

bytery adjourned to meet at West Bay, Friday, 2nd October next, closed with prayer.

K. McKENZIE, *Pres. Clerk.*

P. S.—Let us fondly hope that this settlement thus so auspiciously inaugurated may prove an unspeakable blessing to both Pastor and people and to the cause of Christ, generally in this portion of the vineyard.

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Interesting Services: Designation of Miss Johns.

The Congregation of St. Matthew's Church, Halifax, have agreed to support Miss Johns, one of their number, as a Missionary to the women of India. Miss Johns is an experienced teacher, having been for some time at the head of the Girls' department in Morris Street, in this city. On Wednesday evening the 16th Sept., a large number of the congregation and other friends met in St. Matthew's to bid Miss Johns farewell and commend her to the Head of the Church. Rev. Mr. Woodside, a venerated Missionary of the Presbyterian Church of the United States, was present and delivered an impressive address. Mr. Woodside had been for twenty-six years connected with the Lodiana Mission. His sketch of the work was both instructive and encouraging. A Colony for converts is to be established at Derra Doon, and for this object Mr. W. was receiving collections. He stated that the congregation of Rev. W. S. Darragh (who was present) had given £30 stg. for the object. Mr. Woodside kindly consented to remain in the city over Sunday and officiated in several of the Churches. But to return to Miss Johns: On the Wednesday evening mentioned, Rev. G. M. Grant led the service. Prayers were offered by Revds. W. S. Darragh, P. G. M'Gregor, C. B. Pitblado and Mr. Woodside. Another service was held Monday evening; and on Tuesday at noon Miss Johns embarked in the steamer for Liverpool, whence she will proceed to Madras. We join our prayers with those immediately concerned in sending her forth, that God would give her safe passage over the sea and lands to her destined post, and spare her for a life of usefulness in the sphere to which she is called. We congratulate St. Matthew's Church upon their liberality in supporting the Lord's work at home and abroad. May they abound more and more in all the graces!

Sabbath School Convention.

A very delightful and useful Convention of Sabbath School workers was lately held at Yarmouth, N. S. The attendance of

delegates from all parts of the Maritime Provinces was satisfactorily large. The people of Yarmouth received their visitors with the most abounding hospitality. The result of the Convention will be a deeper sense in many hearts of the importance of Sabbath School work.

Young Men's Christian Associations.

The Conventions of the Young Men's Christian Associations was held this year at Fredericton. The attendance of delegates, the interest manifested by the public, and the work accomplished, are all favourably reported of. The delegates on their return have held meetings in Halifax, Truro, Pictou, Charlottetown, &c., and have pled warmly and effectively for earnest Christian work. Mr. Thane Miller's visit to Halifax and other places has been a means of much good. A "Praise Meeting" is now held regularly in the Y. M. C. A. Rooms, Halifax, on the afternoon of every Lord's Day. Steps are being taken to establish Association for the benefit of Young Women in this city.

Death of Rev. C. C. Stewart.

We regret exceedingly to record the death of Rev. C. C. Stewart, of Owen Sound, Ontario, one of the most promising of the rising ministry of the Presbyterian Church. Mr. S. was a native of Musquodoboit, Nova Scotia. By indefatigable industry and devotedness he secured a superior education, literary and theological. He was indeed too studious for one with a comparatively delicate frame. He was settled at Owen Sound four years ago and laboured with much acceptance and success in the work of the ministry. He published a very valuable work on Church Government, which has won the commendation of the best authorities. He also wrote valuable articles for Magazines and newspapers. Since last fall his health was very precarious. He bore the burden of suffering with patient resignation to the will of God.

ACADIA.—This congregation comprises 3 or 4 preaching stations, and has long been vacant. The Mines section is now taking steps toward the erection of a Union Church. Folly Mountain has enjoyed the services of a Kirk Catechist during summer, besides supply from Truro Presbytery. A settled pastor to cultivate the whole field is much needed.

OUR vacancies in New Brunswick are numerous. A good band of Catechists have been cultivating the field this season, and some of them were paid in full when leaving their stations.