

to their charge with a view to his supplying Truro and the above places.

The Rev. J. W. Fraser was appointed to labor in Cape Breton till next ordinary meeting of Presbytery, the Clerk to accompany him for two or three Sabbaths, his own pulpit to be supplied as follows:—

1st Sah. of Oct.: Earlton—Mr. Brodie.
2nd “ “ W. B. R. J.—Mr. McCunn.
3rd “ “ Earlton—Mr. Gordon.

The Rev. Mr. Gordon was appointed to divide his services between Truro, Folly Mountain and Acadia Mines, until further notice.

The Presbytery then adjourned to meet in this place on the first Wednesday of December, at 11 o'clock.

Closed with the benediction.

W. McMILLAN, *Presb. Clerk.*

[The above minutes should have appeared in last No., but the manuscript was accidentally lost.—ED.]

The Presbytery of Pictou held its quarterly meeting in St. Andrew's Church, Pictou, on the 5th December. There were present, Rev. Messrs. Goodwill (Moderator), Herdman, Pollok, McDonald, McCunn, McMILLAN, ministers, and D. M. Gordon, missionary; D. A. Fraser, Esq. and Hector McKenzie, elders.

The minutes of last meeting were read and sustained.

The Clerk read communications from the Presbytery of Halifax, soliciting missionary aid; a communication from Mr. McCurdy, expressing his readiness to accept missionary appointments, as his health is now considerably improved; and also interesting Reports of their missionary labors from Messrs. Gordon and Fraser.

The Presbytery, considering the urgency of the requisition from the Halifax brethren, their extensive limits, the fewness of their laborers, and believing it will best promote the interests of the Church, agree to transfer the Rev. D. M. Gordon to the Presbytery of Halifax, with the understanding that Folly Mountain, Acadia Mines, Salmon River and Georgetown receive partial supplies.

The Rev. Mr. Fraser was appointed to continue his labors in Cape Breton until further notice. His Report, which was ordered to be published in the *Monthly Record*, shows that he “abounds in labors,” that the “Kirk” is reviving in Cape Breton, and a vigorous movement being made in the right direction.

The Rev. Mr. Gordon tabled \$96, collected for missionary services, which was handed back to him, and placed to the credit of the Colonial Committee, and the Presbytery highly commend the diligence and liberality of the people of Truro, Folly Mountain and Acadia Mines, in the payment of missionary supplies granted them.

Leave was granted to Messrs. Philip, Mc-

Donald, Gordon, Fraser and McCunn, to draw for supplement on the funds of the Colonial Committee.

The next ordinary meeting of this Court will be held (D.V.) in St. Andrew's Church, Pictou, on Wednesday the 6th March, 1867, at 11 o'clock. A. M.

W. McMILLAN, *Presb. Clerk.*

REPORT OF MISSIONARY LABOURS IN CAPE BRETON.

According to the appointment of Presbytery, I proceeded to Cape Breton with Mr. McMILLAN—arriving on the 6th of October. I entered upon my work by preaching next day at the Strait. Owing to the circumstance that the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was being dispensed there to the Congregation of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces, it was deemed proper to defer our meeting till the evening. On the following Sabbath I officiated, in the absence of Mr. Gunn, at Broad Cove, and since that time I have laboured at the following stations, viz.: Strait of Canso, River Inhabitants, River Dennis, and West Bay, preaching on Sundays, and holding occasional weekday meetings, as circumstances would permit.

At the Strait our people are preparing to build a Church which shall *always* be open for the preaching of the gospel! A site has been generously granted to them in a suitable and most beautiful locality, commanding a fine view of the waters of Canso, and of the surrounding country. From what I have witnessed of the zeal, energy, and liberality of the people, I have no doubt that—with a little assistance from the “Building Funds” collected by the untiring exertions of Mr. Brodie—a Church will be completed, in the course of seven or eight months, which will be a credit to the congregation, and a lasting benefit to the whole Island.

At River Inhabitants, the old Church is to be replaced by a new one. At a meeting held there yesterday, the wood required for the building was divided among the subscribers—each person to procure his own share, and to place it upon the site early in Spring, so that building operations may be commenced as soon as possible. Subscriptions in aid of this Church have been received from River Dennis, but, as the distance between the two rivers varies, in different places, from nine to thirteen miles, the people of River Dennis will require a house of worship of their own. At present they are obliged to meet in a private house. Should the people at River Inhabitants and at the Strait fulfil the obligations under which they have come—as I have no doubt they will—the people of Nova Scotia who have contributed to the “Cape Breton Church Building