

The meeting was then, in succession, addressed by Dr. Forrester, Dr. Smith, Mr Sedgewick, Mr. Baxter, and Mr. Byers. Mr. Wylie had also been appointed to speak, but while prepared to fulfil his appointment thought that it would not be prudent further to prolong the exercises of the meeting. For the same reason Mr McLean declined favoring the assembly with any remarks. Mr. Currie being called upon by the Chairman, merely referred to the happy intercourse which he has had with Mr. Crowe. He has, ever since settled in Maitland, been, on all occasions, treated by the senior pastor of the 1st congregation as a son by a father. At the same time, he has ever endeavored, and would still endeavor, to be unto him as a son to a father.

Mr. Darragh closed the service with prayer, praise, and the benediction.

From facts presented it would appear that there were three great eras of success in the course of Mr. Crowe's ministry. The first was immediately after his settlement. The membership in the course of two or three years nearly doubled. The second era was about seventeen years thereafter, at the time the Methodist Society was formed among them, and Methodist preachers began to labor in the place. Great deadness and formality had prevailed for many years; now matters assumed, and continued to manifest, a very different appearance. The third occasion was about ten years ago, when the second congregation was formed and Mr. Currie placed over them. Up till that time the whole congregation contributed only £3 a year to the schemes of the Church. The 1st congregation, during the first year of their separate existence, contributed to those objects £30, being tenfold what had been previously raised by the whole. The contributions of the two were that year £90, or thirty-fold what they could attain as one congregation. And whilst the 2nd congregation is remarkable for its zeal, vigor, and liberality, the present charge of Mr. Crowe and his colleague far exceeds what it did before the division. How evident is it thus that in order to the progress of the church there must be an increase of laborers, and a more abundant supply of means according to the growing wants of the people. When zeal for the glory of God does not do this, the Master often permits the exercise of other principles to afford that increase either from ourselves or others. Congregations in town and country might do well to consider this matter.

Next meeting of Presbytery is appointed to be held at Onslow in the beginning of December, when the congregation is to be addressed by several members of Court on subjects assigned.

A. L. WYLIE, Clerk

### Presbytery of P. E. Island.

This Court met in St. John's Church, New London, Sept. 26th, 1865. Members present: Ministers—Rev. Messrs. R. S. Patterson, J. Allan, I. Murray, J. Campbell, R. Laird, W. R. Frame, J. D. Murray, and W. Stuart; Elders—Messrs. B. Thompson, I. Doughart, W. Bernard, A. McArthur, and A. Matthews. J. Campbell was appointed Moderator, and I. Murray, Clerk, *pro tem*.

The special object of meeting at New London was the ordination and induction of Mr. McDougall to the charge of that congregation. Having ascertained that the young brother was seized with an attack of slow fever, and was still dangerously indisposed, the Presbytery recorded its deep sympathy with Mr. McDougall, with the earnest prayer that God would speedily restore him to health. The disappointment of the congregation was not overlooked, and sympathy on their behalf was also recorded.

Rev. A. Cameron was appointed to preach in St. John's Church on the 1st Sabbath of October, at 2 o'clock, p. m.; Rev. W. Ross, 4th Sabbath of October, at 11 o'clock, a. m.; and the Rev. I. Murray on the 3rd Wednesday of October, at 2 p. m., and preside at a congregational meeting.

The Rev. Mr. Patterson was appointed to ordain elders in Tryon congregation; and he and Mr. Frame were appointed a commission to proceed to Bonshaw, in order to ascertain the present state of matters there, and report at the next meeting of Presbytery. A letter was read from Mr. D. W. Cameron, intimating acceptance of a call to him from West St. Peter's. Mr. Cameron was directed to be present at next meeting of Presbytery, and to give in his trials for ordination.

The next meeting of Presbytery was appointed at Bedeque for Presbyterial visitation of the congregation there, on the last Tuesday of October, at 11 o'clock, a. m. Mr. Campbell to address the minister,—Mr. Cameron the elders,—and I. Murray the managers and people.

### Presbytery of Victoria and Richmond.

This Presbytery met at Whycocomah, Indian Rear Church, on the 9th October. There were present Rev. W. S. Forbes, Moderator; Rev. K. McKenzie, Clerk; and Rev. D. McKenzie, and B. Smith, Mahou; Malcom McLeod, Whycocomah; and Wm. Dunbar, Lake Anslie, Ruling Elders. The congregation of Whycocomah assembled in presence of the Presbytery after the public service in connection with the communion.