

PRESBYTERY MEETINGS.

PRESBYTERY OF ST. JOHN.

The regular bi-monthly meeting of St. John Presbytery was held in the vestry of St. Andrew's church on the 17th inst.

Dr. Smith was elected moderator for the next six months and Mr. Langill was licensed and ordained for the home mission field.

Rev. Mr. Bruce submitted an encouraging report on Augmentation. He believed the scheme would be eminently successful. In this Presbytery, the aid-receiving congregations had sent in very satisfactory returns. This year there has been an increase from every supplemented congregation except two. There is an increase all the way down to \$10. Prince William congregation was particularly praised for the efforts it had made. This year \$10,000 will be required. This Presbytery will be requested to raise \$1,400 instead of \$1,700 as last year. He asked that a committee be appointed to continue the work and allocate the amounts for this year.

The call from Greenock church, St. Andrew's in favor of Rev. A. Gunn was sustained and the clerk instructed to forward the same to him. Rev. Mr. Murray declined the call extended to him from the congregation at Harvey. A recommendation of the Board and Senate of Knox college, anent an additional professor in said college, was read, and the Presbytery expressed its approval of it.

After hearing the report of the committee on organizing a mission at Sackville, the name of Sackville was ordered to be added to the list of mission stations.

Dr. Macrae reported for the home missions that at present Messrs. Nelson and Thomson were available for home mission work. He read an application to the Presbytery from Rev. Ebenezer H. Jenkins asking for work. The request was granted. All amounts due to catechists are applied for to the Home mission board.

It was resolved that Rev. Messrs. Mowatt and Kenneth McKay be appointed a committee to visit Grand Falls and report thereon.

Dr. Macrae moved that the clerk's salary be reduced to \$100 inclusive of all expenses. The motion was seconded by Wm. Stewart and carried.

The resignation of Dr. Macrae as convener of the Home Mission committee was accepted and Dr. Smith was appointed senior convener of the committee.

PICTOU PRESBYTERY

The Presbytery of Pictou met at New Glasgow on the 3rd inst.

The deputation appointed to visit the congregation of Glenelg, E. River and Caledonia, gave a most cheering report of their visitation, of the numerous and toilsome labors of the Pastor, Mr. Ferry, and of the prosperous state of matters in the congregation generally; all which was most gratifying to the Presbytery.

Mr. J. H. Turnbull having intimated his acceptance of the call from Stellarton, arrangements were made for his induction on the 17th inst., Mr. Carson being appointed to preach, Mr. Blair to address the minister, and Mr. R. Cumming the people.

The Circular of the Supplementing Committee with respect to Augmentation was very carefully and fully considered.

The following allocation was agreed upon with the utmost unanimity and cordiality.

United Church N. G.	\$300
Prince St. Pictou	200
James Church N. G.	160
Stellarton	120
Knox Church Pictou	100
E. River	100
Antigonish	100
West River and Green Hill	
Westville and Middle River	65
Blue Mountain and Barney's River	65
Union Centre and Lochaber	65
Glenelg E. R. and Caledonia	65
Vale Colliery and Sutherland's River	65
Sherbrooke and Goldenville	60
Hopewell	50
Merigomish	40
Scotaburn, Hermon and Saltsprings	40
Little Harbor and Fisher's Grant	20

Congregations were recommended also to take up their collections for this object before the first of January.

The congregations of Scotaburn, Hermon and Saltsprings, laid on the table a most unanimous and hearty call, signed by 217 communicants, and 77 adherents, addressed to Mr. J. M. Allen, and the

Arrangements were made for the partial supply of the mission stations for November, December, and January.

It was agreed that next regular meeting of Presbytery be held at New Glasgow on the second Tuesday of January at half past nine o'clock, instead of on the first Tuesday as hitherto as the first Tuesday occurs in the week of prayer.

Adjourned to meet at Stellarton on the 17th inst. at half past six o'clock P. M.