

had visited Bonshaw in reference to the arrears due Mr. Ross, that he had secured a certain amount, and the promise of something additional. The report was received with commendation of diligence.

The Rev. I. Murray reported from the Committee to confer with the two congregations in Charlottetown, in view of Rev. A. Falconer's demission. They first met with the congregation of Queen Square, when the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved that in the opinion of this congregation it is highly desirable that the Free Church Congregation of Charlottetown, and this congregation should be united, and in order to further this object that the disposal of Church property be left entirely in the hands of the Presbytery." They then held a meeting with the Free Church congregation, when it was resolved:—"That this congregation having heard the resolution submitted by deputation from the Queen Square Congregation, stipulating negotiations for a union of the two congregations, are not at present in a position to enter into such a union." The committee again met with the congregation of Queen Square and submitted to them the decision of the Free Church Congregation, when it was unanimously resolved that as there was no hope of accomplishing union, the committee be requested to ask the Presbytery to urge Mr. Falconer to lift his demission. The report of the Committee was received and their diligence approved. The Presbytery having seen that union could not be effected, urged Mr. Falconer in accordance with the request of the congregation, to lift his demission, which he accordingly did.

Several other items of business having been attended to, the Presbytery adjourned to meet in the Church at Lot 14, on Tuesday the 16th of March, at 11 o'clock, for the ordination of Mr. Cumming; Rev. W. Stuart to preach, Rev. R. S. Patterson to ordain, Rev. R. Laird to address the pastor, and Rev. W. R. Frame the people. The Rev. W. R. Frame was appointed to serve the edict at Lot 14, on the 1st Sabbath of March.

ALEX. FALCONER, *Clerk*.

This Presbytery met on the 16th inst., in the Presbyterian Church, Lot 14. The special business in view was the ordination of Mr. Cumming, Probationer, to the pastoral charge of the congregation. The members of Presbytery present were, Revs. R. S. Patterson, Moderator *pro tem*, A. Fraser, R. Laird, Clerk, *pro tem*, W. R. Frame and W. Stuart, Ministers; and Messrs. A. Sinclair, A. Matthews, G. Linkletter, and B. Ramsay, elders.

Rev. A. Fraser, from the Committee ap-

pointed to receive the remaining trials of Mr. Cumming, and report to Presbytery reported that Messrs. Stuart, Laird, and himself had somewhat fully examined Mr. Cumming on Greek, Hebrew, Church History and Theology, receiving also a critical exercise, and that the Committee cordially approved of these as part trials for ordination. The Presbytery sustained the Report; and also received satisfactory explanation from Messrs. Patterson and Frame, for their absence from the meeting of Committee.

Rev. Mr. Frame reported that according to appointment, he had, at personal risk, proceeded to the church at Lot 14, on the first Sabbath of March; but that in consequence of the severe storm on that day, the only person present was the one who accompanied him. He had not preached, but had read the edict to the members of the church with him. On motion of Mr. Stuart, the Presbytery agreed to overlook the apparent irregularity, and proceed to business. Mr. Frame again read the edict at the church door. No objections having been made, the Presbytery resolved to proceed to the ordination of Mr. Cumming.

Mr. Stuart then preached a discourse appropriate to the occasion, from Eph. 4: 11-13, "and he gave some pastors," &c. The Moderator put the questions of the formula to Mr. Cumming, and having received satisfactory answers to these, and also from the congregation, he and his brethren, by prayer, and the "laying on of hands," ordained Mr. Cumming to the work of the ministry, and inducted him into the pastoral charge of the congregation. Mr. Laird then suitably addressed the newly ordained Pastor, and Mr. Frame, the people. Rev. Mr. Fraser offered prayer, and the services were closed. The people, on retiring, welcomed their pastor in the usual manner. The name of Rev. Robert Cumming was added to the roll of Presbytery; and the Presbytery adjourned to meet in Charlottetown, in the basement of Queen Square Church, on the last Wednesday of March, 31st, at 11 o'clock. The audience was large, and took a deep interest in the solemn proceedings. The pastor evidently enters on his work in very favorable circumstances.

ROBT. LAIRD, *Clerk, pro tem*.

Presbytery of Truro.

The Presbytery met at Truro on Tuesday, the 2nd inst. There was a good attendance both of ministers and elders.

Mr. Ross reported that he had, as appointed, moderated in a call at Onslow on the 2nd of February, for a colleague to the Rev. John I. Baxter, and that the call had come out unanimously in favor of Mr. J. H. Chase, A. B., preacher of the Gospel.