

There are six Elders, with two at New Antrim; they have a Clerk, and keep a register of Baptism, and a Communion Roll. On the Communion Roll there are 123 names. During 1869, there were twelve accessions, 4 removed by death, and 4 left the parish. Districts are assigned to the Elders. Elders visit once a year with the minister. There are three Sunday-schools—one at New Antrim, one at South School-house, and one in this Church, each superintended by an Elder. The S. Schools number as follows—Little River 102 scholars and 13 teachers; South School House, 60 scholars and 8 teachers; New Antrim, 22 scholars and 2 teachers. Elders assist at the prayer-meetings; attendance, 60 to 100. Most heads of families in this section of the charge uphold family worship. Collections are made for all the schemes of the Church.

There are five trustees, who hold the building in trust by deed of incorporation to the Church of Scotland; they meet regularly; they pay the sum of £100 towards the Minister's stipend. There are no arrears. There are a manse and glebe, on which there is a small debt. There are about 80 families, and about 25 copies of the *Monthly Record* are circulated. The Moderator concluded by impressing upon the congregation their duty in giving support to the *Monthly Record* as the organ of the Church, and to the ordinances of the gospel. Closed with prayer and the benediction.

JOHN CAMPBELL, Clerk *pro tem*.

MINUTES OF MIRAMICHI PRESBYTERY.

MANSE, CHATHAM, DEC. 15, 1869.

WHICH time and place the Presbytery of Miramichi met according to adjournment. Sedesunt:—Revds. Messrs. Wilson, McDonald, Robertson, and Mr. Henderson, elder.

Being constituted with prayer by the Moderator, Rev. Mr. Robertson, the Minutes of last meeting were read and sustained.

The Clerk read a letter from the Convener of the Home Mission Board, stating that the deficiency of £20 stg., in the supplement to Mr. Robertson, ordained Missionary to Tabusintac, would not be made up by the Board, that is to say: The Home Mission Board would not ask the Colonial Committee for a larger supplement than £50 stg. annually, which amount is £20 stg. less than the amount guaranteed Mr. Robertson by the Colonial Committee in his commission. Whereupon it was moved by Mr. Wilson, and agreed to, that in the meantime the Presbytery appropriate £10 stg. of the Admiralty Benefaction Reserve Fund to meet part of the deficiency, and to apply to the Home Mission Board for the other £10 stg.; failing which, to lay the whole case before the Colonial Committee in Scotland.

A letter was read from Mr. Roe, Secretary to Vice Admiral Wellesly, enquiring how much would be required by the Committee of Management of Grant of Rents of Portage Island to meet the claim of engagements entered into by them with the Minister and Teachers of Burnt Church District; for the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty had resolved that in future no more grants of Admiralty money were to be applied for Colonial Education.

The following was the reply sent to the Admiralty, through A. K. McDougal, Esq., Oak Point: "That two years salary were required for the Minister, and one year for each of the teachers. The Presbytery further would remind their Lordships that the grant of rents of Portage Island for the purposes of education and religion in Burnt Church, was not, fairly speaking, giving Admiralty money for these purposes, but rather the carrying out of an agreement entered into between the Admiralty and the Fishermen at the time of transfer of the Islands from the Provincial Government to the Lords Com-