

Appointments were made for Mr. Wm. Herdman as follows :

Saltsprings	Sab. 6th May.
Stellarton	" 13th "
Herron	" 20th "
W. B. R. John	" 27th "

A committee was appointed to arrange rules for the Sustentation Scheme, and committee to consist of Rev. Mr. Dunn, Convener; Rev. Messrs. McMillan, Coull, MacKichan and Galbraith.

The annual collection for Foreign Missions was appointed to be taken in all the churches within the bounds on Sabbath 20th May.

Closed with the benediction.

ROBT. MCCUNN, Pres. Clerk.

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It is now time for our Sabbath Schools to be stirring. The summer work has fairly begun. Would that our Elders and wise laymen would exert themselves in this matter. Our people look too much to the minister to do everything, and especially in Sabbath Schools. What is the reason that we have so few good Sabbath School teachers? We have plenty laymen who can correct a sermon and nowadays a rising race who can even on occasion preach one, and relate a marvellous Christian experience, but few who will teach a class. Is it because it is easy to talk; and difficult to go through the labor of preparing the Sabbath School lesson. Children will not listen long to mere nonsense, therefore the teacher must know all about the lesson, he must study it. We see many people anxious about the day school—would that we were equally anxious about the souls of our children. There is much strength lying unused in our congregations. Let us arise then and put on our strength.

A great deal of sickness has prevailed in the country for the past month or two, and our ministers have been kept very busy visiting the sick. It is sometimes said that there is no more respect shown to ministers here than to schoolmasters in Scotland; but however this may be, the pleasure a thoughtful man has in helping to relieve human distress and sorrow, makes up for the ease and dignity with which many a well endowed man goes through the world.

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Mr. D. McKenzie, Divinity Student, is to labor in Pictou Island, in the Summer, as Teacher and Catechist. The people of the Island, in number some twenty-three families, are worthy of praise for their zeal in securing the preaching of the word among them. They undertake the full burden of Mr. McK's expenses, but it is understood that the Session of St. Andrew's Church, Pictou, assists with a liberal grant, as the island is ecclesiastically a part of Pictou congregation.

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PARADISE FOR ELDERS.—Intending Elders whose digestion is so weak that they cannot swallow the confession of faith without danger of dyspepsia, are admitted to office in the P. C. in Canada, on taking down the Shorter Catechism! What next? The mother's catechism?

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THE GROUND BROKEN IN C. B.—The first contribution towards Mr. Dunn's supplementary fund has been received from a loyal and liberal son of the Church in C. B. As may be supposed the contributor is a Pictonian. God bless him, and send us many like him.