

and to humble and confident trust in the wisdom, grace and power of THE CHRIST, the Son of the living God.

### Fund for Aged and Infirm Ministers.

In the *Record* for November we published at length, the Report of the Committee on the subject named above, by reference to which our readers can refresh their memories. The Report was also published in the three Presbyterian papers in Halifax, St. John and Charlottetown, and must therefore be pretty fully before the public.

It was cordially approved by Synod, and it was then and there resolved that a fund be immediately commenced. It was resolved that the Committee be authorized during the present year to invite subscriptions from ministers, and donations from the more wealthy members of the church.

We like to see resolutions of Synod duly honoured and carried into effect, and as the ministers come first in this Synodical recommendation, we notice with pleasure that the Halifax Presbytery has made a commencement. Twelve ministers present at the last meeting, subscribed \$300, the subscriptions varying from \$20 to \$40, and averaging \$25. We shall be happy to report further progress.

### New Brunswick Bible Convention.

This being the Fiftieth Year of the existence of the New Brunswick Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society, the St. John Committee resolved to celebrate their Jubilee by holding a Convention. All parts of the Province were invited to send delegates, for whose accommodation while they remained many of the members of Committee and other friends opened their houses. A considerable number of delegates came, from as far as Baie Verte on the one hand, and Woodstock on the other. The Committee of the Young Men's Christian Association placed their Rooms at the disposal of the Bible Committee for the meetings. The Convention held their sittings on January 5th, and on the morning of January 6th, the evening of the latter day being devoted to the Annual meeting of the Society.—Such questions as the Extent of Bible Education in the Province, the practicability of employing Colporteurs and Bible Women, the Bible in Family and Social Reading, and the Inconsistencies of Christians with Bible Doctrines were discussed. The discussion was left largely in the hands of the country delegates. The success of the project far exceeded the expectations that were entertained. The views set forth and the suggestions thrown out were shrewd, far-seeing and valuable. All who attended the

sittings feel that a great stimulus will be given by the Convention to the circulation of the Word of God throughout the Province. The results of the deliberations were embodied in resolutions which were read at the Anniversary Meeting and handed over to the Executive Committee in order to be acted on. One or two Colporteurs whose duty it will be to traverse the length and breadth of the Province with the Word of God will likely be appointed very soon. H.

### Another Missionary.

At the last meeting of the Presbytery of Pictou, held at New Glasgow on the 25th January, Rev. Kenneth J. Grant of Merigomish, accepted the call of the Board of Foreign Missions to become second missionary to the Coolies of Trinidad.

### Meeting of York Presbytery.

The York Presbytery met at Richmond on the 5th ult. It appeared from papers which were read that Mr. Charles Fraser, Catechist, had labored twelve weeks during the past summer in Richmond and Woodstock, and that he had presented his bills to the Presbytery for labor, \$48.00 for board \$23.00, for travelling expenses \$16.00. To meet these bills he received from the people in Woodstock \$6.00, and the Presbytery had asked the Board of Home Missions to pay the balance.

A letter was read from the Rev. P. G. McGregor, which showed that the Board declined to pay so heavy a balance. In this strait Mr. James Savage representative elder for Richmond came forward and presented the whole of the board bill to the Presbytery. He also handed in \$17.60, which had been contributed by the people. The bills were thus made \$41.40 less than what they originally were. The Presbytery accepted this in the hope that the Board would pay the remainder.

A report was read from Mr. Layton of three weeks labor in Fredericton. For this he had received full payment. Mr. Layton also reported two weeks labor in Prince William, for which he had received nothing. He consequently presented his bill for \$12. The Clerk was ordered to write to the people in Prince William and inform them that the Presbytery could not transmit this report, or ask the Board of Home Missions to pay this bill, until an appeal was first made to the Congregation.

A petition was read from the Congregation in Fredericton, asking for Moderation in a Call to one to be their Pastor. It was agreed to grant the prayer of the petition, and to appoint the Clerk to Moderate in a Call on the 25th inst.