

to the members all rights at common law. The Synod rejected both in favor of a third, by Mr. Macewan, of Claremont Street, Glasgow, which simply referred the matter to the standards already in existence, without attempting to define minutely their bearings on the subject. In other words, it sought to leave the point, as far as possible, an open question, to be resolved according to the circumstances of each particular case. The general reports on churches, schools, and financial matters bore that the Synod was in a healthy and prosperous condition.

THE CHURCH IN NOVA SCOTIA.

NOVA SCOTIAN STUDENTS.

We have more than once had the pleasing duty of bringing under the notice of our readers the marked distinctions won at the Scotch Universities by those gentlemen who are now laboring with so much zeal and acceptance among us as ministers or missionaries. Every member of the Church was proud of their success, as not only reflecting honor upon it, but upon their native province. It was no insignificant matter to hear so often on the 1st of May in one of the most august and learned assemblies in the world, year by year, the name of Nova Scotia called out, coupled with the highest honors the Assembly had to bestow. It was, indeed a proud distinction, that in an eager but generous contest with a thousand competitors from every country on the globe, a first, and more than once the very foremost place should be held by young Nova-Scotians. We are sure it must afford no small satisfaction to every true lover of his country that though these young men have left the field to younger aspirants, the name of Nova Scotia promises to keep its place in the lists. From the letter of a correspondent in another part of the present number it will be observed that at the University of Glasgow the following prizes have been carried by Nova Scotians:

Charles Grant, Pictou, prize in Senior Latin.
Daniel M. Gordon, Pictou, 3rd prize in Logic.
William Fraser, New Glasgow, 1st prize
Senior Anatomy.

William Fraser, do. 2nd do.
Surgery.

William Fraser, do. 2nd do.
Physiology.

R. Gross, N. B., 1st Honorary Certificate in
Anatomy, 2nd in Surgery, and 4th in
Midwifery.

G. V. Calhoun, N. B., honors in Medicine.

Alexander Cameron, Pictou, do.

J. Macalmon, N. Brunswick, 1st prize Junior
Anatomy.

J. Macalmon, do. 2nd do. Surgery.

John B. Fraser, New Glasgow, degree of M.
D., with honors.

H. Read, Cumberland, N. S., elected F. R.
C. S. of Edinburgh.

We have heard also that Mr. Porteous from New Brunswick has distinguished himself highly in the Theological classes in the University of Edinburgh.

Is not the above list an honor to Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and especially so when we keep in mind, that unlike many of the provincial Colleges, the various classes instead of consisting, it may be, of a dozen students average from 150 to 200 in each class, from England, Scotland, and Ireland, educated in the best seminaries and by the most distinguished masters.

Surely such a result as the above ought to encourage us in prosecuting the Young Men's Scheme with all possible vigor, and to open every heart that is not absolutely made of stone.

MEETING OF ST. ANDREW'S CONGREGATION, PICTOU, IN BEHALF OF THE YOUNG MEN'S SCHEME.

Immediately after the conclusion of divine service in this church on Monday 24th ult., a meeting of the congregation was held to adopt means for strengthening this important Scheme. It was not a very large one, the greater portion of the country part of the congregation having left before business commenced. William Gordon, Esq., was called to the chair, and having explained briefly the object of the meeting, called upon the Rev. Mr. Grant, missionary, to advocate the claims which the Scheme had upon the Church. Mr. Grant addressed the meeting at some length with great vigor and earnestness. He showed that if our Church was to continue to exist in this province this Scheme must be made her sheet anchor; that since 1843 only one Gaelic speaking missionary had been sent out by the Parent Church, and that the only possible hope for us was that of educating natives of this province for the ministry. It was not a matter of choice but of necessity, and those who turned their backs now upon this Scheme were in reality turning their backs upon their Church, and lending a hand to her destruction. He pointed out what had been done and was doing by other Christian bodies, and concluded with an eloquent and impressive appeal in behalf of the best interests of our beloved Zion. The Rev. Mr. Macmillan in a few practical remarks stated with equal force and point that if the County of Pictou refused to support this Scheme the missionaries who were its first fruits must come to the painful conclusion that that they have not come up to the expectations of the people. The Rev. Mr. Herdman recommended the Scheme earnestly to his people, setting forth its immense importance to the Gaelic speaking portion of the Church, and the corres-