

building lot 60 feet front by nearly 300 feet deep, at a cost of \$700. It is situated on Queen Street, quite near the Church. It is the best site in Truro, and every member of the congregation is delighted with the bargain.

3rd. The Building Committee are procuring plans so that Tenders may be called for immediately. The materials will be provided during the coming winter, and it is hoped that in nine months a substantial and comfortable manse will be finished. The cost, exclusive of the site, it is thought will not much exceed \$3000, and at present the congregation hope to incur a debt of not more than \$1000.

The following donations in money, besides many valuable fancy articles, are gratefully acknowledged:—

Halifax.—Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Grant, \$20.00; Mrs. Bolton, \$2.00; Miss Forsyth, \$1.00; Mrs. W. Hill, \$2.00; Dr. Avery, \$5.00; Mr. A. Burns, \$5.00; Dr. Cogswell, \$1.00; Mr. Bremner, \$1.00; Mrs. Sinclair, \$1.00; Mr. Hill, \$1.00. Collected by Mrs. Alex. McKay, \$24.75; Chas. E. Wiswell, \$50.00; Mrs. C. E. Wiswell, \$10.00; the Misses Wiswell, \$10.00.

Pictou.—Mrs. Bayley, \$1.00; Miss Harper, \$2.00; Mrs. Noonan, \$1.00; Mrs. Bone, \$1.00; Miss Gordon, \$1.00.

New Glasgow.—John McKay, \$5.00; Mr. Holmes, \$2.00; J. Henderson, \$1.00; A. C. Bell, \$1.00; J. W. Copeland, \$1.00; J. F. McDonald, \$1.00; Malcolm McLeod, \$1.00; R. Maxwell, \$1.00.

Hopewell.—Christina McLean, \$1.00.

3.—The only news from Pictou Presbytery, if we except the picture of its socio-ecclesiastical condition by our esteemed correspondent "D.," is good news. The Rev. George Coull's services have met with great acceptance in all the vacancies, and it is rumoured that the New Glasgow congregation has decided to give him a call, which we trust he will see it his duty to accept. Wallace and Barney's River are still vacant, but the ministers of Pictou Presbytery have always had enough of the right Church spirit to give as frequent supply as possible to the vacancies in their bounds. Still we hope to see two more missionaries sent to them soon.

Pugwash congregation is composed of men of the right stamp. Having carried off the Rev. Mr. Sutherland to be their minister from all competition, they are doing their best to show their appreciation of him. They have agreed to pay the salary promised, quarterly and in advance, although they are engaged now in raising money to pay for the excellent manse they have just purchased. They have resolved to take 100 copies of the RECORD next year, and are giving other signs of energy that prove the wisdom of the Rev. Mr. Anderson's action in having them constituted into an independent congregation. On October 12 the Communion was dispensed by their minister, assisted by the Rev. George Coull, whose services were so highly esteemed that all expressed fervent hopes that he might be settled in Wallace as their near neighbour.

Here are two other items, both of which may come under the designation of "good news:—"

A deputation from St. Paul's congregation, East River, waited on their pastor, the Rev. D. MacRae, on the eve of his departure, for a short time, to the old country, and presented him with a handsome sum of money. He values it highly as a token of their esteem and good will.

At Lochaber, on the 5th October, there was one of those scenes that are, or at least hitherto have, unhappily, been "few and far between," a *Union Communion* of the P. C. L. P. congregation and the adherents of the Church of Scotland. Men and women of both parties, with tears of joy fast trickling down their cheeks, thanked God that they were spared to see that day, and be actors in the solemn proceedings. The congregation was large, attentive, and evidently very deeply impressed with the importance and solemnity of the occasion. The worthy and esteemed pastor, Rev. Mr. Forbes, who has done much to remove prejudices, and pluck "roots of bitterness," was assisted on that, to many, memorable occasion, by Messrs. Stirling, and McMillan of Salt Springs. W. R. Pictou.

Since it is a good thing for "brethren to dwell together in unity," would it not be gratifying to hear of many such in-