

September, at which meeting there was application for the moderating in of a call from the congregation of Douglas. At the next meeting held in Truro on the third of November, Rev. Duncan Ross reported that he had moderated in the Douglas call. It was laid before Presbytery by the commissioners of the congregation and being read and sustained and presented to him was accepted by Mr. Dick.

Mr. Dick's ordination trials were received in instalments at successive sessions of Presbytery—a lecture on Matt. 28 : 18-20, a sermon on Matthew 28 : 20 ; "An exercise and additions" on the text of Romans 1 : 16. He "read the first Psalm in Hebrew, a part of the Greek New Testament '*Ad aperturam libri*,' and gave an account of Church History from the birth of Christ to A.D. 50." All heard it on Nov. 3rd, 1802, "carried ; unanimously approve of Mr. Dick's trials *in cumulo*."

His ordination and induction were appointed for the 21st of June 1803, thus delayed it would appear in order to allow of a division of the congregation or a distribution of Mr. Dick's services as far as possible to the mind of all concerned. Two "*pro re nata*" meetings of Presbytery were in the meantime held for the discussion of these and kindred matters. The decision eventually arrived at was that Presbytery "appointed Mr. Dick to preach at Noel one-fourth, at the Mouth of the River one-third, and the rest of the days at Fort Ellis meeting house, and in case that the weather prevent Mr. Dick from fulfilling his appointments in winter at Noel and Fort Ellis, that the people at the Mouth of the River pay him for those days." To this decision the commissioners of the Douglas congregation unanimously agreed. The Presbytery also "confirmed the line of division between the upper and lower half of the congregation at Donald Rose's, so that he shall be included in the lower half." There was then no road between Noel and the Mouth of the River. When and where boats could not be used, the shore or paths through the forest were followed. In the meantime Mr. Dick supplied the congregation, except for a few weeks spent in P. E. I., and in supplying a Sunday or so here and there in Nova Scotia. His ministry really began here in August 1802.

At "Douglas, June 21st, 1803" the Presbytery met and "was