

tion, but we must rely upon our friends for a large amount of support as well as sympathy.

Though sorely tried we are yet hopeful, and trust that under the favouring smile of Heaven, and the fostering care of your Presbytery, we shall ere long enjoy the privilege of worshipping our God in a suitable building consecrated to His service.

Signed on behalf of the congregation,

J. E. JONES, *Chairman*,  
GEO. HATTIE, *Secretary*.

WESTVILLE, N. S.,  
7th January, 1873. }

In support of the foregoing Memorial, the Commissioners stated that there is a necessity for two churches at Westville to accommodate the people, and that union between the people and their "Kirk" there is out out of the question—that efforts to this effect have been made and failed.

That the church to be built requires to be sufficiently large to accommodate 700 people, and will at the lowest calculation cost \$4500.00; that there was a debt of \$1302.00 remaining on the former church—which the people have subscribed and agreed to pay within the present year; that in addition to this they have subscribed \$2000.00 towards the building of the new church; that they expect \$1000.00 from persons belonging to other denominations residing at Westville, Middle River and vicinities; that the great mass of the people are working people and are contributing very largely in proportion to their circumstances.

JOHN MACKINNON, *Clerk*.

### Presbytery of Truro.

This Presbytery met Jan. 14th, 1873, and was duly constituted. The Commission appointed to induct the Rev. Edward Grant into the congregation of Stewiacke, reported that they had discharged their duties on the 18th ult. Mr. Grant's name was added to the Roll of Presbytery.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. McCulloch, it was agreed to appoint a Financial Secretary to the Presbytery; and Rev. Messrs. Sinclair, Grant and Smith, with their Presbytery Elders, were appointed to draw up a set of rules defining the duties of such officer, and to report at the next meeting. Sessions were directed to report at the next meeting of Presbytery on the state of religion within their respective congregations.

The Rev. A. L. Wyllie was appointed Moderator of the Session of Port au Pique congregation, and Mr. David Fulton's name was added to the Roll of Presbytery as the representative Elder of the said congregation.

The Clerk of Presbytery was directed to confer with the late clerk as to what congre-

gations were in arrears to the Presbytery Fund, and to report at next meeting.

The question of Mr. Wyllie's demission having been taken up, it was unanimously agreed that in view of the existing circumstances of the congregation of Great Village the Presbytery now request Mr. Wyllie to withdraw his resignation. Mr. Wyllie accordingly withdrew his demission.

Rev. E. Grant was appointed to preach at Acadia on the 2nd Sabbath of February, and Rev. J. Sinclair, at his own convenience. Rev. J. H. Chase was appointed to Maccan Station for 1st and 2nd Sabbaths of February. Mr. Layton to supply his pulpit on the first Sabbath. Rev. E. Ross to preach in Port au Pique congregation on January 26th; Rev. J. McG. McKay, Feb. 9th, and Rev. James Byers, Feb. 23rd. It was agreed that members of Presbytery supplying vacant congregations, receive from such congregations the same allowance as Probationers, and that after defray-actual expenses, the balance be paid into the Presbytery Fund.

The application of Rev. John I. Baxter for recommendation to Committee on Aged and Infirm Ministers Fund was allowed to lie on the table till next meeting which takes place on March 4th, at DeBert.

J. LAYTON.

### Appeal of Acadian Mission Committee in behalf of the Building Fund for the erection of a Presbyterian Church at Grand Falls, New Brunswick.

The Acadian Mission Committee beg to bring before the Presbyterians of these Provinces the claim upon Christian liberality set forth in the following paragraphs:

During the summer months of 1872 two young French Canadians were employed by the Committee as Missionaries, and for the greater part of the time they laboured at Grand Falls, a rising village, and the Shire town of Victoria, one of the largest Counties of New Brunswick. The inhabitants of this County are nearly all French, the chief settlements of English speaking people being on the river Tobique, and on the St. John between the mouth of the Tobique and the line between Victoria and Carleton counties. The village of Grand Falls contains a population roughly estimated at about one thousand souls, three fourths of whom are Roman Catholics. Of these by far the greater number are French, and the country from Grands Falls to River du Loup is inhabited almost entirely by French Roman Catholics.

In the village of Grand Falls there is but one Protestant place of worship. It is owned and occupied exclusively by Epis-