

during all the time he is appointed to this Presbytery.

The Presbytery agreed to hold their next meeting in James' Church, on Tuesday, Oct. 25th, at 11 A.M., for ordinary business.

Presbytery of Halifax.

This Presbytery met in St. John's Church at 2½ o'clock, on Tuesday, Oct. 4th. The attendance was large. The congregation of Windsor applied for moderation in a call. Rev. J. B. Logan was appointed to preach and moderate in a call on Wednesday evening the 19th Oct., at 7 o'clock. The Newport congregation also applied for moderation. The Presbytery postponed the granting of their petition till next meeting. An address to Rev. J. L. Murdoch from the Windsor congregation was read. It conveyed sentiments of warm attachment to their late pastor and disclaimed any ill feeling in connection with their desire for his retirement from the Pastorate. The address was accompanied with a purse of \$227. The Presbytery expressed satisfaction with the address and ordered it to be kept *in retentis*. Rev. R. Wilson was appointed to supply Windsor, St. Croix and Newport for the month of October; the Lord's Supper to be dispensed at Newport on the forenoon of the 4th Sabbath of Oct. Leave of absence for four weeks was granted to Rev. D. S. Gordon. Mr. Thomson, Student in Theology, was examined for next Session of the Hall. His examinations were sustained.

In the evening the Presbytery met for the visitation of the St. John's congregation. Rev. E. A. McCurdy preached an able and appropriate discourse. The Minister, the Elders, the Session, and the Managers, all gave a remarkably encouraging account of their work and of the position and progress of the congregation. Fifty members have been added to the communion roll this year. There is one Bible Class numbering 35. There are 195 pupils in the Sabbath School,—and 18 teachers. The sum of \$120 was contributed to the schemes of the church. The minister's salary has been increased \$100 a year for the past three years, and this augmentation is to be continued for some years to come.—Eight years ago the congregation commenced its work. It was then small and weak. It is now large and flourishing, and rapidly disincumbering itself of debt. Spiritually and financially, the congregation presented a very favourable appearance to the Presbytery. Dr. King, and Messrs. Sedgewick, Cameron, McGregor and other members of Presbytery expressed their delight with the condition of the congregation, and offered valuable suggestions with regard to the future. Rev. E. Ross, who was present as

a corresponding member, also spoke briefly. The Presbytery adjourned to meet in Popular Grove Church, on the first Wednesday of November, at 10 o'clock.

Presbytery of P. E. Island

This Presbytery met in Zion Church, Charlottetown, on the 7th inst. Members present: Revds. A. Campbell, Moderator, *pro tem.*, I. Murray, A. Munro, H. Crawford, R. Laird, Clerk, W. R. Frame, and J. G. Cameron, ministers; and Mr. R. Lawson, elder. Rev. A. R. Garvie was invited to sit as a corresponding member. Certificates were read and sustained from the Sessions of Richmond Bay East and Summerside, and Cascumpec, testifying respectively the appointment of Messrs. Thomas Brchaut and William Wells, as their representative Presbytery and Synod elders for the current year. The Presbytery having been informed that the members of the Kirk Presbytery were in waiting to enter into conference, it unanimously resolved to receive the sister Presbytery. On being introduced, Rev. Alex. McLean, Moderator, briefly addressed the Presbytery. He was happy to find himself in the position which he now occupied.—He had labored seventeen years in connection with the Presbyterian Church in these Provinces, but had never been present at any meeting of a Presbytery of this Church. He said the prospects of union had been brightened by the recent news from Canada, that the Committee had agreed on a basis of union. They were now present to confer on matters of a personal and local character. The Moderator having responded to this address, the Presbytery adjourned for the purpose of holding a conference with the sister Presbytery.

When the Presbytery again met, a paper was received from Zion Church congregation, containing resolutions relating to a call for one to be pastor, including the appointment of Professor Anderson, and Messrs. W. Mutch and W. H. Hyde, as commissioners from the congregation.—After considering the paper, and hearing the commissioners, the Presbytery unanimously agreed to grant a moderation in a call, and appointed Rev. W. R. Frame to preach in Zion Church, and moderate on Wednesday, the 19th inst., at 7½ o'clock.—The Presbytery agreed to meet *in hunc effectum* in connection with the contemplated call on the third Thursday of October, the 20th, in Zion Church, at 2 o'clock. The Clerk was directed to apply to the Home Mission Board for two Probationers for the winter, in addition to Rev. A. Stirling's services. Revds. R. S. Patterson, R. Laird, and W. R. Frame were appointed a Committee to prepare the draft of an