

proposed union of all the Presbyterian churches of B. N. America. The result of these meetings was as follows: The Kirk session of St. James', Charlottetown, and St. Columba, St. Peter's had, cordially and unanimously approved and accepted of the questions of the Synod on Union. The Kirk session of St. Andrew's, Brackley Point Road, objected the Synod's questions, stating, as their reason for doing so, that there was fear of a division in the congregation if this union took place. The voting of the members stood thus: The session consists of four members, one member moved that the questions of the Synod's circular should be approved and accepted. Other two members moved that it should not be received. The other member not being present, the motion of rejection was carried by a majority.

The Clerk reported that he had received from the Treasurer of the Home Mission Board the sum of £15 15s. 0d. currency, being his half yearly supplement stipend due on the 1st August 1871, and the receipt for which he in course acknowledged to the late Treasurer at Halifax.

The Presbytery then adjourned, to meet in St. James' Kirk, Charlottetown, on the last Thursday of October, being the 26th day, 1871.

GEO. W. STEWART,
Presbytery Clerk.

Pictou Presbytery.

The quarterly meeting of the Pictou Presbytery was held in St. Andrew's Church, Pictou, on Wednesday the 30th inst., at which were present Revds. A. W. Herdman, A. Pollok, J. Anderson, R. McCunn, N. Brodie, J. W. Fraser, W. Stewart, Charles Dunn, D. McRae, and W. McMillan; and W. Gordon, Esq., Hector McKenzie, D. McDonald, A. Strumberg, A. McLean, A. Campbell, and D. Gray, Elders.

The minutes of last quarterly meeting and meeting of 3rd July were read and sustained.

It was unanimously agreed to elect the Rev. D. McRae Moderator for the current year.

A unanimous vote of thanks was conveyed to the Rev. A. Pollok, the retiring Moderator, for his courteous conduct while occupying the Moderator's chair.

The Rev. H. A. Robertson being present, was cordially invited to sit and deliberate with the court.

Missionary appointments given at last quarterly meeting were all reported fulfilled.

The Rev. A. Pollok, Convener of the Committee on Cape Breton affairs, reported verbally that he attended to the instructions of Presbytery at its last meeting, but had no answer from the Colonial Committee.

The following appointments were made for the current quarter, viz.: 22nd October, Mr. Anderson, Earltown; 8th October, Mr. Stewart, Barney's River; September, October and November, Mr. McCunn, W. B. River John.

Messrs. Fraser and McMillan having been appointed, at the meeting held in St. Andrew's Church, St. John, N. B., to spend three Sabbaths in Cape Breton during the month of September, the following supplies were granted during their absence, viz.: Roger's Hill, 10th September, Rev. Mr. Herdman; 17th September, Rev. Mr. Dunn; Cape John, 24th September, Rev. R. McCunn; Salt Springs, 10th September, Rev. D. McRae; 17th Sept., Rev. W. Stewart. Messrs. Fraser and McMillan will (D. V.) dispense the sacrament of the Lord's Supper at Broad Cove, on Sabbath 10th September, and at River Inhabitants on Sabbath 17th September.

It was resolved to appoint Sabbath, 26th November, on which to ask for a collection from all the congregations within the bounds of this Presbytery for Presbyterian purposes.

The Rev. D. McRae having left the chair, *pro tem*, as Convener of the Widow and Orphan's Scheme, in terms of instructions at last meeting of Synod, submitted the matter to Presbytery; with reference to which, it was resolved that Messrs. Herdman and Fraser be a committee for the Eastern part of the Presbytery, and Messrs. Pollok and Dunn for the Western, to carry out the resolutions of Synod with reference to this Scheme, and report at next meeting.

The Rev. Mr. Pollok gave notice of a motion, which he intends to move at next meeting, in reference to the more orderly administration of the Lord's Supper consistent with the laws of our church,