarks:—

"I can easily fancy that persons living at a distance would be glad, and perhaps would think themselves entitled, to receive a more circumstantial account of the movements of Mr. Smith, and more positive proofs of his usefulness.

"Such accounts do tell in favor of any Society, and I should have been pleased if Mr. S.'s report *did* relate one or two of those cheering incidents, which do occasionally cross the missionary's path, and I think have crossed his own. Yet I cannot but admire his modesty and caution. He believes that your Society was intended to promote the glory of God, by extending the Redeemer's kingdom, and that if souls be turned 'from darkness to light, from the power of Satan unto God,' you will not be over anxious to know what means Heaven has vouchsafed to bless. Mr. S. has seen, and I have seen, many cases in reference to which the most sanguine expectations were formed and expressed, completely disappoint our hopes, and leave it a matter of doubt, whether there had been any thing like 'repentance towards God, and faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.'

"Your Catechist in my mission is fully persuaded, that God's word 'will not return unto Him void:' and that however unpromising the soil on which the seed of the word is cast, yet if that soil be watered with the dews of the Heavenly blessing, it will ultimately bring forth fruit to man's salvation and God's glory. In Mr. Smith's views I fully concur, leaving it for the great Lord of the harvest to divide between the sheep and the goats, to separate the chaff from the wheat, and I do believe, that when the last ingathering of the harvest shall take place, many a poor sheep in the wilderness, will trace his return to the fold of the Great Shepherd, to the benevolent exertions of the Colonial Church Society."

## SHUBENACADIE RIVER.

The people of this settlement having, by the recommendation of the Rev. T. C. Leaver, Rector of Truro, applied to the Society for a Catechist and Schoolmaster, Mr. H. L. Yewens, a young man of superior attainments, and a good deal of experience in teaching, has been sent out from England. Mr. Yewens arrived early in August last, and has since fairly entered upon this new field of labor. The Rev. Mr. Leaver, under date 3rd Sept. last, writes respecting him:—

“I am so far very much pleased with Mr. Yewens’ conduct, and apparent piety and good judgment, and hope he will be extensively useful.”

The following extracts from Mr. Yewens’ journals, furnish some account of the extent and nature of his labours, and his prospects of usefulness:—

“August 19th, 1850.—This is a very small and scattered settlement on the Shubenacadie River, 16 miles from its mouth, and near its junction with the Stewiacke. It contains from 18 to 20 families, within a length of road of about 5 miles. The nearest resident clergyman is Mr. Leaver, who lives about 20 miles off; the nearest Church service is conducted by him once a fortnight at Stewiacke, about two miles from this place on the main eastern road. But the peculiar inconvenience of crossing the river, except at or near high water, owing to the rapid flood and ebb of the tide from the Bay of Fundy, renders it often difficult, and at some seasons impossible to cross; and then the distance round by the road, is nearly ten miles. So that the inhabitants have been very destitute of the means of grace; and consequently many of the children have grown up in a lamentable ignorance of spiritual things.”

“August 26.—Yesterday morning I held in the School House the first Church of England service ever held here; 26 persons were present, and were very attentive. Commenced my Day School this morning.”

“September 9.—Went to a place called Mill Village about six miles distant. Though the rain fell in torrents, about 30 persons assembled for divine service. They were very attentive. At the close of the service I commenced a plan of lending little sets of tracts, each set containing four, to such persons as chose to take them, to be returned for others at my next visit.

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"My Day School now contains 13 scholars, between the ages of 5 and 19, nearly all of whom are very ignorant, and quite unused to any orderly management.

"September 23.—Yesterday morning, according to notice, I commenced a Sunday School; 19 attended, including several young men and women, whom I formed into a Bible class. Several of the parents of the children were present and looked on with evident pleasure.

"In the afternoon went to the Backwood Settlement, 3 miles beyond Mill Village, where I found a small school house, in which the Church service had never before been held, perfectly crammed. One or two had got into the rough boarding overhead that served for a ceiling, and some looked in and listened from the outside of the open windows. They were very attentive, and took gladly 24 sets of tracts. One or two came a distance of 4 or 5 miles for the purpose of attending the service.

"October 14.—In the afternoon went to the School House on the back road, near Maitland; 50 persons attended for the worship of God. I distributed 38 sets of tracts.

"My Day School goes on well. The Sunday School numbers 27. The inhabitants express a great deal of pleasure at having this school among them. I hope to be able to get up Sunday Schools at each of the settlements where I hold services.

My Sunday services are now as follows:—Fortnightly in the morning, at this station. Fortnightly in the afternoon, at the School House near Maitland. Monthly in the afternoon, at Mill Village. Monthly in the afternoon, at the Backwood Settlement.

"At these various services I have lent upwards of 600 tracts. These have been distributed among the different families, and extensively read, and have afforded food for thought, and topics more suitable for conversation on the Sabbath, than the subjects usually discussed. I doubt not that these little messengers of God's truth will be abundantly useful."

#### NECUM QUOCH (BAY OF ISLANDS).

Miss C. E. Clarke is still labouring at this station, and in her humble sphere of usefulness is giving much satisfaction.

Extracts from her journal are given below:—

"The average attendance at my school is 25. Many have a long distance to come, and not a very good road; but they come very cheerfully. The scholars that attend are neat, clean, and orderly, and appear to be very much attached to the school, as well as to myself; which is manifested by their attention to my

advice, and their kind solicitude for my health. Indeed on one occasion, when I told them I should be obliged to leave on account of my health, they burst into tears; and when I asked them why they cryed, they said they were afraid I would not come back again, and then they would not hear about Jesus Christ, nor be thought to love and serve God; and that they would not be taught to sing any more hymns,—of which exercise they are very fond. I endeavour to point out to them that if they would really love and serve God, He would make them His peculiar care.

“The people among whom I labour appear very anxious for the welfare of their children, and have done their utmost to support the School, and make it comfortable. They have also contributed their mite, *a little out of a little*, to the funds of the Association. All without exception speak in terms of gratitude of the Colonial Church Society, for the aid they have received from it. The books and tracts I have been enabled to distribute are, I think, doing much good. These silent monitors have been the means of arousing many to seek the way of salvation. May the seed sown here in much weakness be watered by the Spirit of God, and bear fruit to His praise.”

Mr. Alexander, who regularly visits this School, reports very favourably of the improvement made by the scholars under the care of Miss Clarke.

The Committee gratefully acknowledge the receipt of £1 6s. 3d. forwarded by Miss Clarke, as a free will offering from the poor people of this district, to the Society's funds.

#### MOSER'S RIVER.

Miss A. J. Clarke still occupies this station, and the Committee are happy to state that the condition of the Day and Sunday School conducted by her is very satisfactory.

The following is extracted from her own report:—

“It is now two years since I have been stationed at this place. I then opened the Day School with 40 scholars,—12 of whom could read, 10 spell, and the remainder did not know their letters. The school is opened and closed with singing and prayer. It has been examined three times during that period, by the Rev. James Bredding, and the Trustees, the parents of most of the children being present. They have all, on these occasions, expressed their satisfaction with the progress the children had made in their studies. I opened Sunday School with 50 scholars, they have now increased to sixty. For the first 18 months I was assisted by the Rev.

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Mr. B. and his daughter, but since their removal from this place I have had all the duty to perform alone. I have divided the school from nine till one o'clock, the boys and small children are attended to in the morning, and in the afternoon a class of young women receive instruction. The ages of the scholars range from five to *forty*. They attend regularly, and it is a pleasure to instruct them, for they appear to take a great interest in their lessons from the youngest to the oldest. Indeed, I often wish some of the Committee were here, to see babes, I may say, repeating hymns and passages of scripture which they have committed to memory during the week. I have endeavoured to discharge my duty faithfully as a teacher, in reproofing the careless, and exhorting all to flee from the wrath to come. Teaching them that it is not from any merits of their own they can enter the kingdom of Heaven, but through the sacrifice offered on Mount Calvary; during these exercises I have seen many affected even to tears.

"In April last, one of my scholars, William —, was called out of time into eternity. He was ten years old, a very promising child. I do not remember that I had to reprove him once during his attendance at school. He was confined to his bed about nine days. Hearing that there was sickness in the family, and that one child of 2 years old had died, I went to visit them. I found William very ill. I asked him if he thought he would get better. He said 'he did not know, but that he would like to.' I told him he must pray to God for a new heart, and for grace to be resigned to his will. He said he would. Two days after his sister's funeral, when I saw him again, he was in great distress; I did not then speak to him of his approaching end, but promised to call on the morrow. Next morning I received word that he was worse, and wished to see me. When I entered the room they were carrying him about. As soon as he was told I was come, his countenance changed from intense agony to joy. He said, 'I am glad you are come.' I told him he would soon follow his little sister, and asked him if he was willing to die. He said, 'he was afraid he was not prepared.' I then lifted up my heart in prayer to God, that He would enable me to direct him to the Lamb of God. I read to him several passages from the Bible, and told him of the willingness of the Savior to receive and forgive those who sought him. He said he was a great sinner. I asked him if he thought Christ was not able to forgive his sins. He said, 'I know he is.' He appeared much distressed in mind, and asked me to pray for him. He then called his father and mother, and told them he was going to die, and that they must not grieve for him. We then joined in prayer. He told me afterwards that he was willing to die; and when in violent pain, he prayed aloud, that God would

give him strength to bear his sufferings. Several times that afternoon he requested me to pray for him. He asked his father to sing; he sung a verse of that beautiful hymn—

'Jesus lover of my soul,  
Let me to thy bosom fly.'

That night I closed his eyes in death, and I trust he is now singing the song of Moses and the Lamb."

The Committee gratefully acknowledge the receipt of £1 1s. 6d., forwarded through Miss Clarke, as a contribution from the people of this place to the Society's funds.

#### COUNTRY HARBOR.

This station is at present unoccupied, in consequence of Mr. Henry Villier's engagement with the Society having terminated.

#### ST. MARY'S RIVER.

Miss Goreham, since her removal from Musquodoboit Harbor, has had the charge of the Day and Sunday School at this place, and thus writes, under date 15th July last, respecting her proceedings:—

"My School at St. Mary's is about two miles from Mr. Alexander's dwelling house. Mr. A. took a very active part in commencing this School, and furnishing me with plenty of apparatus for my employment. The School was opened on the 4th of June last with 19 scholars; which is the average attendance. We have also a delightful Sabbath School, which has been on the increase since my arrival here. The average attendance in fine weather is about 30. Mrs. Alexander takes an active part in the Sabbath School. Her labors are very valuable in St. Mary's, both in Sabbath School teaching, and in visiting the poor and sick, ministering both to their temporal and spiritual necessities. I visit the parents of the children as often as my other duties permit, with whom I read the Scriptures, religious books, &c. The houses are so scattered that I am not able to make my visits as frequent as I could wish. Yet I trust the Lord will bless my weak endeavours to benefit these poor people."

Mr. JOSEPH ALEXANDER, the Society's Superintending Catechist, has his residence at this place. Mr. A. has, at the request of your Committee, furnished an interesting and valuable summary of the various stations along the Eastern Shores, embraced within the limits of his superintendence, which will be found in the appendix to this report. From this, and the copious extracts given below

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from Mr. A.'s journals, some idea may be formed of the value and extent of the agency employed by the Colonial Church Society, in this part of our Province.

The following extract is given from the Parent Society's last Report. It presents in a short compass, a very excellent sketch of the work carried on in this, for some time neglected, portion of our country :—

“It has been explained in previous reports, that the principal field of the Society's operations in this Colony, is the rugged coast to the Eastward of Halifax. Along this shore, inhabited chiefly by English emigrants and their descendants, who divide their time between the fisheries and the culture of the soil, the Society has now nine agents, 15 Sunday Schools, and 7 Day Schools. The Superintending Catechist, is Mr. Joseph Alexander, who is occupied in itinerating between nearly twenty stations, to hold religious services, organize and conduct Sunday Schools, establish lending libraries, circulate Bibles, Testaments, and Tracts, and by personal visits, to carry the Gospel to the homes of the people. Besides the Catechists and Teachers who are maintained, wholly or in part, by the Society, Mr. Alexander's exertions have been the means of raising up a number of voluntary agents, who, as Sunday School Teachers, are exercising, in their humble spheres, a valuable influence for good. Strong testimony is borne by disinterested observers in the Colony, to the spiritual improvement of the population since these mission stations were first planted on the Shores, about six years ago. The people have themselves manifested their sense of obligation to the Society, not only by the constant attendance on the services and schools, but by contributing, according to their means, toward its funds.”

Mr. Alexander, in a letter under date Decr. 20th, 1850, just received, makes the following gratifying announcement :—

“I hope this will reach you before the annual meeting of the Association shall have taken place. For the credit and encouragement of our poor shore friends, you may venture to announce the sum of *Eighteen Pounds*, subscribed in fish and money, for the Colonial Church Society; a sum which very far exceeds what I had tremblingly anticipated. To this sum may be added, the amounts collected and subscribed by the Misses Clarke at Moser's River and Necum Quoch; in all £20 7s. 9d. A very praiseworthy example is thus set by these poor people to their more favoured brethren of the city.”

Your Committee invite attention to the following extracts from Mr. Alexander's journals:—

SUNDAY SCHOOLS—MODE OF INDUCING THE CHILDREN TO STUDY.

*February 11, 1850.*—Met and examined the Jegoggin and Little Liscomb Sunday School. Here was great emulation, as is generally the case, not only when I am about to distribute a few small rewards, but upon every occasion. Half a dozen boys especially, had their heads well stored with Scripture passages, hymns, and many interesting stories, which they had read in the 'Friendly Visiter,' 'Children's Friend,' and other books published by the Religious Tract Society. Of late years, when distributing these, I have generally required that all, or a portion, of the work, should be either committed to memory, or a summary of the contents given at my next visit, or public examination; otherwise, the books to be returned. This I have found, in most cases, to be a great stimulus, and causes them also to take greater care of their books. Indeed I have often found, that when boys can give a summary of what the books contain, they value them far more; and I have often been much pleased and encouraged, to see boys and girls bring, out of a small box or bag, the little books and tracts which have been given to them. I wish there were no exceptions. But to return to the School, both parents and children were very much interested, even to the infant of three years old. It was affecting to see a number of little ones, under seven years, in the humble buildings standing solitary in the woods, endeavouring to lisp the praises of God and the Lamb, and with their little hands clasped and lifted up, repeating aloud after me the Lord's prayer. All the scholars in the school are advancing in knowledge; many read very well in the Bible, and are pretty well acquainted with the prayer book. Nor have these children had the advantage of a Day School, yet many of them, I cannot doubt, will bless God for having raised up for them a Sunday School. With but two or three exceptions, these people are very poor. They are anxious for a pious female teacher, but their poverty prevents their asking the Society to furnish, or in part sustain one for them. I do not know a locality, where the people would appreciate the services of a pious individual, as a teacher, more than these. The children are quick and intelligent, and the parents, though unlearned, are willing to receive instruction. For my own part I feel most anxious to have this place supplied, being fully persuaded that the divine blessing would attend the labours of a faithful teacher here.

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## VISITS TO THE SICK.

*April 8.*—Set out to Indian Harbour Lake to visit an old man, supposed to be dangerously ill; found him much better than I expected, and able to converse with me. I read and talked much with him about his soul; respecting which he seemed somewhat uneasy, acknowledging that he had spent a long life, not only blaspheming God's holy name, but indulging in every species of wickedness. Yet he said, he hoped God would be merciful. I endeavoured to arouse him to a deeper concern for the salvation of his soul, by reading, and in my feeble manner, explaining portions of Scripture, setting forth the fall of man from his once happy state, the consequence of remaining in our natural state, and the remedy provided for our recovery. But, alas! I found him ignorant indeed in Scripture knowledge, and could not satisfy myself that he was a sincere inquirer after salvation. Perhaps, having thought he might die, he considered that he ought to have some one to read and pray with him; and, that by acknowledging himself to be a sinner, God would be merciful to him, and that nothing more was necessary. I held a short service in the room where he was, as several neighbours had assembled, and discoursed on the parable of the lost piece of silver. After this little assembly was dismissed, I again spoke freely to the old man, urging him to look well into, and examine his heart, to pray for true repentance, and an unfeigned faith in Jesus Christ, and not, on any account, to rest, until he really felt his lost state by nature, and received that pardon which is so freely offered to our fallen race, through the alone merits of a Savior's blood; assuring him that He (Christ) "cleanseth from all sin," and "gives rest to weary souls," and, that all the fitness He requires is, that we feel our need of Him as a Savior. I remained all night in the old man's room.

*April 9.*—Read and prayed with the old man early this morning. He was free from bodily pain; O! that his soul might be more deeply afflicted, that he may apply to the Great Physician. I left him to visit another aged but palsied man, who has not been able to leave the house during the last two or three years. Here, before 9 a. m., about 30 individuals assembled for Divine Service in the little dwelling, in a secluded corner of the woods. All appeared to enjoy the opportunity of uniting in prayer and supplication, and especially the aged man. To him this service was as a well opened to his thirsty soul. He appears to be waiting the Lord's pleasure, and though he does not always, as he seems to wish, enjoy those sensible feelings of joy and happiness, with which many of the Lord's people are privileged, his firm trust is in God.

## RE-ORGANIZATION OF SUNDAY SCHOOL AT INDIAN HARBOR.

"*May 20.*—Re-organized the Sunday School for the summer; 44 names were entered. At noon went to the Head of the Lake, (3 miles), and established a Sunday School, for the accommodation of the people of the Backwoods. Here, to my astonishment, 35 names were enrolled; and the poor people were grateful for the privilege, which I trust will be improved by them. The children were delighted. May the Lord bless the work, which is His own. There being no School House, and the people being at present too poor to build one, the School will be held in a spacious Log Hut, which to-day was filled with men, women, and children.

## ENCOURAGEMENTS.

"*June 17.*—Visited the families in Little Liscomb and Redman's Head. While engaged in reading Scripture, singing and prayer, conversing on religious subjects, and listening to a simple, but earnest relation, of the trials and difficulties amid poverty, which many of them have to endure, I was much blessed and encouraged; my own soul was indeed watered, whilst endeavouring to water the souls of others. I could not help admiring in some of these individuals, a submissiveness worthy the imitation of many in the higher walks of life. 'But,' said some of them, 'it was not always so with us, sir. We have, of all people, to thank God for the sound of the Gospel, which has opened our eyes to see that we were sinners.' After much conversation in one house on these subjects; well, I thought, there is certainly something of Bible happiness here; there is a confidence in God; a trust in his faithfulness, that might well be envied. One family were very much blessed and had profited by the little tract, entitled 'The Sabbath Stroller reclaimed,' No. 831.

## AN AGED PILGRIM.

"*June 22.*—Arrived at Whitehead Harbor, about 10 o'clock at night; next day, being the Sabbath day, a number of persons collected together for Divine Service, which commenced at 2 o'clock, p. m. Amongst the number was an old man, aged, I think, 96 years, who had walked between two and three miles, for the purpose, he said, of 'hearing something good, which would not only be a variety but a dainty to me.' I asked if he was not afraid to undertake so rough, and to him so long, a walk; he replied, 'no, I thought if I could not make it out, and was to die, it would be on the way to God, as well as to a house to unite in worshipping Him.' For a person of his years, I was astonished at his memory, which was extraordinary in the Scriptures. It was indeed a treat to me to meet an old Pilgrim in a place like this, almost a 'Sodom.'

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#### ESTIMATION OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

"June 27.—At 5 p. m., commenced Divine Service at Cole Harbour. It was truly gratifying to me to witness so good an attendance; as during the afternoon, no less than three trading vessels came into the Little Harbor, to barter for fish; but the people unanimously said, 'let us all knock off, and go to service, and if they (the traders) want anything we have, let them wait; there will be time enough after night. I thought this did really shew, that these people do form something of a proper estimate of the value of public worship, and the privilege of hearing the Gospel. I scarcely need add that the congregation was an attentive one, and appeared to eat the words. I was pressed hard to remain over next Sabbath day, but having already sent notice that I should, D.V., be at New Harbor on that day, I could not comply with their request.

#### VISITS, DISTRIBUTION OF TRACTS, &c.

"July 1.—Visited as many of the families to-day, at New Harbor, as I could, distributing tracts, &c., and again, at 5 p. m., held divine service; and although a very busy time with these poor fishermen, (their harvest) yet they all left their nets, and came up to the house of prayer.

"July 2.—Visited as many more of these poor but kind people as I was able to-day, collecting subscribers' names, &c., for the Library, distributing Tracts, Bibles and Testaments. The two latter are in most cases now sold; but generally at very reduced prices. In several houses, which I visited, I could not help taking notice of a remark made by some heads of families, and appeared to be quite common, in speaking to children about learning, and taking care of the books. Such as "You must take care of that book, or them books;" "if we don't take care of them, perhaps the Society will not lend us any more;" "all the books what's in the place a'most, are the Society's." In this, and similar ways, are the children being taught to value the Society, and the books, which through it, have been so widely disseminated. In the evening, at 5 o'clock, divine service was again held, after which I was requested to hold another on the morrow evening, should I

not leave the Harbor. Surely there must be ten righteous here : for it does appear to me that I am always doubly blest when at this place. Praise and prayer seem to me to be from the heart.

ANOTHER AGED PILGRIM.

"Here too (Cole Harbor) I have often been encouraged in conversation with an old Pilgrim, about eighty years of age ; He says, 'I have been travelling towards Zion, more than sixty years, and have always found the Lord.' 'Blessed be his name,' 'a present help,' 'a strong tower,' 'and a friend that sticketh closer than any brother,' 'always happy,' 'happy on the water,' 'happy on the shore,' 'always happy.' 'Yes,' he continued, 'I can tell to sinners all around, what a dear Saviour I have found,' 'can point to his redeeming Blood, and say 'Behold the Lamb of God.'" He is, I believe, 'an Israelite indeed,' a christian in heart and life ; may the Lord give me grace to follow this good old man, as he has followed Christ.

VISIT TO ISLAND HARBOR.

"*July 3.*—Two of our kind friends conveyed me in a boat to 'Island Harbor.' Here my kind host and hostess welcomed me under their humble roof once more ; after partaking refreshment, I read and explained to them a portion of Scripture, and prayed with them. B. J. appeared more deeply impressed with seriousness than I had ever seen him. I asked how he was getting on reading his Bible, and several other questions bearing that way. He replied, 'not so well as I ought, sir, but its a great book ;' 'Do you derive any benefit from it,' I said. He replied, 'O ! I am such a sinner.' 'Indeed,' I said, 'when did you find out that ?' 'At different times, but never saw myself so bad as I am, until about two months since ; I think I am the greatest sinner in the world.' Be thankful, I said, to God, if indeed, he has so far opened your eyes as that you can see your state, that you feel your soul's disease ; but be assured, if you feel yourself a great sinner, your Bible, which has shewn you this, will also tell you of an 'Almighty Saviour,' an all powerful Physician. You may truly say the Bible is a great book ; it shews the sinner his disease ; but it also shews the remedy. 'Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts, and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.' 'Plead his own promise that 'none,' however deep their guilt, shall be cast out, who come to God by Him.' 'Come to Jesus with a humble and contrite heart ; and though 'your sins be as scarlet,' they shall be as white as snow. Jesus Christ the righteous, is the propitiation for our sins, and not

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#### BUILDING AT SHERBROOKE, GUYSBORO'

"July 20.—I was requested to attend another meeting of our Building Committee at Sherbrooke; the exterior having been completed, excepting one coat of paint, to the roof. I have great pleasure in stating that the business of this meeting was done in a very christian spirit, not the least discord; four or five individuals having

taken the burden on themselves to go on with, and see the exterior completed, did so; and to-day have settled with the contractor. After having examined the work, which was passed as being highly creditable to the carpenter, the door was locked, and the key given to Henry Elliot, Esquire, M. D., President of that Committee, who immediately handed it over to me on behalf of the people, as an agent of the Colonial Church Society, and thus to put us in possession of the building. A good double floor is raised, a plain reading desk, and a number of temporary seats are put up, so that services can now be held in it during the summer; and also in the winter, should they be able to procure a large stove. I beg here distinctly to state, that I have not spent unnecessary time, nor influence about the building here mentioned; but that from first to last, it has been the people's own FREE WILL ACT; that any further than to attend several of their meetings, as a matter of form, (and as they naturally expected, being, as they considered me in the absence of any clergyman, their teacher). I have not gone. Nor did I ever urge them to build a Church; it being my fixed opinion, that when and wherever the hearts of a people become awakened by the spirit of God, and they begin to hunger and thirst for religion, a building, if required, be it of wood or stone, will soon go up. My object before, and since I became the humble servant of the Colonial Church Society, was, has been, is, and, I trust, ever will be, the glory of God, in the conversion of poor sinners; leaving the building of Churches to other and better men. Yet who, that knows this long neglected locality; a locality where it was scarcely known that a Churchman existed, will not say, that the little Church like building, which now stands on yonder hill, built for God and His worship, is not a credit to the handful of poor Church folk here. God grant that many a poor sinner may be spiritually born in this house; which they have built; and may His spirit dwell there!"

In bringing this Report to a close, your Committee would make an appeal to the friends of this Association, and to all who deem it a privilege to contribute, in any measure, to the welfare of their fellow men, and to the extension of the Redeemer's Kingdom. It is manifest from the foregoing details, that the "fields are white unto the harvest, and the laborers few." While we 'pray the Lord of the Harvest, to send forth more laborers into his vineyard', let it not be forgotten that the duty of providing for these laborers devolves upon *us*. We must be more ready to distribute, more willing to communicate. The

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work is good, the benefits are among our fellow countrymen. The people of a distant land are extending their arms to help us, shall we not shew that we value and desire their help, by aiding their efforts--by larger contributions--by a more lively zeal--by more active exertion in forwarding their benevolent designs.

Your Committee rejoice to find in the Report of the Parent Society, a clear enunciation of the principles by which its operations are guided, assured that so long as they continue to act in strict accordance with these, they will ensure the hearty support of every sincere lover of the truth in Christ, and call down abundant blessings from on high. Your Committee invite attention to the following extract from the English Report for 1849, which meets their cordial approval, and with which they conclude their report; as it contains an embodiment of principles, well worthy the serious attention of every one who values the truth:—

“The foundations of this institution (the Colonial Church Society), were originally based on the avowed determination that all its missionaries and agents should be members of the Church of England, who, as far as man can judge, were persons of sound doctrinal views and earnest evangelical piety. To this determination, your Committee feel that it is *now*, more than ever, necessary, more strictly to adhere. The errors which are abroad can never be met by men who give an ‘uncertain sound.’ To make christian teaching effectual, there must be, on the part of every missionary, a distinct declaration *of the total corruption of our nature, justification by faith alone, without works*, and the necessity of a vital change of heart in *all*, who, whether *externally* members of the Church or not, show by their conversation in the world, that they have *not* ‘passed from death unto life.’ From the many divisions which rend the Church of Christ, especially in our Colonies, it is also eminently desirable, that the missionaries should be men of a Catholic and tender spirit, willing without compromise of their Church of England principles, to give the right hand of fellowship to all who truly love the Lord. These are the kind of agents which it has been the aim of your Committee to send forth to the mission field, and it only remains that this work should be committed, in faith and prayer, to Him with whom the issue rests, in humble recognition of the great truth, that now, as in apostolic days, ‘Paul may plant, and Apollos water, but God alone can and must give the increase.’”

## APPENDIX.

### *A Summary of the Society's Stations along the Eastern Shores of Nova Scotia.*

FURNISHED BY MR. ALEXANDER.

1. *White Head or Haven.*—I have visited this place, distant from St. Mary's by the shore route, about seventy miles, twice during the summer; was gladly received, and frequently requested to visit the people here, every time I go eastward, if possible. At this place there is neither Day nor Sunday School, both appear to be anxiously desired; but alas! there is not an individual capable, and of sufficiently moral habits, to take charge of, and conduct a Sunday School. A Day School Teacher, male or female, would be sustained by the people, nearly altogether, could one be found truly pious, of self denying habits, and willing to endure the privation of any thing like civilised society.

2. *Cole Harbor.*—I have also visited this little community twice, spending several days each visit; holding divine services, attending day and Sunday Schools, and visiting the families. Eight individuals have joined our communion. With some occasional exceptions, this Harbor has been attended to chiefly by myself, and Mr. Richardson when in Nova Scotia. Since 1843 the Rev. Mr. Breeding, Church Missionary, has also visited here.

Mr. Uloth, a person somewhat advanced in years, of whom mention is made in my journals, has, during the last six years, conducted a Sunday School at this place, read prayers, and a sermon, generally every Sunday; and has in every respect, as I am informed, endeavoured to enforce a strict observance of the Lord's day. That his labors have been successful, I cannot doubt. About eighteen months ago he commenced a Day School also, which I am happy to say, has been well attended, and carried on as efficiently as circumstances would permit. I have at various times supplied them with a few books out of my stock, belonging to the Society. Some few of which have since been paid for in fish. I regret that it is not in my power to visit this place more frequently, on account of the great distance, and no roads.

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3. *Tor Bay (West Side)*.—This is another station. Although there are here only about 30 souls, our visits and services are thankfully received. At present the Sunday School is not in operation, as the only individuals at all capable of carrying it on are engaged fishing, at or near Canso. I am again promised that it shall, D. V., be recommenced in the winter. The people are desirous to have a female teacher.

4. *New Harbor and St. Catherine's River*.—This is an excellent station, numbering near 200 souls. From my first visit to this place in April, 1844, I have always met with the kindest reception. The Sunday School has been kept up since that year, and has been generally well attended to. It is acknowledged by the whole community, to be one of the greatest blessings the Lord has conferred on them. The Library, which they have had the privilege of using during five years, has also been a great benefit, especially to the youth.

5. *Island Harbor*, which is as often called Harbor Island, I have latterly made a station, on account of the lone family, in whose spiritual welfare I feel most deeply interested, and also because many persons frequent the Island as a fishing station. I have experienced many refreshing seasons to my own soul here, and have reason to hope my visits have been blest of God.

6. *Country Harbor, Lower Mill District*.—The congregation here is generally very attentive, and pretty regular in attendance at divine service. No Day School. A Sunday School numbering about 22 is being conducted by Messrs. Stewart and Beeswanger. All that I can say of this station is, that they are attentive hearers of the Word, and always appear thankful for services and tracts.

7. *Country Harbor, Church or Middle Station*.—The state of this station I scarcely need reiterate. The service was much better attended than usual, when I was there. The Sunday School is thinly attended—it is conducted by Alex. Manson, Esqr.

8. *Fisherman's Harbor*.—On account of the great difficulty in getting to this station, either by land or water, my visits are 'few and far between', and often do I regret that it is not in my power to do more for these few poor people; none but myself ever visits them to give any spiritual instruction. My visits here have always been gratefully received and acknowledged.

9. *Indian Harbor*.—During the last eighteen months, I have not considered it my duty to visit this station so frequently as formerly, notwithstanding I have had many solicitations, the people being mostly Baptists. I purpose, however, to visit this place oftener, during the ensuing winter. The services I have held here have always been, and are yet, very acceptable, and, I have reason to

believe many have profited by them. The Sunday School too has been continued since 1844.

10. *Indian Harbor Lake.*—This is a new and promising station. The few families belonging to our communion live in this locality. A teacher is very much needed and wished for.

11. *St. Mary's River, District Station.*—This is my locality. Near my dwelling house, stands our little building, called a chapel, which is still in an unfinished state. It is now fenced in, and a piece of the land on which it is built has been since ploughed for a burial ground.

The few Church people in the immediate vicinity are very desirous to have it enlarged and made comfortable, in order to which timber has been brought to the spot, for an addition of 10 feet to its length, with a little tower or steeple. Should this be carried into effect it will bear some resemblance to the little Dutch Church near St. George's in Halifax. Two miles above this is the School House, which has been occupied by Miss Goreham since the 1st of June last. Miss G. has been very diligent and attentive, and the children under her care have made great improvement in the various elementary branches. She is a very good Sunday School Teacher and has been a great relief to Mrs. Alexander in that department. She has also been a faithful visitor to several poor families on the Saturdays, reading Scripture and religious tracts to them. These visits I trust have had, in some cases, a salutary effect.

12. *Sherbrooke Church*, is five miles distant from the Chapel above mentioned. These two stations are likely to become the most important in this District, or rather I ought to say within the whole of my limits on the shore. At Sherbrooke I hope to be enabled to organize a Sunday School, after we shall have got our Stove and pipe, &c. up. The Stove is presented to us by the Messrs. Wm. Johns & Son of Halifax, to whom for myself and the congregation, I feel truly grateful.

13. *Little Liscomb and Jegoggin.*—School House in the woods. This is another of my favorite stations. The people are poor as regards this world's goods, but some too are poor in spirit, but rich in faith towards Jesus Christ. With these I have had many happy seasons, when uniting in praise and prayer. For these people I feel deeply interested.

14. *Liscomb Station, at Mr. Hembow's.*—This station is so well known to the Committee, that I scarcely need say anything here. It may suffice to say, that a large room was added to Mr. Hembow's house, for the purpose of accommodating the Sunday School scholars, and the congregation when divine services are

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held there; both which have been well and regularly attended, and have I believe been blest to many poor souls. Would that gentlemen of the Committee, could visit these places occasionally, *on foot*, and hear and see for themselves, what the Colonial Church Society is doing in its *noiseless* way for the Church in this vast waste. I am confident they would return with souls more enlivened with the love of God, and more earnest for the salvation of poor sinners. The four last named stations, I term my home stations, because in the winter I cannot often get to any other, sometimes not to them. Happy indeed would I be, were such a thing possible, as for me to get to my station once in three weeks.

15. *Mary Joseph*. 16. *Hecum Secum*. 17. *Bull Gut or Hecum West*.—These three stations I now only visit when going to and from Moser's River. The Rev. Mr. Breading has taken charge of them. At the two former there is now neither day nor Sunday School.

18. *Necum Quoch*. 19. *Moser's River*.—These two stations are in a prosperous state as regards the Day and Sunday Schools, which are conducted by the Misses Clarke. The people at Moser's River express themselves highly pleased with Miss Ann Jane Clarke, as a Day and Sunday School Teacher, and visitor. Both her Schools are large, and in a prosperous state. I have enjoyed many precious seasons among the kind people at Moser's River, but not so many as they and I could wish, on account of its being so contiguous to Mr. Breading, with whose services they are privileged every third or fourth Sunday.

The same may be said of the Schools, people, and services, at Necum Quoch. The inhabitants at both places are friends of the Colonial Church Society, and its agents.

20. *Salmon River*. 21. *Beaver Harbor*, have now their clergyman, Mr. Breading, consequently my services at these places are no longer necessary.

It is an encouraging fact to me, that our Sunday Schools along the Shore have increased,\* as also the number of scholars, since last year. We have, I think, an increase of 77 Sunday scholars. This year, in consequence of the pecuniary circumstances of many, I have only been able to place 9 lending Libraries, consisting of 250 volumes, but I hope to succeed in placing 4 more shortly for the winter's reading.

\* See List.

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Cole Harbor - - - -	Mr. Lewis Uloth - - -	25
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New Harbor - - - -	Mr. W. Songster and others	64
Country Harbor, Lower Mill -	Messrs. Stewart & Beeswanger	22
“ “ Middle District	A. Manson, Esq. & others	25
Indian Harbor - - - -	Mr. & Mrs. McKeech & others	44
“ Lake - - - -	Mr. & Mrs. Bennett & Sutis	37
St. Mary's River - - - -	Mrs. Alexander & Miss Goreham	30
Jegoggin and Little Liscomb -	Mr. Ray - - - -	21
Mr. Hemlow's Liscomb - - -	Mr. Ray and Jas. Hemlow	34
Necum Quoch - - - -	Miss Cynthia Clarke - - -	21
Moser's River - - - -	Miss A. J. Clarke - - -	50
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Preston - - - -	Mr. G. Bainbridge, (two schools)	76
Nine Mile House - - - -	Miss Parker - - - -	20
Three Mile House - - - -	Mr. Wilson - - - -	56
Sherbrooke, (Chester) - - -	Mr. Turner - - - -	35
St. Margaret's Bay - - - -	Miss Nichols - - - -	40
Shubenacadie River, West -	Mr. Yewens - - - -	20
		Total 634

**Day Schools.**

Smith's Cove, Necum Quoch -	Miss Cynthia Clarke - - -	22
Moser's River. - - - -	“ Ann J. Clarke - - -	36
Nine Mile House - - - -	“ Parker - - - -	35
Three Mile House - - - -	Mr. Wilson - - - -	56
St. Margaret's Bay - - - -	Miss Nichols - - - -	40
River John (Pictou) - - - -	Mr. Smith - - - -	30
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Paw, Mr. George A. V.	0	10	0	Tapp, W. H. Esq. -	0	15	0
Prescott, Dr. -	-	0	7	Thomson & Esson, Messrs.	0	10	0
Pryor, Henry Esq. -	0	10	0	Tremain, J. Scott Esq. -	0	10	0
Pryor, William Junr., Esq.	1	0	0	Tryon, Staff Major S. -	1	0	0
Rathburn, Mr. J. A. -	0	10	0	Twining, Rev. Dr. -	-	1	0
Rennels, Mr. Wm. -	0	10	0	Uniacke, Rev. R. F. -	1	0	0
Ritchie, J. W. Esq., -	1	0	0	Uniacke, Hon. J. B. Att'y Genl. -	-	1	0
Ritchie, Thos. A. -	1	0	0	Uniacke, A. M. Esq. -	1	0	0
Robie, Hon. S. B. -	-	1	10	Uniacke, Mrs. R. J. -	1	0	0
Robinson, Dep. Com. Genl.	1	0	0	Watson, H. M. Esq. -	1	0	0
Ross, Mrs. John, senr.	0	5	0	Wetmore, Mr. Robt. H. -	0	5	0
Salter & Twining -	0	10	0	White, Mr. S. A. -	-	1	0
Saltus & Wainwright, -	0	10	0	Wier, Benj. Esq. -	-	0	10
Sawers, Judge -	-	0	10	Wilkie, Mr J. C. W. -	0	10	0
Schmidt, Miss -	-	0	5	Wills, Mr John -	0	5	0
Shannon, S. L. Esq. -	0	10	0	Withrow, Mr Jacob -	0	10	0
Shreve, Rev. C. J. Guysboro'	-	-	0	Woodgate, Arthur Esqr. D. P. M. G. -	1	0	0
Silver, Mr. W. N. -	2	0	0	Yeomans, Mr. Henry -	0	10	0
Silver, Mr. W. C. -	1	0	0				
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Alexander, Mr J. -	0	10	0	Country Harbor Library	0	10	0
Alexander, Mrs -	0	10	0	Cole Harbor Library -	0	7	6
Alexander, Martin T. -	0	2	6	Dryden, Mr T. -	0	1	3
Bailey, Mr. W. -	0	2	6	Dryden, Mrs -	0	1	3
Bennett, Mr and family	0	5	0	Dryden, Catherine -	0	0	7½
Bridle, Mrs -	0	1	3	Dryden, John -	0	0	7½
Campbell, Mr Jas. -	0	2	6	Dryden, T. W. -	0	0	7½
Children's pence St Mary's Sunday School	0	6	0	Dryden, Lucy -	0	0	7½
Crooks, Seth -	0	1	3	Dryden, Hannan -	0	0	7½
Crooks, Margaret -	0	1	3	Elliot, Dr -	0	5	0
Crooks, Sarah -	0	1	3	Elliot, Mrs -	0	5	0
				Elliot, Miss -	0	2	6

Elliot, Henry -  
 Elliot, George  
 Elliot, William  
 Elliot, Joseph  
 Elliot, Charles  
 Elliot, Albert  
 Elder, Jonathan  
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 Hemlow, Mr He  
 Hemlow, Mrs  
 Hemlow, Mr Jan  
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 Hemlow, Mr W.  
 Hemlow, Mrs -  
 Hemlow, Maria  
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 Hemlow, Mrs D  
 Holmes, Mr and  
 Hewitt, Harle  
 Hewitt, Reuber  
 Indian Harbor,  
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 " Lake  
 Jack, Catherin  
 Jack, Rachael  
 Jack, John -  
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Rudolph, Alexander	0 0 7½	Sinclair, Messrs D. A. & W. C.	0 5 0
Rudolph, Margaret	0 0 7½	Stewart, Mr John	0 1 3
Rudolph, James	0 0 7½	Stewart, Mrs	0 1 3
Rudolph, A. J.	0 0 7½	Stewart, Miss	0 1 3
Rudolph, Maria	0 0 7½	Sutis, Mr Henry	0 1 3
Redman, Mrs Widow	0 1 3	St. Mary's River Library	0 8 1½
Redman, Henry	0 0 7½	Sherbrooke do.	0 10 7½
Redman, Alexander	0 0 7½	Taylor, Mr T	0 2 6
Ray, Wm., senr.	0 1 3	Tate, Margaret	0 1 3
Ray, Mrs	0 1 3	Uloth, Elizabeth	0 0 2
Ray, William	0 0 7½	Uloth, Abigail	0 0 2
Ray, Mary	0 0 7½	Proceeds of Fish, collected at New Harbour, White Head, and Islaad Harbour	4 7 6
Robar, John, senr.	0 0 7½	New Harbour Library	1 0 0
Smith, Mr T.	0 2 6		
Sinclair, Mr W.	0 5 0		
Sinclair, Mrs	0 5 0		
Sinclair, Miss M. D.	0 2 6		
		£20 8 6	

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Clarke, Miss C. E., Teacher	0 7 6	Smith, Alexander Fraser	0 0 3
Fraser, Mr. Alex.	0 1 3	Smith, Almira	0 0 3
Fraser, Mrs. Barbara	0 0 7½	Smith, Mr. Thos.	0 1 3
Kirkee, Miss	0 0 7½	Smith, Mrs.	0 1 3
Romkey, Mr. Henry	0 1 3	Smith, Margaret Ann	0 0 7½
Smith, Mr. John, senr.	0 1 3	Smith, Alexander	0 0 7½
Smith, Mr John, jr.	0 1 3	Smith, Alice Maria	0 0 3
Smith, Mr. Wm.	0 1 3	Smith, Jamima	0 0 3
Smith, Mrs.	0 1 3	Smith, Jas. M.	0 0 3
Smith, J. Urban	0 0 7½	Smith, Mr. George, jr.	0 1 3
Smith, Wm. Henry	0 0 7½	Smith, Mrs.	0 1 3
Smith, Elizabeth Ann	0 0 3		
		£1 6 3	

MOSER'S RIVER.

Clarke, Miss A. J., Teacher	0 7 6	Moser, Maria	0 0 7½
Hartland, George	0 1 3	Moser, Hannah	0 0 7½
Moser, George	0 1 3	Moser, Elizabeth	0 0 3
Moser, Mrs. Ann	0 1 3	Moser, Mary	0 1 1
Moser, Nathan	0 3 1½	Moser, Jane	0 0 6½
Moser, Priscilla	0 1 3	Moser, Catherine	0 0 3
Moser, Mr. George	0 2 6		
		£1 1 6	

MUSQUODOBOIT HARBOR.

Goreham, Miss, Teacher	0 10 0
Amount collections made by her at Musquodoboit	2 3 8
Names of the Subscribers not furnished.	

Dr. The Halifax Association in aid of the Colonial Church Society, in Acct. with Edward Binney, Treasurer. CR.

1849.	£ s. d.	
Decr. 11.	13 2 0	By Balance from former account
1850.		
Jan'y 29.	5 13 1	Amount collected at Annual Meeting of the Society in the Halifax Hotel



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RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE  
OF THE  
**Colonial Church Society in Nova Scotia,**  
**FOR 1850.**

By amount of Collections, Subscriptions, and Donations, obtained by the Association, in Halifax	£92 1 2
“ Amount collected by Miss Gorham, at Musquodoboit	2 3 8
“ “ “ by Miss A. J. Clarke, Moser’s River	1 1 6
“ “ “ by Miss C. E. Clarke, Necum Quoch	1 6 3
“ “ “ by Mr. J. Alexander, Eastern Shores (not yet paid in—see List)	} 20 8 6
	£116 1 1
Less expenses of the Association at Halifax, as per Treas- urer’s Account	16 0 4
	£100 0 9

**EXPENDITURE.**

Salaries of eight Schoolmasters and Catechists	£253 15 0
Salaries of seven Female Teachers	66 5 0
Books and incidental expenses of Corresponding Committee	6 11 1
	£326 11 1

N. B.—The amount collected by the Association is remitted to the Parent Society, and the Catechists and Teachers paid out of Bills of Exchange, drawn on it by the Secretary of the Corresponding Committee.

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**ERRATUM.**

*The name of the Rev. Dr. Twining, was inadvertently omitted from the List of the Corresponding Committee.*