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NEXT MEETING OF SYNOD :

In Zion Church,, Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, on the last Tuesday of
September, 1888, at half-past Seven o'clock, p. m.

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FIRST SEDERUNT.

At New Glasgow, and within James' Church there, Tuesday, the fourth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven years, and at half-past seven o'clock in the evening :

Which time and place the Synod of the Maritime Provinces met as appointed, and after divine service, conducted by the Moderator, the Rev. Alexander McLean, who preached a sermon from the nineteenth verse of the third chapter of the Epistle to the Ephesians, and the words, "The love of Christ which passeth knowledge," was constituted by him with prayer.

ROLL.

The Clerk called the Roll and marked members present with an * as follows:

PRESBYTERY OF SYDNEY.

No.	MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION.	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
1	H. McLeod, M.A., D.D.	Nov. 7, 1883	.....	Retired	Sydney, C. B.
2	Isaac Murray D.D.	Jan. 16, 1850	Daniel McKay	North Sydney	N. Sydney, C. B.
3	Abraham McIntosh.	Aug. 21, 1856	Malcolm McLeod	St. Ann's	St. Ann's, C. B.
4	Donald Sutherland.	Jan. 6, 1860	.....	Gabarus	Gabarus, C. B.
5	Donald McMillan.	Dec. 4, 1861	John McInnis	Sydney Mines	Sydney Mines.
6	Alex. Farquharson.	Dec. 14, 1864	Duncan McLennan	St. Andrew's, Sydney	Sydney, C. B.
7	William Grant	Sep. 27, 1869	A. H. McKeen	Cow Bay	Cow Bay, C. B.
8	David Drummond	June 18, 1872	Roderick Grant	Boularderie	Hig Bras D'Or.
9	John Murray	Jan. 2, 1873	A. D. McGivlary	Falmouth Street	Sydney, C. B.
10	James A. Forbes	Oct. 18, 1881	Wm. Campbell	Little Glace Bay	Little Glace Bay.
11	Hector McQuarrie	July 11, 1885	Donald Lynk	Leitch's Creek	Leitch's Creek.
12	W. R. Calder	Sep. 29, 1886	.....	Mira	Mira, C. B.
13	VACANCIES.	.....	.....	Loch Lomond & Franboise .....	.....
14	.....	.....	.....	Grand River & St. Peter's .....	.....
15	.....	.....	Dan. McGregor	Cape North .....	.....

A. FARQUHARSON, *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF VICTORIA AND RICHMOND.

1	Kenneth McKenzie	Dec. 2, 1857	Neil Nicholson	Baddeck and Forks	Baddeck, C. B.
2	Donald McDougall	Nov. 15, 1865	D. McLean	West Bay	West Bay, C. B.
3	Alexander Grant	Dec. 6, 1871	.....	Lake Ainslie	Lake Ainslie.
4	Alexander McRae	June 7, 1877	.....	Middle River	Middle River.
5	Angus McMillan	Jan. 25, 1882	.....	Malagawatch & R. Dennis	Malagawatch.
6	John Rose	Aug. 12, 1884	Angus McDonald	Whycoomagh	Whycoomagh.
7	Roderick McLeod	July 27, 1886	.....	Strath Lorne	Strath Lorne.
8	Donald McDonald	.....	Donald McQuarrie	Pt. Hastings & R. Inhab'ts.	.....

KENNETH MCKENZIE, *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF PICTOU.

1	A. P. Miller	May 7, 1844	.....	Retired	Merigonish.
2	D. B. Blair	Oct. 26, 1846	Alexander Ross	Blue Mt. & Barney's River	Barney's River.
3	Alex. McLean, M.A.	Dec. 14, 1852	John Fraser	Hopewell	Hopewell.
4	Wm. Maxwell	July 13, 1854	Neil McLean	Sherbr'ke, Goldenville, &c.	Sherbrooke.
5	Alex. Falconer	Aug. 14, 1862	Daniel McDonald	Prince Street, Pictou	New Glasgow.
6	E. A. McCurdy	June 20, 1866	John A. Fraser	Janes' Church	Springville.
7	A. McI. Sinclair	July 25, 1868	John A. McDonald	East River	Pictou.
8	J. F. Forbes	Feb. 27, 1867	John McKenzie	West River and Green Hill	Durham, W. R.
9	Robert Cumming	Feb. 10, 1869	Daniel McPherson	Westville and Mid. River	Westville.
10	J. H. Turnbull, M.A.	June 19, 1872	James McKay	Sharon Church	Stellarton.
11	E. Scott	Sep. 20, 1875	Alex. Campbell	United Church	New Glasgow.
12	A. W. McLeod, Ph. D.	Sep. 11, 1878	Alex. Campbell	Vale Colliery & South Riv.	The Burn.
13	J. R. Munro, B.A.	Aug. 19, 1879	James Burside	Antigonish	Antigonish.
14	G. S. Carson, B.A.	Sep. 15, 1885	Alexander Murray	Knox Church	Pictou.
15	H. K. McLean	June 7, 1887	Alex. McIntosh	Union Centre & Lochaber	Lochaber.
16	VACANCIES.	.....	.....	.....	.....
17	.....	.....	Robert Brown	Merigonish	Merigonish.
18	.....	.....	James Rae	Scotsburn, Hermon, &c.	Scotsburn.
19	.....	.....	Angus Cameron	Glencé, E. Riv. & Caled'ia	Glencé.
20	.....	.....	George Lurie	Little Harbor & F. Grant	Little Harbor.

E. A. MCCURDY, *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF WALLACE.

No.	MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION.	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICERS.
1	W. S. Darragh	Nov. 12, 1850	Duncan Macdonald	Linden	Linden.
2	H. B. Mackay	June 22, 1855	Robert Mitchell	St. Matthew's, Wallace	Wallace.
3	Samuel Boyd	Nov., 1858	*Arch. Campbell	Knox Church, Wallace	Wallace.
4	Thos. Sedgwick	Sep. 19, 1860	A. W. Munro	Tatamagouche	Tatamagouche.
5	D. Macgregor	May 24, 1877	*Jas. Langille	Amherst	Amherst.
6	G. L. Gordon	Oct. 6, 1879	*Hugh Fraser	River John	River John.
7	J. A. Mackenzie	Sep. 19, 1882	*G. C. Cunningham	Pugwash and Oxford	Pugwash.
8	J. M. Robinson	Aug. 14, 1882	H. D. Chisholm	Spring Hill	Spring Hill.
9	P. C. Quinn	Nov. 6, 1883		New Annan & Wentworth	New Annan.
10	VACANT.		John McKay	Earlton & W. B. Riv. John	Earlton.

THOS. SEDGWICK, *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF HALIFAX.

1	*George Christie	July 22, 1842		Bedford	Bedford.
2	*John Cameron	Sep. 17, 1844	W. Chesley	Bridgetown	Bridgetown.
3	*R. F. Burns, D.D.	July 18, 1844	*David Blackwood	Fort Massey, Halifax	Halifax.
4	*Allan Pollok, D.D.	1852		Professor, Theo. Hall	Halifax.
5	*Alex. McKnight, D.D.	Feb. 26, 1857		Principal, Theo. Hall	Dartmouth.
6	John Curry, D.D.	Aug. 12, 1857		Professor, Theo. Hall	Halifax.
7	*M. G. Henry	Feb. 3, 1864	Thomas McKenzie	Shubenacadie	Shubenacadie.
8	*P. M. Morrison	Sept., 1865		Agent of the Church	Halifax.
9	*John McMillan, B.D.	Mich. 26, 1866	*Robert Murray	Chalmers Church	Halifax.
10	Allan Simpson	Aug. 7, 1866	Dr. Chisholm	Park Street Church	Halifax.
11	John Forrest, B.D.	Dec., 1866		President, Dalhousie Col	Halifax.
12	Ebenezer McNab	May 19, 1867	Hiram Smith	Newport	Newport.
13	A. B. Dickie	Dec. 22, 1869	John Cook	Gays River, etc.	Milford, Hants Co
14	*Jacob Layton	Nov. 22, 1871	*James Fisher	Elmsdale, etc.	Elmsdale.
15	John M. Allan	Jan. 22, 1872	John Wood	Richmond	Halifax.
16	W. P. Begg, M.A.	1873	W. H. Chase	Kentville	Kentville.
17	*Robert Laing, M.A.	1873	*Geo. Mitchell	St. Matthew's	Halifax.
18	*H. H. McPherson, M.A.	Nov. 24, 1875	Jas. Parquhar	St. John's	Halifax.
19	E. S. Bayne, M. A.	Jan. 18, 1876	Samuel Ervin	Middle Musquodoboit	M. Musquodoboit.
20	*Adam Gunn, B.A.	Feb., 1876	James A. Scott	Gore, etc.	Up. Kennetcook.
21	Thos. H. Murray	May 25, 1876		Lower Musquodoboit.	Little River.
22	T. C. Jack, B.A.	Oct. 16, 1879	*Stephen Putnam	Maitland	Maitland.
23	T. A. Nelson	Oct. 7, 1880	Leonard Maxner	Windsor	Windsor.
24	*John L. George, B.A.	Dec. 20, 1881	*William McOmie	Dartmouth	Dartmouth.
25	*John A. Cairns, M.A.	May 7, 1882	James Archibald	Upper Musquodoboit	U. Musquodoboit.
26	*Anderson Rogers, B.A.	Oct. 15, 1882	Geo. M. Ewan	Yarmouth	Yarmouth.
27	*Robert D. Ross	Aug. 2, 1883	J. B. Newcomb	Wolfville, etc.	Wolfville.
28	C. S. Lord, B.D.	Oct. 2, 1883		Bernuda	Bernuda.
29	*S. Rosborough, M.A.	Nov. 6, 1883	*Dr. McMillan	Sheet Harbor	Sheet Harbor.
30	*Wm. Dawson, B.D.	Dec. 18, 1883	D. M. Dickie	Canard	Upper Canard.
31	*James Anderson, M.A.	July 23, 1884	John Anderson	Musquodoboit Harbor	Musquodoboit Har.
32	Alex. Campbell	May 31, 1887	Noel	Noel	Noel.
33	A. P. Logan	May, 1887		West Cornwallis	West Cornwallis.
34	VACANCIES.		D. C. Gillis	St. Andrew's	Halifax.
35			S. Richardson	Carleton and Chebogue	Rockville, Yar. Co
36			D. Cameron	Annapolis	Annapolis.
37			T. A. Malcom	Kempt and Walton	Kempt.
38				Lawrencetown, etc.	Lawrencetown.

ALLAN SIMPSON, *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF LUNENBURG AND SHELBURNE.

1	William Duff	May 23, 1843		Lunenburg (Pas. Emeritus)	Lunenburg.
2	*Henry Crawford	Oct. 16, 1853		Riversdale, etc.	M. sman's Gt. Lu
3	Duncan McKinnon	June 4, 1862	Wm. R. Hammond	Lockeport & East Jordan	Lockeport, N. S.
4	Joseph Annand, M.A.	June 23, 1872		New Hebrides Mission	N. Heb., S. Seas.
5	*I. S. Simpson, B.A.	July 16, 1873	Henry Cresser	LaHave	Lr. LaHave, Lun.
6	*Jas. Rosborough, M.A.	July 23, 1873	John Bower	Shelburne	Shelburne, N. S.
7	*E. D. Miller, B.A.	Oct. 28, 1873	James Eisenhaur	Lunenburg	Lunenburg, N. S.
8	*D. Stiles Fraser, B.A.	Nov. 30, 1877	N. Wynchacht	Mahone Bay	Mahone Bay, N.S.
9	*John Ferry	July 15, 1884	J. S. Calder, M.D.	Bridgewater	Bridgewater, N.S.
10	*J. K. McClure	Oct. 23, 1885	T. W. Robertson	Clyde and Barrington	Clyde, Shelb. Co.
11	VACANT.			New Dublin	Dublin Shore, Lu.
12	MISSION STATION.		George Zwicker	The Rocks	Lunenburg, N. S.

D. STILES FRASER, *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF TRURO.

No.	MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION.	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
1	Wm. McCulloch, D.D.	Feb. 14, 1839			Truro.
2	Ebenezer Ross	Oct. 31, 1849			Truro.
3	James Maclean	Nov. 13, 1854	D. M. Kent	Great Village	Great Village.
4	*Alex. Cameron	Nov. 16, 1857	David Filton	Riverside	Portauquique.
5	Thomas Cunningham	Sep. 23, 1863	J. F. Blanchard	St. Andrew's	Truro.
6	J. D. McGillivray	Feb. 7, 1865	John Loughhead	Clifton	Clifton.
7	James Sinclair	Sep. 11, 1867	Melville McNutt	Upper Londonderry	Folly Village.
8	J. H. Chase, M.A.	May 5, 1869	T. P. Putnam	Onslow	Onslow Station.
9	Edward Grant	Oct. 26, 1869	H. C. Fisher	Stewiacke	Stewiacke.
10	*Edwin Smith, B.A.	Oct. 3, 1871	S. F. Creelman	M. Stewiacke & Brookfield	Mt. Stewiacke.
11	John Robbins	June 6, 1875	Alex. Miller	1st Pres. Cong., Truro	Valley Station.
12	*W. T. Bruce, M.D.	Sep. 27, 1876	Charles Christie	Coldstream	Acadia Mines.
13	J. A. Logan	Aug. 7, 1877	A. P. Smith	Acadia	
14	VACANCIES.		Thomas McKay	Parrshoro	Parrshoro.
15			Allister Bentley	Economy & Five Islands	Economy.
16			John P. McDonald	St. Paul's, Truro	Truro.
17			Samuel Johnson	Springside	Un Stewiacke.

J. H. CHASE, *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF ST. JOHN.

1	A. Donald	July 16, 1842		Retired	Hampton.
2	J. Bennet, D.D.	Mich. 29, 1843		Retired (Clerk)	St. John.
3	L. Jack	June, 1845		Retired	Buctouche.
4	Wm. Millen	Jan., 1846		Retired	Bay Side, S. And.
5	J. McC. McKay	June 26, 1855	David Scrimgeour	Shenogue	Port Elgin.
6	*S. Johnston	May 24, 1856	Wm. Fowler	Chipman	Chipman.
7	*D. Macrae, D.D.	July 21, 1856	A. J. Trueman	St. Stephen's, St. John	St. John.
8	*Jas. Gray, B.D.	Mich. 6, 1857		Retired	Sussex.
9	J. S. Mullen	Dec. 31, 1861		Nashwaak and Stanley	Stanley, York Co.
10	J. A. F. Sutherland	May 4, 1864		St. James	St. James, Ch. Co
11	*J. D. Murray	Feb. 2, 1865	John Deyarmon	Buctouche	Buctouche.
12	Wm. Stuart	May 17, 1865	Dr. J. Walker	Carleton, St. John	Carleton, S. John
13	*A. J. Mowatt	June 5, 1866	L. W. Johnston	St. Paul's, Fredericton	Fredericton.
14	*J. Hogg	Oct. 1, 1868	Wm. McKenzie	St. John's, Moncton	Moncton.
15	*J. R. Icaris	Dec., 1869		Glassville	Glassville.
16	K. McKay, B.A.	Feb. 22, 1872	S. P. Archibald	Richmond	Richmond.
17	*L. G. Macneil	Nov. 12, 1872	A. L. Law	St. Andrew's, St. John	St. John.
18	*T. F. Fotheringham	July 21, 1875	David Brown	St. John Pres. Church	St. John.
19	*G. Bruce, B.A.	Sept., 1875	John Willett	Prince William	Prince William.
20	W. Ross, B.A.	Nov. 14, 1876		Greenock Church	St. Andrew's.
21	*A. Gunn	Feb., 1876		Calvin Church	St. John.
22	Arch. McDougall	Oct. 20, 1879	C. H. Doig	Harvey and Acton	Harvey, York Co.
23	J. A. McLean	Dec. 9, 1879		St. Stephen Ch., St. Stephen	St. Stephen.
24	*Godfrey Shore	May, 1871	Judge Stevens	St. Paul's, Woodstock	Woodstock.
25	*W. C. Calder	May 14, 1880		South Richmond	South Richmond.
26	*J. Ross	May 4, 1880			
27	VACANCIES.		Jos. Frier	Shediac	Shediac.
28			Wm. Morrison	Sussex	Sussex.
29				Bocabeuc and Waveig	Bocabeuc.
30	D. Fiske	May 6, 1885		Kincardine	New Kincardine.
31	T. Stewart	Jan. 26, 1886		McAdam	McAdam.
32	*J. A. Cahill	May 4, 1886		Pisarinco	Pisarinco.
33	*W. McDonald	May 4, 1886		Hampton	Hampton.
34	*J. Valentine	Sept. 6, 1887		St. George	St. George.
35	*John Hawley	May 10, 1887		Springfield & Eng. Sett'lmt	Springfield.
36	W. H. Hunt		Charles Stewart	Greenfield	Greenfield.
37	James T. Blair	June 9, 1887			

* JAMES BENNET, D. D., *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF MIRAMICHI.

No.	MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION.	ELDEERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
1	Thomas Nicholson	Mich. 11, 1858	Retired	River Charles	Riv. Charlo, N.B.
2	Peter Lindsay, B.A.	Oct. 12, 1853	J. W. F. Fallow	New Richmond	New Richm'd, Q.
3	Thos. G. Johnstone	June 21, 1855	W. H. Grinlley	Blackville and Derby	Blackville, N. B.
4	Neil McKay	Sep. 19, 1855	William Gray	St. John's, Chatham	Chatham, N. B.
5	William Aitken	Aug. 16, 1861	John R. Nicholson	Black River	Newcastle, N. B.
6	John Robertson, M.A.	July 3, 1868	Angus Russell	Campbellton	Campbellton, N.B.
7	A. Ogilvie Brown	Apr. 18, 1870	John Marr	St. Andrew's, Chatham	Chatham, N. B.
8	E. Wallace Waits, B.A.	June 15, 1872	Alexander Loggie	Bathurst	Kingston, Kent Co
9	Wm. Hamilton	Jan. 13, 1874	Archibald Lennox	Richibucto	Bathurst, N. B.
10	A. F. Thomson	Sep. 8, 1874	Capt. J. Andrew	St. Luke's, Bathurst	Dalhousie, N. B.
11	Alex. Russell	Feb. 22, 1876	George Hadlow	Bathurst	New Carlisle, Que
12	F. W. George, M.A.	Mich. 15, 1882	Daniel Christie	New Carlisle & Haptown	Pass River, N. B.
13	J. H. Cameron	June 6, 1882	Duncan Campbell	Pass River	River Charlo, N.B.
14	Isaac Baird	July 5, 1887	Peter Hamilton	Charlo, New Mills &c.	
15	VACANCIES.		Joseph Simpson	Tabasintac, Burnt Ch., &c.	Tabasintac, N.B.
16			James McLegg	Douglas-town	Douglas-town, N.B.
17			John Menzies	Redbank	Redbank, N. B.
18	MISSION STATIONS.			Restigouche Mission Fields	Flatlands, N. B.
19				Comptoir	Edmunds, Que.
20				New London	New London, M.B.
21				Caracquet and Miscon	Caracquet, N. B.
22				Rouchibouguac	Rouchibouguac.
23				Nelson	Nelson, N. B.
24				Port Daniel	Port Daniel, Que.

E. WALLACE WAITS, B. A., *Presbytr. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

1	James Allan	Jan., 1846	Retired	Cove Head	Cove Head.
2	William Scott	1853	Robert Cairns	Bedouque	North Bedouque.
3	John M. McLeod	Nov. 9, 1853	Robert M. Barratt	Charlottetown	Charlottetown.
4	Alexander Sterling	June, 1857	James Gordon	Chilton and Grayville	Chilton, N. Lond.
5	Allan McLean	June 19, 1862	Retired.	Tryon and Gonslaw.	Hampton.
6	William R. Frazer	Aug. 15, 1862		Richmond Bay (East)	Charlottetown.
7	Archibald Brown	Jan. 27, 1864		Saints, Bay Fortune, &c.	Port Hill.
8	John George Cameron	Mich. 14, 1867		Alberton	Somris
9	Arthur F. Carr, M.A.	Oct. 4, 1871	William Laird	Casnovish & New Glasgow.	Casnovish.
10	W. P. Archibald, B. D.	Sep. 25, 1875	James McLean	Murray Harbor	Murray Har., N.
11	Alexander Roulston.	1878	John A. Lawson	St. James, Charlottetown	Charlottetown.
12	James Garruthers	July 3, 1878		West and Clyde River	West & Clyde.
13	A. S. Stewart	Mich. 26, 1879	Richard Proffit	Princeton.	Princeton.
14	George McMillan, B.A.	June 30, 1880		Cardigan and Dundas	Cardigan Bridge.
15	Ewon Gillies	Aug. 24, 1881	John McKenzie	Strathayn	Strathayn.
16	John MacLeod	Aug. 30, 1881	J. G. MacLeod	Woodville and Little Sands	Woodsville.
17	Malcolm Campbell	Aug. 30, 1881	Wm. H. Douglass	Mt. St-wart & W. St. Peter's	Mount Stewart.
18	Alex. B. MacLeod	Oct. 31, 1882	Donald McLeod.	Orwell	Orwell Head.
19	D. B. MacLeod, B.A.	Oct. 4, 1883	Isaac Thompson	St. Peter's, &c.	Marshfield.
20	A. W. Malton	Oct. 2, 1884	James N. Cogswell	Georgetown & Montague	Georgetown.
21	Wm. H. Spencer	Oct. 1, 1884	Thos. McNeill	Tignish, Montrose, &c.	Montrose.
22	George Fisher	Nov. 17, 1885	John Macdonald	Valleyfield & Brown's Crk.	Valleyfield.
23	Roderick McLean	Mich. 16, 1886		East St. Peter's	Midgell.
24	James W. McKenzie	Feb. 3, 1887	William Haywood	Summerside	Summerside.
25	J. P. Gerrior	June 8, 1887		Bloomfield, O'Leary, &c.	Bloomfield.
26	J. R. Coffin				Flat River.
27	VACANCIES.		William Ross	Belfast	New Glasgow Rd.
28			Malcolm McDonald	Broomfield	
29				Richmond Bay (West)	
30			David Campbell	New London (North), &c.	New London, N.
31			William Thomson	West Cape, Campbellton, &c.	Campbellton, Lot 4

JOHN M. McLEOD, *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF NEWFOUNDLAND.

1	Moses Harvey	1843	Retired.	St. John's	St. John's.
2	William J. Thompson	1870	J. Jillard.	Harbour Grace	Harbour Grace.
3	William Graham	1887	J. Goodfellow	St. Andrew's, St. John's	St. John's.

M. HARVEY, *Presbytery Clerk.*

CHANGES.

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

DEATH.

Presbytery of Sydney : Peter Clark, Cape North, Sept. 2nd, 1887.

DEMISSIONS.

Presbytery of Halifax : P. M. Morrison, Dartmouth, Nov. 8th, 1886. W. E. Archibald, Ph. D., Kentville, April 17th, 1887. J. C. Cattanach, St. Andrew's, Halifax, June 10th, 1887. J. R. Fitzpatrick, Carleton and Chebogue, July 15th, 1887.

Presbytery of St. John : W. Millen, Bocabec and Waweig, Aug. 1st, 1887, retired. Jas. Gray, Sussex, Aug. 1st, 1887, retired. P. Langille, Hampton Mission Fields, Sept., 1887. R. Haddow, Riverside Mission Field, Sept., 1887. J. A. Cahill, Springfield and English Settlement Mission Field, Sept., 1887. J. W. McLennan, McAdam Mission Field, Sept., 1887.

Presbytery of Miramichi : John McCarter, Redbank, April 12th, 1887.

Presbytery of Prince Edward Island : W. A. Mason, New London and Summerfield, Sept. 4th, 1887.

TRANSLATIONS.

Presbytery of Pictou : J. L. George, Sherbrooke and Goldenville to Dartmouth, April 10th, 1887. J. Ferry, Glenelg to Bridgewater, Jan. 9th, 1887.

Presbytery of Halifax : T. H. Murray, Lawrencetown to Lower Musquodoboit, Sept. 22nd, 1887.

Presbytery of Truro : J. F. Dustan, St. Paul's, Truro, to Knox, Brandon, May 31st, 1887. S. C. Gunn, Springside to Scotch Church, Boston, Mass., July 31st, 1887.

Presbytery of St. John : W. C. Calder, Pisarinco Mission Field to Woodstock, March 15th, 1887. T. Stewart, St. George to McAdam Mission Field, Sept., 1887. W. MacDonald, St. Martin's to Hampton Mission Field, Sept. 1887.

Presbytery of P. E. Island : Alex. S. Stewart, Belfast to West and Clyde River, Jan'y 19th, 1887.

Presbytery of Newfoundland : L. G. MacNeill, St. Andrew's, St. John's, to St. Andrew's, St. John. R. Logan, Harbour Grace to Santa Monica, California.

INDUCTIONS.

- Presbytery of Pictou*: W. Maxwell, Sherbrooke, Goldenville and Wine Harbour, Aug. 30th, 1887. Alex. Falconer, Prince St., Pictou, Dec. 28th, 1886.
- Presbytery of Wallace*: G. L. Gordon, River John, Oct. 20th, 1887.
- Presbytery of Halifax*: J. L. George, Dartmouth, April 12th, 1887. Alex. Campbell, Noel, May 31st, 1887. W. P. Begg, Kentville, Aug. 4th, 1887.
- Presbytery of Lunenburg and Shelburne*: John Ferry, Bridgewater, Jan. 19th, 1887.
- Presbytery of Truro*: John Robbins, First Presbyterian, Truro, Nov. 30th, 1886.
- Presbytery of St. John*: L. G. MacNeill, St. Andrew's, St. John, Oct. 12th, 1886.
- Presbytery of Miramichi*: Isaac Baird, Charlo, New Mills and Louison Brook, July 5th, 1887.
- Presbytery of P. E. Island*: Archibald Brown, Richmond Bay East, Dec. 7th, 1886. D. B. McLeod, B. A., Orwell, July 28th, 1887.

ORDINATIONS.

- Presbytery of Pictou*: H. K. McLean, Union Centre and Lochaber, June 7th, 1887. J. A. Johnson, Country Harbour and Isaac's Harbour Mission Field, May 3rd, 1887.
- Presbytery of Halifax*: A. P. Logan, West Cornwallis, April 29th, 1887. Alex. Campbell, Noel, May 31st, 1887.
- Presbytery of St. John*: J. W. McLennan, McAdam Mission Field, Nov. 9th, 1886. J. Ross, South Richmond Mission Field, March 16th, 1887. John Hawley, St. George's Mission Field, May 10th, 1887. Jas. T. Blair, Greenfield Mission Field, Jun 9th, 1887. J. Valentine, Riverside Mission Field, Sept. 6th 1887.
- Presbytery of P. E. Island*: John P. Gerrior, Summerside, Feb. 3rd, 1887. J. R. Coffin, Bloomfield, O'Leary and Brae, June 8th, 1887

RESIGNATION.

- Presbytery of Pictou*: J. A. Johnson, of appointment as ordained missionary at Country Harbour and Isaac's Harbour Mission Field, Sept. 6th, 1887.

LICENSURES.

Presbytery of Halifax: Alex. Campbell, J. R. Coffin, E. M. Dill, A. P. Logan, D. MacDonald, H. K. McLean, and John Valentine, April 29th, 1887.

Presbytery of Pictou: H. K. McLean, June 7th, 1887.

RECEPTION.

Presbytery of St. John: W. H. Hunt, missionary appointed to Springfield.

NEW CONGREGATION.

Presbytery of P. E. Island: The stations of Bloomfield, O'Leary and Brae, organized into a congregation April 18th, 1887.

MISSION STATIONS.

Presbytery of Miramichi: Nelson separated from Newcastle and erected into a mission station, March 15th, 1887. Port Daniel separated from New Carlisle and erected into a mission station, July 19th, 1887.

ADDRESS OF RETIRING MODERATOR.

The retiring Moderator having addressed the Court, stated that the time had now come to elect his successor.

ELECTION OF MODERATOR.

Nominations as Moderator of Synod made by Presbyteries, were read as follows:—Mr. E. A. McCurdy of James' Church, New Glasgow, by the Presbytery of Pictou; Mr. John M. McLeod of Zion Church, Charlottetown, by the Presbytery of Truro; Mr. Neil McKay of St. John's Church, Chatham, by the Presbyteries of Miramichi, Halifax and Prince Edward Island. In this connection a letter was read from Mr. McKay, expressing his regret that through severe illness in his family he would be unable to be present at the Synod.

It was moved by Mr. D. B. Blair, seconded by Mr. L. G. McNeill, that Mr. E. A. McCurdy be elected Moderator. It was also moved by Mr. Jas. McLean, seconded by Mr. W. P. Archibald, that Mr. J. M. McLeod be elected. A vote being taken, Mr. Blair's motion was carried, and Mr. McCurdy was declared elected.

On taking the Chair he thanked the Synod for the confidence reposed in him, and asked their assistance in the discharge of his duties.

THANKS TO RETIRING MODERATOR.

It was moved by Mr. E. Scott, and seconded, that the thanks of this Synod are due and are hereby tendered to the retiring Moderator for his

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conduct in the Chair, and for his excellent and appropriate sermon preached at the opening of this Synod. The motion was unanimously carried, and the Moderator tendered to Mr. McLean the Synod's thanks for his services.

EXPRESSION OF SYMPATHY WITH MR. N. M'KAY.

It was moved by Dr. Burns, and seconded, and unanimously agreed, that the Synod place on record its sincere sympathy with Mr. N. McKay of Chatham, in the domestic affliction which has prevented his attendance on this occasion.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BILLS AND OVERTURES.

Mr. J. H. Chase, Clerk of the Committee, submitted the Report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures, and moved that it be received and its recommendations considered. The motion was duly seconded and passed, and the recommendations were adopted as follows:

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That, with the exceptions to be noted hereafter, the Synod meet daily from 10 to 12½, from 3 to 5½, and from 7½ to 10.
2. That the first half hour of Wednesday forenoon be spent in devotional exercises.
3. That the following Committees be appointed by the Moderator:—
 - (1.) Committee to nominate Standing Committees.
 - (2.) Committees on Presbytery Records.
 - (3.) Committee on Obituary Notices.
4. That the Synod adjourn at 5 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon, so that the ministers connected with Widows' and Orphans' Fund may have an opportunity of holding a meeting.
5. That the first item of business on Wednesday afternoon be the remittance of the appointment of a fourth missionary to the New Hebrides, and that the consideration of this subject be continued in the evening, unless brought to a close in the afternoon.
6. That the subjects for consideration on Wednesday evening be Foreign Mission matters and the State of Religion.
7. That the appointment of the time and place of the next meeting of Synod be the first item of business on Thursday morning.
8. That the Synod accept with thanks an invitation from the Committee of Arrangement to visit the Glass and Steel Works on Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock, and that, therefore, the Synod agree to meet Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, and to close at 4 o'clock.
9. That the subjects for consideration on Thursday evening be Home Mission matters, Temperance, and Sabbath Schools.
10. That, with the exceptions noted above, subjects be taken up in the order in which they stand on the docket.

LEAVE TO LICENSE.

At the request of the Presbytery of Halifax, leave was granted them to license Mr. Alex. A. Watson, Student in Divinity.

INVITATION TO SYNOD.

An invitation was read from the Y. M. C. Association of New Glasgow, to the members of Synod, to make a free use of their Rooms during the meeting of Synod. On motion, the invitation was cordially accepted.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

Mr. E. Scott gave notice that when the Assembly's remit on the appointment of a fourth missionary to the New Hebrides is considered, he would propose a resolution on the subject. Dr. Burns gave notice to the same effect.

ADJOURNMENT.

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

SECOND SEDERUNT.

At New Glasgow and within James' Church there, Wednesday, the fifth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven years, and at ten o'clock, a. m. :

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

DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES.

As agreed on last night, the Synod engaged for half an hour in devotional exercises, prayer being offered by Messrs. Alex. Sterling and A. J. Mowatt, ministers, and Mr. J. F. Blanchard, elder.

The Minutes of the First Sederunt were read and sustained.

On motion, it was agreed that the Reports of Committees on the McLaggan Trust be taken to-morrow morning, after fixing time and place of the meeting of Synod.

REPLY OF H. M. GOVERNMENT TO RESOLUTION OF SYNOD ON
FRENCH AGGRESSION IN NEW HEBRIDES.

A communication was read from His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia, bearing date Jan. 22nd, 1887, transmitting through the Secretary of State for Canada, the reply of Her Majesty's Government to the resolution of last Synod on French aggression in the New Hebrides, to the effect that they had repeated assurances from the French Government that their occupation of the New Hebrides is only temporary, and that negotiations are now on foot for the protection of British and French interests, and for the consequent withdrawal of French troops.

COMMITTEES ON NOMINATION OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND
OBITUARY NOTICES.

The Moderator submitted the following Committees :—

COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE STANDING COMMITTEES.—E. Smith, *Con.*, Wm. Grant, D. McDougall, H. B. McKay, T. C. Jack, D. S. Fraser, C. Bruce, J. A. Cameron, Arthur F. Carr, and G. S. Carson, ministers ; and D. McDonald, Alex. Millar, George Mitchell, and John Willett, ruling elders.

COMMITTEE ON OBITUARY NOTICES.—Dr. McKnight, Alex. Farquharson, and Dr. Macrae.

CORRESPONDING MEMBER.

On motion, Dr. G. Patterson was asked to sit and correspond.

OVERTURE FROM PRESBYTERY OF ST. JOHN.

An overture from the Presbytery of St. John, as to the more economical management of the Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund, was submitted, and Mr. J. Willett was heard in its support. On motion of Mr. Bruce it was agreed that the overture be received and considered ; when on motion of Mr. Laing, it was unanimously agreed that this overture be submitted to the beneficiaries of the Fund, to be considered at their meeting this afternoon, and to report to Synod.

HUNTER FUND.

Mr. P. M. Morrison submitted the Report of the Committee on the Hunter Church Building Fund, which is appended to the printed minutes. On motion the Report was received and adopted. It was also agreed—

“That the Moderator and Clerk be authorized to take all proceedings necessary for vesting in “the Trustees of the Hunter Church Building Fund” the residue of the estate of the late Charles D. Hunter.”

REFERENCE FROM H. M. COMMITTEE ANENT WOLFFVILLE.

A reference from the Home Mission Committee anent application for help from the congregation of Wolfville, was read. Mr. John McMillan was heard in support of the same, and moved—

That the Synod recommend the Home Mission Board to release the mortgage on the property of the Wolfville Church on payment of \$50 ; and that the sum of \$450 be set apart from the Home Mission Funds to replace the amount loaned to the said church from the Kerr Bequest.

While this matter was under discussion the hour of adjournment arrived, when the Synod adjourned, to meet again in this place at three o'clock in the afternoon, of which public intimation was made, and this sederunt closed with the Benediction.

THIRD SEDERUNT.

In the same place, and on the same day, and at three o'clock in the afternoon :

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces met, pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted, prayer being offered by Mr. J. M. McLeod.

The Minutes of the Second Sederunt were read and sustained.

COMMITTEES.

The Moderator submitted the following Committees :—

COMMITTEES ON PRESBYTERY RECORDS :

Sydney.—Messrs. J. L. George, G. S. Carson, and D. Kent.

Victoria and Richmond.—Messrs. James Rosborough, A. Rogers, and Dr. Calder.

Pictou.—Messrs. Wm. Ross, Isaac Baird, and James Fisher.

Halifax.—Messrs. J. R. Munro, J. K. Bearisto, and Donald McQuarrie.

Truro.—Messrs. Robert D. Ross, John Ferry, and T. W. Robertson.

Lunenburg and Shelburne.—Messrs. J. G. Cameron, S. Rosborough, and Angus Cameron.

Wallace.—Arch. Gunn, jr., Wm. McKenzie, and Alexander Ross.

St. John.—Messrs. George Fisher, John A. Logan, and John Loughhead.

Miramichi.—Messrs. John Ferry, James Anderson, and James Burnside.

P. E. Island.—Messrs. John Rose, Alexander Campbell, and Jas. Eisenhaar.

Newfoundland.—Messrs. I. S. Simpson, Allan McLean, and John A. McDonald.

COERESPONDING MEMBERS.

On motion it was agreed to ask Messrs. R. McCunn and Fitzpatrick of the Church of Scotland, and Messrs. James Murray, E. Thorpe, Fitzpatrick, and any other ministers of the Church, whose names are not on the Roll of Synod, and who are present, to sit and correspond.

REMIT OF ASSEMBLY AS TO THE APPOINTMENT OF A FOURTH MISSIONARY TO THE NEW HEBRIDES.

The Synod then proceeded to the order of the day, namely, the remit of the General Assembly anent the appointment of a fourth missionary to the New Hebrides, when the Memorial of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society (Eastern section), to the General Assembly, and the deliverance of the Assembly remitting the matter to Synod with power to act, were read.

It was moved by Mr. E. Scott, and seconded by Dr. Macrae, as follows :—

The Synod having considered the remit of the General Assembly with regard to the appointment of a fourth missionary to the New Hebrides, would record its continued interest in the work so long and so successfully carried on in the South

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Seas, and its unabated, deep and hearty sympathy with our missionaries there in their discouragements and trials. The Synod would also express its appreciation of the warm-hearted zeal which prompted the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in making their generous offer of support for another laborer in that field, but, in view of all the circumstances of the case, the Synod is of opinion that such an appointment would not be advisable.

It was moved in amendment by Dr Burns, and seconded by Mr. J. Hogg:—

The Synod in receiving the memorial of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, (Eastern Section), as remitted by the General Assembly, highly commends the zeal and liberality of the Memorialists in guaranteeing the support of an additional missionary to the New Hebrides, to be associated with Mr. Annand in the occupation of Espiritu Santo—and deems that the offer made be gratefully accepted and an effort made to secure a fourth missionary, so that our beloved brother and his wife may not be left to labour alone on this the largest of the islands, where, in present circumstances, sympathy and support are so specially needed.

REV. J. HUTCHISON.

By permission of the Synod at this stage, there was read the remit of the General Assembly giving power to the Synod to deal with and issue the application of Mr. J. Hutchison, a minister of the Church of Scotland, to be received as a minister of this Church. On motion it was agreed that a Committee be appointed to consider the said application and report to Synod—said Committee to be nominated by the Moderator.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Synod adjourned to meet again in this place at half-past seven o'clock in the evening, of which public intimation was made, and this sederunt closed with the Benediction.

FOURTH SEDERUNT.

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

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

The Minutes of the Third Sederunt were read and sustained.

APPLICATION OF MR. J. HUTCHISON.

The Moderator submitted the following Committee on Application of Mr. Hutchison: Mr. L. G. McNeill, *Con.*, E. D. Millar, M. G. Henry, G. McMillan, ministers, and D. McDonald, J. F. Blanchard, elders.

REMIT OF ASSEMBLY AS TO THE APPOINTMENT OF A FOURTH MISSIONARY TO THE NEW HEBRIDES.

The consideration of the Assembly's Remit in the matter of the fourth missionary to the New Hebrides was then resumed. At a certain stage of the debate, it was agreed that speeches be limited to five minutes. The discussion was proceeding when the hour for adjournment arrived. On motion, it was agreed to sit till the debate be closed. The vote being taken, the amendment proposed by Dr. Burns was lost.

It was moved in further amendment by Mr. J. Robbins, seconded by Dr. Burns :

That the Synod having considered the whole matter of Santo, do hereby instruct the Foreign Missionary Committee, to open correspondence with the Australian Church, and secure, if possible, from that colony a co-laborer for Santo, to be wholly supported by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Eastern Section, and under the control of the Canadian Church.

When the vote being taken, this amendment was also lost.

The vote was then taken on Mr. E. Scott's motion, which was carried, —the vote standing—for, seventy-nine, against, fifty-five, and thus became the judgment of the Synod.

From this decision Dr. Burns dissented, in which he was joined by Messrs. G. Christie and H. H. Macpherson.

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

FIFTH SEDERUNT.

At New Glasgow and within James' Church there, Thursday, the sixth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven years, and at ten o'clock, a. m. :

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

The Minutes of the Fourth Sederunt were read and sustained.

NEXT MEETING OF SYNOD.

On motion of Mr. D. B. Blair, seconded by Mr. J. M. McLeod, it was agreed unanimously that the next meeting of Synod be held at Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, and within Zion Church there, on the last Tuesday of September, and at half-past seven o'clock in the evening.

CORRESPONDING MEMBER.

Mr. S. C. Gunn of Boston, was asked to sit and correspond.

M'LAGGAN TRUST.

Mr. G. Bruce submitted the Report of the Committee on the McLaggan Trust, and asked that the report of the committee be received, that a small committee of Synod be appointed to receive and examine the papers, and that the Synod accept the resignation of the committee; when, on motion of Dr. Macrae, duly seconded, it was agreed to appoint Mr. John Willett as agent of the Trust, Mr. Willett being hereby appointed; and the Presbytery of St. John as committee of the Trust, said Presbytery being hereby appointed. The present committee were instructed to hand over all books and papers connected with the Trust to the Presbytery of St. John.

On motion it was agreed to instruct the committee just appointed, namely, the Presbytery of St. John, to consider whether in the circumstances the Trust should not be transferred to parties more immediately interested than this Synod, and in what way this can best be effected with due regard to the carrying out of Mr. McLaggan's purpose, and report to next meeting of Synod.

REV. J. HUTCHISON.

Mr. L. G. McNeill, in behalf of the Committee appointed to consider the application of Mr. J. Hutchison, reported that in their judgment the application should be granted. The report was received and adopted, and the Presbytery of Prince Edward Island was authorized to admit Mr. J. Hutchison as a Minister of this Church.

REFERENCE ANENT WOLFVILLE.

The consideration of the reference anent Wolfville was resumed, when Mr. McMillan had leave to withdraw his motion, and withdrew it accordingly.

REPORT ON LADIES' COLLEGE.

Mr. R. Laing reported on behalf of the Directors of the Halifax Ladies' College in connection with the Presbyterian Church, that the Institution had been put into operation with most encouraging prospects of success, and gave full details regarding its financial position, and its equipment and administration, and requested that the Synod appoint annually two visitors who shall report to the Synod as to the character and efficiency of the Institution.

Mr. Robt. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. D. Blackwood, as follows:

The Synod receive the Report of the Board of Directors of the Halifax Ladies' College. The Synod rejoice to learn from the Report that an Institution so admirably equipped and so full of promise has been established. They would very cordially encourage the Board of Directors to proceed with the work which has thus far prospered in their hands, so that the institution may in the amplest measure fulfil the objects the Directors have in view, the placing of a high class Christian education within the reach of our daughters. The Synod would urge upon all who have the means to respond liberally and promptly to the appeal of the Directors for subscriptions to the stock of the Ladies College, so that it may not be hampered for lack of funds. The Synod invoke the blessing of Heaven on the Institution, and in the terms of the Report of the Board of Directors, hereby appoint Rev. E. A. McCurdy, Moderator, and Rev. John McMillan, B. D., to be visitors of the said Halifax Ladies' College.

This motion passed unanimously.

It was agreed that the cordial thanks of the Synod be given to the Directors of the Ladies' College, and especially to Mr. Robert Laing.

COMMUNICATION ON CO-OPERATION FROM THE NOVA SCOTIA CONFERENCE
OF THE METHODIST CHURCH.

A communication on co-operation from the Nova Scotia Conference of the Methodist Church was read, asking the appointment of a committee to confer on this subject with a similar committee appointed by them, with the view of economizing missionary funds—when on motion of Mr. E. D. Millar, seconded by Mr. J. Willett, it was resolved unanimously as follows :—

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces having heard the communication from the Nova Scotia Conference of the Methodist Church anent co-operation, with the view of reducing expenditure and promoting harmony in weak sections of these churches, express deep interest in the objects proposed, and resolve to appoint a committee to meet with a like committee of the Methodist Church to consider the matters brought under our notice in the said communication, and such questions as may be related thereto.

Further, authorize said Committee to confer with the representatives of any other branch of the Church of Christ on the same subject.

The following Committee was appointed :—Mr. John McMillan, (Con.), Dr. Macrae, Principal Forrest, Dr. Pollok, Ephraim Scott, M. G. Henry, Edwin Smith, P. M. Morrison, E. D. Millar, Ministers, and Messrs Robert Murray, D. C. Fraser, John Willett, and David Blackwood, Elders.

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

Mr. J. H. Chase, Convener of the Assembly's Committee, submitted to the Synod regulation number ten of the rules for the management of the Fund ; the application of which regulation to the Eastern Section had been left by the Assembly to the decision of this Synod. When it was moved by Mr. T. C. Jack, and seconded, that the regulation should not be so applied. Mr. M. G. Henry moved, duly seconded, in amendment, that the regulation be adopted ; when the vote being taken the amendment was carried.

The hour of adjournment having arrived the Synod adjourned to meet again in the same place, in the afternoon of this day, at 2 o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

SIXTH SEDERUNT.

Same day and place, and at two o'clock in the afternoon :

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces met, pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted, prayer being offered by Mr. W. P. Archibald.

The Minutes of the Fifth Sederunt were read and sustained.

STATEMENT FROM COLLEGE COMMITTEE.

Mr. P. M. Morrison, Secretary of the Committee, made a statement with reference to the financial position of the Fund,—the need of increased contributions, and the proposed allocation of Three Thousand

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Dollars to the Presbyteries within the bounds of the Synod; when on motion of Dr. Burns, seconded by Mr. W. P. Archibald, it was agreed as follows:—

The Synod approves the action of the College Board in recommending that not less than \$3000 should be contributed by congregations during the current year for the ordinary College Fund. The Synod adopt the allocation made by the Board, and instructs Presbyteries to use all possible diligence to raise the quotas apportioned to each. The Synod would express continued interest in the College, and gratification with the increased number of students and graduates, and would commend anew the College to the warm sympathy and liberal support of all our congregations.

AUGMENTATION.

Mr. James McLean having taken the chair, Mr. E. A. McCurdy, Convener of the Assembly's Committee, submitted a statement as to the past successful working and present position of the Augmentation Fund, when Dr. Macrae moved, duly seconded, that the recommendations of last year be reaffirmed, with the addition—

That vacant aid receiving congregations shall not be settled and placed on the Augmentation list until the Presbytery, by deputation or otherwise, shall have visited such congregations, and endeavored by a thorough canvass, and the introduction of a sound financial system, to bring it up as nearly as possible to the minimum; Further, that the Synod express its satisfaction with the reduction of ten per cent. on the allocation of last year, sanction the allocation proposed, and thank the Committee, and especially the Convener.

The motion was passed unanimously.

The allocation is as follows:—

Sydney.....	\$ 405 00
Victoria and Richmond.....	225 00
Truro.....	810 00
Pictou.....	1215 00
Halifax.....	1845 00
Lunenburg and Shelburne.....	333 00
Wallace.....	324 00
St. John.....	1134 00
Miramichi.....	540 00
P. E. Island.....	945 00
Newfoundland.....	324 00
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COMMITTEE ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFACTENCE.

Mr. M. G. Henry submitted the Report of the Committee on Systematic Beneficence. Mr. L. G. McNeill moved, seconded by Mr. G. Bruce,—

That the Synod receive the report and adopt its recommendations; express its gratification at the progress made by our congregations in the duty of systematic giving; and thank the Committee, and especially the Convener, for the duty they have so admirably performed.

The motion was passed unanimously.

The recommendations are as follows:—

1. That all the members of our Church be earnestly advised to adopt proportioned giving and weekly storing as a principle of their Christian stewardship.
2. That our congregations be recommended to adopt the weekly offering, either with or without the envelopes.

3. That every minister faithfully instruct his people in the scriptural principles of giving, and that he use means to keep his people informed concerning the work of our Church and its claims upon their liberality.

4. That those who have the oversight and instruction of the young, take special pains to train them to take an interest in and to give to the work of our Church.

5. That every Presbytery appoint and maintain an active and efficient committee on Systematic Beneficence, and endeavor to secure liberal contributions to all the schemes of the Church from every congregation, and to have wiped out as soon as possible all arrears of pastors salary.

CORRESPONDING MEMBER.

Mr. G. Murray of the Church of Scotland, was asked to sit and correspond.

LICENSURE OF STUDENTS.

Leave was granted to the Presbytery of Pictou to license Mr. A. L. Geggie, student in divinity, and to the Presbytery of Prince Edward Island to license Mr. John M. McLeod, student in divinity, and to the Presbytery of Victoria and Richmond to license Mr. J. D. Macfarlane, student in divinity.

It was also 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 to do so having been first given to the Presbyteries within the bounds of the Synod.

Mr. G. Bruce, on behalf of the Presbytery of St. John, stated the circumstances of the case of Mr. Murray, and moved, seconded by Mr. T. C. Jack, that the Synod sanction the entrance of Mr. Murray upon a special course at the Presbyterian College at Halifax,—which motion was passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. E. Smith submitted the report of the Committee on the nomination of Standing Committees, which, on motion, was adopted.

Sabbath Observance.—F. Wallace Waites, Convener; J. D. McGillivray, J. McG. McKay, J. R. Munro, John Robbins, J. S. Carruthers, Dr. Calder, D. Blackwood.

Temperance.—Neil McKay, Convener; H. H. McPherson, John A. Logan, L. G. McNeill, R. Cumming, A. W. Mahon, Dr. A. H. McKeen, Henry Crawford, Donald McLean, I. S. Hingley.

Systematic Beneficence.—M. G. Henry, Convener; J. Layton, D. S. Fraser, Edward Grant, E. A. McCurdy, John G. Cameron, William Grant, A. F. Thompson, D. McDougall, T. F. Fotheringham, J. M. Robinson, L. W. Johnson, Harvey Graham, David Blackwood, Stephen Putnam.

Public Education.—Principal McKnight, D. D., Convener; Dr. Burns, P. M. Morrison, D. B. Blair, John McMillan, Thomas Cumming, R. Murray, William Graham, Dr. McRae, Dr. Walker, A. J. Mowatt, Judge Stevens, William Fraser, J. M. McLeod, A. McKinnon, William Laird.

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State of Religion.—John Murray, Convener; A. B. Dickie, Joseph Hogg, J. T. Bruce, A. F. Carr, James Rosborough, Isaac Baird, Duncan McGregor, Alexander Millar, Howard Primrose.

Synod Fund.—G. S. Carson, Convener; A. McL. Sinclair, J. Hogg, H. B. McKay, R. D. Ross, D. McMillan.

Sabbath Schools.—T. C. Jack, Convener; The Conveners of Presbytery Committees; J. K. McClure, A. Rogers, Kenneth McKay, James A. Forbes, J. H. Cameron, W. H. Spencer, James Forrest, John Ross, Robert Cunningham.

Bills and Overtures.—E. Smith, Convener; The Synod Clerk, J. H. Chase, E. D. Millar, Kenneth McKenzie, George Bruce, George McMillan, A. Farquharson, P. M. Morrison.

Ministers' Widows and Orphans Fund.—(Nomination to General Assembly)—R. Laing, Convener; George Patterson, D. D., Alexander McLean, James McLean, Thomas Sedgwick, John Forrest, D. D., M. G. Henry, A. J. Mowatt, and J. F. Stairs, J. S. Hutton, R. Baxter, and George Mitchell.

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

SEVENTH SEDERUNT.

Same day and place, and at half-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. J. H. Turnbull.

The Minutes of the Sixth Sederunt were read and sustained.

SYNOD FUND.

Mr. G. S. Carson submitted the Report of the Committee on the Synod Fund, shewing a balance in favour of the Fund. On motion of Mr. W. P. Archibald, duly seconded, the report was received and adopted, and the thanks of the Synod were tendered to the Committee, and especially to the Convener.

HOME MISSION.

Mr. John McMillan, Convener of the Assembly's Committee, submitted a statement in connection with the work and funds of the Committee. He was followed by Dr. Macrae, who gave a view of the extensive mission field of the Presbytery of St. John.

Mr. J. A. Cahill, lately missionary at Springfield and English Settlement in the Presbytery of St. John, and Mr. F. C. Simpson, missionary in the Presbytery of Truro, addressed the Synod on the work in these spheres of labour, in all which cheering evidences of progress are manifested.

Mr. A. Simpson, seconded by Mr. G. Bruce, submitted the following motion, which was adopted unanimously :—

Having heard the statement of the Convener of the Committee, and the addresses of missionaries, the Synod resolve—

1. To express thanksgiving to God for the work of our Catechists and Probationers during the past year, and for the increased liberality of our people for their support.
2. To remind Presbyteries that inasmuch as laborers are few and many fields are vacant during the winter, they use all diligence in the work of providing for their spiritual oversight.
3. To call the attention of our Christian families to the fact that at present there are only 8 probationers to supply 36 vacancies, and the consequent need that they consecrate their sons in larger numbers to the work of the ministry.
4. To ask our people to advance upon their liberal contributions of last year by not less than \$1500, as the amount required for the present year will be about \$7000.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Mr. J. A. Logan submitted the Report of the Committee on Temperance, and moved, seconded by Mr. H. H. Macpherson, that the report be received, its recommendations adopted, and the thanks of the Synod be given to the Committee, and especially to the Convener. The motion was unanimously adopted.

The recommendations are as follows :—

1. The Synod, firmly adhering to its former declarations, reasserts its conviction that the traffic in intoxicating drinks should be suppressed by law.
2. The Synod thankfully acknowledges the good accruing from the existing restrictions placed in various ways upon the traffic, and enjoins our people to respect and observe such restrictions in their personal conduct, and to lend their hearty support to their maintenance and enforcement.
3. The Synod regards all existing restrictive legislation as merely a tentative experiment, the results of which, however, justify our people in pressing, by every constitutional means, for the enactment and enforcement of a general Prohibitory law.
4. While faithfully employing the best available preventive legal measures, it must not be forgotten that the Gospel of Jesus Christ is Heaven's sovereign remedy for intemperance as well as all other vice.

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Mr. W. P. Archibald read the Report of the Committee on Sabbath Schools.

On motion of Mr. James Rosborough, seconded by Mr. J. M. Robinson, the report was received, its recommendations adopted, and the thanks of the Synod were given to the Committee, and especially to the Convener.

The recommendations are as follows :—

- (1.) That Presbyteries be enjoined to use their efforts to have some system of record-keeping introduced into all the schools within their bounds, and to require of every school an annual report.
- (2.) That Presbyteries be directed to endeavour to come into direct contact with the Sabbath School workers throughout their bounds, in order to guide, instruct and encourage them in their work.

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(3.) That Sessions throughout our bounds be instructed to give all the schools under their care an opportunity to contribute to the missions of the church.

(4.) That superintendents and teachers seek to impress upon the youth under their care the obligations arising out of their dedication to God in baptism, and to lead them to voluntary surrender of themselves to Christ.

(5.) That the Synod's Committee on Sabbath Schools consist of the Conveners of the various Presbyterian Committees, with such others as the Synod may see fit to appoint.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE IN THE MATTER OF THE AGENCY.

Mr. John S. Maclean, on the part of the Assembly's Finance Committee, in the matter of the transference of the business to Mr. P. M. Morrison, agent of the Church, reported that they had discharged the duty assigned them by the last Synod. The Synod received the report, and expressed their gratification at its satisfactory nature.

REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION.

Mr. A. B. Dickie submitted the Report of the Committee on the State of Religion.

Mr. J. R. Munro, seconded by Mr. A. F. Carr, moved the reception of the report, the adoption of its recommendation, and that the thanks of the Synod be given to the Committee, and especially to the Convener.

The motion passed unanimously.

RECOMMENDATION.

That the Synod urge upon the Presbyteries the importance of seeing that all the Sessions report on the State of Religion.

PRESBYTERY RECORDS.

Reports from the Committees to examine Presbytery Records were submitted, to the effect that they had examined the Records of the Presbyteries of Sydney, Victoria and Richmond, Pictou, Wallace, Truro, Halifax, Lunenburg and Shelburne, St. John, Miramichi, and P. E. Island, 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.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Mr. J. D. McGillivray submitted the Report of the Special Committee on Sabbath Observance. On his motion the report was received.

Dr. Pollok, seconded by Mr. P. M. Morrison, submitted the following motion, which was adopted unanimously:—

Whereas, The Sabbath is a Divine Institution of universal and permanent obligation, and its proper observance has a vital bearing upon the material, moral and spiritual well-being of any community;

And whereas, according to the teaching of the Presbyterian Church, the manner of observing the Sabbath Day is not an open question, but that day is regarded as set apart for sacred purposes, and everything, whether in the form

of unnecessary work or pleasure, which would interfere with this great object, is forbidden ;

Therefore, the Synod deeply regrets the laxity both in opinion and practice which prevails in reference to the Sabbath.

Further, the Synod deeply regrets that the Legislature of Nova Scotia rejected the Bill to prevent the profanation of the Lord's Day, which was before it during its last Session, recommends the diligence of those who did all in their power to get the Bill passed, and expresses the hope that the Legislature may see fit during next Session to pass a Bill which will tend to put a stop to all unnecessary labor and amusements on the Lord's Day.

The Synod further enjoins upon its ministers the duty of frequently bringing the subject of Sabbath observance before their people, and instructing them to guard with the utmost carefulness, by their example and influence, the sacredness of God's holy day.

The Synod further expresses its satisfaction with the efforts of the friends of Sabbath observance in other provinces to obtain similar legislation.

It was agreed to reappoint the Special Committee on Legislation for Sabbath Observance appointed at last Synod.

'MINISTERS' WIDOWS AND ORPHANS FUND.

The Report of the beneficiaries of the Ministers' Widows and Orphans' Fund, on the matter contained in the overture of the St. John Presbytery, was submitted and adopted. The report is as follows :—

The beneficiaries of the P. M. Widows' and Orphans' Fund beg respectfully to report to your reverend Court that, whilst regretting the impression that has arisen with regard to the management of the Fund, they are of opinion that it cannot with safety and profit be more economically managed than at present, and that it would be inexpedient to make any radical change meanwhile.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ALEX. MCKNIGHT, D. D., *Chairman.*

New Glasgow, Oct. 6, 1886.

Dr. Patterson, Secretary of Ministers' Widows' Fund, in accordance with the Act of Incorporation, submitted a full statement of the Funds of the said Committee. He also submitted, as required by the same Act, certain changes proposed in the Rules. On motion, these Rules as amended, were adopted :—

1. That the rates payable by ministers be reduced in the case of those paying \$16 to \$14, and the others in the same proportion.
2. That in regard to orphans, we revert to the practice of the Fund of the late Synod of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces, of paying \$20 to each in the highest class, and a proportional amount to those in the lower. This to apply to all orphans after the first in the case where both parents are dead.
3. They recommend also that the following be added to Rule XIII. :
" In the case of orphans over eighteen years of age, whose father died upon the Fund, being incapacitated either physically or mentally from earning their own living, the Committee shall have the power to continue annuity for such time and to such an amount as they see fit."
4. That Rule XII. be amended to read as follows : " Annuities to widows shall be payable on the 1st January and 1st July of each year, commencing at the first of these terms which shall happen after the decease of the husband, and ending at the term immediately succeeding their decease or subsequent marriage."

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As to the Rules, they recommend the following amendments to Rule XXII., with the view of rendering it more explicit: (1) That after the word "union" there be added the words, "or entering the service of either church as missionaries or professors." (2) That there be added at the end of the Rule the words, "Provided application be made on or before the second 1st July after his induction in this part of the church."

ESTATE OF H. S. MURRAY.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:—

Whereas, Harding S. Murray, late of Mabou in the County of Inverness, merchant, deceased, by his last will and testament dated May 21st, 1868, devised and bequeathed to the Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces the sum of £400, to the Home Missions of said Church the sum of £200, and to the Widow's and Orphan's Fund of the said Church the sum of £100;

And whereas, the said property is now vested in the executrix of the late Isaac S. Murray;

And whereas, the said executrix of Isaac S. Murray is at present a resident of Riverside in the State of California, in the United States of America, and is desirous of being relieved from the performance of her duties as such executrix;

And whereas, in the opinion of the Synod, Andrew K. Mackinlay of Halifax, in the County of Halifax, gentleman, and Thomas Ritchie of the same place, gentleman, and Peter M. Morrison of Dartmouth, in the County of Halifax, minister of the Gospel, are fit and proper persons to be appointed trustees in the premises, and the other parties interested in the carrying out of the said bequests have agreed to their appointment;

Therefore Resolved, that the Moderator and Clerk be authorized to take all necessary proceedings to have the said Andrew K. Mackinlay, Thomas Ritchie, and Peter M. Morrison appointed Trustees under the will of the said Harding S. Murray.

THE ESTATE OF CATHERINE MACDONALD.

Miss Catherine Macdonald of Elmsdale, having bequeathed two hundred dollars to this Synod, on motion of Mr. J. Layton, duly seconded, it was agreed that one hundred dollars be given to the College Fund, and fifty dollars each to the Home and Foreign Mission Funds, and that Mr. P. M. Morrison be empowered to receive said sums and give discharge for the same.

REPORT OF H. M. COMMITTEE ON THE M'LEOD BEQUEST.

Mr. P. M. Morrison reported that as no funds were available during the past year, no report could be given.

OBITUARY NOTICE.

Principal Macknight submitted the following report, which was adopted:—

The Synod record with sincere regret the departure by death of the Rev. Peter Clark, which took place at his residence on the night of the 26th September last. Mr. Clark labored in the Free Church of Scotland for eight years, was sent by the Colonial Committee of that Church to labor in the Gaelic vacancies of this Synod fifteen years ago, and was settled over the pastoral charge of Cape North in November, 1873, where he labored with much success till laid aside in March last by sickness, under which he rapidly sank till the night above mentioned, when, by the Master, he was called to his rest in the 67th year of his age and 23rd of his ministry.

VOTE OF THANKS.

On motion of Mr. L. G. McNeill, seconded by Mr. J. McMillan, it was unanimously resolved—

That the Synod tender hearty thanks to the friends in New Glasgow who have so very kindly and hospitably entertained the members of Synod; to the Minister and Managers of James' Church for the use of their place of worship; to the Committee of Arrangements for their attention to the wants of the members, and particularly for their kind invitation to visit the Steel and Glass Works this afternoon; to the Press for their reports of the proceedings; to the Y. M. C. A. for their invitation to make a free use of their rooms, and to the railway and steamboat companies for reduced rates of travel.

MINUTES READ.

The Minutes of the present Sederunt were read and sustained.

CLOSING OF SYNOD.

The Moderator briefly addressed the Court, referring to the work of the Synod and the excellent spirit in which it had been done, and asked the Synod to join in singing a portion of Psalm 122. At his request Mr. D. B. Blair engaged in prayer, after which the Moderator said: "In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by the authority of the Synod, I now adjourn this Court, and appoint the next meeting of Synod to be held at Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, and within Zion Church there, on the last Tuesday of September, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight years, and at half-past seven o'clock in the evening," and pronounced the Benediction.

E. A. McCURDY, *Moderator*

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

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HUNTER CHURCH BUILDING FUND,

From October 1st, 1886, to October 1st, 1887.

THE Committee gave only one grant during the year. To River Hebert Mission Station, on the earnest request of the Truro Presbytery, it voted in November \$250. Other requests were subsequently before the Committee, and some of them would have been granted had there been money for the purpose, but as the Fund stood this was impossible. At the beginning of the year there was a balance against the Interest Account of \$477.95. Bank dividends during the year amounted to \$346.50, and interest on money loaned to congregations \$141.54—making in all \$488.04. This but little more than removed last year's debt, so that the grant of \$250 to River Hebert along with annuities and ordinary expenses, in all \$704.75, had mostly to be borrowed from capital, leaving the Interest Account at the close of the year \$694.66 in debt.

There was nothing received from the Executors of the Hunter Estate last year. When the accounts were put through the Probate Court last fall, it was found that Dr. McGregor, instead of yearly drawing his commission as executor, allowed it to go into the fund as ordinary revenue, so that there was due him as executor at the time of his death the sum of \$1240.69. Of this amount the executrix, Mrs. Charles Robson, has since paid \$700, leaving still a balance of \$540.69. This and some other claims against the Estate it is believed will be fully paid during the coming year, so that after another twelve months the usual revenue from this source will be available for Grants.

Free Loans were made as follows:—

Boularderie, \$500.—An application for a Grant of this amount was reported last year. The Committee, realizing the importance of the case, offered a free loan, to be paid in four small annual instalments. The offer was gladly accepted.

River Hebert, \$250.—The Presbytery of Truro made out a strong case for this mission station, which promises to grow into a self-sustaining charge, and the Committee in addition to the Grant of \$250 gave a loan of an equal amount. The church will cost when completed about \$4000.

Margaree Harbor \$300.—This is a very needy field. Protestantism is weak. The few Presbyterian families subscribed handsomely. The Presbytery urged their request for a grant and a loan each of \$300, but the funds would not permit the grant.

Mabou, \$400.—The application was for \$800, but the Committee believing in the liberality of the congregation and considering the many other demands, gave only \$400. As the trustees have not been heard from since, this amount has not been paid.

Offers of free loans in lieu of grants have been made as follows, but have not yet been accepted:—

St. Peter's, C. B., \$300.—The Presbytery of Sydney urged strongly a grant of \$300 as well as a loan. The subscriptions of the people indicate spirit and liberality. The church will cost \$3000, and is much needed.

Kennetook Corner, \$200.—This is a section of Mr. A. Gunn's congregatic in the Presbytery of Halifax. The Presbytery at a visitation felt deeply the need, and urged the erection of the building, and cordially endorsed an application for a grant of \$200. In the state of the funds a loan was offered instead of the grant asked for.

It was felt that in consequence of the death of both the executors of the estate the time had come for the investment of the remainder of the property in the hands of the Committee as an incorporated body, to hold and manage the same for the interests of the Church. Steps were initiated with this end in view last fall, and your Committee now report that everything is ready for an application to the Court by the Synod for a Vesting Order, which will place all the property not already sold or transferred in the hands of the Synod's Committee, and the Committee hereby ask the Synod to authorize its officers to make such application.

R. F. BURNS, D. D., *Chairman.*

P. M. MORRISON, *Secretary.*

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RULES FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE HUNTER CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

“That the Fund be employed in the following manner:—That one half 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 that the other half be kept invested, and the annual income therefrom, employed in grants to aid congregations erecting places of worship or in liquidating debt on churches.”

“That the Fund be administered by the Board under the following regulations:—

(1.) “All applications for aid shall come through the Presbytery of the bounds, who shall forward to the Board 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 efforts on the part of the congregation as may be agreed upon.”

(4.) “The amounts loaned shall be secured to the Board by mortgage on the church, on bond of the Trustees, or otherwise to the satisfaction of the Board.”

(5.) “In case a congregation which once received aid from this Fund, and which has not its property insured, shall lose its church by fire, *it shall not receive any aid from this Fund.*”

(6.) “Congregations which received loans from the Hunter Fund, shall in all cases keep their churches insured, at least to the amount borrowed, over and above all indebtedness, so long as they are indebted to the Fund.”

THE HUNTER CHURCH BUILDING FUND in account with TREASURER.

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Oct. 1.	To Balance	\$477 95	
	Boulevarderie—Free Loan		\$ 500 00
	River Hebert— "		250 00
	" Grant	250 00	
	Margaree Harbor—Free Loan		300 00
	Miss Wier's annuity	144 00	
	Mrs. Maria Smiley	40 00	
	Proportion of Agent's salary to May 1st, 1887	256 00	
	Printing Report	12 00	
	Exchange, Postage, &c.	2 75	
	Balance		1707 56
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Oct. 1.	By Balance		1494 56
	Onslow	60 00	188 00
	Coldstream	6 00	
	Yarmouth		250 00
	Dividends, Bank of Nova Scotia	238 00	
	" Halifax Banking Co	72 00	
	Falmouth St., Sydney	19 00	100 00
	Clifton	29 04	200 00
	Dartmouth		200 00
	Interest Savings' Bank	36 50	
	Souris	27 50	
	Amherst		200 00
	Harmony		125 00
	Balance	604 66	
		<u>\$1182 70</u>	<u>\$2757 56</u>
1887.			
Oct. 1.	By Balance—Principal		\$1707 56
	Over-expenditure from Interest column		694 66
	Balance in Treasurer's hands		<u>\$1012 90</u>

P. M. MORRISON,
Secretary and Treasurer.

Examined and found correct.

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LIST OF FREE GRANTS TO OCTOBER 1ST, 1887.

	Riversdale.....	\$100 00
	Little Harbor.....	500 00
	Hillsborough.....	100 00
	River Inhabitants.....	150 00
	Leitch's Creek.....	100 00
	Malagawatch.....	200 00
	Fisher's Grant.....	150 00
	Loch Lomond.....	100 00
	Middle River, Pictou.....	150 00
	Bridgetown.....	350 00
	Spring Hill.....	100 00
	Jeddore.....	200 00
	Riversdale.....	100 00
	Middle River, C. B.....	300 00
	Isaac's Harbor.....	200 00
	Carleton, Shelburne Co.....	100 00
	Bedford.....	250 00
	Smithfield, Caledonia.....	200 00
	Country Harbor.....	250 00
	West Bay, Points.....	100 00
	Loch Lomond.....	150 00
	West Bay, Black River.....	100 00
	Leitch's Creek.....	160 00
	Falmouth Street, Sydney.....	250 00
	Shemogue.....	125 00
	Jeddore, 2nd.....	200 00
	Country Harbor.....	50 00
	Isaac's Harbor.....	200 00
	Westville.....	500 00
	Amherst.....	500 00
	Moser's River.....	100 00
	North River, St. Ann's, C. B.....	100 00
	Lake Ainslie.....	150 00
	Glenelg.....	166 66
	Lake Ainslie.....	75 00
	Moser's River, 2nd.....	100 00
	Maccan.....	300 00
	Bedford.....	20 00
	Maccan, 2nd payment.....	200 00
	Vale Colliery.....	200 00
	Wolfville.....	900 00
	Marble Mountain.....	150 00
	Maccan, 3rd.....	200 00
	Parrsboro'.....	250 00
	North-West Arm.....	200 00
	Big Bras d'Or.....	150 00
	Black Rocks and Blue Rocks.....	150 00
	Lake Ainslie.....	75 00
	Moosebrook.....	100 00
	Parrsboro'.....	250 00
	Riversdale, 3rd payment.....	100 00
	Reserve Mine.....	200 00
	Black and Blue Rocks, 2nd payment.....	150 00
	Bedford.....	20 00
	Big Bras d'Or.....	150 00
	Wolfville.....	200 00
	Bedford.....	30 00
	Reported last year.....	\$10,621 66
	River Hebert.....	250 00
		<u>\$10,871 66</u>

PAYMENTS TO CONGREGATIONS.

	Free Grants.	Interest Loans.	Free Loans.	Total.
Reported last year.....	\$10,621 66	\$7,700 00	\$17,000 00	\$35,321 66
“ this “	250 00	.....	1,050 00	1,300 00
	<u>\$10,871 66</u>	<u>\$7,700 00</u>	<u>\$18,050 00</u>	<u>\$36,621 66</u>

CASH REPAID BY CONGREGATIONS.

	Principal.	Interest.	Total.
Repayments to October 1st, 1886.....	\$15,620 88	\$1714 30	\$17,335 18
“ “ “ 1887.....	2,757 56	141 54	2,899 10
	<u>\$18,378 44</u>	<u>\$1855 84</u>	<u>\$20,234 28</u>

INTEREST FROM BANKS.

Reported last year.....	\$2643 09
Received to October 1st, 1887.....	346 50
	<u>2989 59</u>
Total Receipts from Congregations and Banks.....	<u>\$23,223 87</u>

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 Glenelg
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 Bridgewater
 Acadia
 DeBert.
 Falmouth
 Amherst
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 Park St
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 Baddeck
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 Pleasant
 Tatamagouche
 Boulard
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FREE LOANS PAYABLE IN INSTALMENTS TO OCTOBER 1st, 1887.

	Amount.	Payment made.	Instalments Due.	Still loaned.
Total.				
5,321 66	\$2100 00	\$2100 00	.....	.....
1,300 00	2000 00	1800 00	.....	\$ 200 00
6,621 66	Vale Colliery.....	800 00	800 00	.....
	Yarmouth.....	1000 00	500 00	\$ 500 00
	Glenelg.....	1000 00	1000 00	.....
	Jeddore.....	150 00	150 00	.....
	Bridgetown.....	1000 00	464 15	535 85
	Spring Hill.....	800 00	800 00	.....
	Bridgewater.....	1000 00	200 00	800 00
	Acadia Mines.....	600 00	527 50	72 50
	DeBert.....	500 00	500 00	.....
	Falmouth St., Sydney.....	500 00	500 00	.....
	Amherst.....	1000 00	800 00	200 00
	Harmony.....	250 00	250 00	.....
	Park St., Halifax.....	2000 00	400 00	.....
	Lockeport.....	500 00	.....	400 00
	Baddeck.....	500 00	.....	100 00
	Oxford.....	500 00	.....	.....
	Pleasant Bay.....	100 00	.....	.....
	Tatamagouche Mountain.....	100 00	.....	.....
	Boulardarie.....	500 00	.....	.....
	River Hebert.....	250 00	.....	.....
	Margaree Harbor.....	300 00	.....	.....
		<u>\$17,450 00</u>	<u>\$10,791 65</u>	<u>\$2408 35</u>
				<u>\$6658 35</u>

Total.
7,335 18
2,899 10
20,234 28

2989 59
23,223 87

LOANS ON INTEREST.

Onslow.....	\$312 00
Clifton.....	300 00
Falmouth St., Sydney.....	200 00
Souris, P. E. I.....	500 00
Wolfville.....	100 00
	<u>\$1412 00</u>
Bank of Nova Scotia—17 shares.....	4624 00
Halifax Banking Co.—20 shares.....	1260 00
	<u>\$7296 00</u>

WHOLE RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.

RECEIPTS.

From Estate of C. D. Hunter, to October 1st, 1887.....	\$26,106 55	
Returned instalments to October 1st, 1886.....	\$15,620 88	
“ “ “ 1887.....	1263 00	
		16,883 88
Interest from Congregations to October 1st, 1886.....	\$1714 30	
“ “ “ 1887.....	141 54	
		1,855 84
Dividends to October 1st, 1886.....	\$2643 09	
“ “ “ 1887.....	346 50	
		2,989 59
		<u>\$47,835 86</u>

EXPENDITURE.

Payments to Congregations to October 1st, 1886.....	\$34761 66	
“ “ “ 1887.....	1300 00	
		\$36,061 66
Miss Wier's annuity to October 1st, 1886.....	\$1614 25	
“ “ “ 1887.....	144 00	
		1,758 25
Salary of Agent to May 1st, 1887.....		2,756 00
Other Expenses to October 1st, 1886.....	\$ 348 30	
“ “ for past year.....	14 75	
		363 05
Bank Stock.....		5,884 00
		<u>\$46,822 96</u>
Balance on hand.....		<u>\$ 1012 90</u>

P. M. MORRISON, Agent.

OCTOBER 1ST, 1887.