

heartily welcome from the members of his congregation. There was a very good attendance of the congregation, and a deep interest manifest during the entire service.

Presbytery of Wallace.

This presbytery met at Amherst on March 29th. The special business was the induction of Mr. MacGregor to the pastoral charge of St. Stephen's Church, Amherst. Mr. Boyd preached from Acts 4:12. Mr. Darragh presided and addressed the minister, and Mr. Sedgwick the people. The congregation was large and deeply interested in the proceedings.

Intimation was received from the presbytery of Sydney that Mr. Murray had declined the call to Spring Hill.

A petition was read from the congregation of Shemogue and Port Elgin praying to be transferred to the Presbytery of St. John with the view of being united to the congregation of Shediac and thus obtaining the services of a settled minister. It was agreed to sanction the transference, to unite with the Presbytery of St. John in applying to the Synod of the Maritime Provinces to authorize the same, and to grant the request of that Presbytery that meanwhile they should supply the congregation.

It was also agreed to put on record the Presbytery's regret at being obliged in the circumstances to take this course. The congregation of Shemogue is one which they have regarded with great interest, all the more as it was through their instrumentality that it was called into existence as a congregation of the Church. They part from them with regret, and their prayer is, that in their new relation the blessing of the Church's King and Head may rest even more abundantly on them than in the past.

Mr. W. Creighton having resigned his appointment as Commissioner to the Assembly, Mr. D. Corbett was appointed in his stead.

Other business was transacted when the Presbytery adjourned to meet again at Wallace on the first Tuesday of Aug.

Presbytery of Lunenburg and Shelburne.

This Presbytery met at La Have on Tuesday, 27th March, for visitation of the congregation.

Mr. Miller preached, after which the usual questions were addressed to minis-

ter, elders, and managers.

The congregation was found to be in a healthy and prosperous condition, fulfilling with a fair measure of punctuality its obligations to the pastor, nearly free of debt, and contributing with increasing liberality to the Schemes of the Church.

The minister is aided and encouraged to his work by the faithful efforts of the elders and others, in prayer meeting and Sabbath School work.

After suitable words of counsel and encouragement, the Presbytery adjourned to meet on the afternoon at New Dublin for the same purpose.

After sermon by Mr. Miller, Presbytery proceeded with the visitation. This weak charge has been making praiseworthy efforts. During the last year they paid \$240 on the manse, leaving but \$100 of debt remaining.

A memorial was presented to Presbytery, asking that the Conqueral Station, now in connection with Bridgewater, be joined to the New Dublin congregation.

The memorial was laid on the table and after suitable words of counsel the Presbytery adjourned. On the day following the Presbytery met at the manse New Dublin. Agreed to apply to H. M. Board for a student to labor in Lockport, etc., during the summer. Agreed to apply for continuance of Supplement to New Dublin for the coming year.

Rev. Messrs. Fraser and Simpson, and Mr. James Eisenhaur, were appointed commissioners to Assembly.

Dr. McKnight was nominated as moderator of Assembly.

The report on the State of Religion, submitted by the Moderator was received and approved.

The following are the recommendations appended to it.

1. As many of our pastors are so situated that they cannot often visit the Sabbath Schools, would it not be well to devote one regular diet of worship each month to the young; either for reviewing the S. S. Lessons, or for such other exercises as may be expedient for enforcing the cardinal truths of the Gospel upon their attention.

2. As our congregations are so scattered that a part of the young people cannot attend the S. S. regularly, would it not be well for pastors to place a copy of the Westminster Question Book, or other suitable help in every family and urge the parents to teach the regular lesson every Sabbath, and bring their children to the monthly S. S. service.

3. It is suggested that the office of the