

and after a patient investigation they agreed unanimously to grant the prayer of the petition. Now, therefore, Newport will have the whole of Mr. McLeod's time. It is expected that Kempt and Walton will soon be erected into a congregation. The people of Kempt did not feel quite ready for his junction. The people of Walton, though few in number, have erected a fine place of worship, and have made a subscription list amounting to \$250. One member in this section subscribes \$50, and others give large sums. This is an example that should stir up others to deeds of liberality.

It is nine years since Mr. McLeod entered on this field. Previous to that time the venerable Mr. Murdoch, senior minister of Windsor, had charge of all this region, and his labours are affectionately remembered to this day. The seed sown by Mr. Murdoch and Mr. McLeod has sprung up abundantly, and this section of Hants is in a most encouraging condition. Nothing could be more gratifying than the manifestations of deep affection and confidence between pastor and people on Tuesday.—We hope that the people of Kempt, who are now deprived of a pastor whom they highly prized and dearly loved, will soon have, with Walton, a pastor of their own. The Presbytery had no difficulty in seeing the path of duty in this case. The interests of the church, and Mr. McLeod's health, demand an increase of ministerial labour in this field.

Mr. Hogg was appointed to supply Kempt and Walton till the first Sabbath of January; and West and North Cornwallis for the remainder of the month of January. A report from Mr. Nelson, probationer, was read and approved.

Rev. Professor McKnight reported that he had moderated in a call in Poplar Grove Church, and that the call had come out in favour of Rev. John Cameron, Nine Mile River. The report was approved. Mr. Murray was appointed by the Poplar Grove Session their commissioner to the Presbytery. He stated that the call was signed by 106 members and 36 adherents—that the call had not been carried round for subscribers—that there was a prospect of its being still more numerously signed, and he urged the desirableness of the call being sustained. The Presbytery agreed to sustain the call, and to proceed as usual in such cases. Rev. James Maclean was appointed to meet with the Nine Mile River congregation on the 25th inst., and summon them to appear for their interests. The next meeting of Presbytery was appointed to be held at Shubenacadie on the second Tuesday of January, for Presbyterial visitation and other business. Rev. John Forrest to preach. Service to begin at 10 o'clock. The Presby-

tery to visit Gay's River in the evening at 6½ o'clock, Rev. Mr. McCurdy to preach.

We hope that special efforts will be put forth by the readers of the *Record* to extend its circulation. Every Presbyterian should know what his church is doing at home and abroad. Every member of the Church is bound not to be wilfully ignorant on points which concern the welfare and prosperity of the church. Ministers, elders, collectors, Sabbath School teachers, and other friends, should do all in their power to place the organ of the Synod in every family within our bounds. Our New Brunswick friends are already bestirring themselves, and from that section we expect a large increase. There is room for improvement in almost every congregation within the bounds of the Synod.

The ladies of Glace Bay Presbyterian congregation intend to hold a Bazaar in aid of their Church in June next.

The Young Men's Association in connection with Chalmers Church, Halifax, hold fortnightly meetings for literary and religious purposes.

The Halifax Young Men's Christian Association is prosecuting its work with more than usual vigor. Similar Associations have been formed in several towns and villages throughout Nova Scotia.

Rev. William Alves, of St. John, N. B., is shortly to leave for New Zealand.

Rev. George Sutherland is settled in DUNEDIN, New Zealand, where he receives a stipend of £400 sterling a year, with a free manse.

Rev. Dr. McLeod, Sydney, has returned from his furlough in the Old World in improved health.

A Theological College has been opened in Montreal in connection with the Canada Presbyterian Church. Rev. Dr. Gregg is Professor *pro tem*.

The week commencing with the first Sabbath of the year is to be observed as a season of United Prayer. The invitations issued by the Evangelical Alliance have heretofore met with a very general response, and the present occasion is not likely to prove an exception.

The Rev. Thos. Sedgewick, of Tatamagouche, desires to acknowledge, with many thanks, the receipt of \$53.50 from the ladies of his congregation.

The ladies of Knox Church, New Glasgow, presented Rev. J. B. Watt with an elegant Pulpit Bible and Psalm Book.