

pear before the Prebytery and state their objections? Had they done so we feel certain that the matter would not be proceeded with. And, again, had the Minister in question gone from the field altogether, the probability is that a stranger to both congregations would have met with a more hearty reception. We believe he was advised to do as he did; but if so, he was very unwisely advised, and we believe with our correspondent "that the event alluded to will have the sad effect of putting union back several degrees on the ecclesiastical dial in the County of Pictou, when a more conciliatory policy would have lengthened the cords and strengthened the stakes of the United Church."



THE parables of the New Testament practically unfolded by Bishop Stevens, of Pennsylvania, is the title of a book for which Mr. Neill Campbell Duff is agent in the city of Halifax.

The book has been placed before us and we have made use of it both in our preparation for the Pulpit, and for family reading on the Lord's Day, and in both the one and the other we have found it a valuable aid. Its treatment and exposition of the parables of our Lord are forcible, clear and practical, and, therefore, will be found useful and profitable to any one who may feel inclined to become its possessor. Its external attractions are not among its meanest attractions; it is well bound, and its type and paper are of a very superior quality, so that you are attracted not only by the refreshing thought of the book itself, but also by the readable pages over which the thoughts are strewn. We heartily commend to our readers the book and the agent; and as Mr. Duff is interested in the sale of the books of many of the largest and most respectable book publishing firms of Europe and America, he may be consulted advantageously by our clergymen and others, for whom he will import books on the most reasonable of terms.

Articles Selected.

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WALLACE AND PUGWASH.

The congregation of Wallace was organized in 1828, at which time a Church was erected. The first minister of the charge was the Rev. Hugh McKenzie, a native of Ross-shire, Scotland. His incumbency extended from 1832 to 1840, when he was translated to Lochaber and Antigonish. From thence he returned to his native land, and was successively minister of Tongue and of the Gaelic Church, Inverness. The second minister was the Rev. James Duff, sent out by the Colonial Committee in 1856, but who owing to ill health, returned to Scotland before he had completed the second year of his ministry. The Rev. James Christie was next inducted in 1859. He was a native of Aberdeen-shire, and an alumnus of Kings' College. He demitted the charge in 1864, and was succeeded by Rev. James Anderson, who was inducted to the United Charge of Wallace and Pugwash in the month of April, 1866.

The last named congregation was formed in the year 1857 by the Rev. Alex. McLean, now of Belfast, P. E. I., whose earlier arduous labours in Gairloch and Saltsprings obliged him for a couple of years to seek comparative rest at the quiet settlement of Pugwash, on the shore of Northumberland Strait, where he found a considerable number of Presbyterians, and succeeded in organizing them into a congregation. For a few years thereafter it was under the care of missionaries appointed by the Colonial Committee until Mr. Anderson's induction, who resigned the charge in 1872, when he was inducted to St. James' Church, Newcastle, N. B., of which he is now the minister.

Wallace and Pugwash are again separate Charges. The Rev. J. M. Sutherland, who was inducted to Pugwash on