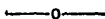


ston, and Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, took place at the manse of Duddingston yesterday, after a few weeks' illness. The Rev. Doctor was ordained to the ministry of the Church of Scotland in 1831, and was for several years minister of St. Bernard's, Edinburgh, and was afterwards presented to the parish of Duddingston, on the death of the Rev. John Thomson, the great landscape painter. The rev. Doctor was for several years Convener of the India Mission Committee of the Church of Scotland, and throughout his career took a prominent part in the business of the Church of Scotland, and occasionally in its debates on public questions. The last occasion on which he took part in Church business was in the debate on the innovations in Old Greyfriars' Church, when he voted with the minority, in opposition to the innovations. He was a clergyman of the highest character, and of a most fervent zeal in the discharge of his duties, and was a man of great eloquence in the pulpit, and of keen argument in debate. The rev. Doctor, who has left a wife and family, will be deeply lamented by a very wide circle of friends.



## THE CHURCH IN NOVA SCOTIA.

### Meetings of Presbytery of Pictou.

AN ordinary meeting of this Presbytery was held in Pictou, on the 7th inst. Sederent—Rev. R. McCunn (Moderator), Herdman, McKay, Pollok, McCurdy, McGregor, Stewart, Philip, Goodwill and McMillan; Messrs. Jack, McLean, Grant, Ross, and Campbell, Elders, and Messrs. McDonald and Anderson, Ordained Missionaries.

Mr. Peter Grant, Cape John, tabled his commission as representative elder for Cape John and Roger's Hill congregation, which was sustained, and his name added to the roll of members.

There was received from the Clerk, Mr. Christie, a letter resigning his office as Presbytery Clerk, which, owing to other unavoidable engagements rendering his attendance at said Court uncertain, if not impossible, was accepted. Mr. Christie has long and ably discharged the duties of said office, and, in accepting of his resignation, the Presbytery expressed their high appreciation of the services rendered by him.

The Rev. W. McMillan, Earltown, was unanimously appointed as his successor.

On solicitation from the Halifax Presbytery, it was agreed that St. Andrew's, Halifax, be supplied by this Presbytery, three Sabbaths in each of the months of March, April and May, respectively, by Messrs. McCunn, Anderson and McDonald.

The committee appointed to visit and examine the congregations of Wallace, Pugwash and Wallace River, gave in their report. In Wallace and Pugwash, matters are pro-

gressing favorably, and promise well. Active steps are being taken by them to secure the settlement of the Rev. Mr. Anderson over them as their pastor. The same committee, with the addition of the Rev. Mr. Goodwill, was instructed to visit, and ordain Elders at Wallace River and Folly Mountain.

There was tabled a call and subscription list from the Wallace congregation in favor of the Rev. James Anderson; but, owing to the unaccountable absence of similar documents expected from Pugwash, were ordered to be held *in retentis*, and the Presbytery resolved to adjourn, to meet on Wednesday the 28th current, to take such steps as may seem to them necessary, for furthering the views of said congregation anent the induction of Mr. Anderson as their Pastor.

The Rev. Mr. McDonald was appointed to supply Barney's River and Lochaber, during March and April, and St. Andrew's, Halifax, for three Sabbaths in May. Mr. Anderson to supply Wallace and Pugwash during the current month, and St. Andrew's, Halifax, for three Sabbaths in April.

The Presbytery adjourned to meet as above.

WILLIAM McMILLAN,  
Presbytery Clerk.

At a meeting of this Presbytery held in St. Andrew's Church, Pictou, on the 28th ult., a Call was presented from the united congregations of Wallace and Pugwash in favor of the Rev. Mr. Anderson.

The Presbytery agreed to sustain the Call on the understanding that the said congregations would forthwith proceed to build a Manse for their minister.

The Call was accepted by Mr. Anderson, and Messrs. Pollok and Philip were appointed to preach and serve the Edict in Wallace and Pugwash on Sabbath the 8th April. The induction is appointed to take place as soon as possible thereafter,—Mr. Philip to preach and preside.

The friends of the Church will be glad to learn that another interesting and important charge is about to be entrusted to one so well qualified for the discharge of its duties and the Presbytery expressed a belief that in a very short time, the congregations so favored would advance a larger amount of stipend than that now promised. We wish pastor and people every success and prosperity.—Communicated.

### Obituary.

WE have to record, this month, the death of Mr. Angus McLeod, Pugwash. The deceased, who was a native of Scotland, emigrated to this Province above 50 years ago. His death, though sudden, was not unexpected by his family and friends. For more than three years he had been suffering from a very depressing illness, which he bore with Christian patience and resignation. During this long and trying period, no complaints were