

general principle of union and co-operation. The Chairman had previously stated, when introduced to the P. E. I. Presbytery, that the recent Conference of delegates in Canada had resulted in the adoption of a basis of union. This was very gratifying, and adapted to encourage the Presbyteries to go forward. Rev. T. Duncan said he conceived three subjects were before the Conference, about which it might properly consult, viz.: First, co-operation in pastoral work; secondly, Education; and thirdly, the *Presbyterian*. He moved that this Conference, considering the present circumstances of this Island, and in view of the near approach of union among Presbyterians, deem it desirable that there should be co-operation between the Presbyterians in pastoral work. The motion was seconded and unanimously agreed to. Rev. R. Laird moved that, in view of the foregoing resolution, this Conference agree to appoint Committees to visit localities in which members and adherents connected with both Presbyteries reside, with the object of ascertaining their views, and arranging that divine service be conducted in such places only by Ministers of one of the Presbyteries, it being always understood that nothing shall be done to injure the interests of any party concerned. The resolution was adopted. On motion of Rev. W. R. Frame, the Conference appointed Revs. T. Duncan and I. Murray, and Messrs. R. Lawson and A. Stewart, Elders, a Committee to visit Clyde River and St. Peter's Road, with the view of carrying out the resolution of Conference, to report at a future meeting. Revs. A. McLean and T. Duncan reported the number of subscribers obtained for the *Presbyterian* in their respective congregations. As the number was still insufficient, and two congregations had not specially reported, the publication of the paper was still delayed. The Conference closed, to meet at such time as may be agreed on.

R. LAIRD, Clerk.

The congregation of Merigomish has given an unanimous call to Rev. A. R. Garvie to be their pastor. The congregation of Windsor also have given him a very harmonious call.

The congregation of Prince William, N. B., has given a unanimous call to Mr. Samuel McCully to become their pastor.—The congregation of Chatham are about to call Rev. R. Wilson.

The congregation of Chalmers Church, Halifax, at their Annual meeting held on the 19th ult., resolved unanimously to raise the funds necessary for congregational purposes by collections on the Lord's Day,—thus doing away with pew rents.

Yarmouth Congregation.

Our *Record* being limited in size, and making its appearance but monthly, we are unable to publish half that we desire to lay before our readers. We have therefore reluctantly to decline insertion of congratulatory addresses generally. But as the best of rules must have exceptions, we have pleasure in noticing the completion of a twenty-one years' pastorate by Mr. Christie in the Presbyterian congregation of Yarmouth, and in publishing the people's address expressive of cordial affection and confidence, and rendered all the more eloquent by the accompaniment of a purse of \$115.

The post occupied by Mr. Christie is both important and difficult. During the greater part of the years past it has been an *out-post*, though now happily its Presbyterian neighbours have increased; and we know that these twenty-one years leave behind them a record of pastoral fidelity and labour for the congregation and for the body generally, well entitled to honourable mention in the periodical literature of this Church. The address, as follows, was read on the 21st ult. by Mr. Robert Black, the oldest member of the Session, and the purse presented in the name of the Committee.

To the Rev. George Christie:

DEAR PASTOR,—Twenty-one years have now elapsed since you accepted the charge of the Presbyterian congregation in Yarmouth. We consider the occasion a most suitable one for presenting to you some expression of our sentiments of respect and esteem. We recognize you as a servant of Christ in the Gospel; and we trust we have profited by your labours among us. You have been to many of us a guide in seasons of perplexity and trial, praying with and for us, instructing us publicly and from house to house, administering words of consolation to the afflicted, and doing all that man can do to shed light on the path which leads down to the dark valley, and then ascends to the better world beyond.

We thank you for your labors of love and faith, and would humbly express our hope that we may profit more and more from your instructions; while we pray that you may long be permitted to labor in your sacred vocation, and with even more signal tokens of the divine blessing than heretofore.

We embrace, in this expression of our respect and esteem, Mrs. Christie and all your family, praying that they also may be long spared to live in the hearts of your congregation, and continue to be, as in the past, a comfort to you.

With these our affectionate congratulations, we request you to accept, as a token