

acts is not lessened because God over-rules them for good.

4. Joseph was a type of Christ: Hated of his brethren, persecuted, sold in Egypt, reduced to the lowest extremity. "In all this let us behold Jesus hated, envied, persecuted, sold and suffering for us; yea, in some sense *by us*; for we are like-minded by nature with those who crucified him; and our sins were the real causes of those sufferings which made way for his mediatorial exaltation. Thus while we were enemies provision was made for our extreme necessity, against the time when we should become sensible of our real character and condition; and then we find that he was preparing to overcome our evil with his good. While we receive from his fulness, let us not forget the anguish of his soul when suffering for our sins; let us mourn for our crimes and crucify his crucifiers; let us love and serve him; let us through envy, reproach and tribulation, follow him to glory!"—(*Scott.*)

#### DOCTRINE TO BE PROVED.

*We should resist the beginning of evil.*—James iii. 5; Prov. xvii. 14. Envy led the brothers of Joseph to plan murder. Refer also to the way in which Abraham ended the quarrel between his own people and Lot's. Judas, and Ananias and Sapphira are examples.

## News of the Church.

### Presbytery of P. E. I.

This Presbytery met in the Free Church, Charlottetown, on Wednesday, the 31st Jan. There were present the Revs. A. Munro, Moderator, A. Campbell, J. Allan, H. Crawford, G. Sutherland, Clerk, A. Cameron, D. McNeil, R. Laird, W. Ross, A. Falconer, D. McDougall, and D. W. Cameron; and Messrs. M. Gillis, D. Laird, D. Doughart and G. Walker, elders.

The time of the Presbytery was chiefly occupied with local matters.

A petition for a supply of preaching from persons in and beyond Bonshaw, and for recognition as a distinct station, elicited after much discussion the following *unanimous* deliverance, viz., "In regard to the prayer of the petitioners, the Presbytery agree that a preaching station be recognized,—the preaching to be granted, on account of present circumstances, on the West side of DeSable River."

The subject of female education was introduced by Mr. D. Laird, who moved the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted: "That this Presbytery ap-

point a committee of five to confer with a committee of our brethren of the Wesleyan Church, or any other Church, on the expediency of Protestants of all denominations in this Colony making a united effort to establish a female seminary in Charlottetown; and if practicable, to draw up the basis of a scheme for the support and management of such an educational institution; and to report at a future meeting of Presbytery." The Committee appointed were Revs. A. Campbell, W. Ross, A. Falconer, and H. Crawford, with Mr. D. Laird; Mr. Campbell, Convener.

The Presbytery being informed that there was a desire on the part of many at West River and Bonshaw to secure the whole of Rev. W. Ross's services, the Revs. D. McNeil and A. Cameron were appointed a Committee to visit these localities at an early day, to enquire whether they are ripe for the contemplated change.

The following supplies were appointed for Trvon, viz.: The Rev. James Allan for the 3rd Sabbath of February, and the Rev. R. Laird for the 1st Sabbath of March.

The Presbytery adjourned to meet in Queen Square Church, Charlottetown, on the first Tuesday of March at 11 a. m.

### The Presbytery of Victoria and Richmond.

The Presbytery met in the Presbyterian Church, Mabou, C. B., on the 7th November last.

The following members of Presbytery were present, viz., Rev. D. McKenzie, Moderator pro tem., Rev. K. McKenzie, Presbytery Clerk, and Mr. Benjamin Smith, Ruling Elder.

Rev. Lauchlin Macdonald, being present was invited to take his seat as a corresponding member.

After the usual preliminaries to ordination, Rev. D. McKenzie, conducted public worship; preached an appropriate discourse, John x. 9. At the close, Rev. K. McKenzie read a brief narrative of the steps taken by Presbytery in filling up the vacancy in the congregation. Mr. Sinclair being called upon the usual questions were put to him and satisfactorily answered. Thereafter the Moderator proceeded to the act of ordination; the minister elect was accordingly set apart by solemn prayer and the laying on of the hands of the Presbytery, to the office of the holy ministry. He received the right hand of fellowship and was formally introduced into the pastoral charge of the congregation.

Thereafter, the Moderator suitably addressed the newly ordained minister, and Rev. K. McKenzie the people, on their respective solemn, and responsible duties as Pastor and people.