

### Presbytery of Halifax.

The Presbytery of Halifax met on Tuesday, Oct. 8th, in Popular Grove Church. The demission of Rev. A. Glendinning was accepted,—as, in the circumstances, the congregation of Gore and Kennetcook acquiesced in it. The Presbytery adopted a resolution expressive of their very high esteem for Mr. Glendinning as a minister of the Gospel, their cordial affection for him as a brother, and their ardent desire that his health may be restored and his life spared for prolonged service in the Lord's vineyard. At the request of the Moderator, Professor Macknight led in special prayer for a blessing on Mr. Glendinning and on the congregation now made vacant. The Clerk intimated that Mr. McNeill had accepted the call to Maitland. Trials for ordination were then prescribed. With regard to the call from Fort Massey the Presbytery agreed that in the event of Mr. Smith accepting the call the induction take place on Thursday, the 31st Oct.—Prof. Macknight to preach, Mr. Logan to address the Minister, and Mr. Sedgewick the people. Rev. A. Stuart was appointed to dispense the Communion at Musquodoboit Harbor on the 4th Sabbath of October. Mr. John Allan was appointed to Neel for the 3rd Sabbath of October and the 1st Sabbath of November, and to Gore and Kennetcook for the 4th Sabbath of October and the 2nd Sabbath of November. The Presbytery agreed to instruct the Sessions of vacant congregations to conduct regular religious services on the Lord's day, when no supply of preaching is provided. They are also urged to maintain in full efficiency their financial arrangements, so that the congregations may be in good working order.

### Presbytery of Truro.

*Erskine Church, Fawleigh, Londonderry, }*  
*October 1st, 1872, }*

Presbytery met and was constituted by the Moderator, Rev. D. McKinnon, besides whom were present the Revs. E. E. Ross, A. L. Wyllie, J. McG. McKay, J. Sinclair, J. H. Chase, and J. Layton, ministers; and Messrs. Robt. Morrison, J. Baird, and D. Fulton, elders.

Rev. A. L. Wyllie, according to previous intimation, tendered his resignation of the Clerkship of the Presbytery, whereupon it was resolved that: "The Presbytery, in accepting the resignation, unanimously agreed to put upon record their deep sense of the valuable services of Mr. Wyllie, extending over a period of sixteen years." [Rev. J. Layton was then appointed Clerk.] After the appointment of a clerk, the Presbytery took up the petition of the Lower Section of Mr. Wyllie's congregation.

Commissioners appeared from the session—and after a deliberate discussion of the whole matter, it was resolved to grant the prayer of the petition—the division of the congregation to take effect at the end of the current year.

Petitions were presented from the several sections of Acadia Congregation for moderation in a call, &c. The Commissioners stated that they felt warranted in promising \$500 from the people, that sum being \$100 in advance of what was raised under the previous pastorate. The Rev. E. E. Ross was appointed to moderate on Thursday, Oct. 17th, at the Acadia Mines section. Rev. J. Sinclair gave in an interesting report of his mission to Maccan and surrounding stations under the oversight of this Presbytery; and it was resolved to continue supply as the Presbytery are able to secure preachers.—Adjourned to meet in Truro, on Tuesday, 22nd inst.

J. LAYTON, Clerk.

### Chalmers' Church, Halifax, N. S.

The following brief report of the Managing Committee for 1871-72, submitted Oct. 16, is in our opinion most interesting and encouraging. We like its facts, and we like its tone:

The past year was a critical one in the history of our congregation. Early in December, a large number of members and adherents, valued supporters of the congregation, withdrew in order to form a new and much needed Church in the South-end of the city. Through the grace of God we have been enabled to meet the crisis. The contributions, freely given, to maintain ordinances among ourselves, and to support the Schemes of the Church, have been most encouraging. In April, the Pastorate became vacant, but the Lord speedily sent us the Pastor of our choice. We cannot be too grateful for His fatherly care of us, and the prosperity which He has vouchsafed.

It will be seen that we commenced the financial year with a balance in our favour of \$306.84; and we close with a balance of \$591.80. Our ordinary Sabbath day collections amount to \$2,368.00—being an average \$45.54 per Sabbath. Our contributions for Missionary and benevolent purposes were \$563.16. To pay for repairs rendered necessary by the damage done by lightning on the 18th June, we have raised \$771.12. Our whole contributions for the year amount therefore to \$3,702.28; a sum total small enough to keep us very humble; and large enough to encourage us to go forward in the practice of liberality, and in every good work.

With regard to the year on which we have entered, the Committee beg to say that while there is no room for decrease in the