

expenses. Redbank petitioned for moderation in a call. Mr. Aitken was appointed to moderate in a day convenient, with instructions to secure at least \$500 of the stipend from the people. Presbytery expressed sympathy with Rev. A. Russell in his sickness, and resolved to supply his pulpit for three months.

Standing Committees were appointed as follows:—State of Religion: Rev. Messrs. Hamilton and Baird, and Mr. Peter Hamilton. Sabbath-schools: Rev. Messrs. N. McKay, A. O. Brown, and Mr. George Haddow. Temperance: Rev. Messrs. Cameron, Thompson, and Mr. Bradshaw McKenzie. Systematic Beneficence: Rev. Messrs. Aitken, Johnstone, and Mr. J. R. Nicholson. Augmentation: Rev. Messrs. E. Wallace, Watts, N. McKay, and Mr. Alex. Loggie.

Next meeting to be held in St. John's Church, Chatham, on Tuesday, 24th Jan. 1888, at 10-30 a. m.

The Presbytery of Lunenburg and Shelburne have been recently visiting the congregations in Shelburne County, devoting in all three meetings to business and four to preaching, visitation, and addresses. In Lockeport and Barrington matters were found in a very satisfactory state. In the former place there is a beautiful new church, opened last May, and though the congregation is small, \$1400 of the cost, which was \$3,200, has been already paid.

The Church at Barrington has been renewed and beautified, inside, and is a very neat and pretty building.

In Shelburne and Clyde there was much to encourage. One lack, however, was that of promptness in paying the pastors salary. This is as truly a fruit of the Spirit as any other grace, and it is hoped will soon abound in this grace also. They are planning to build a new church.

At East Jordan there is a pretty little Union Church which will soon be free from debt.

This is again the foremost of the Presbyteries in making its allotment for the Augmentation Fund. It has also made an allotment for the College Fund of one third the amount for Augmentation.

Facts and figures are often interesting. From a report on the statistics of the Halifax Presbytery recently presented to

that court, we gather that there are 30 congregations, and 10 mission stations in the Presbytery. The families are given as 3038; (24 more than last year) communicants, 5440; accessions, 650, of which 504 were by profession. There were aided, in Dartmouth, 49; Windsor, 49; Yarmouth, 27; Richmond, 24; Shubenacadie, 20; Kennetcook, 18. The baptisms were, 363 infants, and 81 adults. The weekly prayer meetings were attended by 2385, or 256 more than last year. The number in Bible-class and Sunday-school is 4:31. There are 599 engaged in the work of teaching. In giving for the schemes of the Church there has been an advance on last year of about seven per cent.

The Presbytery of St. John is carrying on very vigorously its Home Mission work, and during the last few years great progress has been made. They have also a church building fund of their own to aid and encourage weak and struggling stations in erecting places of worship. They recently gave \$100 for that purpose at Dorchester, and \$120 at Riverside. This fund is regarded as a very important one and should be well supported.

#### CORRECTIONS IN STATISTICAL TABLES

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*Presbytery of St. John*:—St. Stephen's, St. John, add for Dayspring and Mission Schools Fund, \$55.00, and for Assembly Fund, \$20.00, making total \$388.00.

*Presbytery of Truro*:—Great Village, add for College, \$7.00, making total \$205.

In acknowledgements from individuals for Foreign Missions:—Estate late Thos. Fulton should be \$7.00, instead of \$5.00. Harmony:—Add for French Evangelization, \$10.00, making total, \$37.71.

*Presbytery of P. E. I.*:—Murray Harbor. Deduct \$5.00 from Aged & I. M. F. and add for French Evangelization \$16.00, making total \$141.64. Valleyfield: Add for Assembly \$5.00, making total \$140.00.

*Presbytery of Pictou*:—Prince Street, Pictou, \$629.78.

The contributions to French Evangelization and the Assembly Fund sent to Rev. R. H. Warden and Dr. Reid, are not acknowledged in these tables.

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