

Rev. W. R. Calder was inducted into the pastoral charge of the congregation of Mira, on Sept. 10th. A beautiful day, a large representation of this extensive congregation, and the solemn and impressive services, all combined to make the occasion one not soon to be forgotten.

The Presbytery of Victoria and Richmond has appointed committees as follows: *Temperance*—D. McDonald and Angus McMillan; *State of Religion*—Rod McLeod, Alex Grant, and A. McRae; *Sabbath Schools*, John Rose, D. McDougall, and R. S. McLeod; *Statistics*—L. R. Gloag and K. McKenzie.

Clifton congregation was visited by the Presbytery of Truro, on Sept. 17th. Peace was found within her walls and prosperity within her palaces. The Presbytery expressed thankfulness for increased support of the schemes of the church and recommended greater promptitude and liberality in the support of ordinances at home.

Two of our congregations, Merigomish and Brookfield, were happily settled on the sixth of August, and the notice was in some way omitted from our last issue. Merigomish has obtained the services of Mr. R. Muir, a young young man recently from Scotland, while in Brookfield is settled Mr. Gavin Hamilton one of the last graduating class of Pine Hill. Both settlements are bright with hope and promise. May the unions be long, happy, and fruitful of good to man and glory to God.

The Presbytery of Victoria and Richmond for the first time in its history, met at Port Hood on Sept. 10th. This section of the congregation of Mabou and Port Hood contains 21 families, with 21 communicants, pays its share of the stipend, \$125, quarterly in advance, collecting it by envelope on the last Sabbath of the quarter. It gave \$4.00 for French evangelization. The S. School is prospering and gave \$14.00 to the schemes of the church. Family worship is well observed among the communicants. Members of Presbytery expressed their delight at the progress made in this section, and their hopes for a bright future.

The Pictou Presbyterial W. F. M. S. held its fifth annual meeting in New Glasgow, Sept. 5th. The afternoon meeting in New St. Andrews Hall was devoted to business. The report showed 27 auxiliaries and 4 mission bands, with a membership of 995. Twenty boxes and parcels were sent away during the year and fourteen more are pre-

paring. The society raised during the past year \$1286, an increase of more than \$100 on the preceding year. The following officers were chosen for the current year: President, Mrs. C. A. McKay, Stellarton; Vice-Presidents—Miss Burnside, Antigonish, Mrs. R. S. Dawson, Pictou, and Miss Millar, Rogers' Hill; Treasurer—Mrs. Moore, Pictou; Secretary—Mrs. Merriman, Pictou; Assistant Secretary, Mrs. Copeland, Pictou. In the evening a public meeting was held in United Church. A children's welcome service by sixteen little girls was very beautifully rendered, while Mr. and Mrs. Morton's presence among the speakers gave added interest to a delightful missionary meeting.

VISITATION AT LOWER MUSQUODO-BOIT.

Many readers of the MARITIME will remember letters in the *Witness* years ago from the "Manse of Tulloch gorum"—by the gifted pen of Rev. John Sprott. On the eleventh of September the Eastern Committee of the Halifax Presbytery, held a visitation of this historic congregation now ministered to by Rev. T. H. Murray. The first meeting was held at

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Rev. A. Gunn preached. There are but fifteen families in this section of the congregation that contribute \$120 a year for pastoral support, and raised last year \$28 for the schemes of the church. A flourishing Sabbath School is kept up in summer with twenty eight scholars on the roll. Since the last visitation, three years ago, marked progress has been made. The church has been repaired and there are no arrears. There has also been an increased rate of giving. \$10.50 per family is now the average for stipend, and \$2 per family for schemes. Family worship, however, is not generally observed, and only six copies of the *Record* are taken. A prayer meeting has not been in existence for a number of years. A member of the committee called for a show of hands of all who would attend a prayer meeting. Almost every hand being raised, and a promise made that a prayer would be organized, on the coming Sabbath a chairman was appointed and advice was given as to the conducting of the meeting. All were highly pleased with the results of the examination. In addition to the prayer meeting it was recommended that more copies of the *Record* should be taken and that family worship should be more generally observed, and pastor and people were earnestly commended to God and to the word of His grace.