

Am beil thu fathast air stoc nadarrn, no na'd "gheug san fhionan fhior"? fathast marbh gu Spioradal, no "mar neach air eirigh bho na mairbh"? Am beil "buaidh air a pheacadh ort"? No am beil thu toirt buaidh air?

Cothromaich do ghraisean.

Am beil creidimh agad? as eugmhais creidimh cha neil eja'n comas Diaa thoilleachadh."

Am beil naomhachd agad? "as eugmhais naomhachd cha'n fhaic neach air bith Dia."

Am beil gradh agad? "O so is aithne dhuinn gu bheil gradh again do chloinn De, nuair a ghradhaicheas sinn Dia, agus a choimhideas sinn aitheantan"—faic 1 Cor. xvi. 22.

Am beil iriosalachd agad? Tha Dia "cur an aghaidh nan uaibhreach ach a toirt grais dhoibhsan na iorrasal." Mat. xviii. 4.

Ach carson a bhlidhinn cuir trioblaid air d'intinn le smuaintean cho dubhaire, agus muintir eile ri aighear? Tha am ann airson na huile ni, agus sann an uair tha Dia feith-amh, Chrìosd toileach, agus an Spiorad naomh a stri ruit gu uireasbhuidh ann a'd chothrom a dheanamh suas, bu choir dhuit bhi deanamh do dhichill gu 'do ghairm agus do thaghadh a dheanamh cinnteach."

Mus d'thig crìoch air a bhliadhna so fein faodibh thu bhi air do chotkromaichadh ann am "meigh' ceartas neo-leabhreach Dhia, agus mus e "Tece!" a bhlithis air a sgriobhadh mu'd thiomchall, sann gu bhi air d'fhadach air falbh mar mholl chum an losgaidh.

Ach, a Leughadair ionmhuinn, "is dearbh leinn nithe is fearr mu'd thiomchall sa, agus nithe tha dluth do shlahte, ge'd tha sinn labhairt mar so." U.

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## THE CHURCH IN NOVA SCOTIA.

### MEETINGS OF PICTOU PRESBYTERY.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, }  
Pictou, Sept. 26th, 1866. }

At which time and place the Presbytery of Pictou met, pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted with prayer. Present: Rev. Mr. Goodwill (Moderator), Messrs. Herdman, McKay, Pollok, Stewart, McGregor, McMillan, ministers; Messrs. Brodie, J. W. Fraser, and D. M. Gordon, missionaries; and John and Alex. McLean, Elders.

The minutes of last meeting were read and sustained as correct.

The Clerk read a communication from the Secretary of the Colonial Committee, expressive of their willingness to continue their missionary, Mr. Brodie, in Cape Breton during the current year, and also the hope of securing a Gaelic-speaking fellow-laborer with him, should the Presbytery approve of it.

The Rev. Messrs. Gordon and Fraser, who have recently completed their studies for the

Church, having just returned from Scotland, and being present, laid upon the table of Presbytery commissions from the Colonial Committee, also extracts of License and Ordination from the Presbytery of Ayr.

Whereupon it was moved by Mr. Pollok, seconded by Mr. Herdman, and agreed to, that the Presbytery do hereby record a sense of their gratitude to Almighty God for His great and manifold goodness towards these young men since their departure from their native land, and for their safe return after a highly satisfactory and most creditable course of study;—That they further record their deep sense of the continued favors and liberality of the Mother Church and their Colonial Committee; and also accord a most hearty welcome to these missionaries, and record their sincere wishes and prayers for their usefulness and success as ministers of the gospel.

The committee appointed to confer with Mr. McCurdy anent his resignation, reported that they called upon Mr. McCurdy and found him in a feeble state of health, and quite incapable of attending to ministerial duty; that he respectfully urged the acceptance of his resignation, expressing the hope that he should have the continued sympathy, and, so far as convenient, the countenance and support of the Presbytery, and that supply should be granted as often as possible to the congregations left destitute by his resignation.

Whereupon it was proposed and agreed to, that Mr. McCurdy's resignation be accepted, that the Presbytery express their sympathy with him, that they record their deep sense of his labors since he became one of their number, and express their hope that he will maintain a correspondence with the Presbytery, and be willing to accept appointments, provided he be able to fulfil them.

There was also received a full and interesting Report from Mr. Anderson, convener of the committee appointed to meet and confer with the congregations lately presided over by Mr. McCurdy, regarding their interests in the matter. There was also, at the same time, handed in from said congregation, a Requisition, with a subscription list amounting to \$89, soliciting the part of the services of one of the missionaries recently arrived.

It was moved by Mr. Pollok, seconded by Mr. Herdman, and agreed to, that the thanks of the Presbytery be accorded to the committee for their diligence, that Mr. Anderson's Report be held *in retentis*, and that, considering the Report in reference to Folly Mountain and Acadia Mines, Mr. Gordon be appointed to supply these places; and it being understood that the Presbytery of Halifax derive supply for Truro, that the Clerk be instructed to write the Presbytery of Halifax to the effect that this Presbytery is willing that Mr. Gordon shall be transferred