

to perform all the labours devolving on him, yet the congregation paid him in full before leaving, with some additional substantial tokens of respect. They had not been long vacant when they were visited by the agents of such as everywhere display a greater desire to steal out of the folds of others, than to go out into the wilderness after the lost sheep and reclaim such as are in their wild condition. These, not satisfied with labouring publicly in the place, went from house to house among the people, who had been deprived of their pastor, striving to lead them away from the simplicity of faith, but were in all cases received kindly, heard patiently, and allowed to depart in peace. In course of time, applying for a moderation, they intimated that, although they had formerly paid only £100 salary, that had now arranged to pay £150. We were not a little surprised at this, having heard congregations twice as large complain of not being able to raise that amount; but on seeing their subscription paper we found on it sums from £3 to £5, when persons in like circumstances in these other congregations reckoned they were doing well when paying as many dollars. They have nevertheless been twice disappointed. May the Head of the Church keep them from despairing and in his own good time give a pastor according to his own heart to this congregation, which has thus in various ways shown an amount of christain principle surpassing that of many that are less tried and more favoured. Next meeting of Presbytery is appointed to be held at Masstown on Tuesday, June 2nd, at 11 o'clock, forenoon.—*Com.*

**PRESBYTERY OF HALIFAX.**—The Presbytery of Halifax met at Newport on Tuesday the 16th ult., to consider and decide on an application from the congregation of that place for a disjunction from the congregation of Windsor, with the intention of calling and supporting a Pastor for themselves. The Rev J. McLean preached a suitable discourse to the large audience which was in attendance. On inquiry it was found that nearly all the preliminary arrangements has been attended to. The congregation of Windsor, including St Croix were of opinion that they could support a Minister, and expressed their desire to retain the services of their present Pastor. The Newport

congregation had also made similar arrangements. No objection was offered by Pastor or Session, provided the separation was regularly and harmoniously effected, and proper regard shown to existing financial arrangements with the Pastor. The separation was then granted, to take effect at the close of the congregational year, which will be the month of October, by which time it is expected that pecuniary matters will be satisfactorily arranged.

An interesting report of missionary services by Mr A. Cameron, Preacher, in Annapolis, Bridgetown, and Cape Sable Island, was read and approved.

Mr R. Grant was appointed for one Sabbath to Rawdon, and for six Sabbaths to Cape Sable Island.

Rev. P. G. McGregor was appointed to supply the Annapolis congregation, and to preach at Bridgetown, in answer to an application, which was laid before the Presbytery, respectfully signed, to be absent three Sabbaths, and his pulpit to be supplied for two Sabbaths, by Rev J. McLean and Rev. J. Cameron.

The Presbytery adjourned to meet in Truro on the Fourth Tuesday of June.

#### **Notices, Acknowledgments, &c**

**TO AGENTS AND SUBSCRIBERS.**—We would earnestly request that our Agents and Subscribers would be prepared at the meeting of Synod to pay into the hand of the Agent or to the Synod's Treasurer the amount of subscriptions due for the *Instructor* and *Register*. They will have a favorable opportunity of forwarding the amount by their ministers or elders coming to Synod. Ministers are requested to use their exertions that the amount due in their respective congregations be forthcoming. By the account published last month, it will be seen that there is a considerable amount due for last year. It is to the discredit of the parties that this should be so. We hope therefore that they will not allow it to continue.

The Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia will meet (D.V.) in Truro on Tuesday, 23rd June, at 11 o'clock, A. M. Sermon by Rev George Walker, retiring Moderator.

The Treasurer of the Mission Education Fund acknowledges the receipt of the following sums:—

Alex Frazer, Esq. N Glasgow	£0	10	5
Mrs James Redpath, Carriboo		3	1½
Prince-st Sabbath School, Pictou	2	10	0

The Committee of Bills and Overtures