

McCurdy to have all these stations seasonably and sufficiently notified. Mr. Bennet and the Clerk were appointed to call personally upon the parties who had subscribed for the liquidation of the debt on the Church at the Grove in order, if possible, to obtain the amount of their subscriptions. The Presbytery then adjourned to meet at the residence of the Rev. James Bennet, this evening at 7½ o'clock. At that time the Presbytery again met and was constituted *Sederunt ut supra*. The Revs. James Bennet, N. McKay, and S. Houston, was appointed a committee to examine the proposed rules of Procedure and report to next meeting of Presbytery. The Rev. James Bennet was nominated by Presbytery as a fit and proper person to be appointed to the office of a Professor in the Theological Seminary of this Church. Mr. McKay gave notice of motion to overture the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces to appoint a committee to whom should be assigned the duty of selecting a collection of hymns suitable to be used by those who desire to do so, in public worship. The Presbytery then adjourned to meet at Hammond River, on the first Tuesday of June, at 10 o'clock.

A. M.

N. M. McKay,
Pres. Clerk.

The Presbytery of P. E. Island.

The Presbytery met in the Church at West River, on the 28th April. There were present the Revs. A. Campbell, J. Allan, I. Murray, A. Cameron, W. Ross, A. Falconer, and J. G. Cameron, and D. McNivan, elder. The Presbytery met on this occasion at the request of Mr. Ross, to consider certain difficulties which had arisen in the congregation, and endeavour to reconcile conflicting parties. After a lengthened examination into the merits of the case, and mutual explanations had been given by all parties, a harmonious reconciliation was effected. Mr. Ross then pressed his demission upon the Presbytery which was accordingly accepted. The following minute was then recorded:—"The Presbytery, while regretting the removal of Rev. W. Ross from their bounds, desire to express their high appreciation of his Christian courtesy to his ministerial brethren, his fidelity in discharge of pastoral duties, his extensive knowledge of theological truth, and his unswerving adherence to the principles of rectitude; and record their earnest hope, that he may enjoy much comfort and success, in his Master's work, wherever in the providence of God his lot may be cast." The Rev. A. Campbell was appointed to preach at West River, on the first Sabbath of June, at 11 o'clock, a. m., and at Brookfield at 6 o'clock, p. m., same

day and declare the congregation vacant. Mr. Campbell was also appointed Moderator of the Session *pro tempore*; and instructed to endeavour to secure the arrears due Mr. Ross.

The Clerk was instructed to write to the Home Mission Board for the services of Mr. Wm. Grant, Probationer. Adjourned to meet in Queen Square Church, Charlottetown, on Wednesday, the 26th May, at 11 o'clock, a. m.

ALEX. FALCONER, Clerk.

Presbytery of Victoria and Richmond.

The Presbytery of Victoria and Richmond met at Lake Ainslie the 2nd March last. There were present, the Moderator, Rev. M. Stewart, and Rev. D. McKenzie, Presbytery Clerk *pro tem.*; and Mr. Hugh Campbell, ruling elder. After the usual preliminaries, the Presbytery proceeded to the Presbyterial visitation of this portion of Rev. Donald McKenzie's charge.

The day being very stormy and few present, it was not thought advisable to proceed to such minute examination as usual, but by inquiring of the minister and office-bearers present, the Presbytery are glad to find that matters are in a promising condition; that minister and elders are attentive to their respective duties, and although there is still a considerable amount of arrears due to the minister, the amount is somewhat less than at last visitation. The Presbytery having urged the congregation to use all diligence to clear off all arrears, adjourned to meet at Whycomagh, to-morrow, at 11 o'clock, a. m. Closed with prayer.

At Whycomagh, the 3rd March, this Court again met for visitation and ordinary business. There were present, Rev. D. McKenzie, Moderator *pro tem.*, William Sinclair, Clerk *pro tem.*, M. Stuart, pastor of the congregation, and Mr. John Gillis, ruling elder. The moderator having preached, they proceeded to the Presbyterial visitation of the congregation. Satisfactory answers were given by the minister and session to the usual questions. The Presbytery were gratified to find, that notwithstanding the disadvantage under which the pastor, by the delicate state of his health was placed at the time of his settlement here, he has been not only enabled faithfully to preach the gospel from Sabbath to Sabbath, but has been in all his other extensive pastoral duties most indefatigable.

The year not being expired since Mr. Stewart commenced his labours, a considerable amount of the stipend promised remains to be collected. The Presbytery were happy to find, however, that both trustees and collectors are putting forth every effort to fulfil their engagements, and