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The Rev. D. McGregor, was chosen Moderator of the Council, and Rev. H. Peckover was appointed Scribe. The Letters Missive being read, and the Council duly organized, the session was opened with singing, the reading of Scripture, and prayer offered by Rev. M. Lowry.

The list of those who wished to become members of the new church was then presented to the Council, and the reasons which led them to desire to take such a step were clearly stated by the Rev. J. Shipperley, the acting pastor. After due deliberation, the Council voted to proceed to the organization. The Articles of Faith and Covenant were then heard, and were considered by the Council to be a satisfactory basis of union. The forty-two members seeking union, having been regularly dismissed from the Pleasant River Church, now signified their acceptance of the basis of union by rising. The prayer of recognition and consecration was offered by the Rev. J. Shipperley, and the right hand of fellowship in the new church was given by the Moderator, who also addressed the church on the nature and duties of such fellowship.

Two deacons, William McLean and T. Silver, were then inducted, and one new member received into fellowship. Rev. H. Peckover offered the ordaining prayer, invoking the Divine blessing upon the deacons appointed.

The pastor of the church, the Rev. J. Shipperley, then presided at the Communion Service, and after responding to the congratulations of the Council and leading in prayer, called upon the Revs. M. Lowry and H. Peckover to address the church at the distribution of the elements. This very interesting, solemn and impressive service was brought to a close by singing and prayer.

Before closing this account it might be well to state that Ohio is one of Mr. Shipperley's preaching stations, distant about eight miles from Pleasant River. Though now constituted into a separate and independent church it will still enjoy Mr. Shipperley's ministrations. This field is one of the most promising

in the Lower Provinces, and is ripe for the harvest. It is, at the same time, a noble testimony to Mr. Shipperley's ministerial faithfulness and indefatigable efforts to preach the Gospel to many who never heard its sound before. Rev. S. Sykes first preached Christ to this people, and Mr. Shipperley followed. Truly virgin soil in forests primeval. A blessed return in saved souls to the Missionary Society. May the "joyful sound" be ever heard in this place, and the chorus, by a joyful and united people, "send the blessed tidings all the world around, that the wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them, and the desert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose."

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MISSIONARY MEETINGS, NOVA SCOTIA DISTRICT.—The annual meetings, in behalf of the C. C. Missionary Society, were held on the evenings of the 12th and 13th February, at Pleasant River, and Ohio, N. S. The attendance at each meeting was large, and judging from the attention paid to the various addresses, was appreciative. The deputation consisted of Revs. D. McGregor, M.A., H. Peckover and M. Lowry—Rev. J. Shipperley, the Pastor, occupying the chair. The speeches urged the members of the churches to a more thorough devotedness to the Lord's work, and others to speedily consecrate themselves to Christ; this being the only sure foundation upon which all missionary operations can be carried on. Notwithstanding the great financial depression which seems greater here than elsewhere, the contributions are likely to be up to the average of former years.

QUEEN'S COUNTY CONGREGATIONAL ASSOCIATION.—The Council of Ministers and Delegates from the Congregational Churches in Queen's Co., N. S., who met for the purpose of organizing and recognising the Ohio Church, having resolved themselves into a Provisional Committee, adopted Resolutions for the formation of a County Association, to meet with the several churches in succession, for mutual help and encouragement.