

Leitch and Mr. Snodgrass, for their attendance on this occasion, for their valuable aid, for their counsel, and for the encouragement afforded our people by their presence, and express the hope that the Synod of Canada, may be disposed to send a delegate annually.

Adjourned, to meet in Pictou, on the last Wednesday in June, 1864.

On Friday, the 26th inst., a deputation of the Synod waited upon His Excellency, the Lieut. Governor, and presented him with the following:—

ADDRESS.

May it please your Excellency;—

We, the Ministers and representative Elders of the Church of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island in connection with the Church of Scotland, in Synod assembled, beg to approach your Excellency with the expression of undiminished attachment to the British Constitution, steadfast loyalty to the Throne, and constant admiration of the institutions of the Mother Country and its various dependencies.

As the humble Representatives of one of the Churches of the Reformation—the National Church of Scotland—a Church which under the blessing of God, has been an honored instrument for spreading the principles of the Christian religion, the sentiments of an enlightened piety, and the practice of sound morality, among the people of an important part of the United Kingdom, we have ever recognized it as our duty in our several spheres of labor in this and the neighboring colonies, to follow the conspicuous example of our Mother Church; and amid the difficulties and disadvantages incidental to ministerial labor in a new country, to pursue such a course as may promote the true happiness of the people, and assist in giving efficiency and perpetuity to those institutions over which you have here been so happily placed.

We reckon it a privilege to recognize in your Excellency the Representative of a House as illustrious in the annals of our Fatherland for its antiquity, as for the beneficial influence which it has exercised upon the destinies of the Scottish Nation.

We are glad to be able to bear testimony to the admirable manner in which Your Excellency has conducted the administration of this Colony. And we also think with satisfaction of the many evidences afforded by your Excellency of the interest which you take in the welfare of the Church in this Colony.

We express our sincere prayer, that the Giver of all good would long spare your Excellency to occupy an elevated and useful position in the service of our beloved Queen; and that He may bless your Excellency and

Mrs. Dundas with all manner of temporal and spiritual blessings.

In name and by order of the Synod,
Signed, WILLIAM McMILLAN, Moderator.

REPLY.

To the Ministers and Representative Elders of the Church of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, in connection with the Church of Scotland.

GENTLEMEN,—It is my privilege to acknowledge, in Her Majesty's name, the steadfast loyalty to Her Throne, and the constant attachment to the institutions of the Mother Country, which characterizes the National Church of Scotland, and which you as the Representatives of that Church in Nova Scotia and this Island have expressed in your Address.

In a new country amidst besetting difficulties, and discouragements that Church had steadfastly labored—and I trust not labored in vain—to emulate the example of the Mother Church, and to promote the happiness of the people.

I have heard with much gratification the terms, in which you have alluded to the interest, which I have taken in the welfare of the Church in this Island, and the sentiments you have expressed respecting my administration of the civil affairs of this province.

I thank you most heartily, in Mrs. Dundas's name and my own, for the sincere wishes for our temporal and spiritual welfare, which your address contains.

GEORGE DUNDAS, Lieut. Governor.
Government House, June 26, 1863.

Presbytery of Pictou.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH,
Pictou, 8th July, 1863.

Sederunt: Rev'ds. Messrs. Herdman, Pollok, (Stewart, McCunn, Law), McKay, Sinclair, ministers; Messrs. John McKay, D. A. Fraser, John Grant, Alex. McKay, elders.

The Presbytery having been constituted with prayer by Rev. Mr. Herdman, on motion of Mr. Pollok, Mr. Herdman was appointed Moderator *pro tem.*; and on motion by John McKay, Esq., Mr. Grant was appointed Clerk *pro tem.*

Mr. John Grant presented a call to the Rev. Wm. Stewart, missionary, from the congregation of St. John's, McLennan's Mountain, accompanied by a bond which bound the congregation to pay to the said Rev. Wm. Stewart the sum of £150 N. S. currency per annum. The Clerk having read the documents, the Moderator placed the call in the hands of Mr. Stewart, who intimated his acceptance of the same, and his willingness to be inducted without delay. The Presbytery appointed the induction to take place on