

vices, it was resolved that from that sum the Home Mission Fund be reimbursed to the amount of its claim, and that the balance should be held by the Presbytery, if granted by the Trustees, to defray the expenses of services to be supplied.

The Presbytery adjourned to meet in St. John on the second Wednesday of May, 1872 (D.V.), in St. Stephen's Church, at 10 A. M.

Closed with the benediction.

PETER KEAY,
Pby. Clk., pro tem.

News of our Church.

Farewell Missionary Meetings.

PICTOU.

The Union Missionary Meeting took place in the New Church on Tuesday night, 17th. The entire body of the church was filled to its utmost capacity, and the galleries were well filled. Mr. Herdman, the pastor, presided, and opened the meeting, after which Dr. Bayne addressed the audience upon the NewHebrides Mission, its past state and present prospects. Rev. A. Ross spoke on the missionary call and qualifications—then the new missionaries addressed the audience, the sight of whom, (not to speak of their sentiments), about to leave home and society for the sake of the perishing heathen, was itself inspiring. Rev. Mr. Stirling presented special prayer on their behalf, after which a collection, amounting to \$100, was taken, to be divided between the two Churches. The choir aided by appropriate music. Thus has our second missionaries been sent forth. "God speed them."

TRURO.

On the evening of Thursday, 19th ult., a meeting of the members and adherents of both branches of the Presbyterian Church was held in Dr. McCulloch's Church, Truro, for the purpose of bidding farewell to Messrs. Murray, Robertson and McKenzie. Dr. McCulloch occupied the chair. Rev. Mr. Wilkins was unavoidably absent, taking part in the ordination and induction of

Rev. J. F. Campbell, which took place the same evening at Richmond.

Addresses were delivered by the Missionaries elect, and by the Rev. Donald McRae, of East River. Dr. McCulloch delivered the valedictory. A collection was taken up, amounting to the handsome sum of \$130. Of this, a sum of \$20 was given as a personal donation to each of the Missionaries' wives. The balance was equally divided among the three missionaries, to be expended by them in connection with the mission as they might deem advisable.

HALIFAX.

On the evening of the 23rd, the Halifax Farewell Meeting was held in St. Matthew's Church. It was a united meeting of the Presbyterian congregations of the city, and was of such a nature that friends of the mission were present from the country, and from other parts. Before the hour of commencing the services of the evening the church was filled with a congregation composed of all denominations of Christians. The Methodist brethren were not largely represented, because they were welcoming a number of young clergymen who had just arrived from England; but kindly words were spoken in their meeting in Brunswick Street Church, where they met, with reference to the meeting being held at the same time in St. Matthew's.

At the hour appointed, Geo. P. Mitchell, Esq., took the chair, by previous appointment of the Presbyterian ministers of the city. He called upon Professor McKnight to open the proceedings with divine service. The 103rd Psalm was sung, from the 13th verse, and the 42nd chapter of Isaiah was read, and thereafter the Professor led the devotions of the meeting in prayer. After a few introductory remarks from the Chairman, he introduced the Rev. Peter G. McGregor, who gave a detailed account of the mission to the South Sea Islands, from the commencement. In the course of his remarks he said:

"We are met here to-night for two purposes specially: To give thanks to God that He has raised up three men, in these days of missionary dearth, who are willing to spend and be spent in, their Master's service in the dark places of the South Sea