

and Brackley Point, and the Rev. Mr. Melville moderator of the Kirk Session of Orwell.

Rev. Mr. Goodwill was appointed to supply Orwell till the next meeting of Presbytery, and Rev. Mr. Nelson to supply St. Peters for the same time. Rev. Mr. McCullagh to preach at Tryon and Bonshaw on the 1st and 3d Sabbaths of August.

The next regular meeting of Presbytery was appointed to be held at St. Peter's, on 18th August, on the South side at 11 o'clock, Rev. Alexander McLean, of Belfast, to preach; and on the North side at 6½ o'clock, Rev. Thomas Duncan, of Charlottetown, to preach.

Presbytery of Wallace.

This Presbytery held its first meeting in Stanley Street Church, Montreal, on June 16th. The Rev. James Murray was appointed Moderator, and the Rev. Thos. Sedgwick, Clerk for the current year. The Roll was made up and arrangements were made to supply Amherst.

The Presbytery meet again at Wallace on August 10th. There were present Rev. Jas. Watson, J. Munro, Jas. Murray, W. S. Darragh, H. B. Mackay, Thos. Sedgwick, Chas. Naismith, W. Grant and J. M. Sutherland, ministers; and Messrs. W. Macdonald, W. Mitchell, Alex. Ross, J. McLean, and J. Langille, ruling elders. Devotional exercises, consisting of prayer and praise were conducted by the Moderator, and the Revds. Chas. Naismith and James Watson.

A petition from the inhabitants of Amherst and its vicinity was read, praying to be organized into a congregation in connection with the Presbyterian Church in Canada. It was unanimously agreed to grant the same, and the Moderator, the Clerk, and the Rev. H. B. Mackay were appointed to organize the congregation at an early day.

A petition was read from Wentworth, stating that Mr. Watson had intimated his intention of discontinuing his services there, and asking the Presbytery to take their case into consideration. It was agreed that Mr. Watson be asked to continue his services for this summer, that meanwhile, and during the winter, the Presbytery give such additional supply as may be in their power, and that next Spring application be made to the Home Mission Board for a Catechist to labor among them.

Mr. James McKeen, graduate at Dalhousie College, was examined for admission to the Hall. The Presbytery accepted his diploma as evidence of his literary qualifications, and, after examination, being satisfied as to his piety and motives for

seeking to enter the ministry, it was agreed to grant him the usual certificate.

Arrangements were made for the supply of Amherst and Wentworth, and after the transaction of other business, the Presbytery adjourned to meet again in St. John, during the meeting of Synod.

The Theological Session.

The Divinity Hall will open (D. V.) on the first Wednesday of November. The opening Lecture will be delivered by Rev. Professor Pollok in St. Matthew's Church on the evening named at ½ past 7 o'clock.

It is desirable that all students should be forward in time that the work of the Session may commence at once. Students coming late suffer loss themselves and hinder the progress of their classmates.

We hope for a full and a punctual attendance, and trust that the union will, by increase of Professors, of students, and of general interest, give a valuable impulse and new life to our Theological school.

The time has come when the Synod and people must by providing much better accommodation, shew their determination to have an institution worthy of the Body. Unless our Hall will bear comparison in utility and attractiveness to older and better equipped institutions within reach of our young men, the more aspiring among them will withdraw. If the convictions of the United Synod are decided to maintain and build up an institution for the Maritime Provinces, then the work of edification, must begin forthwith. It cannot be delayed even to wait for good times, but must be attempted at once. This might be made "our Union memorial."

St. Matthew's Church, Halifax.

The following abstract of report for the year ending 30th June, will show how energetic this Church is in its work:— Fifty-six were added to the Communion Roll; while the average of the four preceding years was 55.

In the Session's last Annual Report attention was drawn to the fact that one of our number, Miss Johns, was about to go to India to labour in connection with the Church of Scotland Female Society for the evangelization of India, and the hope was expressed that our congregation would undertake her support as a special mission. This has been done, and done well. The Ladies G. P. C. Society supplied the funds (about \$500) for sending Miss Johns first to Scotland and then to Madras, and an appeal from the pulpit was promptly answered by more than enough being at once subscribed for the first year's salary. The Sunday School voted \$200, and \$637