

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH,

PICTOU, 26th Feby. 1879.

The Quarterly meeting of the Presbytery of Pictou was held here this day and was constituted with prayer, Rev. A. J. MacKichan, Moderator *pro tem*. Sederunt Rev. Messrs. Herdman, Stewart, Fraser, Dunn, McMillan, McKay, Fitzpatrick and McCunn, Ministers, and Messrs. D. A. Fraser, Don. Ross and Norman Gunn, Elders.

The minutes of last quarterly meeting, as also of meetings of 21st Jan. and 4th Feb. were read and sustained.

The Clerk read the letter from the Colonial Committee to the effect that their grants must be strictly in accordance with the Dollar for Dollar Scheme, and requesting the Presbytery to so frame its application for grants in aid of stipends.

The Clerk was instructed to frame application in strict accordance with the scheme and forward to the committee.

A letter was read from Rev. P. Galbraith, intimating that he had given notice to his congregation of his intention, on certain specified conditions, to resign on 30th August, ensuing, his charge of W. B. E. River.

Rev. Mr. Fraser, Convener of the Committee for examination of Students, having reported regarding the students who had presented themselves for examination, it was unanimously agreed to certify that Mr. Jas. A. Forbes had passed a satisfactory examination before the Presbytery Committee on subjects qualifying him for the first year's attendance at the Theological Hall; the Clerk to grant him such certificate when he shall have forwarded certificates of attendance for four years in arts.

It was further unanimously agreed that Mr. John R. Fitzpatrick be required to attend the full term of four years in Arts before the Presbytery can certify him to the Theological Hall.

The following appointments were

made for the current quarter :

NEW GLASGOW

Sab. 9th March,	Mr. Herdman
" 23rd "	" Fitzpatrick
" 6th April,	" McMillan
" 20th "	" Stewart
" 4th May	" Dunn
" 18th "	" McMillan

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Sab. 23rd March,	Mr. Fitzpatrick
" 20th April	" Stewart
" 18th May	" McMillan

FALLS

" 16th March " Fraser.
(Mr. McKay to preach on that date at Cape John.)

The collection for Foreign Missions was appointed to be made on Sabbath 4th May.

Mr. McCunn to preach monthly at W. B. R. John as before.

Mr. McKichan gave notice that at next quarterly meeting he would move a resolution anent a proposed division of this Presbytery so as to form two Presbyteries.

After some routine business, the Presbytery appointed the next quarterly meeting to be held in this place on the last Wed. of May next, and this Sederunt was closed with the benediction.

ROBT. MCCUNN,
Pres. Clerk.

THERE are two students from the bounds of this Presbytery, Messrs. Fitzpatrick and Forbes, studying Theology at the Theological Hall, Halifax. Mr. Forbes speaks Gaelic, and we have some hope that he may spend the summer in Cape Breton as Catechist.

Mr. Duncan McKenzie is attending that famous school of Theology, Princeton Seminary. He is expected back here after being licensed by the American Presbyterian Church in the month of April, when he will labour within the bounds of this Presbytery.