

remainder of his 12 days in P. E. I. Mr. Melville spent in preaching and visiting in Kinross, Orwell, Point Prim, Belfast, &c. On Monday evening the 20th he held an important farewell meeting at Kinross Church, and returned early on the morrow by Charlottetown, much comforted by what he saw of both Pastor and people, and of the Lord's just hand in the Island lifting up the meek and casting the wicked to the ground. He feels deep gratitude to many others, as Messrs Robertson, Docherty, Murchison, Dixon, Stewart, McLean, McLeod, Gillis, Martin, Rose, Lamont, McPhail, McDonald, Kennedy, Sutherland, Mellish, Cameron, Dewar, Gordon, Cogswell, &c., &c., but the galaxy of dear names is only begun.

The Rev. Mr. McMillan also fulfilled his deputation faithfully in DeSable and the Western Sections, to the great comfort and edification of the large and devoted congregations there assembled from day to day; as the following letter briefly indicates:

REV. W. McMILLAN'S LETTER.

In fulfilment of the appointment by Synod I proceeded to P. E. I. on the 24th July, and was met in Charlottetown by Wm. McDonald, Esq., a worthy Elder of DeSable Congregation, who took me on that same evening to his own hospitable home. Next day, (Saturday) Rev. Mr. Hutchison, who has for some months been a fellow labourer with Rev. Mr. Goodwill, preached an eloquent and appropriate sermon in English, and I conducted the Gaelic service. On the following Sabbath and Monday, Mr. Goodwill and I conducted the services. The accommodation was insufficient for the large crowds that assembled. The people listened with unflinching attention from about 10.30 a. m. till near 4 p. m., and showed a deep interest in the services. Several hundreds partook of the sacred memorials of the BROKEN BODY and SHED BLOOD, rejoicing and praising God. They are an intensely earnest people, with a high appreciation of their privileges, and a deep reverence for the things of God. They are wonderfully intelligent in Scripture, and withal unassuming. In prayer they wrestle and prevail. The Rev. Mr. Goodwill ministers to them in Spiritual things: his field is enormous, yet he is "instant in season, out of season," week day and Sabbath, preaching the glad tidings of Salvation; and is deservedly trusted, respected, and loved by his people. Our meetings were times of refreshing

from the presence of the Lord, and we felt that it was good for us to be there. I hope the time is not far distant when Mr. Goodwill will have an efficient and acceptable Gaelic helper, and the people more frequent services.

Bridgeville, Aug., 1885.

W. McM.

PRESBYTERY MEETINGS AT ORWELL AND DESABLE, P. E. I.—At Orwell and within the Kirk, Kinross, on the 10th of July, 1885, a meeting of Presbytery being duly assembled according to appointment of the Synod at Pictou convened, and duly called by notice from the pulpit and the press, was constituted with prayer by the Rev. Mr. Goodwill, Moderator.

Sederunt, Rev. J. Goodwill, Rev. J. Hutchison, Rev. P. Melville, and Messrs M. Campbell, J. Campbell, D. McLeod, R. McLeod, S. Martin, A. McDonald, D. McKinnon, J. McKenzie, and M. McKinnon, Elders.

The business of the meeting was introduced in a few appropriate remarks by the Moderator, explaining the occasion of meeting and inviting the brethren present to state their views as to the best means for providing more regular ministerial services on both sides the Hillsborough.

A communication was read from the congregation at Birch Hill stating their willingness to contribute to the support of the Rev. J. Hutchison, providing that they would not be deprived of the pastoral care of Mr. Goodwill; also that they are willing to double their present subscriptions if they can have the services of Mr. Goodwill wholly on their own side of the Hillsborough.

Arrangements were thereupon suggested for the securing of another Gaelic minister. After an animated discussion in which all the elders took part and which gave hope of energetic action, Rev. Mr. Melville as deputy from the Synod at Pictou, addressed the meeting in encouraging terms; indicating the proper line of action for the best interests of this very important charge, and for the future welfare of our people in P. E. I. The Moderator summed up the results; and the meeting was adjourned for further deliberation till Monday next, after thanksgiving service, and was closed with prayer.

On Monday, 13th July, in the same