

efforts of the brethren and the success of the mission in supplying the wants of our attached adherents, and with the number and amount of the liberal contributions of the Cape Breton people for the support of ordinances, thus preparing themselves for that self-support to which they have by our missionaries been encouraged—and enjoin the Presbytery of Pictou to give Mr. Brodie what assistance they may be able to afford during the ensuing summer, and also correspond with the Colonial Committee with the view of receiving an additional missionary for Cape Breton.

The Committee on Presbytery Records gave in the following Report:—

"Your committee met and examined the Records of the several Presbyteries. Regarding the minute book of the Presbytery of Prince Edward Island, your committee have to report that they find one minute missing, viz.: of meeting which was adjourned to meet on the first day of June 1864. They also find in the minute of the adjourned meeting on the third Wednesday of May, 1865, the day is stated, but not the month. Your committee find the minutes of the Presbytery of Halifax correctly kept. In the minute book of the Presbytery of Pictou, your committee find two minutes a-wanting, viz.: of meeting at Middle River, Victoria, Cape Breton, of date August 15th, 1864, and of meeting at St. Andrew's Church, Pictou, of date November 2nd, 1864. With these exceptions, your committee find the records correctly kept, meetings regularly held, and nothing objectionable appearing—but would suggest that in engrossing the minutes a margin should be reserved.

Respectfully submitted.

(Signed) JAMES CHRISTIE, Convener."

It was moved, seconded, and agreed to, that the Synod adopt the report, enjoin Presbyteries to make corrections, and supply deficiencies as far as practicable, and instruct the Clerk to attest the Records accordingly.

Mr. Pollok reported verbally on Dalhousie College.

It was moved, seconded, and agreed to, that the report of the Dalhousie College Committee be approved of, that the Synod regret to find that many of the congregations have done less than what might have been reasonably expected, earnestly urge that all the three instalments now subscribed be paid in before the end of this year, and appoint the Rev. Messrs. Grant, Pollok, and Brodie, to be a small financial committee, to use every effort to have the amount thereafter required, subscribed before next meeting of Synod.

Collections for the several Schemes were appointed to be made as follows:—

Young Men's Scheme—on the 1st Sabbath in August, 1865.

Foreign Mission Scheme—on the 1st Sabbath in November, 1865.

Home Mission Scheme—on the 1st Sabbath in February, 1866.

Synod Fund—on the 1st Sabbath in May, 1866.

It was moved, seconded, and agreed to, that the Rev. Simon McGregor, East River,

Pictou, and Dr. Inglis, of Charlottetown, P. E. Island, be corresponding members to the Synod of New Brunswick, and that Messrs. McMillan, McCunn, and McCurdy, be a deputation to visit that Synod, on the subject of a Divinity Hall.

The Synod renew the injunction of last Synod, that all standing committees meet on the morning of the meeting of the Synod, to prepare their reports, so that they may be ready when called for.

A unanimous vote of thanks was passed to the office-bearers and members of St. Matthew's and St. Andrew's Churches, Halifax, for their hospitality to the members of Synod during this session.

The Synod then adjourned to meet in St. Andrew's Church, New Glasgow, on the last Tuesday in June, 1866, at half-past seven o'clock in the evening, of which public intimation was given, and this session was closed with prayer.

JAMES CHRISTIE, Synod Clerk.

## THE CHURCH IN NOVA SCOTIA.

Revenue of St. Matthew's Church, Halifax, for year ending June 10th, 1865, including only monies actually received.

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| (1) Treasurer's account of receipts from pew rents, pay for the military, ordinary collections, &c. | \$3959 73 |
| (2) Collected by Mrs Keith and Mrs Duffus for altering the pulpit, reading desk, &c.                | 438 00    |
| (3) Paid in as second instalment of Dalhousie College Endowment Fund                                | 3010 11   |
| (4) For missions, Synodical schemes, Sabbath-school expenses and benevolent objects                 | 1064 18   |
| (5) For the poor specially  | 425 24    |
| (6) By the Sabbath scholars for missionary and benevolent purposes                                  | 163 89    |

Total amount paid in \$9070 07

P. S.—To several of the objects referred to above, *as, e. g.*, to the City Mission, Deaf and Dumb Asylum, &c., &c., many members of the congregation contribute more largely as citizens. The amount only has been put down that was collected congregationally. Again, there ought to be added to this \$9070, which may be called the natural revenue, about \$8000 additional, which has been received, during the past year, in the shape of legacies, viz.: about \$6000 from the estate of the late Rev. John Scott, and which was applied to reduce the debt on the Church; and the Deelman legacy of a property worth \$2000, which, when increased to double its amount, is to be applied to build a school, to be under the supervision of the Kirk session.

SUBJOINED are the subscriptions for 1864-5, of St. Matthew's congregation, Halifax, towards their Lay Association, or, rather, Presbytery Home Mission Fund. They are printed in