

PRESBYTERY MEETINGS.

PRESBYTERY OF LUNENBURG AND
SHELBURNE.

Met at Bridgewater, Tuesday, July 14th. A. Brown was chosen Moderator for the current year, and D. S. Fraser, clerk.

It was agreed to recommend the congregation of Lockport to the Committee on the Hunter Fund for a grant of \$500 in two annual payments of \$250 each, to aid them in building a church.

Circular from Augmentation Committee was read, when Presbytery proceeded to consider applications for grants to congregations. New Dublin, LaHave, Shelburne, Mahone Bay, Clyde and Barrington, and Lockport and East Jordan were recommended for same grants as asked for last year. All these congregations have been visited since previous applications were made.

On the assumption that not more than \$10,500 will be required this year for the Augmentation Fund, Presbytery decided to ask its congregations to raise the following amounts.

Lunenburg	\$ 120
Lockport, &c	30
Bridgewater	60
Clyde and Barrington	30
La Have	45
New Dublin	25
Mahone Bay	45
Riversdale	20
Shelburne	40
The Rocks (mis. station)	5

It is desired that sessions and congregations give this matter immediate attention, and raise a part of their amounts previous to the first of October.

On motion it was resolved that in view of the necessity of calling out the whole strength of the Church for Home and Foreign Evangelization, it is desirable that an effort be made by means of missionary societies, or otherwise, to secure systematic contributions from all the families of our congregations to the schemes of church.

It was left to sessions and congregations to adopt the methods best suited to the circumstances of each. The next meeting at Mahone Bay second Tuesday of Sept., at 2 o'clock, P. M.

D. STILES FRASER, Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF ST. JOHN.

met on Tuesday 7th inst in St John.

It was decided to arrange for a conference on the state of religion at the sep-

tember meeting.

The Presbytery was authorized to apply to the home mission board for three dollars per Sabbath for Pisarino.

Rev. Kenneth Mc Kay, of Richmond, Carleton County, sent in a communication in which he stated that Murray Watson a young student, who came from Montreal in April last, and had been sent out as a catechist under his supervision, had become mentally deranged after laboring four Sabbaths. The patient he said gradually became worse until at last he became violently insane, and had to be sent to the Provincial Lunatic Asylum, where according to the latest advices, his case is considered an exceedingly dangerous one. The presbytery passed a resolution in which were conveyed thanks to Rev. Mr Mc Kay for the kindness shown to the unfortunate young man, and also regrets to the family of the afflicted one. The bill for expenses for conveyance of the patient and his admission to the asylum was ordered to be paid, and Dr. Mc Rae was appointed to further inquire into the case so that Rev. Mr Mc Kay might be recouped for what he had done in the matter.

The committee on church building submitted a report recommending a standing committee for the purpose of raising funds to assist in the building of new churches within the bounds of the presbytery.

TRURO PRESBYTERY.

met at Truro on July 7th. The Rev. J. D. McGillivray of Clifton, was appointed moderator for the ensuing year. A letter from James Norris, Esq., of Onalaw, one of the executors of the will of the late Miss. Helen. Beggs of North River, was read stating that a bequest of one hundred dollars left by her for the benefit of the North River mission station, was awaiting the order of presbytery.—It was agreed to receive the money and apply it in the way indicated by the will. Mr. James K. Mc Lure, who has completed the usual course of Collegiate and Theological study, was examined for Licensure, in Hebrew, Greek Church History and Theology, and gave a sermon, a lecture and a Greek exercise upon prescribed texts. These exercises were all cordially sustained, and Mr. Mc Lure was licensed a preacher of the Gospel. The presbytery adjourned to meet again in Truro, on the last Tuesday of August.

J. H. CHASE, clerk.