

the 26th inst. There were present, W. G. Forbes, Moderator, Messrs. M. Stewart, K. McKenzie, D. McKenzie—Ministers; Malcolm McLeod, Whyecomagh; Benjamin Smith, Mabou; and William Dunbar, Lake Ainslie—Ruling Elders.

After sermon by Rev. D. McKenzie, interim Moderator of Session, the Presbytery proceeded to moderate in the call to Rev. W. G. Forbes, which being numerously signed by members of the congregation, duly attested by Moderator of Session, and without a dissident, was unanimously sustained by the Presbytery.

There was also a paper of concurrence to said call, numerously signed by adherents and ordinary hearers, together with a subscription list from the Trustees of the congregation, promising at least \$600 as a yearly stipend, presented to the Presbytery. It was agreed that a meeting of the Court be held, on the 9th November next, at the Strait of Canso, at 11 o'clock, a.m.; that the Rev. Mr. Forbes's congregation there be duly notified of this, then and there to appear for their interests; that the congregation of Whyecomagh appoint Commissioners to appear at said meeting for the interests of the latter congregation.

Thereafter the Presbytery directed the attention of the congregation to the arrears due their late minister, and urged that the sum promised at last meeting, at least be paid as soon as possible. They were glad to find that some progress had been made in this matter since last meeting.

Rev. William Sinclair, being present was heard in the exercise of his trial discourses, and examined on the other subjects prescribed to him at a previous meeting. Having taken a conjunct view of the whole, the Presbytery unanimously agreed to sustain these trials; appoint the 7th day of November next, at 11 o'clock, a.m., to meet in the Presbyterian Church at Mabou for his ordination and induction. They instruct the Clerk to write an edict in due form, to be served in the presence of that congregation on Sabbath, 29th inst.

The Presbytery then adjourned, to meet at Mabou in the Presbyterian Church, at 11 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

K. MCKENZIE, *Ply Clerk.*

The Presbytery of Tatamagouche

This Presbytery met at Goose River on Oct. 17th. The chief business was the visitation of the congregation. The questions of the Formula were put to the various parties, and answered in a satisfactory manner. On the whole the Presbytery were much pleased with the condition of the congregation. Evidences of progress were clearly discernible. Since last visita-

tion a new and handsomely finished church had been opened, which the Presbytery was glad to find was free from debt. This congregation is a small one—perhaps with one exception—the smallest connected with the church. It has had in times past and has still to contend against peculiar difficulties—not the least of which are the opposition of parties in the vicinity and their persistent and we fear intentional misrepresentation of the constitution and principles of our church. In these circumstances it has a strong claim upon the sympathy and assistance of the church. A small supplement has been given for a year or two, which might well be increased.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the National Bible Society of Scotland; when the following motion was adopted as the deliverance of the Presbytery on the subject, in preference to another of the same general purport, but without the preamble:—"That this Presbytery recognizes with gratitude to God, the good work in which the National Society of Scotland is engaged, and appreciates their kindly feelings towards us in Nova Scotia, in offering to supply us with Bibles, containing the Scottish Metrical version of the Psalms, desiring at the same time our co-operation in circulating the Bible among ourselves. This Presbytery in its official capacity does not feel it to be expedient to identify itself with any particular Bible Society, and would leave the matter of co-operation to the voluntary choice of congregations or individual members." Other business chiefly of a routine nature was transacted when the Presbytery adjourned to meet for visitation at Tatamagouche on the second Tuesday of December, and at River John for the same purpose on the day following.

Summer Missionary work in New Brunswick.

The youthful missionaries engaged in this Province during the summer would appear to have been very successful in the various mission fields, and their labours seem to be highly appreciated in the several stations. The people of Bailie and St. David's subscribed in N. B. currency \$78.58, and in American \$137.80—which at 67 cents per dollar, amounts to \$81.99—or in N. B. money, in all, \$160.57. Mr. James Sinclair officiated in this district. In the Woodstock and Richmond field there was raised—in all, \$138.49. Of this sum \$71.29 was collected at Richmond, while the remaining \$67.20 was raised by a tea meeting at Woodstock. Mr. Simpson has handed a copy of the subscription list to the convener of the Home Mission Committee, to be published, if desired, with the other accounts of the Synod. In Florenceville and Green-