

After the several Commissioners present had an opportunity of being heard, the Presbytery sought a free expression of opinion from the Congregation, each section of which was well represented at the meeting; when a vote was taken in favor or against the application, by which it was found that the sentiment was equally divided, on account of a certain section of the Congregation desiring gaelic supply; whereupon the Presbytery decided to grant the request of those seeking a part of Mr. Cameron's services, whilst they make a subsequent arrangement in order to supply the gaelic speaking portion of the Congregation, it being understood that the above disposition is merely provisional.

Papers having been submitted, to the effect that the adherents of our Church around Stanley Bridge, being impressed with the necessity of obtaining Church accommodation in their midst, were about to take steps for the erection of a building,—that they had manifested much liberality among themselves, but that being comparatively weak, they sought the countenance of the Presbytery; it was agreed to recommend their case to the favourable consideration of the Church.

A letter was read from Rev. Thomas Sedgwick, Secretary of the Synod's Committee on Supplements, in reference to a contemplated deputation to visit the Congregations of the Presbytery, anent this scheme. The Presbytery expressed its approval of the action of the Committee, and agreed to co-operate with whatever deputies they may appoint.

Rev. I. Murray gave notice, that at the next meeting of Presbytery he would move for a Conference on the State of Religion within our bounds.

The Rev. W. R. Frame reported from the Committee to visit West Cape, &c.—The Report, which was highly satisfactory, was received, and the diligence of the Committee commended.

A report of missionary labours by Mr. Hogg, was read and approved.

The following appointments were then made, viz.: Mr. Nelson to continue at Murray Harbor till after the second Sabbath of January, to supply Charlottetown on the third and fourth Sabbaths of Jan'y, and Lot 14 for the month of Feb'y: Mr. Bearisto to supply Lot 14 on the last Sabbath of Dec. and the first Sabbath of Jan.; Charlottetown on the second Sabbath of Jan'y, Murray Harbour on the three following Sabbaths, and Charlottetown on the second, third, and fourth Sabbaths of February.

Rev. A. Campbell was appointed to preach in St. John's, New London, on the second Sabbath of January, in the forenoon, and in Grenville settlement in the afternoon;

Rev. W. Ross, on the second Sabbath of Feb'y, in the forenoon in Grenville settlement, and in the afternoon in St. John's, New London.—All these services to be conducted in Gaelic.

Adjourned to meet in Queen Square Church, Charlottetown, on Wednesday, 26th February, 1868, at 11 o'clock.

ALEX. FALCONER, *Pby. Clerk.*

Presbytery of Halifax.

The Presbytery of Halifax met at Shubenacadie on the 14th inst., and after Sermon by Rev. John Forrest was constituted by Rev. Edward Annand Moderator *pro tempore*, besides whom there were present Rev. Robert Sedgwick, John Cameron, John McLeod, James McLean, Edward McCurdy, Allan Simpson, John Forrest, ministers, and Hiram Smith and William Landalls ruling elders. A Commission from the Kirk Session of Musquodoboit was read and sustained, appointing Wm. Archibald as their representative Elder for the current year. Mr. Archibald's name was added to the roll, and being present he took his seat as a member of Presbytery.

Having met for Presbyterial visitation, the usual questions were put to the several office bearers. The facts elicited by these questions shewed this section of the congregation to be in a very healthy condition, both spiritually and financially. The visitation of the Gay's River section, which took place in the evening of the same day, was equally satisfactory. This is one of the largest, we think and most efficient of our country congregations, consisting of about two hundred and fifty families—paying their minister punctually eight hundred dollars and contributing liberally to all the schemes of the Church. Though Mr. McLean, who is abundant in labours, has, with great efficiency, discharged the duties of the whole congregation for about ten years, yet in this wide and interesting field, the Presbytery feel that there is ample work for two ministers, as well as ample means, comfortably to support them. When their two fine new churches now in the course of erection are completed, they will likely act on the advice of Presbytery and obtain a division of the Congregation.

The call from Poplar Grove Church, Halifax, to Rev. John Cameron of Nine Mile River, was then taken up. The papers connected with the call having been read and the Commissioners from both congregations heard, Rev. R. Sedgwick led in prayer for divine direction—after which Mr. Cameron stated that having given this whole matter his most serious and prayerful consideration he felt it to be his duty to decline the call from Poplar Grove congregation. On motion it was decided that