

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH,**PICTOU, 29th Aug. 1877.**

The Presbytery of Pictou met this day, according to adjournment, this being the usual quarterly meeting. The Rev. Geo. Coull, Moderator, conducted the opening devotional exercises, which consisted of praise, reading of Scriptures, and prayer. Sederunt Rev. Messrs. Herdman, Galbraith, Fraser, Stewart, McMillan, MacKichan and McCunn, Ministers; and Messrs. D. Munroe, Pictou, Angus Munro, Saltsprings, Angus Campbell, Barney's River, Jas. Wilson, New Glasgow, and John Holmes, R. John, Elders. The minutes of last quarterly meeting, as also of meeting of June 27th were read and sustained.

Rev. Alex. J. MacKichan was chosen as Moderator for the ensuing year, and a vote of thanks given to the retiring Moderator.

The principal items of business of public interest were the statements made by representatives of Fisher's Grant congregation, and the call from Saltsprings congregation to the Rev. Dr. Lamont, of Finch in the Pres. of Gengarry, Ont.

After hearing the delegates from Fisher's Grant, and after full discussion it was moved, seconded and agreed to that "the Pres. having heard statements from delegates of Fisher's Grant, in reference to the building of a Church there, sympathize fully with them in their position; find that the question belongs properly to the Kirk session of St. Andrew's Church, Pictou, of which congregation Fisher's Grant is a constituent part, and therefore refer the matter, in the meantime to said Kirk Session, the session to report at next quarterly meeting."

The call to Rev. Dr. Lamont, being very unanimous, was sustained and Dr. Lamont's acceptance of the same was laid on the table. Arrangements were made for his induction as follows: Rev.

Mr. McKay to serve the Edict on Sabbath 7th Oct. Induction to take place in Saltsprings Church, on Thursday, 18th Oct. Rev. Mr. McKay to preach and preside, Rev. Mr. MacKichan to address the Minister, and Rev. Mr. Galbraith the congregation.

Appointments were made as follows:

CAPE BRETON.

Sabbath 23rd Sept. Mr. Fraser.

" 30th " } Mr. Fraser and
" 8th Oct. } Mr. Stewart.

FISHER'S GRANT.

Sab.	2nd Sept.	Mr. J. C. Herdman,
"	23rd "	" McMillan,
"	7th Oct.	" McCunn,
"	21st "	" J. C. Herdman,
"	4th Nov.	" "
"	18th "	" "

EARLTOWN.

Sab.	14th Oct.	Mr. J. C. Herdman,
"	28th "	(Falls) "

VALE COLLIERY.

Sab.	11th Nov.	Mr. J. C. Herdman
"	24th "	" "

Closed with the benediction.

ROBT. McCUNN,
Pres Clerk.

SAB. SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The annual Sabbath School Convention of the Teachers of the Maritime Provinces was held in Halifax, on Thursday, Aug. 29th., and three following days. The number of delegates in attendance was about 90. At the welcome meeting in St. Andrew's Church, on Thursday evening, interesting addresses were given by Rev. G. M. Grant, by the Mayor of the city and other gentlemen. During the various discussions on Friday and Saturday many important subjects were considered, and a valuable impetus given to Sabbath School work throughout the Provinces.