

The Society from its experience during the past year, is of opinion, that the Missionary Spirit is on the increase in our Church, and would take this opportunity of expressing their thankfulness for the interest invariably manifested in the several meetings held by its members, and for the liberality of the collections. Owing to the smallness of our number, no definite arrangements have been made for the ensuing year, but encouraged by that measure of success which has so far attended our labours, we consider it to be our duty to maintain the society as heretofore, and accordingly it has been agreed, that *each* member shall do his utmost to hold meetings in and around the locality in which he may be situated.

THOS. SEDGEWICK, Sec'y.

PRESBYTERY OF PICTOU.—The

Presbytery of Pictou met at New Glasgow on the 20th ult. The Rev. George Patterson reported that according to appointment of Presbytery he had moderated in a call from the congregation of West River which had come out unanimously in favor of Mr George Roddick, preacher of the gospel. The said call signed by 148 church members, and a paper of adherence signed by 63 ordinary hearers was laid upon the table of Presbytery, and was unanimously sustained. Intimation was appointed to be given to Mr Roddick in the usual form.

The Rev Hugh Ross read a report of his labors in the Presbytery which was highly approved.

The Rev. Robert Blackwood being still unable to preach, supply was appointed for his pulpit till the next meeting of Presbytery.

FINANCE.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS FOR 1856-7.

The Board of Home Missions P.C. of N.S. in Acc. with ABR. PATTERSON, *Treasurer* 1856.

RECEIPTS.

July 2.	By balance of accounts at date	£27	8	10½
	" S. W. McKean, Baddeck, 12s. 6d. ; 19th, A Friend, 5s.	17	6	
19.	" Ladies' Penny-a-week Society, Lower End M. River	1	9	10½
	" Congregation River John	3	3	5½
	" Green Hill Ladies' Penny-a-week Society	2	8	0
	" Ladies' Penny-a-week Society, Primitive Church, N. G.	4	0	0
	" Ladies' Rel. and Benevolent Society, James Church, N. G.	3	0	0
	" Evangelical Society, do	6	0	0
Aug. 28.	" A Friend at Cape George	10	0	
Sep. 10.	" John Annand, Esq., Gay's River	10	0	
Oct. 6.	" Collection Prince Street Church, Pictou	7	8	6½
Nov. 13.	" Merigomish cong'n., £1 13s. 7½. ; Collection Digby, 10s. 6d.	2	4	1½
	" Mr Thomas McCulloch	10	0	
15.	" Evangelical Society, Fish Pools, E. R.	2	0	0
	" A Friend to Missions, Forks, Middle River	10	0	
28.	" St Peter's and Bay Fortune	16	12	1
1857.				
Jan. 18.	" A Friend to Missions, per Rev George Walker	1	0	0
Feb. 7.	" Congregation Salem Church, Green Hill	7	6	10
8.	" Mr James McDonald, Barney's River	5	0	
14.	" Mr Robert Smith, Truro, half year ending 31st December	5	0	0
Mar. 9.	" Annapolis, per Rev J. L. Murdoch	5	7	6
24.	" Mr Edward Logan, Stewiacke	6	8	
27.	" Salem Church Society, additional	13	6	
	" Contribution from Poplar Grove Church, Halifax	20	0	0
May 18.	" Primitive Church, N.G., £18 2s. 9d. ; Baddeck, C.B., £5	23	2	0
June 18.	" W. F. by Rev George Walker	1	0	0
	" A Friend of Home Missions and Member of the Church	5	9	9
	" Roger's Hill Young People's Religious and Benev. Society	1	3	6
20.	" Mr Robert Smith, Truro, half year return	23	11	5½
30.	" Cong'n. River John, £3 ; do Parrsboro' & Maccan, £1 6s. 8d.	4	6	8
	" do Nine Mile River, £10 ; Annapolis, £5	15	0	0
	" Shelburne Town, 13s. 1½d. ; Jordon, 6s. 3d. ; Ohio, 4s. 9d.	1	4	1½