

would be put to death or pay a fine of ten pigs.

There is some etiquette observed here among the chiefs. A week or two ago two chiefs of importance came to see us and our house, &c. They came from inland villages, and were brought here by Molinatur, one of our high chiefs at this village, and some of his people. The Tangoans are quite proud of showing us and our house to their neighbors. On leaving the chief ordered one of his elderly men to precede the inland chiefs and clear the way, whilst he followed. We like the people. So far they have been very friendly. There are always some of them about our premises.

The language, of which we have not got very much yet, is quite is quite different to the one we acquired on Aneityum. It even differs in construction. We have a fine lot of bright boys here and hope to start a school for them this summer. The men and boys often come asking for a day's work. We have frequently employed as many as 30 at one time, as we do not care to refuse them work when they are anxious for it.

I must now close, asking you to remember us in your prayers and wishing you all every blessing, in which Mr. Annand unites.

I remain yours truly,  
A. M. ANNAND.

#### MARITIME ITEMS.

Rev. J. F. Blair has accepted a call to Greenfield, N. B.

Rev. W. C. Calder has resigned the congregation of Woodstock, N. B.

A wonderful work of grace has been and is still going on in the Scotsburn congregation.

Mr. Gerrior has resigned the pastoral charge of Summerside congregation. Mr. McMillan is *interim* Moderator.

The congregation of Houlton, Maine, which has hitherto been a section of the congregation of Richmond, N. B., is going to join the Presbytery of Boston.

The gold diggings district at Fifteen Mile Stream which, owing to its distance from other settlements and difficulty of access has had little preaching, is now being supplied by Mr. John A. McDonald of Hopewell.

Mr. Vans has been holding union meetings for the past few weeks in Lunenburg, with excellent results. He is to labor next in Shubenacadie congregation.

The Foreign Mission Committee, Eastern Division, wish a missionary and a lady teacher for Couva, Trinidad, and invite correspondence with a view to obtaining such.

There are six vacant congregations in the Presbytery of P. E. Island, viz:—West Cape, Richmond Bay West, Summerside, Bedeque, New London North, Kensington, and Belfast.

The congregation of Georgetown and Montague, P. E. I., has been divided into two pastoral charges. Mr. Spencer, hitherto minister of the whole congregation to be pastor of Montague.

A mass meeting held in Truro has adopted and forwarded to Ottawa a strong resolution on the subject of Sabbath observance, protesting against the desecration of the Sabbath by railway traffic.

A very hearty, unanimous, and enthusiastic call has been presented to Rev. A. McLean Sinclair from the congregation of Belfast, P. E. I. It is signed by 192 communicants and 262 adherents.

The Presbytery of Truro held an interesting conference on Sabbath Schools, on March 21st, at Onslow. Addresses were given by Rev. Messrs. Chase, Sinclair, and Cabill, and Mr. Creelman.

On the first Sabbath of March *thirty-one* persons were added to the membership of Mahone Bay congregation, on profession of their faith. Special services have been held with very satisfactory results.

The Presbytery of Pictou has appointed Mr. A. W. Thompson, son of Rev. J. Thompson of West River, and now studying at Princeton, to supply Little Harbor and Fisher's Grant for the ensuing summer.

The Presbytery of Pictou will hold its next meeting, May 1st, at Westville, and will hold in connection with it a public conference on matters pertaining to the state of religion and the welfare of the Church.

We record with deep regret that Rev. Alexander Cameron has resigned the charge of the congregation of Portapiquie and Pass River on account of failing health. Mr. Cameron has been fifteen years in his present charge.