

Rev. E. Grant was appointed to moderate in a call to Springside, at such time as may be most suitable to the Session.

Application was made to the Hunter church Building Fund for loan of \$250 for two years to aid in completing the new church at Harmony.

The committee appointed to examine the reports of the student catechists laboring within the bounds of the Presbytery during the past summer, reported that two of the four mission stations, have met their financial obligations in full, one, has a small balance against it, and the fourth a large one which it is hoped will yet be considerably reduced.

Rev. Mr. Logan gave in a report from Maccan. The congregation wish supply during the winter and are hopeful of securing a settled pastor ere very long. Mr. McGillivray was appointed to preach on Dec. 17; and Mr. McMillan to preach and dispense the sacrament on the second or third Sabbath of Feb.

Rev. Richmond Logan was appointed to supply Parrsboro on the second and third Sabbaths of Dec., dispensing the sacrament of the Supper on the latter day. Rev. C. McDougall, to supply Springside on the first two, and Parrsboro on the last two Sabbaths of Jan.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the congregation of Acadia Mines, giving notice that the congregation will endeavour to dispense with further assistance from the Supplementing Fund at the close of the present year, and expressing thanks for aid received in the past. Circulars on the State of Religion were distributed with the request that they be filled and returned to Messrs. Burrows or McMillan the Presbytery's Committee on the State of Religion.

Adjourned to meet in the same place on Tuesday Jan. 16.

Presbytery of Pictou.

The Presbytery of Pictou met at New Glasgow on the 2nd inst. There were present besides Mr. Goodfellow, Moderator, Messrs. Dr. B. Blair, Dr. J. Murray, Alex. McLean, R. Laird, Mr. Donald, T. Cumming, E. A. McCurdy, A. McLean Sinclair, R. Cumming, E. Scott, D. McGregor, J. S. Carruthers, A. W. McLeod, J. L. George, ministers; and Messrs. Wm. Ross, D. C. Fraser, H. Ross and Wm. McDonald, ruling elders. Dr. Patterson was also present as a corresponding member.

Reports were submitted, showing that Green Hill had contributed \$10.00, Sher-

brooke \$10.00, and Stellarton \$15.00, to wards the maintenance of the French children taken by Mr. Biol to the Pointe Aux Trembles School. Mr. Carruthers states that Knox Church Pictou would also contribute the same amount as Stellarton for that purpose.

With reference to the petition from West River the Presbytery adopted the following resolution:

Whereas, this Presbytery did recently unite the congregations of Central Church and West River on terms approved of, after careful consideration, by the congregation of which most of the petitioners were members or adherents;

Whereas, the Presbytery still earnestly desire the Maintenance of the Union;

Whereas, the United congregation have since the date of the petition agreed to occupy the new church as the place of worship;

And whereas, the petitioners can connect themselves by certificate with neighbouring congregations;

Therefore Resolved, that in the judgment of the Presbytery it is inexpedient to take any action in the premises.

Blank Schedules from the Assemblys Committees on Statistics, Sabbath Schools, and State of Religion, were distributed to sessions with instructions to have them filled up and returned to the Conveners of the respective Committees of Presbytery on these subjects by the first of February—with the view of enabling the committees to submit their report at the next regular meeting of Presbytery. The Committees appointed were as follows:—

Committee on Statistics.—Messrs. J. S. Carruthers, R. Laird, and John Ross, Mr. Carruthers Convener.

Committee on Sabbath Schools.—Messrs. Alex. McLean, T. Cumming, John Fraser & Duncan McKay, Mr. McLean, Convener.

Committee on State of Religion.—Messrs. Donald, Carruthers, and John Ross, Mr. Donald, Convener.

A Committee on Temperance was also appointed consisting of Messrs. R. Cumming, Wm. Stuart, Donald McIntosh and Daniel McDonald, Mr. Cumming, Convener.

With reference to the circular from the College Board *urging congregations which have not yet contributed to the College Fund, for the current year to do so during the month of January*, it was agreed to direct the attention of Sessions to the suggestion of the Board with the request that they should comply with the same. It ap-