

formula, offered up the ordination prayer, and addressed the people.

Dr. Bayne addressed the minister and introduced him to the Session, and at the close of the day's proceedings the congregation in the usual manner heartily welcomed their newly ordained pastor.

The Financial Committee reported that they had paid Mrs. McCurdy all the arrears due to her late husband, amounting in all to £115,—that they were prepared to pay Mr. Garvie his quarter's stipend in advance and that they would pay whatever amount was due for supply of preaching during their vacancy, as soon as they could collect it out of arrears due in the congregation.

Mr. Garvie has entered upon a most promising field of labor. The people appeared to be strongly attached to him—gifted, as he is, with good natural talents, a highly cultivated and richly furnished mind, it is not unreasonable to expect that, with the blessing of the Great Head of the Church on his pastoral labors, the congregation under his charge will enjoy a large measure of prosperity.

Dr. Thompson was appointed by the Session to be their representative elder, both in Presbytery and Synod during the ensuing year, and accordingly took his seat in Presbytery.

The Rev. Mr. Ross asked for leave to be absent from his congregation for three or four months, if he should require that time, which was granted.

The Clerk reported that he had not received Statistical Returns from all the congregations belonging to the Presbytery; whereupon he was instructed to write to those Brethren who neglected to send him their returns, that they must show cause at the next meeting of Presbytery why they had not complied with the Synod's injunction.

The Presbytery then adjourned to meet in Poplar Grove Church, according to previous appointment, on Wednesday the 24th inst., at 10 A. M., for ordinary business.

The sum required of each session for the Presbytery fund is \$3.00, and, which is expected, will be paid to the clerk at the meeting of Synod.

JOHN MACKINNON, Clerk.

#### Presbytery of F. E. Island.

The Presbytery met in Queen Square Church, Charlottetown, on the 20th May. There were present Revs. J. Allan, I. Murray, A. Munro, H. Crawford, D. McNeill, A. Cameron, R. Laird, W. Ross, A. McLean, W. R. Frame, A. Falconer and J. G. Cameron, Ministers; and Messrs. K. Henderson, W. Mutch, A. McSween and D. McNevin elders.

A letter was read from Mr. Hogg, pro-

bat'ner, declining the call from Richmond Bay West. The call was accordingly set aside, and the Clerk instructed to notify the congregation of Mr. Hogg's decision.

A report of Missionary labor by Mr. Nelson was read and approved. The Clerk was authorized to give Mr. Nelson an order on the H. M. Board for the amount due him, and urge the congregations in arrears, to make payment as soon as possible.

The attention of Presbytery having been called to a statement in the *Presbyterian Witness*, of the 23d May, reflecting severely on a certain congregation in P. E. Island, the Clerk was instructed to communicate with the editor of that periodical, in order to ascertain whether or not said congregation is under the control of this Presbytery, and if so, to request him to name its locality.

The Rev. I. Murray reported, that the Committee to visit Covehead had fulfilled their appointment;—that they had met with the congregation, and had opened a new subscription list for the support of the present Pastor, which was liberally subscribed by those present—and that a committee was then appointed to carry out the work thus inaugurated. Mr. David Lawson appeared as a delegate from the congregation, and stated that the result of the effort was subscriptions to the amount of £127. The report was received, the diligence of the committee approved, and the Presbytery expressed itself as highly pleased with the liberality manifested by the congregation. The Rev. A. Falconer and D. Lawson were appointed to visit the St. Peter's Road section of the congregation, to ascertain what amount of pastoral support can be secured in that district.

Rev. Mr. Laird reported from the publication committee of the *Presbyterian*, and recommending certain alterations in its form and price for the coming year. The report was received, and the diligence of the committee approved. After a full discussion it was decided not to change the present form or price of the paper, but to remove the advertisements from it, and substitute in their place general reading matter. The thanks of the Presbytery were tendered to the editors for their labors, and they were requested to continue in their present position.

The Rev. I. Murray having called attention to the state of matters at Stanley Bridge, the Presbytery agreed to record its satisfaction with the efforts put forth by the members and adherents of the church for the maintenance and growth of Presbyterianism in that district, and regret that any opposition should have been offered to the movement for the erection of a church in that place.