

porting the ordinances of the Gospel and liberal in contributions to most of the schemes of the Church. The Presbytery would, however, again urge the congregation to make an annual collection for the College. They would also pray that pastor and people may long continue to labour together, and that the blessing of the Head of the Church may rest on their efforts to advance His cause."

The Presbytery spent some time in the consideration of a reference for judgment from the Session with respect to a recent decision of their own in a case of discipline. After the hearing of parties, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"The Presbytery find that the Session erred in removing the suspension from Mr. Angus Cumming on the grounds given in their minutes, and accordingly they agree to reverse said decision."

E. A. McCURDY, Clerk.

Presbytery of Halifax.

The Presbytery met at Wolfville on 2nd August. Present 13 ministers 5 elders. Commissions from the following sessions appointing representative elders for the current year were sustained. Chalmers Church, Robert Murray; Windsor, Wm Currie; Poplar Grove, S Waddell; Kempt T. Malcom; Richmond, I. Creighton; Kentville, Judge Blanchard; Canard, D. Dickie, Sheet Harbor, John Kirker. After hearing Messrs Murray and Crawford commissioners from Chalmers Church, Halifax, Mr. Whittiers demission was accepted to take effect after the meeting of Synod, Professor Forrest to declare the Pulpit vacant and act as moderator of Session.

Messrs Robinson and Anderson declined the calls from Middle Musquodoboit and Canard congregations. Rev. J. B. Logan was granted permission to again moderate in call at Canard when the congregation are prepared to move.

A petition was read from middle Musquodoboit asking for moderation in a call to Mr. John Gibson. Mr. Dickie was appointed to moderate fixing his own time. Mr. Thorpe being present intimated his acceptance of the call to Noel. His ordination appointed to take place on 28th of August, at 3 o'clock P. M. Rev. A. Gunn Kennetcook, to serve the edict on the 19th, Rev T. H. Murray to preach ordination sermon, Mr. Whittier to address the minister, and Mr. Jack the people. Rev. A. Rogers was appointed moderator of the session of Carlton and

Chebogue.

The trial exercises of Mr. Samuel Rosborough, were given in and cordially sustained and he was duly licensed to preach the Gospel.

At the afternoon sederunt, the Presbytery met for the ordination and induction of Mr. R. D. Ross, Rev. S. H. Jordan, in Mr. Rogers absence, preached, Mr. Dickie addressed the minister, and Mr. Maxwell the people. At the close of the service, Mr. Ross received a warm welcome from the people, was introduced to the session and took his seat as a member of Presbytery.

SERMON ALL THE WEEK.

"Why do you go to hear Dr. A— preach? He is not a brilliant preacher." "Very true," was the sensible reply; "I know that his pulpit performances are not brilliant, but his *life* is a sermon to me all the week." With a minister, as much as with the private Christian, character tells. More than one pulpit orator has destroyed the effect of his discourses by his self-seeking egotism, or his unscrupulous practices, or his overbearing temper, or some other very unchristian trait. On the other hand, full one-half of the power of some eminent pastors lies in their pure unblemished piety. Everybody believes in them. Their unselfish humility would silence a scoffer. Good as they are in the pulpit, they are still better out of it. Their life is eloquent from Monday morning to Saturday night.

What is true of the ministry is equally true of the laity. An honest, consistent, godly character is a "sermon all the week." Nay, it is Christ's own preaching; for Christ liveth in such a believer and shines out from him. This good man's fruits are Christ's fruits just as much as the big, luscious grapes are the outcome of a "Hamburg" vine. The credit does not belong to the grapes so much as it belongs to the vine which yields such superb fruit. Our divine Lord recognized this when he said that herein was he glorified when his disciples bore much fruit.

The living Christian—pure of heart and unspotted by the world—is the best preacher of the gospel in these days. And it is just from the lack of this gospel salt that society suffers corruption and decay. Revivals and conversions are painfully few. The revival that is most urgently needed is a revival of *practical godliness*. Sunday preaching is not enough; we want more "sermons all through the week."—Dr. T. L. Cuyler.