

## PRESBYTERY MEETINGS.

## PRESBYTERY OF WALLACE.

This Presbytery met at River John on Aug. 6th, and was constituted after an excellent sermon by Mr. Macgregor, of Amherst. The principal business was the visitation of the congregation, which the Presbytery found so far as they were able to judge, to be in a very healthy condition. After the usual questions had been answered, words of encouragement and counsel were addressed by members of Presbytery to the congregation, the claims of the augmentation scheme being specially urged. Worthy of special mention and praise was the large attendance of the congregation.

The Rev. J. A. McKenzie was appointed moderator for the current year, and Mr. Sedgwick, was continued as Clerk. Mr. Grey not being fully restored, appointments were made as follows for St. Matthew's, Wallace: Aug. 17, Rev. J. M. Robinson; Aug. 24, Rev. H. B. Mackay; Aug. 31, Rev. D. Macgregor; Sept. 7, Rev. T. Sedgwick.

The Rev. Thos. Sedgwick was nominated as Moderator of Synod. Other business was transacted, when the Presbytery adjourned to meet again at Picton, during the meeting of Synod.

THOS. SEDGWICK, Clerk.

## PRESBYTERY OF MIRAMICHI.

This Presbytery met at Newcastle on Tuesday, 19th inst., the Rev. James Murray, moderator. Six ministers were present besides the moderator, and the great pleasure was enjoyed of seeing again in his place Mr. Thomas Nicholson, though he is not able to resume his pastoral duties, having been laid aside many months by severe sickness.

Elders' commissions were given in from the sessions of Richibucto and St. Andrews and St. John's Chatnau, but the principal item of business was in connection with the Augmentation Scheme.

Reports were received of visits in the interest of that scheme to the congregations of Berni Church and Tabusintac, Blackville and Derby, Richibucto and Bass River. It was agreed to ask aid from the fund on behalf of Douglastown, New Carlisle, Blackville and Redbank.

Respecting Blæk River nothing could be determined for want of information.

Mr. Wait was appointed to visit the

congregation of Newcastle, and it was resolved that all the congregations be corresponded with by circular with a view to increase of contributions to the fund.

Five congregations, namely, New Richmond, Dalhousie, Bathurst, Charlo, and Bass River, have determined to increase their ministers' incomes to the required minimum of \$750, the total increase amounting apparently to five hundred and eighteen dollars.

The next regular meeting is to be held in St. Andrew's church, Kingston, Kent Co., on Tuesday the 4th November next at half past six in the evening.

Immediately after returning from this meeting the hearts of all the brethren were saddened by the news of the sudden and solemn removal from among them of the beloved young minister of Bass River. Faithful and highly successful as a pastor, Mr. Boyd had during the five years of his connection with the Presbytery won the esteem and affection of every member of it. He had taken part in the meeting on Tuesday being full of life and spirit, and on Wednesday, just after his return home, the fatal accident occurred by which it has pleased the Master to call his servant to his reward. He had gone out to visit one of his people, and his horse having been startled while crossing a bridge, Mr. Boyd was thrown over it to a depth of 30 feet. His death ensued within two hours. He leaves a widow and two little children.

JOHN McCARTER, Clerk

## PRESBYTERY OF P. E. ISLAND

The Presbytery of P. E. Island met on the 5th Aug. in Charlottetown. Rev. A. Munro intimated that on account of age and infirmity he is unable fully to discharge the duties of the pastorate. He desired assistance. Messrs. Stewart and McLeod were appointed to visit Brown's Creek and Vall-yield to confer with the congregation. Mr. Frame was appointed interim moderator of the St. James congregation. The call to Rev. A. B. McLeod from Strath Lorne was laid on the table and his congregation summoned to appear for their interests on the 29th August. Presbyterial visitations to Richmond Bay &c. were rearranged. Committees were appointed to visit congregations in the interest of the augmentation fund.—Mr. Leitch was appointed to St. James Clinton till the end of September. Mr. Dustin to Tignish, etc., first two