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#### NEXT MEETING OF SYNOD:

At St. John, N. B., and within St. Andrew's Church there, on the first Tuesday of October, 1901, and at half-past seven o'clock in the evening.

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OF THE

### MARITIME PROVINCES,

## Presbyterian Church in Canada.

Chatham, N. B., Oct. 2-4.

#### FIRST SEDERUNT.

At Chatham, and within St. Andrew's Church, there, Tuesday, the second day of October, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred, and at half-past seven o'clock in the evening:

Which time and place the Synod of the Maritime Provinces of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met as appointed, and after Public Worship, conducted by the Moderator, the Reverend Matthew George Henry, who preached a sermon from the fourth verse of the tenth chapter of St. Paul's second Epistle to the Corinthians, and the words, "The weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but nighty, through God, to the puiling down of strongholds," was constituted by him with prayer.

#### ROLL OF SYNOD.

The Roll was held as read, members present at this and subsequent sederunts being marked with an asterisk (\*) as follows:—

#### PRESBYTERY OF SYNDEY.

No.	MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION.	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICE.
10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20	F. C. Simpson John Calder E. B. Rankin John Francer L. B. Rankin John Fraser Malcolm N. McLeod. J. A. McGlashen K. J. McDonald Laughlin Beaton Donald McOdrum Murdock Buchanan VACANCIES.  MISSION STATIONS.	Jan. 6, 1800 Dec. 4, 1861 Feb. 27, 187 Feb. 27, 187 Jan. 18, 187 July 12, 187 Oct. 18, 1879 Oct. 18, 1879 Oct. 18, 1879 Sept. 21, 1886 May 26, 189 Sept. 12, 1896 June 21, 1812 Nov 8, 182 June 21, 1812 Nov - 186 June 21, 182 June 21, 182 June 21, 182 June 6, 1839 July 17, 1900	John McLean John Morrison Mal, McDonald Jonald McKay, George Fraser, G. F. M. Forbes Win, Campbell John D. McDonald F. Falconer Mal McDonald C. E. McLead G. S. Spencer D. McPherson J. J. McLean R. McLean Bonald Beaton C. W. W. Moffatt	L Lomond and Franthoise K, Matthew's, N. Sydney Glace Bay Mira Asst. St. Andrew's, Sydney Falmouth St., Sydney Forth Shore and N. River South Gut & Englishtown Bridgep's A Reserve Mines Port Morien.	Gabarus. Sydney Mines, Sydney, Sydney Mines, Sydney Mines, Sydney Mines of Or- Big Bras of Or-
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1 Kenneth McKenzie Dec.	2, 185		Retired.	Halifax
a Alex. Hoss, M.A.	186	Angus McDonald	Whygogomach	Whygogomowk
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5 E S. Bayne. M. A. Jan.	10 10	11. M. I. M. D	Retired	whycocomagn.
6 Alax Mallan	10. 101	W M K. McDonald	Mabou and Port Hood.	Hillsboro.
6 Alex McRae June	1, 187		Retired	Baddeck.
7 Neil Currie Oct.	21, 187		East Lake Ainslie	Trout River.
of Augus McMillanJan	25, 188	2 Donald I roubert	West Ray	Wast Day
a, John Rose Aug.	12, 188	L'John H McLean	Malagawatch & D Donnie	Q Q Davin D Dan
10 D. McDonald, P. D. Sept.	7 188	Alex Campbell	Struthlama	William Dank
11 M. A. McKenzie July	15 188	riex. Campbell	Middle Discourage	Willow Bank.
12 D. McLeod, M. A. Nov.	11 1.0	1	Middle River	Middle River.
	11, 173	Angus J. McIver	Little Narrows	Borrowston.
13 P. K. McRae May	20, 189	John Nicholson	Forks, Baddeck	Forks, Baddeck.
14 L. H. MCLERH, M. A., Oct.	12, 189	Dun. McQuarrie.	Hastings & Hawkesbury.	Port Hastings.
15 W. C. Morrison July	15, 1883	Neil P McKay	Murgaroo	Margaron Han
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		Daniel (Ileans)		
		Tranier Clough	Arichat & Lennox Ferry	Lennox Ferry.
		Alex. McIntosh	Pleasant Buy	Pleasant Bay.
		John L. Dowling.	River Inhabitants	Askillton.

#### D. McDONALD, Clerk.

#### PRESBYTERY OF WALLACE.

W S. Darragh	Nov. 12.	1850		Retired	Linden, N. S.
o Thos, Sedgwick, D. D.	Sept. 19.	1860	A. Sutherland	Tatamagouche	Tatamagonoho
1 II. MACGIEGOF, B. A.	May 24.	1844	Alex. Serin ogenr	Amhoret	A mahanat
"Geo. L. Gordon	Oct. 6.	1879	A. McKenzie	River John	Divor John
o n. K. McLean	June 7.	1887	Simeon Jenks	Parrehoro	Dannehono
A. D. McIntosh, M.A.	June 6.	1888	Thos. Fraser	Pugwash	Purwach
of David Wright	Jan. 10.	1889	*(1 Cunningham	Spring Hill	Control Lill
of C. Munro, B. A	May 22.	1893	Alex McPherson	Oxford	Oxford
J. H. KIPK	May 14.	1895	James Burns	Linden	Lindon
11 F. L. Jobb	Aug. 4.	1896	James Adams	River Hobert &c.	Divor Hobout
12 D. A Frame, M. A	May 1	1897	John Pohertson	Wallace	Wallage
12 D M			( John Murray	Earltown New Annan	Earltown.
R. Murray	April —,	1897	Las Mundoch	You Annon	raritown.
4 George A Grant	May 18	1900	H I) Chicholm	Wentworth Westchester	New Annan
5 L H Wattle	Later 10.	1000	it. D. Chisholm	Port Elgin, &c	wentworth.

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| Allan Simps
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| H. A. Høbert
| John Meron
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| John Medall
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45 W. A. Ross

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3 \*John W. Cra
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7 D. J. Macdon
8 A. D. Sterlin
9 A. J. H. Fras
10 Joseph Anna
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1			1843		Retired	St. John's Nfld
2	John Cameron	Sept., 1	844		Retired	Bridget'n X S
3	Allan Simpson	Aug. 1	DANIS		Retired	Nam Classon
4	John Currie, D. D	Aug., 1	1857		Prof. Pres Col., Halifax.	Halifay
5	H. A. Rabertson		1872	THE REAL PROPERTY.	Erromanga, N. Hebrides.	Keromanen M E
6	John Förrest, D. D.	Dec. 1	1866		President Dalbousie Col	Halifax.
7	*Allan Pollok, D.D	- 1	1852		President Dalhousie Col. Principal Pres. Col. Hx.	Hailax.
8	R. Laing, M A	- 1	1873		President Ladie - Col . Hx.	**
9	John McMillan, D.D.	March	866	Thomas Forbes	Chalmers, Halifax	**
10	*D. M. Gordon D D	Amer 1	SAR	Thomas Fordes	Prof. Pres. Col., Halifax	
11	T Fowler, M. A *T Stewart, B. D.		1970	C. Mitchell at the	St. Matthew's, Halifax	**
19	*T Stewart P D	In.	1010	John Wat	St. Matthews, Halltax	
13	*J. F. Dustan	You.	1004	John Watson	St. James, Dartmouth	Dartmouth.
11	A. Burrows, D. D		1071	istac Creighton	Grove, Halifax	Halifax.
15	*J. Rosborough, M.A.	Tulu '	1011	10	St. Andrew's, Bermuda	Hamilton, Berm
101	D A E. Tosofough, M. A.		10,0	George Landells	Musquodoboit Harbor	
17	R. A. Falconer, LL. D.	Nov.,	892		Prof. Pres. Col., Halifax	Halifax.
			1886	Wm. Robertson	Fort Massey. Halifax	
19	H. Dickie, M. A	Nov.,	1888	L W. Maxner	St. John's, Windsor St. Andrew's, Halifax	Windsor.
		March, 1	1870	J. MacDougall	St. Andrew's, Halifax	Halifax.
20	R. G. Sinclair		1884		Canard	Canard.
21	M. G. Henry	Feb., 1	1864		St. Croix and Ellershouse.	St. Croix.
22	A. Robertson, M. A.	July, 1	1888		St. Andrew's, St. John's	St. John's, Nfld
23	G McMillan	, 1	1830	A. N. Macleod	Kentville	Kentville
24	W. A. Mason	Feb. 1	1881	J. L. Harvie	Kempt and Walton	Kempt.
25	S. J. Macarthur, B D.	Aug.,	1895	*Fredk Frieze	Maitland, Hants	Maitland.
26	A. V Morash	May. 1	1893	Thomas Logan	Elmsdale & 9 Mile River	Elmsdale
27	A. P. Logan	May 1	1887	Lioganii.	Bedford and Waverly	Bedford
28	J. Hawley	May 1	1887	'George Loomer	Waterville and Lakeville	Waterville
20.	J. D. Mackay, R. D.	Ame 1	1896	Robert Murray	Coburg Road, Halifax	Halifuy.
30	J. P. Falconer	1	891	Robert Muliny	St. Andrew's, Har. Grace	Unn Change Vac
31	*H. S. Davidson, B. D.	May i	898		Gordon Mem., Bridget'n	Daidentown M
32	J. R. Douglas	May 1	898	Adelh't Hardwick	Annapolis	Annapolis
33	W. R. Mackay, M.A.	May I	808	Erndonial South	Gore and Kennetcook	Complete Cla
34	C. Mackinnon, B.D.	May i	609	O M Hai	Park St., Halifax	Holle, Hants Co.
35	J. E. Wallace	Daniel I	201	W H Could	Park St., Hallax	Hainax.
36	W. Forbes	Ince., I	(410)	W. H. Studd	N.W. Arm & Rockingham	N. W. Arm, Hx
37	A. L. Fraser, B.D	Mari, 1	007	Table Manager	Noel	Noel.
20	E. M. Dill	May,	1007	John Sprott	Newport	Newport.
20	*F A ManCounty	Nov., I	1881		Wolfville	Wolfville.
33	E. A. MacCurdy				Agent of the Church, Hx.	Halifax.
400	VACANCIES.				I	
*17				J. K. Munnis	St. John's, Halifax	Halifax.
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11	W. Hamilton, M. A.	Jan., 1	874		Bay of Islands	Bay of Islds, Nfle
12	J. M. Allan, M. A	, I	871		Lawrencet'n & Cow Bay.	Lawren, Hx. Co
43	A. M. Hill, B D	April. 1	8991		Digby	Dighy
44	J A. Greenlees	1	891		Bell Island St. Andrew's, St. John's	Bell Island Xfld
	W. A. Ross					

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Henry Crawford Oct	15, 1853	l	Retired	Mahone Bay.
J. H. Stewart, B.A. Sept.	30.1896	Saml Rodenheiser	Riversdale	Divondalo
D. J. Macdonald, B.A. Aug.	28.1900	Lohn Hower	Shelhurno	Challanna
A. J. H. Fraser, B. A. Dec.	<ol> <li>1898</li> </ol>	Gleorge Zwicker	New Dublin	Catson's Dolas
Joseph Annand, D. D. June	98 1879	desige milekei	Now Dublin	Getson's Point.
1		J. Levi Oxner	Bridgewater	Bridgewater
3		George Hiltz	Lashanast	bridgewater,
3		George Hills	Lockeport	Lockeport.

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11 11 11 11 11 12 20 21	James Bennet, D. D. 2 Lewis Jack J. McGregor McKay J. McGregor McKay J. McGregor McKay J. McSwelli, M. A. T. McWelli, M. A. J. McWelli, M. A. J. McMone, M. D. J. A. McKenzie, D. S. J. A. McKenzie, D. S. J. A. McKenzie, D. S. J. M. Robinson, B. A. J. M. Robinson, B. A. J. M. Robinson, B. A. J. M. Mohon, B. D. J. McD. Clarke, R.A. James Burgess. J. G. Van J. J. S. Sutherland, B. A. Govlon C. Pringle J. W. Kalmie, J. J. S. Sutherland, B. A. Govlon C. Pringle J. A. Morekom, D. J. A. J. Friser, B. A. J. A. H. Foster, B. D. J. A. H. Foster, B. D. J. A. H. Foster, B. D. J. A. D. Friser, B. A. J. B. Foster, B. D. J. A. D. Friser, B. A. J. B. Friser, B. A. J. B. Friser, B. A. J. B. Friser, B. A. J.	July 16, 1842 Jan. 10, 1845 June 26, 1855 Sept. 30, 1869 Nov 12, 1875 Sept. 12, 1875 Sept. 12, 1875 July 21, 1875 July 21, 1875 July 13, 1875 July 13, 1875 July 13, 1875 July 13, 1875 July 14, 1883 May 4, 1886 May 4, 1886 May 4, 1886 May 4, 1886 July 18, 1887 June 28, 1887 June 27, 1889 June 28, 1887 June 27, 1889 June 28, 1887 June 27, 1889 June 28, 1887 June 28,	William Lamont. W. C. Whittake. Donald McLaw. W. J. Burns A. W. Coburn L. W. Johnstone J. D. Morrison. Sanc W. Baird. William McNairr James A. Murray Unige Trueman S. R. Jack Jack J. Jack J. J	Retired Retired Retired Retired Glassville FS. Andrews. St. John St. Johns. St. John St. Johns and Union Prince William Harvey and Acton KS. Stephens St. Faul's Fredericton St. James. Milltown Chipman Carleton St. John Buctouche Susex dim Cavin, St. John St. Stephens St. St. John St. Stephens St. St. John St. Stephens St. St. John St. Stephens, St. John St. Davids, St. John St. Davids, St. John Fairville Grand Bay and Jerusalem St Matthew's, St. John Richmond	St. John. Chatham, N. B. Chasrow, N.S. Glassrow, N.S. Glassrow, N.S. Glassrow, N.S. Glassrow, N.S. Scotch Hidge. Prince William Moneton. St. Stephen. Moneton. St. Andrews. St. John (West). St. John (West). Buctouche. St. Sohn (West). Buctouche. St. Sohn (West). Fairville. Welsford, St. John, M. John. St. John, M. John. St. John, M. Jo
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James Murray   Nov. 3, 1852   T. G. Johnstone   June 21, 1855   T. G. Johnstone   June 21, 1855   T. G. Johnstone   Mar. 11, 1856   George Stothart   J. D. Murches   Aug. 16, 1894   George Stothart   Feb. 2, 1895   George Jardine   Feb. 2, 1895   George Jardine   G. Johnstone   January   Janua	Retired Retired Retired	River Charlo.
7   *A. F. Carr. M.A. Oct. 4   1871 J. B. McKenziet. 8   *J. M. Sutherland Dec. 5   1872 Angus McDonal 10   George Fisher Oct. 6   1884 T. G. Seott.	Black River St. Andrew's Campbellton New Carlisle, &c Escuminac Dalbowis	N Carlisle, P.Q. Escuminac, P.Q.
13 *D. Mackintosh Aug. 21, 1888 J. H. Galbraith 14 *D. Henderson May 27, 1891 W. S. Loggie 15 *James M. McLean June 8, 1891 Alex. G. Dickson	New Mills, Charlo, &c. Douglastown, &c. St. Andrew's, Chatham	New Mills. Douglastown. Chatham.
ORDAINED MISSIONARIES,  19 *James Whiteside   Sept. 12, 1894   George Harper	Bass River, &c	Bass River.
VACANCIES, May 26, 1898	Upper Miramichi	Metapedia. Doaktown.
3	Loggieville Harcourt (O. M. charge)	Bathurst. Loggieville. Harcourt.

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#### PRESBYTERY OF PICTOU

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John Gillis			Murray Harbor, North	
Adam Gunn, B. A		Alex McLeod	Cardigan	Cardigan
Arch'd Gunn	Nov. 1878	D. McLaughlan	Bloomfield, &c	St. Anthony's
A. S. Stewart	March. 1879	Daniel McLaren	Wood Islands	Woodville
R. S. Whidden		*John Walker	Bedeque	North Bedeau
*Ewen Gillis	Ang. 1881	David A Horton.	Murray Harbor, South	Murray Har
Malcolm Campbell	Aug. 1881		Strathalbyn	Strathalhyn
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W. H. Spencer, B.A.			Montague	
Rodk McLean		John Matheson	Valleyfield	Valleyfield.
J.W. Mackenzie, B.A.			East St. Peters	Midgell.
Thos F. Fullerton.		*John A. Lawson	St James, Charlottetown	Charlottetown
D. McLean		Alex Morrison	West Cape, &c	Maddock's
*J. M. Fisher, B. A		'R. T. Donald	Princetown	Malpeque.
'George Miller, B. A	July. 1892	*William Laird .	Brookfield, &c	Brookfield.
A. W K. Herdman	May. 1894	Wm McConnell.	Georgetown	Georgetown.
J. G. McIvor, B.D.	March. 1895	Hugh McMillan	West and Clyde Rivers .	New Dominio
A. D. McDonald, B.L.	June. 1895	Thomas McNeill	Tignish, Montrose, &c	Montrose.
A. Craise	Oct., 1895		Mt. Stewart & W. St. Pet	Mt. Stewart.
*H. G. Gratz, B.A			Alberton	
*W. H. Smith, B.D	June, 1896	*John Clay	Summerside	Summerside.
G. C. Robertson	Sept., 1896	J. J. McLeod	Tryon, Bonshaw, &c	Hampton.
*Edwin Smith	June. 1897	*Daniel McKay	New London, North &c.	Kensington.
M. H. McIntosh, B.A.	Feb., 1897		Cavendish	Cavendish.
A. J. McNeill	Nov., 1897	A. S. Nicholson	Orwell	Orwell.
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Jacob Layton	, 1871	Wm Thompson	St. Pet Road & Covehead	Marshfield.
Wm Murdoch, B. A.	May, 1898		Richmond Bay	Tyne Valley.
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#### PRESBYTERY OF TRINIDAD

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2 K. J. Grant, D. D Nov. 1					
3 W L. Macrae June	5,	1886	C. C. Soudeen	Princestown	Princestown.
4 A. W. Thompson May	30,	1889		Conva	Couva.
5 S. A. Fraser Aug. 1	10,	1891		San Fernando	San Fernando.
6 George Ross May,		1896		E. Coast, Demerara	Better Hope Est.
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1 Babu Lal Behari Oct.	4,	1882		San Fernando	San Fernando.
2 David Ujagar Singh April	3,	1896		Diamond Village	Diamond Village
3 Paul Bhukan April	3,	1896		St. Joseph	St. Joseph.
4 Andrew Gavadeen April	3.	1896		Caroni	Caroni.

There are other constituent members of the Presbytery of Trinidad, but the above are those who are connected with the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

#### CHANGES.

A list of changes in the several Presbyteries since last meeting of Synod was held as read, and is as follows:—

#### DEMISSIONS.

Presbytery of Pictou: A. Bowman, St. Andrew's, New Glasgow, Júly

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Montrose.
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- Preshytery of Truro: W. H. Ness, Riverside, Oct. 15, 1899. J. F. Polley, Lower Musquodoboit, July 22, 1900. James McLean, Great Village, Sept. 30, 1900, remaining Pastor Emeritus of the congregation.
- Presbytery of Halifax: W. C. Morrison, Bay of Islands, Oct. 4, 1899. P. M. McDonald, Wolfville, Dec. 31, 1899. R. Murray, Lawrencetown, Jan. 1, 1900. H. H. Macpherson, M.A., St. John's, Halifax, May 7, 1900.
- Presbylery of Lunenburg and Yarmonth: J. E. Wallace, Shelburne, Oct. 29, 1899.
- Presbytery of Miramichi: J. K. McClure, Harcourt, Sept. 30, 1899.
  W. C. Calder, Loggieville, Jan. 31, 1900. W. T. Bruce, Tabusintac, July 30, 1900.
- Presbytery of Prince Edward Island: C. MacKay, New London North and Kensington, Mar. 18, 1900. J. R. MacKay, Souris and Eay Fortune, April 1, 1900.
- Presbytery of St. John: Andrew Boyd, Pisarinco, Feb. 5, 1900.

#### TRANSLATIONS.

- Presbytery of Wallace: P. K. Macrae, from Earltown to Baddeck Forks, Oct. 29, 1899.
- Presbylery of Truro: A. L. Geggie, from St. Pau's, Truro, to Parkdale Toronto, Nov. 5, 1899.

#### INDUCTIONS.

- Presbytery of Sydney: K. J. McDonald, Port Morien, May 22, 1900.
- Presbytery of Inverness: P. K. Macrae, Baddeck Forks, Oct. 24, 1899. M. A. McKenzie, Middle River, July 3, 1900.
- Presbytery of Pictou: R. MacKay, B.A., Sherbrooke, etc., July 17, 1900.
- Presbytery of Truro: P. M. McDonald, St. Paul's, Truro, June 6, 1900.
- Presbytery of Halifax: W. Hamilton, Bay of Islands, Nov. 1, 1899.
  J. E. Wallace, N. W. Arm and Rockingham, Nov. 17, 1899.
  J. M. Allan, Lawrencetown and Cow Bay, Jan. 1, 1900. E. M. Dill, Wolfville, April 10, 1900. J. A. Greenlees, Bell Island, May 1, 1900. W. A. Ross, St. Andrew's, St. John's, May 1, 1900. J. R. Douglas, Annapolis, May 13, 1900.
- Presbytery of Prince Edward Island: H. G. Gratz, Alberton, Nov. 23, 1899. M. H. McIntosh, Cavendish, Dec. 5, 1899. D. McLean, West Cape, May 29, 1900. Edwin Smith, New London North, etc., May 31, 1900.
- Presbytery of St. John: A. D. Archibald, M.A., Richmond, Nov. 21, 1899. J. A. Morrison, Ph.D., St. David's, St. John, Dec. 1, 1899.

#### ORDINATIONS.

- Presbytery of Sydney: Murdock Buchanan, Louisburg, July 17, 1900
- Presbytery of Inverness: R. P. Murray, British Columbia, July 3, 1900.
- Presbytery of Wallace: G. A. Grant, M.A., Ord. Miss., Wentworth, Westchester, etc., May 16, 1900. J. H. Hattie, Ord. Miss., Port Elgin, etc., July 10, 1900
- Preshylery of Truro: D. M. Reid, B.A., designated to Fort Steele, B. C., April 30, 1900. A. L. McKay, Riverside, May 1, 1900. F. H. McIntosh, Onslow, May 15, 1900. D. C. Ross, Ord, Miss., Acadia, June 25, 1900.
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   W. A. Ross, Ord. Miss. 81, Andrew's, St. John's, Apr. 26, 1900.
   G. A. Sutherland, Ord. Miss., Apr. 26, 1900.
   J. S. Ross, B.A.,
   Ord: Miss., to Labrador, Sept. 13, 1900.
- Presbytery of Luneuburg and Yarmouth: D. J. Macdonald, Shelburne, Aug. 28, 1900.
- Presbytery of Prince Edward Island: A. J. McNeill, Orwell, Nov. 21, 1899.
- Presbytery of St. John: D. M. McLeod, B.A., Greenfield, May 24, 1900.

#### APPOINTMENTS.

- Presbytery of Inverness: W. C. Morrison, Margaree Harbor, Big 1ntervale, and Cheticamp, Oct. 24, 1899.
- Preshotery of Picton: R. J. Douglas, Ord. Miss., Little Harbor and Fisher's Grant, May 1, 1900.
- Presbylery of Wallace: R. Murray, Ord. Miss., Earltown and New Aman, Feb. 6, 1900.
- Presbytery of Truro: A. F. Fisher, re-appointed, Ord. Miss., Quoddy and Moser River, June 25, 1900.
- Presbytery of Halifax: W. Hamilton, Ord. Miss., Bay of Islands, Nov. 1, 1899. J. M. Allan, Ord. Miss., Lawrencetown and Cow Bay, Jan. 1, 1900. J. A. Greenlees, Ord. Miss., Bell Island, May 1, 1900.
- Presbytery of Miramichi: J. K. McClure, Ord. Miss., Harcourt, Sept. 30, 1899. J. Whiteside, Ord. Miss., Millerton, Chelmsford, and Derby, Nov. 1, 1899. G. S. Milligan, Ord. Miss., Flatlands and Metapedia, May 1, 1900.
- Presbytery of St. John: A. H. Foster, B.D., St. Matthew's, St. John, Oct. 1, 1899. T. Hunter Boyd, Waweig, etc., May 1, 1900. R. Davidson, B.A., Riverside and Alma, May 1, 1900.

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Presbytery of Trinidad: J. B. Cropper, Dec. 11, 1899.

#### DEPOSITIONS.

Presbytery of Wallace: W. Dakin, Feb. 6, 1900.

Presbytery of St. John: James T. Mullan, Stanley, July 3, 1900.

#### CHANGES IN CONGREGATIONS.

Presbytery of Wallace: Earltown and New Annan, united meanwhile under Ord. Miss., Nov. 14, 1899.

Presbytery of Miramichi: Harcourt changed into an Ord. Miss. charge, Sept. 30, 1899. Millerton, Chelmsford, and Upper Derby, disjoined from Blackville and Indiantown, and made an Ord. Miss. charge, Oct. 31, 1899.

Presbytery of Sydney: St. James, Sydney, Mission Station formed, June 5, 1900.

#### LICENSURES.

Presbytery of Sydney: D. J. Macdonald, May 1, 1900. M. Buchanan, May 1, 1900.

Presbytery of Truro: Gordon Dickie, B.A., Apr. 30, 1900. D. M. Reid, B.A., Apr. 30, 1900.

Presbytery of Haliface; J. G. A. Colquhoun, B.A., Apr. 26, 1900,
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 Ross, B.A., May 10, 1900. D. McLeod, B.A., May 24, 1900.

Presbylery of Wallace: Hibbert Read, May 1, 1900.

#### ADDRESS OF THE MODERATOR.

The Moderator briefly and suitably addressed the Synod, after which he asked it to elect his successor.

#### ELECTION OF MODERATOR.

Nominations as Moderator of Synod were read as follows:

 $\operatorname{Mr.}\Lambda.$  F. Carr, of Campbellton, by the Presbyteries of Wallace and Miramichi ; and

Mr. T. Cumming, of Scotsburn, by the Presbyteries of Pictou, Truro, Lunenburg and Yarmouth, Prince Edward Island and Sydney.

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St. John, y 1, 1900. ). It was moved by Mr. T. Cumming, seconded by Mr. A. F. Carr, that Dr. John Morton be elected Moderator, when, the question being taken, the motion was carried unanimously, and Dr. Morton was declared elected. On taking the chair he addressed the Synod in appropriate terms, thanking it for the honor conferred on him, and asking its assistance in the discharge of his duties.

#### THANKS TO THE RETIRING MODERATOR

It was moved by Dr. Falconer, seconded by Mr. A. McLean Sinclair, as follows:

That the thanks of the Synod are due, and are hereby tendered, to Mr Henry, for his conduct in the chair, and for the admirable and suitable sermon preached by him this evening.

The motion was carried unanimously, and the Moderator tendered to Mr. Henry the thanks of the Synod.

#### COMMITTEE ON BILLS AND OVERTURES.

Mr. T. Stewart submitted the Report of the Committee, and moved, duly seconded, that it be received, and its recommendations adopted, which motion passed unanimously. The recommendations are as follows:

#### RECOMMENDATIONS.

- 1. That the Synod meet from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.; from 2.30 to 5.30, and from 7.30 to 10 p.m.
  - 2. That the Moderator appoint the following Committees:-
    - (a) A Committee to nominate Standing Committees.
    - (b) Committees to examine Presbytery Records.
- 3. That the first half hour on Wednesday forenoon be spent in devotional exercises,
- 4. That the Synod adjourn at 12 noon on Wednesday, to give an opportunity for a meeting of the Alumni Association.
- That the time and place of next Synod be decided in the first place on Wednesday afternoon.
  - 6. That College Business have second place on Wednesday afternoon.
- 7. That Home and Foreign Missions be taken in the order named on Wednesday evening.
  - 8. That Augmentation be the first business on Thursday forenoon.
- 9. That Church Life and Work; Sabbath Schools and Religious Welfare of the Young; and Young People's Societies; be taken in the order named on Thursday evening.
- 10. That, with the exceptions noted above, business be taken in the order of the Docket.
- 11. That when an item of business is taken up, its consideration be continued until it is disposed of, unless otherwise ordered.

#### INVITATIONS.

Mr. J. M. McLean, Minister of St. John's Church, Chatham, intimated to the Synod that arrangements had been made to lay the foundation stone of their new church on Thursday first, at two o'clock, and asked the countenance of the Synod on that occasion; when it was

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Mr. Henderson also read a letter from Senator Snowball, kindly placing the steamer St. Nicholas at the disposal of the Synod for a sail on the Miramichi River, when it was agreed cordially to thank Senator Snowball for the offer made, to accept the same, and that the time be between twelve and one o'clock on Thursday.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

The Synod then adjourned, to meet in the same place to-morrow morning, and at ten o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

#### SECOND SEDERUNT.

At Chatham, and within St. Andrew's Church there, Wednesday, the third day of October, nineteen hundred years, and at ten o'clock in the forenoon:

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces met, pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted.

#### DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES.

As agreed upon last night, the Synod engaged for half an hour in devotional exercises, prayers being offered by the Moderator, and Messis. A. Ross and R. G. Strathie, ministers, and Mr. A. Sutherland, elder.

#### MINUTES.

The Minutes of the first Sederunt were read and sustained.

#### COMMITTEES.

The Moderator submitted the following Committees: -

ON NOMINATING STANDING COMMITTEES.—A. B. Dickie, Convener; Professor Falconer, J. F. Forbes, T. F. Fotheringham, Geo. McMillan, T. Cumming, D. B. McLeod, A. F. Carr, E. D. Miller, C. Munro, ministers; and John Clay, J. D. Murray, A. Sutherland, Thos. Logat, elders.

ON PRESBYTERY RECORDS :-

Sydney and Inverness — H. R. Grant, E. J. Rattee, ministers; and John Willet, elder.

Picton and Wallace.—T. C. Jack, J. A. Forbes, ministers; and F. Falconer, elder.

Truco.—J. S. Sutherland, A. H. Foster, ministers; and L. W. Johnstone, elder.

Halifax —W. H. Smith, Geo. Miller, ministers; and John A. Lawson, elder. St. John, —R. G. Strathie, E. Gillies, ministers; and D. MacKay, elder.

Miramichi, and Lunenhurg and Yarmouth.—G. S. Carson, Wm. McC. Thompson, ministers; and Wm. McCurdy, elder.

Prince Edward Island.-J. W. Crawford, J. L. Jobb, ministers; and S. R. Jack, elder.

#### CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

On motion of the Clerk, duly seconded, it was unanimously agreed, as follows:—

That ministers and elders, whose names do not appear on the Presbytery Rolls of Synod, and who are or may be present, are hereby cordially invited to correspond.

REMIT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON PROPOSED SABBATH SCHOOL AND FIELD SECRETARY.

The Remit was read, and Mr. D. S. Fraser, convener of the Sabbath School Committee, addressed the Synod with reference to the same, and moved, seconded by Professor Falconer, as follows:—

That the Synod approve of the appointment of a Sabbath School and Field Secretary for each Synod.

While the discussion was proceeding, the hour of adjournment arrived.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

The Synod then adjourned, to meet again in the same place in the afternoon of the same day, and at half-past two o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

#### THIRD SEDERUNT.

The same day and place, and at half-past two o'clock in the afternoon:

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces met, pursuant to adjourment, and was constituted, prayer being offered by Mr. D. Maggregor.

#### MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Second Sederunt were read and sustained.

REMIT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON PROPOSED SABBATH SCHOOL AND FIELD SECRETARY.

The Synod resumed consideration of this subject. After reasoning, the question was taken, when the motion submitted by Mr. Fraser at the previous Sederunt was carried by a large majority, thus becoming the judgment of Synod.

#### COLLEGE BOARD.

The Clerk, as Chairman of the College Board, and by its authority, submitted the following resolutions which had obtained its approval, and on which it desired the Synod's judgment:

- That the different securities of the Church at present held by the College Board on behalf of the various schemes, be consolidated in one Fund, to be called the Consolidated Fund of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, E. D.
- 2 That in the event of the preceding recommendation being approved by the Synod of the Maritime Provinces and the General Assembly, the scheme for consolidation go into effect on the first day of July, 1901.

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3. That at that date a valuation of all the securities belonging to the different schemes be made, and that the amount of the valuation be placed to the credit of each Fund.

That the income arising from the Consolidated Fund be apportioned to each Fund in proportion to its interest in the Consolidated Fund.

5. That after this scheme has been carried into effect, a valuation of the assets of the Consolidated Fund be made annually at -

Whereupon it was moved by the Clerk, seconded by Dr. Gordon, as follows, which motion was adopted unanimously :-

The Synod approves of these Resolutions, and asks for the same the approval of the General Assembly; remits also to the College Board to consider whether any, and if so, what legislation is needed to carry these into effect.

It was also moved by Trofessor-Falconer, seconded by Mr. A. McLean Sinclair, as follows, which motion was adopted unanimously :-

That the Synod express its gratification with the continued success of the Theological College, and with the fact that the new building has proved of such service to the work of the College, both in the way of better accommodation and facilities for the use of the library. The Synod, however, learns with regret that there is prospect of diminished numbers in the near future of those studying for the ministry; in view of the rapidly increasing industrial development in the Maritime Provinces, the Synod instructs ministers to keep before the minds of their people the claims of the ministry of the Gospel upon those who have suitable qualifications for entering upon a training in theology, and to seek out such eligible candidates.

#### NEXT MEETING OF SYNOD.

It was moved by the Clerk, seconded by Mr. H. K. McLean :-

That the Synod meet next year at St. John, N. B., and within St. Andrew's Church there, on the first Tuesday of October, and at half-past seven o'clock in the evening.

Which motion was carried unanimously.

#### DR. CAMPBELL.

On motion of Principal Pollok, duly seconded, Dr. Campbell, Agent of the Century Fund, was cordially welcomed by the Synod, and invited to take his seat beside the Moderator.

#### PUBLIC EDUCATION.

Dr. Gordon submitted the Report of the Committee, and addressed the Synod with reference thereto; whereupon it was moved by Mr. A. McLean Sinclair, seconded by Dr. Falconer, as follows :-

That the Report be received, and its recommendation adopted, that it be printed as an appendix to the Synod minutes, and that the thanks of the Synod be given to the Committee, and especially to the Convener.

Which motion was carried unanimously.

The recommendation is as follows:-

#### RECOMMENDATION.

The Synod instruct Presbyteries to exercise diligent enquiry and careful oversight in this matter, and to use such means as may to them appear most suitable to secure the Biblical instruction of those attending the Public Schools, as far as the provisions of the law and the circumstances of the several school districts may permit.

#### HALIFAX LADIES' COLLEGE.

Messrs, M. G. Henry and J. F. Forbes, visitors of the College, reported that after visiting the College they would—as has been so often done before—commend it once again to the Synod's confidence and support.

Mr. G. McMillan submitted the Report of the Directors of the College, giving full and encouraging details as to its condition and prospects; when, on his own motion, seconded by Principal Pollok, the Report was adopted.

The Moderator and ex-Moderator were appointed visitors of the College for the ensuing year.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

The Synod then adjourned, to meet again in the same place, at half past seven o'clock in the evening, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

### FOURTH SEDERUNT.

The same day and place, and at half past seven o'clock in the evening:

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces met, pursuant to adjournment, prayer being offered by Mr. J. A. McGlashen.

#### MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Third Sederunt were read and sustained.

#### HOME MISSIONS.

Mr. T. Stewart, Convener of the General Assembly's Committee, Eastern Section, addressed the Synod, submitting a brief yet full and encouraging statement of the Committee's work during the year. He was followed by Mr. James Ross, Superintendent of Home Missions in New Brunswick, who gave some account of the work in that Province: by Mr. J. A. Green'ees, who spoke of the recent encouraging opening at Belle Island, in Newfoundland, where he is at present laboring; and by Mr. W. H. Sedgewick, Student Catechist.

It was moved by Mr. D. Macgregor, seconded by Mr. W. H. Smith, as follows, which motion was carried unanimously:—

. Having heard the statement by the Convener of the General Assembly's Home Mission Committee, the Synod thankfully acknowledges the goodness of God in guiding and prospering another year's work, and prays for a continuance of His favor.

The Synod recognizes the growing liberality of the peop'e towards the fund, reminds them of the great necessities of the Western Home Mission Field, and anew commends the work, East and West, to their financial support and prayers.

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ne fund, dd, and prayers. The Synod places on record its high appreciation of the zeal and devotion of Dr. MacMillan, for twenty-five years a member of the Committee, and for eighteen years its unwearied and enthusiastic Convener.

#### FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Dr. Falçoner, joint-Convener of the General Assembly's Committee, addressed the Synod, submitting an impressive and encouraging statement of the Foreign Mission work under the special care of this Synod; and moved, seconded by Mr. E. D. Miller, as follows, which motion was unanimously carried:—

The Synod has heard with satisfaction and gratitude to the Great Head of the Church, the statement of the Foreign Mission Committee, setting forth the large amount of success that has attended the work of its representatives in the different Foreign Mission Fields during another year.

The Synod would express its sympathy with those members of our Mission Staff who have suffered from failing health, and trust that they may soon be restored to strength and activity.

The Synod would extend a hearty welcome home, on furlough, to Dr. Morton and Miss Blackadler: would recognize the important work which they have been enabled to accomplish in long years of faithful service, and pray that they may be spored still to devote many years to the work to which they have consecrated their lives.

The Synod expresses satisfaction that the staff in Demerara is about to be increased by the appointment of Rev. George A. Sotherland, and that in Korea by the addition of Miss L. H. McCully.

The Synod records with gratitude the growing interest of its people in this branch of the Church's work, especially that shown by the W. F. M. Society in contributing this year the large sum of \$17,274\$, thus setting the Foreign Mission Fund free from indebtedness. It would also note especially the liberality of the Sudent's Missionary Society, in the payment of the salary of one of our missionaries in Korea.

The Synod would, however, in view of the overwhelming claims of the heathen world, invite still larger liberality, that the work of evangelizing the world may soon be accomplished.

Mr. Henry having taken the Chair, the Moderator addressed the Synod on the great work of Foreign Missions, to which his own life has been devoted—referring to the past history of the Church in this relation, and to the work of his fellow-laborers and of himself in Trinidad, and impressing specially the claims of India and its people upon the Christian Churches of the British Empire.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

The Synod then adjourned to meet again in the same place to-morrow morning, and at ten o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt closed with the Benediction.

#### FIFTH SEDERUNT.

At Chatham, N. B., and within St. Andrew's Church there, Thursday, the fourth day of October, nineteen hundred years, and at ten o'clock in the forenoon:

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces met, pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted, prayer being offered by Mr. A. H. Foster.

#### MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Fourth Sederunt were read and sustained.

#### AUGMENTATION

Mr. E. Smith, Convener of the General Assembly's Committee, addressed the Synod, and submitted a brief, yet full and encouraging statement as to the position of the Fund, when it was moved by Mr. E. S. Bayne, seconded by Mr. W. H. Spencer, as follows, which motion was carried unanimously:—

The Synod receives the Report of the Assembly's Augmentation Committee, (E. D.), accords its gratitude to God for His kindness during another year, commends the Fund to the sympathy and liberality of our congregations and people, and reminds Presbyteries of the necessity of raising the full amount allotted.

The Synod sanctions the proposal to raise this year \$10,000, and allocates > this amount among Presbyteries as follows:

Sydney—Five hundred and sixty-five dollars (8565).

Invergess—Three hundred and fifty dollars (8350).

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Wallace—Five hundred and forty-five dollars (81,425).

Trivo—Eleven hundred and seventy-five dollars (81,175).

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Linealung and Tangounth—Four hundred and ninety dollars (8490).

Minamichi—Seven hundred and forty-five dollars (87,45).

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In all ten thousand dollars (810,000).

### LICENSURE OF STUDENTS.

It was agreed to give leave for the current year to all Presbyteries to license any students who have completed their course, due notice of their intention having been given to the Presbyteries within the bounds of the Synod.

## WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

The Clerk, on behalf of the Committee, submitted a statement shewing the prosperous condition of the Fund, and pressed very earnestly upon the younger brethren the duty of connecting themselves with it while they have the opportunity of doing so. He was followed by the Moderator, who spoke impressively in the same sense, when the Synod resolved in terms of the statements made.

## AGED AND INFIRM MINISTER'S FUND,

Mr. A. Rogers, Convener of the General Assembly's Committee, submitted a statement of its condition, and very earnestly advocated its requirements and claims. While the discussion was proceeding the hour of adjournment arrived.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

The Synod then adjourned, to meet again in the same place in the afternoon of the same day, and at half-past three o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

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#### SIXTH SEDERUNT.

The same day and place, and at half-past three o'clock in the afternoon:

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces met, pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted, prayer being offered by the Moderator.

#### MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Fifth Sederunt were read and sustained.

#### PRESBYTERY RECORDS.

Reports from the Committees appointed to examine Presbytery Records were submitted, to the effect that they had examined the Records of the Presbyteries of Inverness, Pictou, Wallace, Truro, Halifax, Lunenburg and Yarmouth, Miramichi, Prince Edward Island, St. John and Sydney, and found the minutes accurately kept, and the business conducted in an orderly manner. The Reports were adopted, and the records ordered to be attested.

#### AGENCY

Mr. A. McLean Sinclair, in behalf of the Committee appointed at last meeting of Synod, submitted a report of their proceedings, which report, on motion of the Clerk, duly seconded, was adopted.

#### AGEL AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

The Synod resumed consideration of this subject, when, on motion of the Clerk, duly seconded, it was unanimously agreed as follows:---

The Synod remits to the Committee to further consider the changes proposed in Rules 10 and 11, and report to next meeting.

It was also moved by Mr. A. McLean Sinclair, duly seconded, as follows, which motion was carried unanimously:—

The Synod resolves to put forth the strongest efforts to raise for the present year, for the Aged Minister's Fund, double the amount raised during the pastyear,

#### CENTURY FUND.

Mr. R. Murray, Convener of the General Assembly's Committee, submitted a Report as to the progress made within the bounds of the Synod.

He was followed by Dr. Campbell, Agent of the Fund, who very impressively addressed the Synod, and asked its hearty co-operation in carrying this great movement to a successful issue.

It was moved by Mr. Murray, duly seconded, as follows, which motion was carried unanimously :—

The Synoid expresses its appreciation of the liberality of our people, and
of the strenuous efforts put forth on behalf of the Century Fund by Presbyterial
Agents and others, and especially by the Sabbath Schools, and commends the Fund

anew to Presbyteries, Sessions, and all members and adherents of the Church

- 2. That all congregations be asked to put forth every effort to have the canvass completed by the 1st December. Further, that whether the canvass be completed or not, a report of the state of the work be sent at that date to the Presbyterial Agent, who shall forward a copy of the same to Dr. Campbell, the
- That Presbyteries, at their next meeting, give special consideration to the state of the Century Fund within their bounds: that they make arrang ments for the completion of the canvass in congregations where the canvass lags. appointing for each congregation in that position one of their number, who, along with the minister, shall complete the canvass, or see that it is completed.
- 4. That all contributors are earnestly entreated to give liberally to the Common Fund, which is for the permanent benefit of the Church as a whole.
- The Synod prays that God may pour out richly upon all our people the spirit of abounding liberality and self-sacrifice, in order that, not only may the Century Fund be completed, but that at the same time the ordinary schemes of the Church may be liberally supported. This Synod recognizes and holds forth the s preme importance of an advance in the spiritual life and work of the Church in connection with all our schemes, and especially in connection with the

It was agreed unanimously, that the statement suggesting minimum amounts for Common Fund to be aimed at by Presbyteries, be sent down to Presbyteries for their consideration, which statement is as follows:--

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It was also agreed unanimously to thank Dr. Campbell for his visit, and for his timely and impressive address.

## TENURE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

Mr. D. S. Fraser, Convener, submitted the Report of the Committee, and moved, seconded by Mr. J. M. Robinson, as follows, which motion

That the Committee he continued, with the addition of Mr. Hugh McKenzie, Judge Forbes, and Judge McDonald, and instructed to have drafted an Act for each Province, under which Church property m y be properly held, and to report

It was also agreed unanimously to thank the Committee, and especially the Convener.

## HUNTER CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

Mr. E. A. McCurdy submitted the Report of the Committee, which, on his own motion, seconded by Mr. T. C. Jack, was unanimously

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#### HOME MISSIONS.

Mr. T. Stewart, in behalf of the Home Mission Committee. Eastern section, submitted a statement in relation to Manitoba College, and craved instruction from the Synod in reference thereto, which instruction was given.

#### THE MCLEOD BEQUEST.

It was reported that the amount of the Fund is invested, and the income devoted, according to the terms of the Bequest, to the supplement of salaries in congregations not able to raise \$600 for the support of their pastors.

#### STANDING COMMITTEES,

Mr. A. B. Dickie, Convener, submitted the Report of the Committee, and moved, duly seconded, that it be adopted, which motion was carried unanimously.

The Report is as follows :-

Church Life and Work.—Mr. Thos. Cumming. Convener; the Conveners on Church Life and Work in the several Presbyteries: Messrs. James Sinclair, G. L. Gordon, G. S. Carson, Dr. Morrison, J. M. Robinson, J. A. McKenzie, J. A. McGlashen, D. J. Frazer, W. H. Smith, Henry Dickie, J. P. Dustan, Willard McDonald, D. B. McLeod, A. F. Carr. David Wright, J. H. Stewart, ministers; Alex. Matheson, D. McLean, D. McDonald, and John McPherson, elders

Public Education.—Dr Gordon, Convener; Dr. Falconer, Principal Pollok, President Forrest, Dr. McMillan, Messrs. L. G. McNeill, R. Laing, T. F. Fullerton, E. D. Rankin, ministers; Principal Calkin, Prof. Walter C. Murray, Dr. A. H. McKay, Judge Stevens, Robert Murray, elders.

Sabbath Schools.—Mr. D. S. Fraser, Convener; the Conveners of Sabbath Schools and the Religious Welfare of the Young in the several Presbyteries: Messrs. T. F. Fotheringham, E. S Bayne, W. P. Archibald, H. K. McLean, Donald Fraser, J. A. Forbes, A. F. Robb, George Miller, Prof. Falconer, ministers; Fred. Falconer, Andrew Malcom, W. T. Kennedy, Burgess McKittrick, John McKeen, George Haddow, elders.

Young People's Societies.—Mr. H. R. Grant, Convener; the Conveners of Committees on Y. P. Societies in the several Presbyteries: Messrs, F. L. Jobb, A. D. McDonald, D. McGdrum, J. M. McLean, A. H. Campbell, A. V. Morash, A. Rogers, A. M. Thomson, J. M. McLead, J. S. Sutherland, J. M. Fisher, and A. Gandier, ministers; Messrs, J. S. Smith, J. D. McKay, and D. J. Wells, elders.

Bills and Overtures.—Mr. T. Stewert, Convener; the Agent of the Church, the Clerk of Synod, the Clerks of Presbyteries, the Conveners of the Assembly's Home and Foreign Mission Committees and of the Committee on Augmentation, and the Conveners of the Synod's Standing Committees. ex officio; Messus. C. Munro, Geo. McMillan, W. H. Spencer, T. C. Jack, ministers; Messrs H. D. Morrison, T. G. James, C. P. Blanchard, and L. W. Johnstone, elders.

Synod Fund.—Mr, D. A. Frame, Convener; W. Rainnie J. S. Coffin, Wm. Dawson, ministers; D A Bruce, Frederick McNeill, and Andrew Gray, elders.

W. and O. Fund.—(Nomination to Assembly.) Mr R. Laing, Dr. A. McLean, J. McLean, Dr. Sedgwick, A. McL Sinclair, J. S. Carruthers, J. W. Falconer (Truro), A. S. Morton, ministers; and Messrs. R. Baxter, George Mitchell, Dr. A. H. McKay, and J. D. McGregor, elders.

Hunter Fund. --President Forrest, Convener; E. A. McCurdy, J. D. McKay, Chencee McKinnon, ministers; and O. M. Hill, George Cunningham, and D. Blackwood, elders.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

The Synod then adjourned to meet again in the same place on the evening of the same day, and at half-past seven o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederant was closed with the Benediction.

## SEVENTH SEDERUNT.

The same day and place, and at hulf-past seven o'clock in the evening:

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces met, pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted, prayer being offered by Mr. T. F. Fotheringham.

#### MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Sixth Sederunt were read and sustained.

## CHURCH LIFE AND WORK.

Mr. G. L. Gordon, Convener, submitted the Report of the Committee, with accompanying recommendations. Mr. T. Cauming moved, seconded by Mr. D. Wright, that the Report be received, and its recommendations considered, which motion was carried unanimously. The recommendations were then considered, and adopted as follows:—

#### RECOMMENDATIONS.

- That the Synod heartily recommends to Preshyteries and Sessions the adoption of special means for the deepening of the spiritual life of the people, as the most effective safeguard against the encroachments of indifference and
- That the Synod again cal's upon the electorate within its bounds to use the ballot for the purifying of the political life, and the procuring of legislation tending toward the preservation of the quiet and rest of the Christian Sabbath, and the probibition of the liquor traffic
- 3. The Synod gratefully acknowledges the amount and value of the work done by the elders and managers of our congregations. The Synod would, at the same time, urge upon the eldership the work of taking regular oversight of the families of their several districts, in visitation and spiritual counsel; and upon the managers, the necessity of constant watchfulness over those financial interests which are entrusted to them, and the employment of such means as commend themselves to their enlightened judgment for the regular ingathering of contributions to the support of Christ's cause at home and abroad.

## SABBATH SCHOOLS AND RELIGIOUS WELFARE OF THE YOUNG.

Mr. D. S. Fraser, Convener, submitted the Report of the Committee, when it was moved by Dr. Gordon, seconded by Mr. A. S. Morton, as follows, which motion was carried unanimously :-

That the Report be received: its recommendations considered; that Synod recognizes the very great importance of our Sabbath School work; expresses gratitude to God for tokens of increased interest in that work; notes with satisfaction the steps being taken by the Assembly's Committee on Sabbath Schools to encourage the systematic memorizing of portions of Scripture; and orges anew upon Presbyteries, sessions, and members, the importance of making the Sabbath School the great spiritual power it ought to be.

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#### RECOMMENDATIONS.

- That all Sabbath Schools be visited, while in session, by representatives of Session, and, as far as possible, of Presby-ery, on the lines suggested in Report to last Synod
- 2. That a Home Depurtment be established in connection with each school, as tending to develop family religion, to increase interest and attendance at Sabbath School and public worship: to take the place of such schools as it may be thought necessary to close during a part of the year; and, through companionship of young and old in study, to stimulate a more systematic and thorough scarching of the Scriptures.
- 3. That Pastors and Sabbath School Superintendents be urged to encourage the memorizing of Scripture and the Shorter Catechism, for which the Assembly now gives diplomas; and, in connection with the former; to use the "Memory Passages" selected by the Assembly's Committee.
- 4. That Synod heartily commend for use in Sabbath Schools the series of Lesson Helps and illustrated papers now provided by the Church, as furnishing excellent assistance in the study of the Scriptures, and as calculated to interest the young in their own Church and its enterprises, and to foster an intelligent Christian patriotism.
- 5. That Presbyteries be recommended to hold Presbyterial conferences to depen the interest of S, S Teachers and Young Peoples' Workers in their Church, and to stimulate them to carry on their work with greater consecration and efficiency; and, that, where found practicable, these conferences may be enlarged into Presbyterial Institutes for the better training of Sabbath School Teachers.
- 6. That the Senate of our College by asked to give some special attention to training the students in the principles of teching with particular application to Sabbath School work, and, if at all possible, to arrange in conjunction with Presbyteries for carrying out the idea of Presbyterial Institutes.
- That Ministers be requested to utilize their Bible Classes, or such other means as may be practicable, for the instruction and encouragement of their S. S. workers.
- 8. That purents and teachers be exhorted to more earnest and prayerful effort to bring the young, through the power of the Holy Spirit, to a saving knowledge of the truth, to recognize the obligations of their baptismal yows, and their duty to assume the responsibilities of full membership in the Church.

#### YOUNG PEOPLES' SOCIETIES.

Mr. H. R. Grant, Convener, submitted the Report of the Committee, when it was moved by Mr. F. L. Jobb, seconded by Mr. J. H. Stewart, as follows, which motion was agreed to unanimously:—

That the Synod adopts the Report, and instructs Presbyteries to hold at least one yearly conference with the workers in our Sabbath Schools and Y. P. Societies, for the purpose of stimulating the work among our young people.

#### SYNOD FUND.

Mr. D. A. Frame, Convener, submitted the Report of the Committee, and moved, seconded by Mr. W. Dawson, its adoption, which motion was carried unanimously, and the thanks of the Synod were given to the Committee, and especially to the Convener.

#### VOTE OF THANKS.

On motion of Prof. Falconer, seconded by Mr. T. C. Jack, it was unanimously agreed as follows :-

The thanks of the Synod are due, and are hereby tendered,

- 1. To the Minister, Session, and Trustees of St. Andrew's Church, for the use of their handsome building; and to the choir for their effective aid in leading the service of praise at the evening meetings of Synod
- To the Committee of Arrangements, and especially to the Convener, the Rev. D. Henderson, for their successful labors in providing accommodation; to the citizens of Chatham for their generous hospitality and innumerable kindnesses which heightened the enjoyment of the Synod.
- 3. To the Honorable Senator Snowball, for the delightful excursion, enabling the members of Synod to form some idea of the grandeur of the Mira-
- To the railway and steamship companies, for reduced rates of travel: particularly to the Intercolonial and Canada Eastern Railways for special privileges, and to Mr. James Kelly, the travelling agent of the I. C. R., for his kindness by accommodating members of Synod in securing their return passages.
  - 5. To the Press, for reports of the proceedings of Synod.

#### MINUTES.

The Minutes of this Sederunt were read and sustained.

## CLOSING OF THE SYNOD.

The Moderator very briefly and suitably addressed the Synod. Thereafter, at his request, the Synod united in singing the closing verses of the One Hundred and Twenty-Second Psalm, and Mr. E. Smith engaged in prayer, after which the Moderator said :- "In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, the only King and Head of the Church, and by the authority of this Synod, I now bring this Synod to a close, and appoint the next meeting to be held at Saint John, New Brunswick, and within St. Andrew's Church there, on the first Tuesday of October, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and one, and at half-past seven o'clock in the evening," and thereafter prouounced the Benediction.

JOHN MORTON, D. D., Moderator, THOS. SEDGWICK, D. D., Clerk, THOS. STEWART, Assistant Clerk.

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## COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC EDUCATION.

The Committee on Public Education beg leave to report as follows:-

The Synod, at its last meeting, instructed Presbyteries to ascertain to what extent religious exercises are conducted in the Public Schools within their respective bounds, to consider whether it might not be desirable and practicable to have more Bible instruction given in the schools, and to report to this Committee for the information of the present meeting of Synod.

In answer to this instruction of Synod returns have been received from several Presbyteries,

In Prince Edward Island, according to the Public Schools' Act of the Province, "the Bible may be read in all such schools, and is authorized, and the teachers are required to open the schools on each school day, with the reading of the Sacred Scriptures by those children whose parents or guardians desire it, without comment, explanation or remark thereupon by the teachers."

From the returns received from Prince Edward Island, it appears that in many districts advantage is not taken of this provision of the Schools' Act in regard to the use of the Bible in the schools. Out of twenty-two congregations reporting, the returns from a number are too indefinite to permit an exact statement being made of their practice, but seemingly in at least one-half of the schools the Scriptures are not read. In a very few (three definitely, and "some others) there is prayer as well as the reading of Scripture. Eight ministers of the Presbytery express themselves in favor of more extended Bible instruction, while nine are in favor of leaving matters as they are.

Your Committee venture to suggest that many parents require only to have their attention drawn to this matter in order to express the wish that their children should read the Scriptures daily in school. And although, on account of the non-sectarian character of the schools, no comment is to be offered by the teacher on the portion that may be read, yet it would presumably be quite in harmony with the school law, as already quoted, if children, whose parents so desire, should not only read portions of Scripture, but should commit them to memory. While the teachers are entrusted with the duty of carrying out the provisions of the law, they might perhaps accept suggestions from ministers as to the portions of Scripture to be read or memorized.

According to the Public Instruction Act of Nova Scotia, "While the law does not sanction the teaching in our public schools of the peculiar views which characterize the different denominations of Christians, it does instruct the teacher to inculcate by precept and example a respect for religion and the principles of Christian morality. To the trustees the people must look to see their desires in this respect, so far as is consonant with the spirit of the law, carried into effect by the teacher."

The law of Nova Scotia thus gives local option to the people of any school district in regard to Bible instruction in the public schools, provided that such instruction is not of a distinctively denominational character. The rights of objectors are safeguarded by the following provision:—"In cases where the parents or guardians of children in actual attendance on any public school or department signify in writing to the trustees their conscientious objection to any portion of such devotional exercises as may be conducted therein under the

sanction of the trustees—such devotional exercises shall either be so modified as not to offend the religious feeling of those so objecting, or shall be held immediately before the time fixed for the opening, or after the time fixed for the close of the daily work of the school; and no children, whose parents or guardians signify conscientions objections thereto, shall be required to be present during

Reports have been received from Presbyteries within the Province to the following effect :-

The Preshytery of Sydney reports that, "In many of the rural districts, in almost all Protestant districts, the Bible is read-daily. In towns and districts where schools are composed of Catholics and Protestants, the reverse is the case; no re igions instruction, at least no Biblical instruction being given."

The Presbytery of Inverness reports that, "After diligent inquiry, it is not aware that any religious exercises are conducted in the public schools within the bounds. The Presbytery is of opinion that, even if it might be practicable to have more Bible instruction given in the schools, the likelihood is that such instruction would be given, as a rule, in such a manner and form that it would

The Presbytery of Truro reports that, "Over thirty schools outside of Truro and nineteen teachers in the town say that the Bible is read every morning; all have prayer, but about five repeat the Lord's Prayer only. Roman Catholics are allowed in Truro to retire to the halls during the reading of the Bible, but do not always avail themselves of the privilege. A few teachers give talks upon the passage read, while two country schools have Scripture memorizing; one school repeating in concert, I. Cor: xiii, at a public examination.

The report from the Presbytery of Pictou refers only to the schools in the Town of Picton. In these, "or the twelve departments there is only one in which systematic religious instruction is given. In this the Bible is read every morning with explanations and a verse is written on the blackboard and committed to memory by the children. In some departments the Bible is read and the Lord's Prayer repeated, and in others—the Lord's Prayer alone constitutes

The Presbytery of Halifax also sends incomplete returns. In Windsor and Halifax, it is customary to open the schools with religious exercises — In Halifax, where there are 142 teachers in the public schools, the opening exercises vary : in some there is reading of Scripture; in some, prayer with or without Scripture reading; in some, the repetition from memory of prescribed verses, or other form of exercise. For the most part the Protestant and Roman Catholic children attend separate schools, but, in regard to text-books, qualifications of teachers, course of study, inspection, &c., the schools all conform to the same standard, as required by the Education Act This arrangement affords an opportunity for religious instruction which seems to be taken advantage of more fully by the Roman Catholies than by the Protestants. In the public schools of Dartmouth there are no religious exercises of any kind.

The Preshytery of Lunenburg has sent no return, but, in answer to a similar question two years ago, this Presbytery reported "that the Scriptures are very question two years ago, this it conjuctly reported that all extriputes a generally read, and the Scripture lessons are appreciated by the scholars.

From the Presbytery of Wallace no report has been received.

According to the School Law of New Brunswick :- "It shall be the privilege of every teacher to open and close the daily exercises of the school by reading a portion of Scripture (out of the common or Douay version, as he may prefer) and by offering the Lord's Prayer. Any other prayer may be used by permission of the Board of Trustees. But no teacher shall compel any pupil to be present at these exercises against the wish of his parent or guardian expressed in writing to the Board of Trustees."

The Presbytery of Miramichi reports that, "In the Towns of Richibucto, Chatham, Newcastle and Campbellton there are no religious exercises conducted n the schools. In Dalhousie, Blackville, Douglastows, and in a large number of the country districts where all, or nearly all, the people are Protestants, a

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From the Presbytery of St. John no return has been received.

In Newfoundland the educational system is wholly denominational, and the Churches may introduce into their respective schools such religious instruction as they desire.

In view of the reports received from Presbyteries, your Committee would respectfully urge upon the attention of the Synod the failure upon the part of many of our people to avail themselves of the provision made by law for the use of the Bible in the Public Schools. Wherever the people desire it the Bible might be read in the schools, instead of being, as at present, so largely neglected, and portions might be committed to memory. The effective use of these or other methods of religious instruction would, no doubt, depend largely upon the teachers and the school trustees, but these officials might surely be relied on to carry out the wishes of the people. To this end it might be specially helpful if our ministers would draw the attention of their congregations to the serious importance of this subject, and if, at the same time, they would seek the co-operation of the ministers of other Churches within their neighbourhood.

Your Committee, therefore, humbly recommend that the Synod instruct Presbyteries to exercise diligent inquiry and careful oversight in this matter, and to use such means as may to them appear most suitable to secure the Biblical instruction of those attending the public schools, as far as the provisions of the law and the circumstances of the several school districts may pegmit.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

September, 1900.

DANIEL M. GORDON,

Convener.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

OF THE

## HUNTER CHURCH BUILDING FUND,

From October 1st, 1899, to October 1st, 1900.

The Committee of the Hunter Church Building Fund would report that the following grants were paid during the past year:—

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Presbylery of Halifax : Elmsdale Hantsport (additional)		\$200	00
Presbytery of Truro:			
Lochaber		125	00
Presbylery of Wallace: Wentworth			
Presbytery of Sydney:			
International Pier		250	00
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Englishtown			00
Carleton	_	45 0	

These grants therefore make a total of \$1,020.00 paid out of income during the past year. At this date all the grants made, with the exception of one to Strathlorne, have been paid.

The investments have not undergone much change during the year. A few of our congregations that have had loans from the fund are making an effort, in connection with the Century Fund movement, to pay off their loans, and some of them have already succeeded. Two of the above grants, viz., those to Englishtown and Carleton, have been made with the view of helping them to get out of debt to this fund. This effort partly accounts for the amount of capital on hand or on deposit receipt in the bank.

The hopes of the Committee that the Colonial Market Stock, of which the Committee hold 26 shares, would yield the same as formerly during the past year have not been realized. The Committee have under consideration measures which, they trust, will make it a productive asset.

The Treasurer herewith presents his account for the past year.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JOHN FORREST, Convener. E. A. McCURDY, Secretary. The HUNT

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Dr.	Income.	Capital.
Loan on note		\$ 200 00
Ins. Premium J. Duffus & Co		30 00
G. Innes		24
Painting and repairing Robson House		58 10
Taxes on Robson House		56 00
Grants:		
Englishtown		
Ingonish		
International Pier 250 00		
Wentworth 200 00		
Carleton		
Lower Stewiacke 75 00		
Lochaber		
Elmsdale 200 00		
Hantsport (additional)50 00	\$1020 00	
Repairs	296 36	
Miss Wier's annuity	144 00	
Taxes	270 05	
Commission to C. R. Kelley	13 15	
Printing	10 00	
Mrs. Robson's commission	24 00	
Proportion of Agent's salary	260 00	
Balance	49 04	
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CR.	Income.	Capital.
Balance, 1899		
Mulgrave		150 00
Sussex		200 00
Englishtown		198 75
Andover		100 00
Carleton		90 00
St. Andrew's, Sydney		250 00
Strathlorne		100 CO
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# RULES FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE HUNTER CHURCH $$\operatorname{BUILDING}$$ fund.

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The Fund shall be employed in the following manner:—A portion of it, at the discretion of the Committee, may be used in loans without interest, on church buildings, to be repaid in instalments, extending over such a period of years as may be determined on; and the remainder be kept invested, and the annual income therefrom be employed in grants to aid congregations erecting places of worship, or in liquidating debt on churches."

- "The Fund shall be administered by the Board, under the following regulations:-
- (1) "All applications for aid shall come through the Presbytery of the bounds; who shall forwards to the Board such recommendations as they may deem proper, and such information as they may consider necessary, to enable the Board to judge in the case."
- (2) "Before receiving any aid, congregations shall afford to the Board satisfactory evidence that the Church is held, and by a secure title, in connection with this body, and also that it is duly insured."
- (3) "The amount guaranteed, either as a donation or a loan, shall be given on the condition of such offorts on the part of the congregation as may be agreed upon."
- (4) "The amount loaned shall be secured to the Board by mortgage on the church, or bond of the trustees, or otherwise to the satisfaction of the Board."
- (5) "Congregations which have received loans from the Fund, shall in all cases keep their churches insured, at least to the amount borrowed from the Fund, over and above all indebtedness."
- (6) "In case a congregation which once received aid from the Fund, and which has not had its property insured, shall lose its church by fire, it shall not receive any aid from this Fund."

## LIST OF FREE GRANTS TO OCTOBER 1ST 1899.

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Riversdale	\$300	00
Little Harbor	500	
Hillsborough	100	
River Inhabitants	150	
Leitch's Creek	260	
Malagawatch	200	
Fisher's Grant.	150	
Loch Lomond	250	
Middle Biver, Pictou	150	
Bridgetown	535	
Spring Hill	100	
Jeddore	200	
Middle River, C. B	300	00
Isaac's Harbor	200	00
Carleton, Shelburne Co	100	00
Bedford	500	00
Smithfield, Caledonia	200	
Country Harbor	250	00
West Bay, Points	100	
West Bay, Black River	100	00
Falmouth Street, Sydney	250	00
Shemogue		00
Jeddore		00
Country Harbor	50	00
Isaac's Harbor		00
Westville		00
Amherst		00
Moser's River	200	00
Moser's River	100	00
Lake Ainslie	300	00
Glenelg	166	00
Maccan	700	00
Vale Colliery	200	00
Wolfville	1100	00
Marble Mountain	190	00
Parrsboro	500	00
North-West Arm	200	00
Big Bras d'Or	300	00
Black Rocks and Blue Rocks	300	00
Moosebrook	100	00
Reserve Mines	200	00
River Hebert	375	5 00
Shelburne	400	00
Kempton	400	00
Margaree	100	00
Carleton	130	00
Glenbard	250	00
Port Mulgrave	250	00
Tatamagouche Mountain		00
Clam Harbor	160	0 00
Sackville	200	0 00
Coburg Road	100	00
New Germany	200	0 00
Waverley	17	5 00
Louisburg	20	0 00
Malagash	20	0 00

Carried forward......\$14,266 85

Brought forward	\$166.0
Now D. L.	\$14,200 85
New Dublin Englishtown	127 00
Englishtown. Pleasant Bay.	125 00
Pleasant Bay	150 00
South Gut	. 40 00
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Margaree Harbor. Grove, Halifax	. 200 00
Grove, Halifax Little Bras d'Or	. 100 00
Little Bras d'Or	. 175 00
Ferrona Oxford	200 00
Oxford	250 00
Indian Roads Tangier	250 00
Tangier Bridgeport	25 00
Bridgeport North River	100 00
North River French River	100 00
French River. Boularderie	
Boularderie Wolfville	250 00
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Lockeport Burnside, Upper Stewiagha	100 00
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Digby North River, North Branch	500 00
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Baddeck Rockingham	91 00
Rockingham Grand Pre	203 00
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Hantsport. Trenton	150 00
Trenton	100 00
Cleveland, C. B	75 00
Perotte	175 00
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Elmsdale	
	\$200 00
Lochaber	50 00
Lower Stewiacke Wentworth	125 00
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International Pier	200 00
	250 00
Englishtown. Carleton.	25 00
Carleton	50 00
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Total\$2	0,155 85

## PAYMENTS TO CONGREGATIONS.

Reported last year	Interest Loans \$17,080 00 230 24		Total. \$59,545 85 1,250 24
\$20,155 85	\$17,310 24	\$23,330 00	\$60,796 09

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## CASH PAID BY CONGREGATIONS.

	Principal.	Interest.	Total.
Re-payments to October 1st, 1	899\$35,851 17	\$3,968 77	\$39,819 94
Re-payments since	1,361 09	1,266 23	2,627 32
	\$37,212 26	\$5,235 00	\$42,447 26

## FREE LOANS PAYABLE IN INSTALMENTS TO OCTOBER 1ST, 1897.

FREE LOANS FATTERED			
	Amounts.	Payments Made.	Still Loaned.
Dartmouth	\$4100	\$4100	
Vale Colliery	800	800	***********
Yarmouth	1000	1000	
Glenelg	1000	1000	1 4 7 7 7 7 7 7
Jeddore	150	150	
Bridgetown	1000	1000	
Springhill	800	800	
Bridgewater	1000	1000	
Acadia Mines	600	600	
Debert	500	500	******
Falmouth Street, Sydney	500	500	C4 43 4 3 5
Amherst	1000	1000	63.6.6063
Harmony	250	250	** ** **
Park Street, Halifax	. 2000	2000	* ******
Lockeport	500	100	\$400 00
Baddeck	. 500	500	
Oxford	500	500	
Pleasant Bay		100	* * * * * * * * *
Tatamagouche Mountain	100	100	830 C C
Boularderie	500	500	8.61 (0.000)
Margaree Harbor		300	3 40 400 44
Reserve Mines		250	
St. Andrew's, Sydney		500	
Mabou		400	
Kennetcook		200	
St. Peter's, C. B		300	
Digby		430	
Trenton	1000	1000	
Five Islands	300	300	
New Annan		500	22.22.22.2
Waverley		100	
Pugwash	. 500	500	
Pugwasn		200	
Louisburg		250	
Carleton		150	\$250 00
M. L.		450	150 00
Mulgrave			
	\$23,150	\$22,330	\$800 00
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St. Andrew's, Sydney	Mil 300 TOO A STE BE
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Strathlorne	800 00
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Billman & Chisholm C. A. Robson	5,300 00
Middleton .	2,700 00
Digby North-West Arm	200 00
Canso Marine R. Stock	
Bank Stock :	\$18,275 00
Bank of Nova Scotia	
Bank of Nova Scotia, 45 shares	\$10,125 00
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Real Estate vielding Income:	
Poplar Grove houses	¢ .
Creighton Street houses	Φ3,000 00
	3,000 00
Loans not bearing Interest:	\$ 6,000 oo
Port Mulgrave	
Lockeport	250 00
	400 00
	\$ 800 oo
Total	
Total	\$37,000 00
HALIFAX, Sept. 29th, 1900.	McCURDY, Agent.

Examined and found correct.

JAMES C. MACKINTOSH, GEORGE CUNNINGHAM, Auditors. D. BLACKWOOD,

HALIFAX, Oct. 1st, 1900.