

DEATH OF REV. D. F. CREELMAN.

Another of our ministers has finished his work and gone to rest.

David Fulton Creelman was born at Eastville, Upper Stewiacke, Feb. 7, 1845. His parents were the late James F. and Alice Creelman, the latter, now Mrs. B. Hamilton.

Early in life he consecrated himself to the service of Christ and to the work of the ministry with a view to laboring in the Foreign Field.

He entered Dalhousie College in the Autumn of 1869, and though but in his twenty fourth year the students of that day well remember the tall form, the calm, sedate manner, and the long patriarchal beard, all which contrasted strangely with the smooth faces and boisterous, boyish, fun loving, characteristics of most of his fellow students, although several of them were older than he. He had a good mind, was a hard worker and at once took a high place in his classes, which he retained all the way through.

He graduated in the spring of 1873, and in the autumn of the same year entered the Presbyterian College, Halifax. During the three years of his theological course, in this institution he wrought hard and successfully, and completing his preparatory studies in May 1876, he was licensed to preach the gospel. He then offered his services to the Foreign Mission Board, expressing a desire to be sent to Trinidad. The Board was not then in a position to send additional laborers to that portion of the Foreign Field and the Board of Home Missions being in need of a missionary for Bay of Islands, Newfoundland, applied to the F. M. Board to have him released from Foreign service and sent to Bay of Islands. This was done and in the following month, June 1876, he went to his field of labor in Newfoundland.

For four years he labored in Bay of Islands, during which time a comfortable church and manse were built, congregations and individuals in Nova Scotia assisting to some extent, while the Presbyterians of Newfoundland especially those of St. Andrew's congregation, in St. John's, contributed very largely toward the building funds. At the end of four years the lumber business, in which the settlement almost wholly depended, failed, nearly all the Presbyterians had to leave and seek employment elsewhere, and in the summer of 1880 he resigned his charge of the Bay of Islands and returned to Nova Scotia.

The congregation of Shelburne and Lockeport being now vacant and hearing that he was about to leave Bay of Islands, presented him immediately on his return with a call which he accepted. On the 26th Oct. 1880 he was inducted into the pastoral charge of that congregation, and labored there with acceptance and success for the last two years.

Never very robust, during the past summer his work told more heavily on his strength and he was obliged to give it up, and leaving Shelburne early in Oct. returned to his native place, reaching his brother's residence at Springside, Oct. 16th.

He never rallied, and four weeks afterwards he rested from his labors. He fell asleep on Saturday Nov. 11th in the 36th year of his age, leaving a young widow and one child to mourn their loss.

MEETING OF FOREIGN MISSION BOARD.

The Board of Foreign Missions, Maritime Provinces, met at New Glasgow on the 14th ult., the chief object of the meeting being the choice of a teacher for the mission school at Tunapuna.

Letters with testimonials were submitted from eight young women, six of whom were licensed teachers, and all affording evidence of interest in mission work, and capacity for teaching and interesting children.

Miss Agnes Semple was chosen, after which it was agreed to instruct the Secretary in informing the various applicants of Miss Semple's appointment, to express the satisfaction with which the Board has received applications, and noticed their readiness to be employed in advancing the Lord's work in the mission field; and to express the Board's earnest desire that the divine blessing may render successful their work in educating and training the young in these Provinces where they dwell.

It was decided that Miss Semple's salary shall commence Dec. 1st, by which time, it is expected, that she will be en route for Trinidad with Miss Blackadder, who has delayed for a few weeks her departure, so that they may go together. Miss Semple's passage to be paid, with fifty dollars for outfit.

A communication was read from the Mission Council, announcing the ordination of Baboolal Bahari, with notice of increase of salary from Oct. 1st, to £100 stg. per annum.

The fidelity and zeal of Joseph Annageo