

was opened with prayer, and the steps taken by the Presbytery were recounted, which, being sustained, the Rev. G. W. Stewart proceeded with the induction sermon, preaching from Col. iii. 3. The discourse was one of great power, and was listened to with marked attention. The usual questions being put, the moderator, after prayer, solemnly inducted the Rev. Mr. Melville to the pastoral charge of Georgetown and Cardigan, and the newly inducted minister, with the right hand of fellowship, was welcomed as a member of Presbytery. The Rev. Mr. McLean addressed Mr. Melville, and the Rev. T. Duncan, the people. There was a good attendance, and the proceedings were attended to with a very marked interest. At the conclusion, the minister of Georgetown received a most cordial and hearty greeting from his congregation. We trust the union so well inaugurated may be abundantly blessed of God to the conversion of many souls to Himself, as well as to the constant edifying of His people.

#### **St. Andrew's Church, St. John.**

The Rev. R. J. Cameron, a few weeks ago, was waited on by a committee of the ladies of St. Andrew's Church, and presented with an elegant silk pulpit gown and cassock. They were imported from Scotland, having been made to order in the establishment of Messrs. Hood & Co., Exchange Square, Glasgow. Mrs. Cameron was also presented, by the ladies of the congregation, with a handsome Lockman Sewing Machine.

#### **Woodstock and Richmond.**

The arrival of the Rev. John Moffat, a regularly licensed and ordained minister of the Church of Scotland, has quite unexpectedly strengthened the hands of the St. John Presbytery. For a considerable time past, the charges at Woodstock and Richmond have been without regular supply; and although both Presbyteries laboured harmoniously in endeavouring to provide services, the scarcity of men and the number of vacancies within their bounds prevented them from keeping these important fields as well supplied as all interested in them could wish. At present, both stations are receiving regular supply. Rev. Mr.

McKay of the sister Presbytery, and the Rev. Mr. Moffat of our own, are labouring alternately in the Churches of Richmond and Woodstock. There is every probability that a call will be given to one, or perhaps both of these gentlemen, very soon.

The Rev. Mr. Caie of St. John accompanied Mr. Moffat to the field of his labours, and introduced him at both places to the leading families connected with the Presbyterian Church. On Monday evening, 16th October, a meeting was held in Woodstock. Mr. Caie preached and addressed the meeting. Mr. McKay and Mr. Moffat took part in the exercises. In both places the way is completely paved for Union, and the people have agreed to co-operate in every way that will tend to advance the cause of Presbyterianism. At Woodstock, matters seem most encouraging. The great little Church is now under contract for finishing, and is already lathed, and by this time we suspect it is partly plastered. When it is completed and opened in the spring, quite an impulse will be given to Presbyterianism in Woodstock. Richmond is a large and thickly settled district, and will require the undivided attention of one earnest and diligent minister. The Presbytery of St. John is also looking forward to the arrival, from Scotland, of the Rev. Mr. Begg, who is, by this time, we trust, on his way to this Province. It is also intended to allow Mr. Begg to proceed at once to Woodstock and Richmond; and with the field thus supplied, there is no doubt the people will put forth every energy to secure the settlement among them permanently of two out of the three men whom the Presbyteries have sent. It would, of course, not be fair to other vacant fields, for the Presbyteries, or Home Mission Board, to allow these ministers to continue labouring simply as missionaries; and it is understood by all, that, unless the people make up their minds, when they have had trial of their services, to give them calls and reasonable offers of support, they are to be withdrawn and sent to labour elsewhere. The Rev. Dr. Brooke is still without an assistant, although there is also a probability that the services of a young man from Scotland may be secured.