Presbyterian Synod of the Maritime Provinces.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.) TRUEO, Oct. 6. - The synod opened last even ing in St. Andrew's church with divine service, ducted by the retiring moderator, Rev. Thos. Bedgewick, of Tatamagouche, who presched an

able sermon from Rom, i. 16. "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ; for it is the power of God unto Salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first and also to the Greek" The singing, which was entirely without instrumental accompaniment, was led by a

choir of eight and the congregation, which entirely filled the spacious edifice, seemed to join heartily in the service. The following is a synopsis of the sermon: synopsis of the sermon:

It is easy for us to enter into the spirit of these words, but the courage of the apostle in uttering them is not so easily appreciated. He spoke of a despised faith. The gospel is a power in the world at large, in human society and in the individual life. Though its instrumentalities are not carnal, but spiritual, it is a mighty influence. A new power has been introduced into the world—the "power of God." The history of the last eighteen hundred years show this.

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The gospel is the power unto salvation—There have been forms of mind exerted only to destroy, but this is to heal, to sanctify, to save. The Christians were called out of a state of sin and death to one of acceptance with God and eternal life. It reconciles human strifes, and heals the sorrows of the heart.

The Gospel is the power of God—a power to salvation because of God. The preacher must saver confess that the power is not on him—the sinner acknowledges that its not in him, it is for God.

The gospel shines in its own light reveals.

The gospel shines in its own light, reveals God in Christ. The love of Father, Son and Spirit is the source of its mighty power to save. It is the means of divine consolation to the mourner, the weary and the heavy laden. The correct its much a reverse heavy. mourner, the weary and the heavy laden. The gospel is such a power because it is accompanied with the energy of the divine spirit. It is impartial and universal in its operations. This was a new thing in the earth. The idea of a universal religion had never dawned upon the mind before. The apostle appreciated his mission and gloried in the proclamation of this faith, that obliterated national and race distinctions. This gospal is the friend of the results of the state rate, that obliverated national and race distinctions. This gospel is the friend of the oppressed and the advocate of the rights of man.

The gospel is such a power as saves only to every one that believes. A reasonable condition, for "good news" must be believed or it cannot give any joy. cannot give any joy. The terms are so easily complied with that none may say that salva-

Time has only served to bring out into cleare view the truth of the apostie's words. All things else have changed but this clorious gospel has lost none of its power today. Its future of universal reign is certain and the signs are most manifest. We too have no reason to be ashamed of the gospel of Christ. Let us look forward with confidence and bend every energy that this power be felt in every heart.

AFTER THE SERMON the synod was constituted with prayer and the clerk called the roll. The replies showed that there was a full attendance of members. A list of the deaths, demissions, translations, inductions and ordinations was then read. The largest number of the largest number then read. The largest number of ordination was in the Presbytery of St. John. In calling upon the synod to elect a successor, the moderator referred in feeling terms to the eminent brethren who had been removed dur-

ing the year by death. He also thanked the members for the courtesy and forbearance shown to him during his term of office.

Nominations for the moderatorship were then read, when Dr. McCullough moved, seconded by Rev. T. Cumming, that Rev. Alex. McLean, of Hopewell, N. S., be moderator. The

MB. M'LEAN.

in taking the chair, expressed his thanks for the honor cenferred. He urged upon the synod a spirit of earnestness and harmony. He remarked that only two, himself and Prof. Pollock, remained of those who sat with the synod thirty-three years ago. Then there were three separate synods, more or less jealous of one another. Now they were one. When one another. Now they were one. When he looked around at the church's progress in this period he was filled with gratifude for the great things God had wrongn. for the great things God had wrongne. Several very important questions would come before the court calling for much wisdom from above, all of them practical matters touching the very life of the church. He alluded particularly to the deaths of Dr. Macgregor, and Principal Ross, and the lasting monuments they had left in the work they had accomplished.

Dr. Macrae then moved, seconded by Dr. Burns, that the thanks of the synod be tendered to the retiring moderator for his conduct in the chair and his excellent and appropriate the synony less thanks. ate sermon last evening.—Carried.

The report of the committee on bills and evertures was presented by the convener, Rev. A. McLean Sinclair, and its recommendations

THE SYNOD meets daily from 10 to 12,30, 3 to 5,30 p. m. and 7 to 10 in the evening. The first half hour in the morning is spent in devotional services. Thursday evening will be occupied with home missions, temperance and Sabbath

schools.

One of the questions awakening most interest is the appointment of a financial agent for the church, the position occupied by the late Dr. Macgregor. Several names have been mentioned in connection with the office amongst others that of the Rev. Dr. Macrae of St. John, than whom a better man could not be found for awakening a popular interest in the schemes of the church. Several, however, are of the opinion that the present arrangement should be continued permanently, namely, Miss Macgregor as office agent, the schemes, etc. to depend for their advocacy upon the conveners of the several committees and others that may interest themselves in them.

The church with which the synod is meeting is known as St. Andrews. It is one of the many off-shoots from the let Presbyterian church so long ministered to by the venerable Dr. McCulloch. It separated in perfect amily some ten years ago, calling its first minister, Rev. Andrew Burrows, now of Boston. (from whose Christian name the church possibly received its designation.) The present pastor is Rev. Thomas Cumming, lately of Stellarton, in the adjoining county of Pictou, and more lately of Montreal. Though young, St. Andrew's is one of the best equipped and most efficient of our congregations, active and examest in every good word and work. J. K. Blair, so well known in connection with the Y. M. C. Association, is one of the elders.
This morning the synod resolved to take up the question of appointing an agent in the afternoon.

afternoon.

Dr. Burns presented the accounts of the Hunter church building fund, and Mr. Bruce that of the McLagan trust, Rev. T. Sedgewick also that of the McLeod, bequest. This latter was placed at the disposal of home mission

The report of the committee on systemati benevolence awakened an interesting discussion. The adoption of the weekly offering system was recommended unanimously. In the afternoon, on motion of Rev. Robert
Laing, a resolution adopted cordially endorsed
the proposed ladies college at Halifax.
The appointment of an agent was under discussion at adjournment.

stand when it does on the docket, and the notion was agreed to.

The moderator then nominated the committees to examine presbytery records and that on the nomination of standing committees, the latter as follows: President Forrest, convener; E. Scott, E. D. McMillan, Geo. McMillan, A. T. Mowat, Dr. Kennedy and Robt. Murray.
Dr. Burns presented the report of

THE HUNTER BUILDING FUND. Amount received from the fund, \$350; bank interest, \$318.72; interest from congrega-tions, \$187.81. Total, \$856.53. The fund is devoted to the assistance of congregations in building churches. It is limited in its operations to Nova Scotia. Since founded it has disbursed \$10,621 66 in free grants; \$16,400 in free loans, and \$1,900 in loans on nterest.

The report was received and the names of President Forrest and Jas. S. Hutton were added to the committee in the place of deceased members.

REV. G. BRUCE presented the report of the committee on the management of the McLagan trust. This was a bequest of \$4,000 to be administered in behalf of the minister and school teacher of Blackville, N. B. The committee recommended that since the beneficiaries of the fund resided within the bounds of the presbytery of Miramichi the committee in charge of it should be composed of members of that

presbytery.

Rev. Neil McKay wondered why it had not been placed in their hands before this. Rev. G. Bruce explained that the money was all invested in the city of St. John and at the present time it was difficult to realize on securitles so as to put the fund in a condition to be transferred to another locality. Rev. E. Wallace Waits thought in that case the presbytery of Miramichi would not care to have anything to do with it. Rev. T. Sedgewick moved, secondedby Dr Macrae, that a committee be appointed to consider what should be done and report at

a subsequent session—This was finally agreed REV. THOS. SEDGEWICK

presented the report of Mr. McLeod bequest. This was a bequest in terms of the will of the late Alex McLeod of Halifax. After discussion the recommendation of the committee was agreed to, viz.: "That inasmuch as, according to present regulations, there are certain cases which cannot be dealt with by the augmentation committee, and consequently are now dealt with by the Home Mission Committee, the money in question be meanwhile placed at the disposal of the latter to be applied on behalf of such cases.' -This committee was also appointed to take charge of the fund.

REV. M. G. HENRY. presented the report of the committee on systematic benevolence. The report presented a very thorough analysis of the contributions of the churches. A great diversity of methods and results was disclosed, A lively discussion followed in regard to

the weekly offering system particularly.

Rev. G. Bruce thought that a spirit of liberality must first be developed before the weekly offering system would succeed. Rev. Robt. Laing thought our congregations were not prepared to take up coll tions both for current expenses and for

Sunday, Rev. E. D. Millar knew a congregation that had doubled its contributions in one year by adopting the "envelope" system for both objects. His congregation used separate envelopes for each.

J. K. Munni's preferred the monthy visits of the collector for the schemes of the of the collector for the schemes of the

Dr. Macrae said that white envelopes for current expenses had been a success, the same plan for the schemes had proved a failure. Monthly collectors had met with more encouragement,
Rev. J. A. F. Sutherland called attention

to the recommendation of the general as-sembly in favor of missionary associations. After some furthers discussion the recom-mendations of the committee were adopted. This urged general and systematic liberality and the adoption of weekly offerings by envelopes for current expenses, with other systematic methods for the schemes of the church at large. The thanks of the synod were tendered to the convener for his exceptionally able report.

REFORT FROM PRESBYTERIES ment collections for schemes of the church were then called for, but owing to a misunderstanding on the part of the majority of clerks of presbyteries very few were forthcoming.
At the afternoon session the Rev. R. laing introduced the subject of the estab-

A LADIES' COLLEGE AT HALIFAX. There is no school anywhere in the maritime provinces exactly suited to the education of the daughters of Presbyterian families. Many are sent nowhere who would likely attend such a school. Halifax is the most suitable centre. It has a large Protestant population from which day pupils would be drawn. Teachers are easily procured at reasonable salaries. He concluded by movngithe following resolutions:

Whereas, it is proposed to raise in shares of \$25, such a capital sum of \$40,000 for the purpose of establishing a ladies' college in Halifax in connection with the Presbyterian church; Whereas, a provisional board has been form-

Whereas, a provisional board has been formed and a sum of over \$11,000 has been subscribed for the purpose in Halifax with the prospect of having that sum very considerably increased; and

Whereas, there is a most pressing need for such an institution as the one proposed;

Therefore this synod cordially approves of the proposal to establish in Halifax a ladies' college in connection with the Presbyterian church, and of the plan proposed for carrying it into effect. Further, the synod endorses the movement already initiated and pledges itself to give all possible encouragement and assistance in completing the work.

J. S. Maclean, in seconding the motion J. S. Maclean, in seconding the motion, aid that while such a scheme had been pro-

osed before and failed, it never had such an

ble advocate in the past as the last speaker. Are Presbyterians to be the only de Are Presbyterians to be the only denomina-tion who have no such institution? He ap-pealed to their loyalty to their church's best interests to support the enterprise heartily. Rev. Jan Carrethers chicked. Rev. Jas. Carruthers objected to the syn ledging itself in regard to the matter. Rev. A. M. Sinclair showed that the Rev. A. M. Sinclair showed that the synod undertook no pecuniary obligations.

Rev. Jos. Hogg claimed that if any had objections to the plan they should make them known in order that they might be answered. He gave an instance that had come under his notice while on his way to synod, of the insidious manner in which the faith of Protestant cirls was underwised at the synonymus of the insidious manner in which the faith of Protestant cirls was underwised at the synonymus of the insidious manner in which the faith of Protestant cirls was underwised at the synonymus and the synonymus

business tact and energy and enthusiasm synod find it necessary to send the question to a committee, no decision might be arrived at until Friday, when many members would have left fer home.—The be mainly Halifax men.

Rev. E. Soott said that merely moral support was asked from the synod.

Rev. G. Bruce expressed his sympathy with the movement, but did not understand how far this pledge of support extended.

At the suggestion of Dr. Burns the words

"as individuals" were struck out and the
motion as above was adopted by an enthu-

slastic and unanimous vote. THE CLERK HERE READ the resolution of the general assembly re-

mitting to the synod the appointment of successor to Dr. Macgregor,
The Rev. E. Scott advocated the appointment of Miss Macgregor as treasurer of the schemes, leaving all other work to be performed by the conveners of the several boards. He contended that an agent, whose chief work was to canvas the churches, could not attend to office work; that a secretary to the committees was unnecessary, and that the presence of the treasurer at board meetings was not called for. He urged, in con-clusion, the special qualifications of the young lady for the work. He thought conveners of committees, who were generally ministers with large salaries, should not grudge to do their extra work gratituously. Dr. McCullough seconded the motion.

President Forrest urged the necessity of appointing an agent. The work could not be done as described. Matters were not going on satisfactorily at present. Investments had to be watched as well as made. Several hundred thousand dollars had to be taken care of. The church in the west wouldn't part with its agents for double the money they cost them. He moved that the synod proceed to appoint an agent to fill the place of the late Dr. Macgregor. Before adjournment it was resolved to re-

sume this subject tomorrow morning.

This evening a public meeting was held in the First church at which the reports of the foreign mission committee and that on the state of religion were read and addresses delivered. The following is a list of the business yet

to be overtaken : Remit of the assembly anent the matter of the agency of the church in the maritime pro-Home mission matters.

Statement anent augmentation scheme. Statement anent aged and infirm minister Regulations for aged and infirm ministers' Overture of Rev. J. F. Dunstan anent

syangelistic work.
Foreign mission matters.
Report on the state of religion and confer-Report of committee on temperance. Report of committee on Sabbath schools. Report of committee on Sabbath observan

Remit of the assembly anent the status of Rev. E. Ross.
Widows and orphans' fund busines Report of committee on synod fund. Appointment of committees.
Report of committee on public education. Appointment of time and place of next meet-

g of synod.

Report of committee to nominate standing Report of committees on presbytery records. Report of committee on obituary notices.

(By Telegraph.) crowded last night, when foreign missions crowded last night, when foreign missions and the state of religion was taken up. Earnest addresses were delivered by Mr. Annand, missionary to New Hebrides, and others. The first Sunday in November was designated for united prayer for missions.

This morning the Syned decided to meet Rev. John Murray moved, seconded by Rev. John Murray moved, seconded by Rev. John Murray moved, seconded by Rev. Robert Laing, that it meet at Sydney, next year at Sydney, Cape Breton.

Rev. P. M. Morrison of Dartmouth was elected agent in place of the late Dr. Macgregor at a salary of \$1,750.

Third Day. TRURO, Oct. 7.—The synod met last evening in the First Presbyterian church, and after devotional exercises and reading of the minutes.

Rev. E. Scott introduced the subject of foreign missions. He said that the debt the most satisfactory arrangement. If an upon the fund at present was \$3,800, which was not quite so bad as last year at the same time. In a few months, however, it would be necessary to pay out nearly \$9,000 to the several missions in the New Hebrides and Trinidad, so that a large deficit at the end of the year may be expected. This might be avoided if all would do their duty. Sixty-seven congregations have given nothing to the "Dayspring" mission, and 27 nothing to the fund proper.

Rev. E. D. Smith said that (1) Our pelloy must be liberal. Now that we have a wider outlook we must rise to a fuller appreciation of the grandeur of our work. There are more heathen today than there were a thousand

years ago. (2) We must interest every individual member in this work. He instanced one city in the maritime provinces, "a city set on a hill," the united contributions of whose churches to foreign missions of whose churches to foreign missions. did not equal that of his own country conquent appeal. REV. MR. ANNAND.

missionary from the New Hebridss, then addressed the audience. He felt that he had been too long at home already, and had been 100 long at nome already, and hoped soon to set out on his return to the South Seas. He graphically described a missionary's sensations on finding himself alone on a save age island and seeing the ship that brought age island and seeing the ship that brought him disappear over the horizon. The people were negroes, painted hideously. Their language wholly unknown. Names of objects are first learned by pointing to them. Then the connecting links. This takes two years of hawaship before a word of the gospel can be preached. Then the message is so strange they pronounce it "gammon" and turn from it with ridicule and contempt. The New Hebrides have a code of ethics. They prove rides have a code of ethics. They never steal from one another. They have land laws which are always respected. When the missionary buys a spot his owenership is never disputed. They worship the spirits of the dead. Their idols are merely memorials of some one deceased. After two or three year's worship they are thrown away and some one more recently deceased. some one more recently deceased is taken up. While there are customs peculiar to each island, feasting and dancing are common which were participated in by the moderator, Dr. McCallough and Rev. John Mo. Leod, the minutes of previous session were read and approved.

Dr. Burns, seconded by Rev. D. B. Blau, moved that a change be made in the order of business so as to take up the appointment of an agent this afternoon instead of fomorrow. It was very desirable that the matter should its start such a school and had failed, but when the settled by a full house and should its start such a school and had failed, but when the settled by a full house and a figure and a special such as the settled by a full house and a figure and a special such as the settled by a full house and a figure and a special such as the settled by a full house and a figure and a special such as the settled by a full house and a figure and a special such as the settled by a full house and a figure and a special such as the settled by a full house and a figure and special such as the settled by a full house and a figure and special such as the settled by a full house and a figure and special such as school and had failed, but when the settled by a full house and a figure and special such as school and had failed, but when the settled by a full house and a figure and provided that a figure and provided that a figure and provided that a figure and provided the settled by a full house and a figure and special such as school and had failed, but when the settled by a full house and a figure and special such as school and had failed, but when the settled by a full house and a figure and provided that the duties of counting the curve of customs containing the curve of customs containing the curve of the setablishment of a secretaryship of committees.

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threatened with French annexation, and some of them were actually occupied by soldiers.
What the end would be could not be pre. dicted, but in any case the mission must not be abandoned. There were clouds sometimes in every congregation, and there was only one on this field. He concluded with an earnest appeal to go forward in the

Rev. E. Scott mentioned a practical matter. Some arrowroot had been sent home by our missionaries as the contribution of our converts and was on sale in 4lb, bags at 60 cts. per lb.

REV. G. BRUCE expressed himself as deeply impressed by the earnest and calm address of the missionary. He had well illustrated that faith which could not be discouraged and which he had spoken of to us. Rev. E. Scott moved, seconded by Rev.

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The synod, in view of the fact that the deficit in the foreign mission work of the church at the present time is over \$3,800, and that, about the beginning of the ensuing year, a further amount of more than \$4,000 will require to be sent to the New Hebrides to meet the expenditure in that field for the year 1887, and an equal amount to Trinidad to meet the expenditure of the first half of the same year in that field, would earnestly urge upon all the ministers of our church to bring before their congregations the pressing claims of the foreign mission work, and upon all the congregations and mission stations the necessity of contributing with increased liberality to the fund.

The synod has listened with deepest interest to the impressive and touching address given by Mr. Annand touching the work in the New Hebrides, rejoices at the welcome Mr. and Mrs. Annand have received from the church at home, and at the work they have been enabled to do in visiting the churches and stirring up a deeper interest in the cause, and, in the prospect of their return to the South seas, would prayerfully commend them to the loving care of him whe has said "I am with you always."

The synod prays that our missions in the New Hebrides may be preserved from threatened disaster by French occupation, that our beloved missionaries may be able to prosecute their work in peace, and he who has blessed in beloved missionaries may be able to prosecute their work in peace, and he who has blessed in the past will in the future continue richly to bless his work among these benighted savages. Rev. H. H. Macpherson moved that the synod recommend our ministers and congregations to observe the first Sabbath of No-

vember as a day of special prayer for foreign missions. This was the day observed by all denominations in the United States. This was carried by a rising vote. THE REPORT

on the state of religion was presented by Rev. A. B. Dickie. The report, which was unusually full, showed that there was an increased attendance on ordinances. That at prayer meetings was increasing. In some quarters parents sought baptism for their children without feeling any chilgation in regard to the Lord's supper. Large numbers of S. S. children had been added to the communion rolls. The report urged that the young should be firmly and kindly dealt with by parents and that the authority of a Christian home be more displayed. Reiterated teaching was needed on the subject of Christian liberalty. If every one of our 28,000 members each endeavored to win one soul during the year what an advance would be made. Rev. Mr. Hogg moved and Rev. J. F. Dustan seconded the adoption of the re-

Rev. Mr. Thompson of Bathurst and Dr. Murray of Sydney also took part in the discussion. TRURO. morning. After devotional exercises and reading of minutes, the place of next meet-

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A vote being taken, Mr. Murray's motion was carried. The synod accordingly meets next year in Falmouth street church, Sydney, on the first Tuesday of October, at half past seven o'clock p. m.

The question of appointing

A CHURCH AGENT

was then resumed. Dr. Burns would like to hear from business men. He thought an agent at \$1,500 and a clerk at \$500 would be small, it is still more so now. The charge of so much money and the investment of it invelved serious responsibility. Rsv. Robt. Murray said that the arrangement made 20 years ago by Dr. Macgregor's appointment had abundantly justified itself and should be continued. The man who filled such an office worked hard for his salary. Mr. J. S. Maclean said that it was impossible for business men to take outside engagements and the financial work of the church must be done by one whose work it is. He explained the complicated operations necessary to raise money to meet occasional large payments and strongly advocated the appointment of an agent who should have his office and book-keeper. Rev. A. B. Blair thought we should first decide whether an agent shall be appointed, not what the duties shall be, and then the person who shall fill the office.

REV. ALLAN SIMPSON said that an agent might be necessary, but not immediately. The work has been well done for a year and a half. There is a large debt at present, and we should economise for a time. The work is becoming less in consequence of the unification of the funds. There is nothing like agreement as to the man who should fill the office.

Rev. Jas. Carruthers questioned the statement regarding the debt. There would be very little if prospective contributions were considered.

Rev. E. Grant did not believe that after two or three years we would find that we

two or three years we would find that we had saved anything by abolishing the agency. The sum would be spent in incidentals connected with the committees.

Geo. Mitchell agreed with J. S. Maclean. There should be an office and a clerk and the church business should be done in a business like manner. asiness-like manner.

DR. BURNS MOVED that an agent be appointed, the duties and salary of the office to be afterwards defined. Rev. Jos. Carruthers seconded the motion, and others being ruled out of order, it was

AFTERNOON SESSION. E. D. Millar, that the duties of the agent be as specified in the minutes of assembly of

duties be the same as those of Dr. McGregor with the exception of the secretaryship of

Dr. Macrae thought that the work done by an agent was necessary and the church ought not to put itself in the position of soliciting gratuitous services from anyone. It is able and willing to pay for work done. A vote being taken, Dr. Burns' motion was carried by a vote of 108 to 21.

In regard to the salary of the office several motions were made and afterwards with-

drawn. The following were finally voted apon:—
Rev. J. C. Cattanach moved that the salary be \$2,000. Lost.

Lost. Rev. E. D. Millar moved that it be \$1,750 with maintenance of an office.—Lost. Rev. T. C. Jack moved that it be \$1.750. Dr. Burns then moved that Miss Macgreg

or be continued as clerk at a salary of \$500 Rev. E. D. Millar moved that the agent be

allowed \$150 for the maintenance of an office. Lost. The synod then proceeded to elect an agent, and it was decided to take the vote by ballot, The following were then nominated:
Revs. A. McL. Sinclair, P. Morrision, Dr.
Patterson, T. Sedgwick, Dr. Macrae, E.
Scott, and E. A. McCardy. Three ballots were taken resulting in the ection of Rev. P. M. Morrison, which was

made unanimous. TRUBO, Oct. 8.-The Synod met last evening in St. Andrew's Church. There was a large attendance of the general public and much interest was manifested in the proceedings. Rev. G. S. Carson presented the report of the synod fund, showing that the total expenses had been \$319 87, leaving a balance of \$81.33. Rev. J. McMillan presented the report of the

HOME MISSION COMMITTEE.

There are 31 congregations vacant out of 172 There are 31 congregations vacant out of 172 and only six or seven probationers to supply these. Several have been vacant for two years, Of the 13 mission charges, eight are in the Presbytery of St. John. These are well supported with picked men. There are 36 to 40 mission fields embracing 120 or 130 preaching stations, attended by 2,604 families, and having 2,131 communicants. Thirty-six catechists have supplied these during the past summer, and have done good work. The amounts paid and have done good work. The amounts paid out have been, for probitioners \$875; for ordained missionaries \$1008; for catechists \$2,858—Total \$4,245. We will require some \$1500 or \$1600 more than last year as the work

is so successfully progressing.

Rev. Wm. Stuart spoke of the work in the Presbytery of St. John. We had 18 mission fields with 80 preaching stations. He spoke in complimentary terms of the woman's home missionary society of St. John. missionary society of St. John.
Short addresses were then delivered by Revs.
P. Langill, Thos. Stewart and J. Ross, describing the work in their mission charges, and the hearty response of the people to the new describing the work in their mission charges.

parture, viz: appointment of ordained men who should remain with them all the year. One mentioned the case of a laboring man who subscribed \$50 towards their new church, and aid past 30 cents a day out of his wages to make it up. REV. G. BRUCE

said that although St. John presbytery ccqusaid that authough St. John presbytery occupied so much of their attention this evening, it was only right that they should know something of a district that absorbed so much of their funds. He gave the following statement of the progress made in the last three years: 1884. 1886.

Years. 1884. Number Sabbaths given...... 670 This year \$7,900 has been spent on mission work in the presbytery.

Rev. E. Grant spoke on home missions in Truro presbytery.

Dr. Macrae moved a resolution expressing

thanks for the pregress reported and urging in-creased liberality on the part of congregations. He thought that settled ministers might give occasional services to mission stations.

Rev. J. R. Munro said that while \$7 per head of the whole population was spent in strong drink only 25 cents per communicant would fill the H. M. treasury.

Rev. N. McKay presented the

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The temperance sentiment was growing.
Very few now have doubts abouts the desirability of prohibition. It is admitted that drinking habits are on the decrease. The redrinking habits are on the decrease. The re-port referred to the opposition of some clergy-men in St. John to the passage of the Scott Act, and the difficulty in enforcing it in some

Rev. J. M. McLeod of Charlottetown, spoke of the causes of failure to some extent of the

The recommendations of report were adopted and were as follows: 1. The synod thankfully notes the steady growth of temperance principles throughout the church and gratefully acknowledges the assistance of the press, and of various temperance associations in forming and educating public opinion upon the temperance question.

2. The synod, in the line of previous deliverances in reference to the liquor traffic, again declares its conviction that said traffic is contrary to the word of God and to the spirit of the Christian religion, and that it is the duty of the state to prohibit and suppress it.

3. The synod encourages and enjoins the members and adherents of the church to guard the purity and consistency of their lives by practicing abstinence from alcoholic beverages and to use their best endeavors for the enforce-

and to use their best endeavors for the enforce ment of the law restricting their sale. 4. That while we encourage our people to exercise great care in the personal observance and general enforcement of the existing liquor laws, we at the same time declare that as a Christian community the full measure of our duty in reference to the liquor traffic can be discharged only by its general prohibition and effectual suppression.

Rev. W. P. Archibald read the report of the

SABBATH SCHOOL COMMITTEE. The following is a synopsis of his statistics for the whole maritime provinces and for the Pres-bytery of St. John:—

Attendance 22,275
Teachers and officers 2,371
New communicants 924
Expenses of schools \$3 914
Missions \$3,277 The average attendance is 72 p. c. of the whole number on the roll. One out of every 22 has professed conversion during the year. The contributions to missions are at the rate of

15½ cents per member.
Rev. K. McKay moved, and Rev. J. F.
Forbes seconded the adoption of the report. ANNUAL FAIR

Of Kings Central Agricultural Association.

The annual exhibition of the Kings County Central Agricultural Society was held Thursday in the exhibition grounds and hall at Hampton village, and was one of the best ever given by the society. The large hall was almost completely filled with grain, vegetables, butter and domestic manufactures, all of which were The synod resumed the discussion of the agency question.

Rev. Dr. Burns moved, seconded by Rev. E. D. Millar, that the duties of the agent be as specified in the minutes of assembly of Rev. A. McL. Sinclair moved that his duties be the same as those of Dr. McGregor with the exception of the secretaryship of committees.

Rev. E. Scott moved that the duties of the agent be limited to the treasurership of the funds.

Dr. Macknight opposed the appointment of an agent. He thought pastors should be resulted and also a few swine. of superior quality. The grain shown was were good looking animals, as were also the oxen and sheep. There were some coops of poultry on the grounds and also a few swine. The judges were as follows:—

Neat cattle—J. H. Gorham, Andrew Sherwood and W. H. Keith.

WOOLLEN GCODS. Rev. D. B. Blair moved that it be \$1,500.

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Worsted shirts and drawers—Henry Pierce Ist.
Knited jackets (one pair)—Chas Dixon Ist.
Two pairs women's stockings—GM Freeze Ist; ER
Demill 2nd; Henry Pierce 3rd.
Two pairs men's socks—J H Dixon Ist; GM Freeze
2nd; John Raymond 3rd; Geo Raymond 4th.
Two pairs men's mittens—Henry Pierce Ist; GM
Freeze 2nd; ER Demill 3rd.
Assortment of yarns—John T McVey Ist; Mys Sullivan 2nd; GM Freeze 3rd.
Asiortment of yarns (colored)—Wrs Sul ivan 1st; J
TMcVey 2nd; ER Demill 3rd; GM Freeze 4th. MISCELLANEOUS.

Best hearth rug—S Fairweather 1st; JE Fairweather 2nd.
Patchwerk quilt—G M Freeze 1st; A J Wetmore 2nd; Mrs W 6tty 3rd; J R Crawford 4tb.
Shawl, knitted or crotched—C E Dixon 1st; J E Gorham 2nd.

Two pairs fancy mittens—J E Fairweather 1st;
Henry Pierce 2nd.

specimens braid work—J E Fairweather 1st;
A B
Hayes 2nd.

Specimen darnel net—C E Dixon 1st; A B Haye;
2nd; John Raymond 3rd

Specimen anit lace—Henry Pierce 1st; J E Fairweather 2nd; C E Dixon 3rd; Walker Fowler 4th.

Assortment fancy needlework—C E Dixon 1st; A
B Hayes 2nd; D Calvin 3rd; J E Fairweather 4 h.

Assortment Berlin work—A B Hayes 1st; John
Crawford 2nd.

John Raymond's table materials.

highly commended by the judges. HORTICULTURAL. Best assortment apples, named varieties—J H Gora am 1st; J E Fairweather 2nd; E A Hayes 3rd; A B Hayes 4th.;

Three table rquash—T A Peters 1st; S E Frost 2nd;
J R Pickle 3rd.

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Three pumpk'ns—JH Dixon 1st; GM Freeze 2nd;
CA Hoyt 3rd.

Three heads cabbage—H Fairweather 1st; TA
Peters 2nd; S Fairweather 3rd.
Half bushel onlong, named varieties—C Dixon 1st;
CE Dixon 2nd; H Fairweather 3rd. 5
Half bushel tomatoes, named varieties—CE Dixon 1st;
JH Dixon 2nd; JR Pickle 3rd. AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS. Best bushel wheat, named varieties—A B Hays 1st;

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E Frost 2nd.

Bushel white ca's—S E Frost 1st; J R Crawford

2nd; Geo Raymond 3rd.

Bushel black oats—John Raymond 1st; W H Robinson 2nd; L Titus 3rd.

Best bushel grey buckwheat—J H Gorham 1st; W

H Robinson 2nd; J R Crawford 3rd.

Bush rough buckwheat—T A Peters 1st; W Fowler

2nd; J R Crawford 3rd.

Bushel kidney potatoes—Chas Dixon 1st; B E

Demill 2nd; S L T Wiggins 3rd.

Bushel early rose potatoes—E Frost 1st; H Pierce

2nd; C A Hoyt 3rd.

Best bushel markee potatoes—Chas; Dixon 1st; W

H Robinson 2nd; J E Fairweather 3rd.

Eushel potatoes, any new varieties—J R Pickle 1st;

G M Freez; 2nd; C A Hoyt 3rd.

Bushel stock potatoes—C Dixon 1st; S Fairweather

2nd; W Fowler 3rd.

Bushel mangolds, long red—S L T, Wiggins 1st; J Bushel mangolds, long red—S L T Wiggins 1st; J H Dixon 2nd; ohn Raymond 3rd. Bushel Swedish turnips—J E Fairweather 1st; J H Dixon 2nd; R E Demill 3rd. Long blood beets—John McLaughlin 1st.
Turnip blood beets—John T McVey 1st; S L T
Wiggins 2nd; J McLaughlin 3rd.

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Parsnips— H Fairweather 1st; J H Dixon 2nd; John
Baymond 3rd.

Belgian carrots— J H Dixon; 1st; John Raymond 2d;

S L T Wiggins 3rd.

Early horn carrots—John McLaughlin 1st; J H
Dixon 2nd; S Fairweather 3rd.

Intermediate carrots—S Fairweather 1st; Charles
Dixon 2nd; J E Fairweather 3rd.

Beans—W Fowler 1st; E R Demi 1 2ad; J T McVey
3rd. Indian corn 25 ears—J H Dixon 1st; Chas Dixon 2nd; John McLaughlin 3rd.

HORSES. Matched team for general purposes—E & Hayes Ist; T L Titus 2nd; J T Frost and A B Hayes honorable The state of the s onorable mention for driving horses.

Three year old colt or filly for general purposes—
L Titus 1st; John McGuire 2nd Two jear old colt of filly for general purposes—Jas-Dunlop ist; John T Frest 2nd; John Scribner 3rd; Dr Faylor henorable mention. Yearling colt or filly for general purpose—JE Fair-weather ist; JT Frost 2nd; Albert Jenkins 3rd; Dr Paylor honorable mention.

Mare and foal for general purposes—Cornelius Sullivan 1st; E R Demiil 2nd; Chas Hoyt 3rd; Dr Taylor

onorable mention.

Driving horses—J T Frost 1st; [H.J Fowler, 2nd; W. SHEEP, OXEN AND POULTRY. Best ram 3 years old or over—John McGuire 1st; S E Frost 2nd; John Raymond 8rd. Best ram one shear—S Fairweather 1st; Chas Fos-ter 2nd. ter End.

Pair ewes 2 years old or over—SE Frost 1st; A Faire weather 2nd; Chas Hoyt 3rd.

Pair ewes 0ne shear—John McGuire 1st; A B Hayes 2nd; Chas Foster 3rd.

Ram lamb—A Fairweather 1st; Chas Foster 2nd; Frank Hayes 3rd.

Pair ewe lambs—SE Frost 1st; Chas Foster 2nd; A Fairweather 3rd.

Best two Plymouth rocks—SE Frost 1st; B B Demill 2nd. mill 2nd.

Best trio common fowls-A F Fairweather 1st; J Raymond 2nd; O K Dixon 3rd.

Oxen, 5 years old and upward—M H Fowler 1st; F Hayes 2nd; R P Piers 3rd.

Oxen, 4 years old—J E Fairweather 1st; E Smith 2nd; Wm Fowler 3rd.

Yoke steers, 3 years old—U M Frost 1st; F L Titus—2nd. Ynd,
Yoke steers, 2 years old—M H Fowler 1st; Geo Raymond 2ad; 8 Fairweather 3rd.
Yoke yearling steers—R P Pleis 1st; J Raymond 2d; J E Fairweather 3rd.
Yoke steer calves—R P Pleis 1st; S E Frost 2nd; J H Dixon 3rd,

Devons—Best bull 2 year's old—Chas Foster 1st. Bull, 1 year old—E Smith 1st; C J Emith 2nd. Bull calf—Chas Foster 1st. Best cow—C I Emith 1st; Charles Foster 2nd; Eben.

Best heifer, 2 year's old—C I Smith 1st.

Best yearling heifer—C I Smith 1st; Charles Foster
2nd; C I Smith 3rd.

Best heifer call—C I Emith 1st,

Ajrahiros—Best bull, 2 year's old—Thomas Peters
1st. 1st.

Best yearling bull—W Fowler 1st; M H Fowler 2nd.
Best bull calf—S E Frost 1st.
Best cow—J. E Fairweather 1st; Wm Fowler 2nd;
Thos A Peters 3rd.
Best helfer, 2 year's old—J E Fairweather 1st; T A
Peters 2nd; M H Fowler 3rd
Best helfer, 1 year old—J E Fairweather 1st; H J
Fowler 2nd; H Fairweather 3rd.
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Common or grade stock—Best bull two year's old—
R P Piers 1st: E R Demill 2nd; J E Frest 3rd.
Best yearling bull—Walker Fowler 1st; E R Demill 2nd; F L Titus 3rd.
Best bull calf—J E. Fairweather 1st.
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Best cow—H J Fowler 1st; Dan Calvin 2nd; John McLaughlin 3rd.
Best heifer 2 years old—Thos H Foster 1st; R P Piers 2nd; Wm Fowler 3rd.
Best yearling heifer—H J Fowler 1st; E H Hayes 2nd; R P Piers 3rd.
Best heifer calf—Gee Raymond 1st; Dan Calvin 2nd.

The following received prizes, their butter being considered of first-class quality:— R P Piers, C M frost, A B Hayes G M Freeze, C A Hoyt, Walker Fowler; Chas I Smith, Humbert Fair-weather, J E Fairweather, John Raymond, J R Craw-ford, J H Dixon, Wm Fowler, Thos A Peters, Jos H Gorham, C E Dixon, E R Demill and Cornelius Sulli-

The ladies of the village provided an excel-lent dinner for all who wished it, and many patronized them.

The secretary, J. E. Fairweather, than whom a more efficient officer could scarcely be found, was kept busy all day in the preparation of tickets, etc. tickets, etc. KENT COUNTY COURT.-Two civil causes

were tried at this court. That of Samson Thomas v. J. & J. Miller & Co.—an action for recovery of stumpage and for bark sold and delivered, in which \$1,200 was claimed-reculted in a verdict of \$453 for the plaintiff;
D. L. Hanington and C. J. Sayre for plaintiff;
C. W. Weldon and A. A. Davidson for de-

fendants.

The case of Robert Burns McIntosh of Hallfax v. Henry O'Leary for breach of contract to supply mackerel resulted in a verdict for plaintiff of \$45.60. D. L. Hanington and C. J. Sayre for plaintiff, R. Hutchinson and Geo. V. McInerney for defendant.

Court adjourned at one o'clock yesterday morning, a night session having been held, Judge King reached home last evening.

JERUSALEM .- A tea meeting was held on the 6th inst. at Summer [Hill, Jerusalem circuit, towards the erection of the new church now in course of construction. The proceeds and receipts for the evening amounted to \$167.17. Addresses were delivered by R. T. Babbitt, Dr. Wm, Hawker, W. Inch, Rev. Mr. Holley, and Rev. J. M. Tredres, circuit superintendent. October

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