

The Rev. John Anderson, B. D., formerly of St. Stephen, N. B., was in the city for a day or two last month. His friends will no doubt be glad to learn that he is enjoying good health. He was supplying at Truro for some weeks, and has again left for the West.

We regret to record that Rev. J. R. Macdonald, of Fairville, has been laid aside by an attack of influenza. Rev. J. C. Berry and Hon. Justice Forbes relieved him of service on the 12th and 19th respectively. He is now able to be about again but has hardly recovered from the effects of his illness.

Rev. A. A. Mackenzie, of St. Stephen's, Charlotte Co., has again been unable to attend to his duties through sickness. We trust that he will soon be able to resume his work, completely restored to health. We sympathise with him in his illness.

In view of the discussion on the Presbytery's travelling expenses fund, we would call attention to the following clipping from the *Christian World*:

SCOTLAND.—*Established Church.*—Glasgow Presbytery have brought to book a number of ministerial and lay members who have been lax in their attendance at the court. Dr. J. Marshall Lang, commenting on some of the excuses offered for absence, declared that those offered by the clerical members compared most unfavourably with the straightforward statements of the lay men. Dr

Donald Macleod pointed out that when the presbytery said that a member was expected to be present, and he did not attend or send an explanation, he ran the risk of being treated for contumacy, and the sooner he knew that the better.

In these days of frequent exchanges the following item from the *British Weekly* is interesting:

The Home Mission Committee, Church of Scotland, has withdrawn from Townhill Church, Dunfermline, (the Rev. Jacob Primmer), the grant which was renewed in July last. In a minute on the subject which has been adopted by the Committee, it is stated that from 7th July to 6th October (fourteen Sundays) Mr. Primmer had only twice occupied his own pulpit.

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