

INDUCTION OF REV. F. R. McDONALD.

MINUTES OF PRESBYTERY.

Newcastle, September 1, 1869,

And within St. James' Church there, the Presbytery of Miramichi met, according to adjournment and resolution passed at a *pro re nata* meeting held in Burnt Church. Sederunt: the Rev. Messrs. Wilson, Robertson, McDonald, and Mr. Henderson, Elder. Being constituted with prayer by the Moderator, Mr. Wilson, the minutes of last regular meeting and *pro re nata* meeting were read and sustained. The Rev. Mr. Garvie, of Chatham, being present, was invited to take his seat in the Presbytery and assist in their deliberations.

This being the day appointed for the induction of the Rev. F. R. McDonald into the pastoral charge of St. James' Church and congregation, the Edict intimating the same was returned duly served and attested. None having appeared before the Presbytery to object to the life and doctrine of the said Rev. F. R. McDonald, the Moderator proceeded to the pulpit, and preached from Matt. v. 16: "Let your light shine before men." At the close of divine service, the Moderator narrated the steps taken to supply the vacancy caused by the lamented death of Dr. Henderson, and then put to Mr. McDonald the questions appointed by Act of Assembly, and having received satisfactory replies to them, in the name and authority of the Great King and Head of the Church, solemnly inducted Mr. McDonald into the pastoral charge of St. James' Congregation, Newcastle.

The newly-inducted minister was afterwards suitably addressed on some of the duties of the pastoral office, by the Moderator. The Rev. Mr. Robertson, Tabusintac, addressed the people on their several duties towards their minister, exhorting them earnestly to esteem him highly in love for his works' sake.

The congregation was not large, but respectable, and seemed to take a deep interest in the solemn proceedings of the day. From the warm and cordial welcome given by them to their new minister at the close of the service, they manifested their satisfaction and delight in once more having a stated ministry in their midst. Mr. McDonald enters upon his labours in St. James' under the most favourable auspices, and the union now consummated between pastor and people bids fair to be one of great and lasting good.

W. M. WILSON, Pres. Clerk.

[The addresses referred to above will appear in next No.—Ed.]

NEWS OF THE CHURCH.

Opening of a New Church in P. E. I.—We learn from private sources that another new Church in connection with the Kirk of Scotland was formally dedicated on Sabbath the 26th ult. The building is situated at Clyde River, near Charlottetown, P. E. Island. The day was all that could be desired, indeed our correspondent characterizes it as "*splendid*." The congregations were very large, and the collections good. The Rev. George W. Stewart conducted the morning and evening services in his usual able manner, and the Rev. Mr. Duncan discoursed eloquently in the afternoon. The whole affair was a crowning success, and a cheering termination to the long struggle of the good people of Clyde River in this matter of erecting for themselves a house of prayer, in which, on each returning Sabbath day, they may assemble together for the public worship of that great Being from whom all perfect blessings flow.

This is the third Church that has, during the last few years, been built within the bounds of St. James' parish, and the chief agents in which were members of St. James' Church. One of those, St. Columba's, St. Peter's Road, was organized, and the building completed, during the ministry of the