

Philip, R. McCunn, J. Goodwill, and W. McMillan; and John McKay and D. A. Fraser, Esquires, Messrs. John McLean, Henry Munro, and A. Strumberg, Elders.

The minutes of former meetings were read and sustained.

Mr. Gilbert Gordon, Scotch Hill, appeared before the Presbytery, showing a deep interest in the Pictou Islanders, deploring their isolation, and strongly urging the Presbytery to regard the Island as a mission station and give supplies as circumstances will allow. The Presbytery having taken the destitute circumstances of the Island into consideration, appointed Messrs. Goodwill and Stewart to give services a day each before the navigation closes, and report the circumstances of the Island at next meeting of Presbytery.

Mr. Anderson was unanimously elected Moderator for the current year, and the retiring Moderator, Mr. Philip, received the thanks of the Presbytery for his courteous conduct while in the chair. The Rev. Mr. Goodwill, as already known to most of our readers, having volunteered to go to the Foreign Mission field and been accepted, tendered his demission of the charge of Roger's Hill and Cape John. The Presbytery received the demission with a deep sense of his service as a Presbyter, with regret at parting with so valued a brother, and with sincere expression of hope for his comfort and success, and with earnest prayers that the Good Shepherd may accompany him to the sphere of his future labours, and give him "many souls for his hire."

Mr. Brodie by his acceptance of a call from Gairloch, having left the Mission field, the Rev. Mr. Anderson was appointed to accompany Mr. McGregor to Cape Breton to assist in dispensing the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper in destitute localities there; and in their absence, the Rev. Mr. Pollok was appointed to preach on the 13th inst., at West Branch, East River, the Rev. Mr. Herdman on the 13th inst., at East Branch, East River; the Rev. Mr. McMillan at Pugwash on the 13th, and the Rev. Mr. Brodie at Wallace on the 27th inst.

The dispensation of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper at Barney's River, having been postponed at the request of the Kirk Session, the Rev. Messrs. Stewart and Philip were appointed to dispense it there on Sabbath the 27th September, the preliminary services to begin on the preceding Friday; McLennan's Mountain to be supplied on that day by subsequent arrangement.

On Tuesday the 8th September, the Presbytery met by appointment at Gairloch for the purpose of inducting the Rev. Neil Brodie as pastor over that congregation. The Edict having been returned duly attested and no objection offered, Mr. McMillan proceeded to the pulpit and delivered a short discourse from 1 Cor. 9 12, last clause; after

which the questions appointed to be put ministers at their ordination were put to Mr. Brodie, which were satisfactorily answered. He was then solemnly declared in the name of the great King and Head of the Church and by the authority of Presbytery the pastor of Gairloch congregation. The Rev. Mr. McCunn briefly and suitably addressed the newly inducted pastor on his duties, trials, discouragements, &c., and also on the encouragements and exceeding great and precious promises which belong to the faithful diligent pastor.

Mr. Philip very ably and at some length addressed the people on,

1—Their duties to their Pastor.

2—Their duties to one another.

3—Their duties to the church at large.

The congregation retiring welcomed their newly inducted pastor.

The Presbytery having resumed, Mr. Brodie subscribed the usual formula, received the right hand of Fellowship from the Presbytery, and his name was added to the roll of members.

The attendance was pretty good, and the interest in the proceedings of the day apparently great. The event is one that will gladden the hearts of Zion's lovers, as they see her walls built up and her waste places repaired,—we congratulate the congregation on the success with which their patience, perseverance, and hope have been crowned; and we congratulate the Rev. Mr. Brodie on the happy auspices on which he enters on his important charge, and we have no doubt, but by mutual co-operation and forbearance, both congregation and pastor will have reason to feel and believe that theirs is a "field blessed of the Lord.

*Pres. Clerk.*

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## SCHEMES OF THE CHURCH.

### 1868 YOUNG MENS SCHEME.

Sept. 3, Paid James Cummings	£4 00
" 4, Rec. from Albion Mines	£1 7 6
" 5 " " " Saltsprings	3 3 2

### SYNOB FUND.

Sept. 23 Rec. from N. Glasgow £3 10 0

### 1868 HOME MISSION.

Sept. 24, Paid Geo. McLean, Treas.	
Hallifax, in per account	\$28 10 14
<b>RODRICK McKENZIE,</b>	
Pictou, Sept 30th 1868.	<i>Treasurer.</i>

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### PRESBYTERY CLERK'S FEE.

Pictou Kirk Session	\$4.00
New Glasgow do.	4.00
Wallace and Pugwash do.	4.00
McLennan's Mountain do.	4.00
River John do.	4.00

W. M. M.