

the 5th Sabbath of May, and the Rev. Mr. Roddick at Earlton on the 1st Sabbath of June.

The Presbytery adjourned to meet in Poplar Grove Church, Halifax, on Wednesday the 24th June, at 10 A. M., for ordinary business.

JOHN MCKINNON, *Clerk.*

Presbytery of Halifax.

This Presbytery met in the Session House of Chalmers Church, on Wednesday 6th May, at 11 o'clock, A. M. Present—Rev. Dr. King, James Waddell, Professor McKnight, A. Stuart, J. McLeod, Wm. Maxwell, E. Annand, A. Simpson and John Forrest, Ministers; and Messrs. W. Anderson, J. S. McLean, James Farquhar and Robert Murray, ruling Elders. Mr. Waddell was appointed Moderator, *pro tem.* It was reported that both Rev. Mr. Forlong and his congregation agreed that his demission should take effect at the middle of May instead of the end of June. The following commissioners appeared on behalf of Poplar Grove congregation, to prosecute their call to Rev. A. Simpson:—Charles Robson, John S. McLean, and J. Scott Hutton, Esquires. James A. Scott, Esq., appeared as commissioner for the Gore and Kennetcook. The Presbytery having heard the statements and reasonings on both sides and also Mr. Simpson's acceptance of the call, resolved unanimously to translate Mr. Simpson to Poplar Grove Church. His induction is appointed to take place on the evening of Thursday the 21st May at 7½ o'clock. Rev. Dr. King to preach and preside; Prof. McKnight to address the minister and Mr. Sedgewick the people.

The Presbytery devoted much time to the discussion of the proposed Rules and Forms of Procedure remitted by Synod. The next meeting to take place on Thursday the 21st inst., in the Poplar Grove Church, at 11 a. m.

The Presbytery met in Poplar Grove Church on Thursday, the 21st May, at 11 o'clock, A. M. Present, Revs. Dr. King, P. G. McGregor, W. Maxwell, J. McLean, J. Cameron, Professor McKnight, A. Simpson and J. Forrest, ministers, and R. Murray, James Farquhar and — Fisher, *elders.* Dr. King, moderator, *pro tem.*—Mr. Forrest, clerk, *pro tem.* The principal part of the day was taken up with the consideration of the proposed Rules and Forms of Procedure. In the evening Rev. A. Simpson was inducted into the pastoral charge of Poplar Grove Church. Dr. King preached an able and appropriate sermon from 1 Cor. iii. 9. Professor McKnight addressed the minister very impressively. In the absence of Rev. Mr. Sedgewick, Dr.

King addressed the people. Mr. Simpson was very cordially welcomed by the congregation.

The following appointments were made. Rev. H. McMillan to dispense the Lord's Supper at Fall River, Waverley. Mr. Nelson to supply Cornwallis North and West during the month of May. Mr. Logan to supply all Cornwallis during the last three Sabbaths of June, in the following order,—June 14th and 28th, at Canard in the morning, Kentville in the afternoon, and Waterville in the evening; June 21st, at Lakeville in the morning, Canard in the afternoon, and Kentville in the evening. Rev. T. Cumming was appointed to supply Kempt and Walton during the month of June. Mr. Nelson to supply Gore and Kennetcook during the month of June.—Mr. McLean was appointed to preach in the Gore congregation and declare it vacant to-morrow; and also to be *interim* Moderator of Session. Professor McKnight to supply Mr. McLean's pulpit. The Presbytery adjourned to meet in Poplar Grove Church, on the fourth Wednesday of June, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The Presbytery of St. John.

This Presbytery held two meetings on the 13th May. The first important item of business was a memorial from the congregation of Lower Norton, craving a resumption of pastoral services among them by their late pastor, Rev. James Gray. After a patient examination of all circumstances of the case of the Presbytery, resolved to hold a meeting for visitation at Sussex, soon after the meeting of Synod, when the best and most advantageous distribution of Mr. Gray's labours will be made subject of careful deliberation; and in the meantime Messrs Gray and Frazer were directed to confer together and give Lower Norton such supplies as their other engagements may permit.

The next important item was the Report of Rev. T. Cumming, of ten weeks' service in Carlton Presbyterian Church, immediately followed by a petition from said church, asking for moderation in Call. The Report was received and approved, and the prayer of the petition was granted and the Rev. N. McKay appointed to preach in Carlton church on Thursday evening the 28th inst., and moderate in Call.

On motion, it was resolved to apply to the Home Mission Board for an additional labourer, with a view to the supplying of Carlton and Faserinco.

The Presbytery then took up the remit of Synod in respect to forms of procedure and questions of the formula. The result of their deliberations, which were pains-taking