

is responsible for the use which he makes of his own advancements in knowledge and grace. "Whereto we have attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us mind the same thing" This is the improvement made of the passage in the extract from the Burgher Synod's Re-exhibition of the Testimony, with which the foregoing Article closes; and it is as feeling the divine authority of the same passage that the Free Church Synod declines a union with the Presbyterian Synod, which could not be effected without a sacrifice of an important part of that whereto she has attained.

3. Mr. Trotter calumniates the Westminster Assembly of Divines, and gives a most erroneous view of their labours with respect to the Confession of Faith Want of room, however, prevents the exhibition of evidence to this effect before the publication of the next number of the Record

COLLECTION FOR CURRENT EXPENSES OF COLLEGE AND ACADEMY.

Our readers will observe, from an advertisement in the last page of this number that the collection for defraying the Current Expenses of the College and Academy is to be made, agreeably to Act of Synod, on the first Sabbath of December. There are many of the Stations at which there may be no public worship that day; but it is to be understood that the collection should be made on the Sabbath on which, at such places, they may have public worship nearest the day appointed; and, in like manner, that intimation of the intended collection should be made on the immediately preceding Sabbath on which they have public worship. The congregation also should respond liberally, according as God may have blessed them with the means, to the call which is thus addressed to them. The collection is intended to meet the expenses of House rent, fuel, cleaning, &c. The single item of rent for the premises amounts to £60, a year; and as the annual collection, although gradually increasing, has never yet reached that sum, there is a considerable amount of debt now pressing upon the Board. Through the kindness of friends in Britain, who are alive to the importance of our educational institutions, Mr. Stewart of New Glasgow has secured a sum the judicious application of which may soon relieve us from the calls for rent; but surely the very parties for whom the effort is made, are not to forget that they also must bear their share of the burden. For the present, rent requires still to be paid. The collection is required also to meet the other expenses referred to, and it is hoped some-

thing may be done towards liquidating the debt already contracted. Let Ministers, Missionaries, and Catechists, bring these matters before the people whom they have occasion respectively to address; and we have little doubt but that collections will be obtained making a much nearer approach to what the urgency of the case calls for than have yet been contributed.

SUSTENTATION OF THE MINISTRY.

It is of the utmost importance that Presbyteries should use all diligence in sending full and accurate returns to the Queries which have been sent to them on this subject. They ought also to remember that the sooner they send their Returns the better; for the Committee must have full time to consider a matter which is not only important, but connected with much difficulty. Besides answering the specific Queries which have been submitted to them, it were well also if suggestions were added, as experience in particular localities may have been obtained, with respect to the comparative advantages or disadvantages of the different modes of raising the means of ministerial support. It is earnestly hoped that the appointment of the Committee will not be rendered nugatory by inertness on the part of those who must furnish the information.

FREE PRESBYTERY OF HALIFAX

The Free Presbytery of Halifax held their ordinary meeting here on Wednesday the first current, Rev. Professor Lyall, Moderator.

A memorial was laid on the table, and read, from the Minister and Elders of the Congregation of Bermuda, stating circumstances which required that Mr. Adam should leave them for a time; and requesting supply for the months of November, December, and January. The Presbytery were very desirous to give the supply; but could not make any definite arrangement without consulting with some absent members, on whose aid they must depend. The business was, therefore, delayed till next ordinary meeting; and the Clerk was instructed, in the mean time, to communicate with Mr. Duff on the subject.

The usual supplies were appointed; and a financial statement was submitted in reference to Lunenburg.

The next ordinary meeting of Presbytery is to be held on the last Wednesday of October.

FREE PRESBYTERY OF PICTOU

This court held its usual quarterly meeting at New Glasgow, on the 6th inst., Rev. John Munro, Wallace, Moderator.

There was a large attendance of Ministers. Several Elders also presented Com-