

Finance, &c.

☞ The Presbytery of Truro met at Upper Musquodoboit on the 18th March, sermon by the Rev. John Cameron; at Upper Stewiacke on the 19th, sermon by the Rev. William McCulloch; and at Nine Mile River on the 15th ult, sermon by the Rev. P. G. McGregor.

In each of these places the usual Presbyterial visitation was conducted. Much interesting information was elicited respecting, prayer meetings, the visitation of the sick, the training of the young and the general working order of the congregations under their respective elderships. While there is much room for improvement it is evident that the ruling elders generally are becoming more efficient and their services more highly appreciated by the people. In the first, and in the last mentioned, of these congregations, the state of the financial affairs between pastor and people, is highly satisfactory. In the other, some improvement is necessary, which from the number and spirit of the people, will doubtless soon be attended to.

At the Nine Mile River meeting, two persons from Rawdon (Messrs. Meek and G. Madill) appeared, requesting for the Presbyterians of that settlement, a small portion of Mr. Cameron's labours, and expressing their determination at the suggestion of the Presbytery to build a church forthwith. Before this appears in print, the frame will be up and covered in, and the house will be ready for public worship, probably at an early period of the season. They have been encouraged to this effort by a small sum from the Home Mission Board, granted on application from the Presbytery.

☞ The Pby. of Truro meets at Truro on the 20th of May for Presbyterial visitation: sermon by Rev. E. E. Ross.

☞ The Treasurer of the Board of Domestic Missions acknowledges the receipt of one pound, a donation from the Revd David Roy.

☞ The Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions acknowledges the receipt of the following sums.

From Onslow, Brookfield & Old Barns £10 0 0.

From the Revd. Wm. McCulloch for Registers £4 19 0

Five Pounds, a donation from Mr James Crerar, Merigomishie.

☞ A meeting of the Board of Foreign Missions is requested at the Manse in Onslow, on Wednesday the 21st of May, at 10 o'clock a. m.

J. I. BAXTER, Convener.

☞ Received from Mr. Isaac McCurdy, Teacher, Old Barns. £1, a donation to the Foreign Mission Fund.

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☞ At the Annual Meeting of the Truro Bible Society, Ten Pounds were appropriated to the purchase of the scriptures, with the view of placing the larger part of them at the disposal of the Synod's Home Missionaries, for gratuitous distribution in destitute localities.

Six Pounds Ten Shillings were voted in aid of Bible circulation in France, in connection with the Evangelical Church.

The balance, upwards of Three Pounds in aid of the Synod's Foreign Mission, for printing materials if required.

☞ The Rev. James Ross, Treasurer *pro. tem.* of the Committee of Superintendance of the Theological Seminary in connection with the Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia, thankfully acknowledges the receipt of Five Pounds, from Ladies of Prince Street Church congregation, Pictou, in aid of the funds of that Institution.

☞ The Presbytery of Pictou will meet at River John on the 1st. Wednesday of June, sermon by the Rev. George Walker; and for Presbyterial visitation at East Branch East River, on the 2nd Tuesday of June, sermon by the Rev. George Patterson.

☞ The Congregation of Prince St. Church gave a unanimous call on the 22d inst. to the Rev. James Bayne, of London-derry, to be their pastor. The Rev. G. Patterson preached and presided on the occasion.