

VISITATION AT GRAND RIVER.

On the 7th Sep. the Presbytery met at Grand River, present eight ministers and two elders.

Rev. D. McMillan preached and the state of the congregation was inquired into, when the Presbytery adopted the following motion.

The Presbytery, having visited the congregation of Grand River, records its gratification at the satisfactory answers received from the minister, elders and managers. The Presbytery find with satisfaction that the minister is faithful and diligent in the discharge of his several duties; that the elders are also conscientious in their work, visiting the sick attending and conducting prayer-meetings and Sabbath-schools; that the managers are most diligent and faithful in attending to the financial interests of the congregation. The Presbytery is happy to find that, with the exception of the small sum of \$25 arrears, the congregation has fully implemented its engagements. The Presbytery would at the same time strongly urge upon the congregation to increase the present stipend of their minister (which, even with a manse, is by far too small) and to manifest more liberality in contributing to the schemes of the church, which they can now the more easily do after the noble effort by which they have almost freed the manse and glebe of debt.

VISITATION AT LOCH LOMOND.

This congregation was visited on the 8th Sep. Rev. D. Drummond preached. The affairs of the congregation being examined. Presbytery passed the following resolution.

The Presbytery regrets that the arrears are accumulating at such a rapid rate; earnestly recommends to the collectors the system of making quarterly calls for stipend and urges them to have the same paid entirely in cash. The Presbytery enjoins on the session of Loch Lomond to see that order is kept in and about the place of worship during Divine Service, and urges the congregation to take immediate steps to remove the arrears.

Good cannot but follow earnest and careful and prayerful Presbyterian visitation and it is to be hoped that abundant results will follow the labors of the Sydney Presbytery.

Presbytery of Halifax.

The Presbytery of Halifax met on Tues-

day at 10 o'clock in Chalmers Church, Mr. Rosborough, Moderator, presiding. There was a good attendance of members. Rev. C. D. McLaren who was in the city, *en route* to his field of labor in Siam, being present, was cordially invited to correspond.

Dr. McGregor reported fulfillment of appointment to Yarmouth—that he had moderated in a call to Mr. Anderson Rogers and that the call was about as hearty and unanimous as a call can well be. The call was warmly supported by Mr. George Ewan, commissioner from the congregation. Being sustained it was placed in Mr. Rogers' hands, and by him accepted. Whereupon, the following arrangements were made for Mr. Rogers' ordination and induction. At St. John's Church, Yarmouth, on Wednesday, Oct. 11th, at 7 o'clock in the evening—Dr. McKnight to preach and preside; Mr. J. B. Logan to address the minister, and Mr. Simpson the congregation. The Presbytery meets at Yarmouth at 10 o'clock in the morning of the same day to receive Mr. Rogers' trials.

Moderations in calls were granted (1) to St. Andrew's Church, Halifax—Dr. McKnight to preach and preside on Monday, Sept. 18th, at 7.30 p. m., (2) to Annapolis, Mr. Wyllie to preach and preside on Monday Sept. 11th at 3 o'clock, p. m. Dr. MacGregor was appointed to give a day's preaching at Bridgetown as soon as he conveniently can.

Rev. Richmond Logan handed in the demission of Sheet Harbor congregation. Mr. Rosborough was appointed to exchange with Mr. Logan next Sabbath (10th) to intimate Mr. Logan's action, and to cite the congregation to appear for their interest at a meeting to be held at Sheet Harbor on Tuesday, Oct. 3rd, at 7 o'clock p. m. Arrangements were made for the supply of Lawrencetown and Cow Bay congregation for the winter months, \$50 being requested from the Home Mission Fund to meet expenses.

Mr. J. F. Duстан reported from his field of labor, Moser River, Quoddy and Ecum Secum. The report was received and ordered to be forwarded to Mr. Richmond Logan for financial adjustment.

The Presbytery adjourned to meet at St. Andrew's Church, Halifax, on Thursday, Sept. 21st, at 3 o'clock, p. m., specially to sustain the call from that congregation.

ALLAN SIMPSON, Clerk.