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THE Home and Foreign Record

OF

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF THE LOWER PROVINCES

NOVEMBER, 1868.

THE CHILDREN'S WORK.

For several years the *Dayspring* has been largely supported by the contributions made by the children of the church. Boys and girls of from six to sixteen—younger and older—have interested themselves in the work of collecting and contributing, as hundreds of well-filled boxes and cards can testify. The same work has to be repeated every year; and as the church increases and the children become earnest, active and skilful in discharging the duty devolved upon them, greater results may fairly be expected. The children of the Old School Presbyterian Church collected last year in a few months no less than Seventy-four Thousand Dollars; and this year they expect to raise One Hundred Thousand Dollars or more. Achievements proportionately great are recorded in the missionary reports of other churches and societies. No church, which is up to the spirit and requirements of the age, neglects the aid of the children.

The immediate result is important. Money is collected cheaply and pleasantly which might otherwise be wasted in injurious luxuries, or at least never reach the Lord's treasury. It is carefully expended, and the cause of Christ is by this means strengthened and extended. But we regard the collateral results as of still greater importance.

1. We recognize the principle that all classes and ages are under law to Christ, bound to labour for Him,—to do what lies in their power to advance His kingdom. The claims of His service extend from the

cradle to the grave. Our children are His heritage from earliest infancy. Our boys and girls are His, and so are our young men and maidens, and our aged fathers and mothers. As Christ has redeemed men irrespective of age, class, rank, or any other human distinction, so He claims the service of all His redeemed ones.

2. It is well to train our children to do something for Christ from the first dawnings of intelligence and voluntary activity. The habit formed in childhood and strengthened in youth, may be ripened and confirmed throughout a long and useful life. It is of great importance to teach children no; merely to collect, but to contribute—to undergo some privation—make some sacrifice, in order to give to their Master and advance His kingdom on earth. This lesson has not hitherto been effectively taught in our churches or Sabbath schools. The present adult generation will scarcely give of their superfluities, not to speak of making serious sacrifices of their comfort. It is hoped that the rising race will be far in advance of us in this respect—that our children will cheerfully deny themselves not luxuries merely but comforts, in order to promote a cause that deserves to be dearer than life. This lesson can be taught only by beginning with the children; and one step is this collecting for the *Dayspring*.

3. Parents should be careful to explain to their children the nature, claims and necessities of the missionary work which they are called upon to support. In order to be able to do this, parents themselves must read and think, and teach their children to

do so also. Thus the story of the *Day-spring*—of the New Hebrides Mission, and of other Foreign Missions, will become familiar as household words. And thus our families will feel it a duty and a pleasure carefully to read the *Record* and other religious periodicals.

4. When the children are working for the church the church must work for the children. All the sermons should not be preached to, or at, the old people. Our ministers will delight in following out more fully the old command, "Feed my lambs." They will find that it is best for old and young to preach and teach very often in a style that can reach the understandings and hearts of all.

But we must be careful in putting work upon our little children, that it shall be additional to the work already performed through other agencies in the church. We would not have the little ones burdened in order to relieve adults. This would be only a repetition under a new form of the old grievance of setting children slavishly to work in factories. What they do must be done cheerfully, buoyantly, not as a task but as the spontaneous offering of loving hearts,—not in the way of taking work out of the hands of seniors, but of filling up an old gap in the great army of the Prince of Peace.

Parents, the best thing you can do for your children is to train them up from infancy in the service of Christ. Teach them—lead them—do not drive them. Go before them and draw them to Christ. Better than the accumulated wealth of the Bank of England is a true life devoted to true work for man and God. The annual collection by Boxes and Cards for the *Day-spring* furnishes a good opportunity for helping your children forward in the right way. Send for a Box or a Card, and encourage your boys and girls to do what they can, be it ever so little; and in connection with their work explain to them the nature and claims of the kingdom of Christ on behalf of which they are exerting themselves. Thus will *giving* become most surely a MEANS OF GRACE in our churches; and thus shall our children speedily outstrip us

in their views of christian liberty and the demands of religion on our time, our money and our hearts. Beware of leading children to think that their work lies solely abroad in heathen lands. Home Missions and the support of weak congregations also call for their aid, and we should be careful to explain all the operations of the church—all her "schemes"—that the young may be prepared to take an intelligent hold of all.

SUPPLEMENTING SCHEME.

We have to call attention to the following resolution of Synod, adopted on July 2, 1868:—

"That the Synod authorize the committee, in connection with Presbyteries, to visit congregations by deputy or otherwise, as far as practicable, during the present season, availing themselves as far as possible of the services of the General Agent; and that congregations, which the deputies of the committee are unable to visit, be required to make collections for the supplementary fund on the FIRST SABBATH OF DECEMBER—it being understood that Kirk sessions are at liberty to appoint a different day for the collection, or to substitute some other mode of obtaining contributions."

We hope that congregations will avail themselves of this opportunity of manifesting their interest in the Synod's Supplementing Scheme.

A VISIT TO NEW BRUNSWICK.

NOTES BY THE AGENT OF THE CHURCH.

Parish of St. James.

A pleasant drive of an hour and a half or less brought Rev. Mr. Turnbull and the writer from St. Stephen to the residence of the former. Mr. Turnbull's residence is a manse in every respect comfortable, and surrounded by cultivated acres of considerable extent, which, at the time, were covered with potatoes, oats, barley, and I think wheat, all of which promised well.

The parish is made up chiefly of a series of ridges, along which the best farms and the chief cultivation are to be found. If you place your left hand on the table before you, palm downward, and suppose St. Ste-

phen to be at or near the wrist, the different fingers will then represent, tolerably, the relative position of the different ridges. The little ridge will be represented by the smallest finger, the next will represent the Pomeroy ridge, the third the Scotch ridge, while the fourth and thumb may stand for the Old and the Bass wood ridges. Baillie again is beyond the thumb.

Altogether these ridges make up a fine breadth of farming country. The hay crop at the time was mostly secured, and the harvesting of the grain crops was going on, and no complaint heard either as regarded quantity or quality. The fields were covered with oats, barley, buckwheat and potatoes, the raising of wheat being far from general. Orchards were not uncommon, and we were pleased to see that ornamental trees added to the attraction and comfort of a large proportion of the farm houses. The pendant branches of the elm overhang many a door step and afford a most agreeable retreat for the gathering of old and young in groups when the toil of the day is past. A more general use of paint would make the appearance of the farm houses of St. James such as would command the admiration of the passing traveller.

At the little ridge we met a part of Mr. Turnbull's congregation with a sprinkling of other denominations. This was on the evening of a harvest day and after short notice, but the congregation was most encouraging. We explained the various missionary and educational schemes of the church, and recommended the *Record* as a means of gaining fuller acquaintance with the progress of the body to which they belonged, having noticed that the interest taken by congregations in the advancement of Christ's kingdom corresponds with the means of information enjoyed. The place of worship was new and well finished, with comfortable pews filled with an earnest audience.

On the Lord's day we met the congregation assembled at its central and main church on the Scotch ridge. This place of worship has been used for forty years, but many a precious meeting was held and

many precious discourses delivered in this place before it was built. Fifty-one years ago my father had preached here, and godly men had both preceded and followed him. The preaching of the gospel in Gaelic in St. Stephen was one of the circumstances which led to the settlement of the Highlanders in St. James. The Gaelic preacher was Rev. Duncan McColl, an officer of a regiment disbanded at the close of the revolutionary war. He felt the power of divine truth while attending the services of a Wesleyan minister, while in garrison at Halifax, probably Rev. W. Black, and settling at St. Stephen was a pioneer of Wesleyanism there.

The Highlanders who settled St. James were from Sutherlandshire, had left in May 1803, were upwards of two months, and nearly three, when they touched at Shelburne, N. S., short of provisions, and being relieved, proceeded to Boston where some remained, and others proceeded to Wilmington, N.C. Disappointed there, some tried Kennebec in Maine, and others Digby and Annapolis in Nova Scotia, but eventually they were found congregated at St. Stephen, where they heard the gospel in their own tongue. In 1804 they came to St. Stephen, and in 1805 moved out to the ridges already referred to. Here they encamped in an unbroken wilderness, and the usual hardships of first settlers were met, endured, and overcome.

So soon as they found themselves protected by a log or a birch shanty, they began to meet regularly on the Lord's day for the public worship of God. We met with two persons who shared in those meetings sixty-three years ago, and the statement of one of them was, "We met in a shanty covered with birch bark. We met also on every alternate Monday. Our meetings were friendly and social, and devoted to prayer and christian fellowship. People then would not stay home and say, I will read my book. They would come when it was wet and when it was cold."

These men served their generation while serving their God. The very aspect of the congregation at this day indicates that they are a God-fearing people, and their upturn-

ed faces speak to the preacher as if they said, "Sir, we would see Jesus."

Rev. Mr. McColl visited them in the wilderness and dispensed to them the Lord's supper, but on one inauspicious day he attacked the Westminster Confession. He might almost as well, in their opinion, have spoken against the Bible itself. They felt constrained to defend the good old Presbyterian standards, and one of their number on the spot joined issue with the Wesleyan preacher; and without much delay a letter was sent to Dr. McCulloch of Pictou town, and the mission of Dr. McGregor to look after these lost sheep in the wilderness was the result.

This visit is remembered by a goodly number. They speak of it as a time of refreshing from the presence of the Lord. It was the haying season, but all labour was suspended for a time. All went to hear, and travelled from ridge to ridge to hear the gospel message. They make special mention of sermons on the scape-goat and on the message delivered by Paul to the Philippian jailor, as leaving deep impressions on many memories and hearts.

Many followed him to St. Stephen, where he preached in the Episcopal church, and a band of men conveyed him to St. Andrews.

It would be out of place in this sketch to attempt even to outline the history of this interesting church. We have heard many names affectionately treasured up of those who have ministered to them. The Rev. Mr. McIntyre is spoken of with special regard as a faithful man, who, coming in 1833, laboured for Christ for a series of years with great success. When they lost his services by death, Rev. Dr. McLean of St. Andrews visited them with great regularity, preaching and dispensing baptism and the Lord's supper. Their present pastor is beloved for his own and his Master's sake.

On such a people assembled to worship God, the writer looked with special interest. The patriarch of over ninety was present, who could recount the minutest incident of these early times, and a goodly number who, remembering his father's texts and

preaching, were ready to listen with special interest to the Lord's message from his lips. That message he endeavoured to speak with earnestness and power, and on that day the agent of the church received a greeting, both on the church's account and on his father's account, never to be forgotten. May the Lord bless the service and the people of St. James.

On the afternoon of the same day the Rev. Mr. Turnbull preached at the Basswood, and the writer in the evening preached in the Presbyterian church in Baillie. This is also an interesting settlement with a very creditable place of worship and an interesting congregation. Preaching and the giving of information respecting the Lord's work in and by the church of the Lower Provinces, were continued till the shades of night had overshadowed us, and the singing of the 23rd psalm with our books closed, and our hearts brought into living fellowship by the truths spoken and the devotions engaged in, was one of the most sublime and delightful exercises in which we have taken part for a long time.

The people of Baillie give a good account of the young men who have been sent to supply them. But when they asked me what supply they should have when Mr. Layton should return to complete his studies at the Hall, I was speechless. Here was the long winter coming and no preacher, and the Presbytery so small, having at present but two ministers, and these having scattered charges so that they could not give aid. And so it has been last year, and the preceding year. How can such a congregation advance or even hold its own? We recommended regular meetings, such as were held in the early history of St. James, and may the Spirit raise up earnest men to carry out this most scriptural mode of church action for mutual edification!

The state of Baillie awakens our anxiety. We humbly suggest to the St. Stephen Presbytery an early and careful inquiry as to *what can be done* to provide it with one-half of a pastor's superintendence and work. May the Lord give us cause to record with joy Jehovah Jirah. In the mount of the Lord it shall be seen.

Home Missions.

Rev. T. Cumming's Report of Mission to Eastern Shore.

To the Reverend the Presbytery of Halifax:

Allow me to submit to you a brief account of my mission to the congregation of Sheet Harbour and adjacent localities.—And I do so under the growing conviction that neither the place nor the people are as well known to our church as they should be—as they deserve to be.

For many years—as you are aware—this was the scene of the abundant labours of one of the fathers of our church—the venerable Mr. Sprott. The brave old soldier of the cross is now about to lay aside his armour and put on his crown; but his name shall be long remembered, and his memory fondly cherished by persons of all creeds and characters on this Eastern Shore.

During the past six years Mr. Waddell has laboured faithfully in this congregation; with what success shall be fully known when the knell of doom shall summon pastor and people and all of us to the bar of final account. Mr. W. has taken a prominent part in the cause of total abstinence and has given a new impetus to religious and secular education throughout the entire community. The rising generation are particularly indebted to him for his indefatigable efforts in establishing day schools and Sabbath schools in the various sections of his charge, and in procuring libraries for their special benefit.

I preached two Sabbaths in Sheet Harbour, two in Tangier and Pope's Harbour, and one in Quoddy and Moser's River. I had also evening services at Taylor's Head and at Marie Joseph. In all those places the congregations were large and remarkably attentive. Every building in which I preached was filled to its utmost capacity. Indeed on several occasions I had scarcely standing room left me.

The weekly Bible class in the Sheet Harbour section of the congregation is largely attended. I conducted it on two occasions, and was greatly delighted with the numbers who attend, and with the deep interest ma-

nifested. The last evening I was with them there were between 60 and 70 young persons present. I had also the pleasure of meeting twice with the Bible class which is held at Pope's Harbour. Though there are only seven or eight Presbyterian families in the district, the class would compare favourably in numbers and intelligence with those of our largest congregations. I am becoming more impressed every day of my life with the utility of this noble institution for the instruction of our young people in the great truths of the infallible text-book.

By appointment of your Presbytery the pastor of Musquodoboit dispensed the Lord's Supper at Sheet Harbour during my visit. Five persons joined the church on the occasion. I had satisfactory religious conversation with four of them prior to their doing so. I also baptized seven children with the concurrence of the only elder who is at present resident in Sheet Harbour. In each case one or both of the parents were members of the church.

I may be allowed a few remarks of a general character. Contrary to my previous impressions, the congregation is quite a large one. In the Sheet Harbour section alone there are between 40 and 50 Presbyterian families. It is not so easy to state the precise number in the other sections, as there are many of the families that have no formal connexion with any church. But, as I have already mentioned, large congregations assemble in all these places, and a fair proportion of them at least, have expressed their decided preference for Presbyterianism.

The field of labour is very hopeful and encouraging, but I must not conceal the fact that it is a trying one in many respects. With Mr. Waddell's increasing years and failing health it would be too much to expect that he could do all the work of such a congregation. It would require Herculean strength and apostolic zeal to cultivate it thoroughly. The minister who enters upon it need not expect to taste the sweets of the *otium cum dignitate* which the Latin bard sings of. And, what is worse, so much attention must be given to mission work,

that he will not have time to keep himself abreast of the literature of the age we live in. But with all these disadvantages I scarcely know of a place within the limits of our church where an active, energetic minister could labour with a better prospect of usefulness in the work of the ministry.

But no one labourer, however zealous and energetic, can overtake all the mission work that *must be attended to* along this Eastern Shore of our peninsula. Beyond the limits of this congregation there are several groups of families whose spiritual interests are very inadequately attended to. I give it as my deliberate opinion that we are verily guilty in not doing more for this portion of our population than we yet have done. Our church has taken an active, praiseworthy part in the foreign mission enterprise, and I hope I shall never say anything that will tend to lessen the interest of our people in behalf of the benighted pagans of Polynesia or the deluded Coolies of Trinidad. But while we are cultivating the foreign field, there is no reason why the home field should be neglected. "These ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone." On my way hither I had a brief conversation with the pastor of Porter's Lake and Lawrencetown on the subject. Referring to the natural scenery of the shore districts he began to quote some appropriate lines from Heber's well known missionary hymn. When he repeated the words, "Every prospect pleases," I interrupted him by saying that he surely did not mean to apply the following words to any of the inhabitants of Nova Scotia. "Well then," said my good friend with a quiet smile, "we have certainly need of missionaries nearer home than India or the New Hebrides." Substantially the same was the testimony of my quondam colleague, Mr. McCurdy, whose hospitality I enjoyed for a day or two. Both of these brethren are labouring to the utmost of their ability for the welfare of our shore population. But their own charges are already far too large to be properly attended to, apart altogether from the bays and harbours that lie beyond the limits of their congregations. The truth is, *we must have a mis-*

sionary specially set apart to this work by Synodical authority. If a suitable person were appointed to this hitherto much neglected field of labour, I am certain that our people would cordially contribute the support requisite for his maintenance.

Such a missionary might pay occasional visits to the French-speaking inhabitants of Chezzetcook, whose forefathers were so ruthlessly expelled from old Acadia. Common justice demands that we should try and do something for their *spiritual* welfare.

I trust that this matter of a home missionary will not be lost sight of at the next meeting of Synod. I should state, to the credit of Mr. Waddell's congregation, that I received the most unbounded kindness during my five week's residence among them. The Presbytery will also be pleased to learn that a praiseworthy effort is to be put forth to do what they possibly can to sweep off all financial incumbrances. A new church is to be erected at Sheet Harbour as soon as possible. They have already secured a beautiful site on what is called Church Point—the point where the East and the West Rivers flow into the harbour. I have given them two years to complete this church; which, when completed, will be an ornament to the place and a benefit to the community. That the congregation may enjoy the favouring smile of Heaven, and continue to prosper, is the sincere desire of

T. CUMMING.

Rev. J. B. Logan's Report of Mission to Fisher's Grant.

To the Reverend the Presbytery of Pictou :

My month's service among the people of this settlement has been very pleasant, and, I have reason to hope, not altogether unprofitable. The attendance on public worship has been regular and steadily increasing.—On my last sabbath, I counted 117 persons in the school-house, and was told that several could not gain admittance and stood at the door during the service. The close attention paid, during the whole worship, was most marked, and exceedingly encouraging to the preacher. I hope some sinners were "pricked in their hearts"—I have

reason to believe that some saints were edified. I have visited all the families in the settlement whose names were given me (forty five in number,) and in each family I read a passage of Scripture, made a few pointed remarks on it, and prayed. As the season was a very busy one, I saw comparatively few of the men, they were mostly engaged in harvest operations. I was only able to hold one prayer meeting, the plea being that scarcely any would be able to attend, and there were 49 present.

Altogether the station it a most encouraging one, and deserves the watchful care and prayerful nursing of the Presbytery.—Had it been so arranged by the Mission Board, I should have liked to spend another month here. The people should be stimulated and aided to build a church as soon as possible. Their present place of meeting is quite too small and otherwise unsuitable.

As I only preached one sabbath evening at Westville, I can say nothing about the people. The meeting was large, but the meeting-place was most inconvenient.

All which is submitted by the Presbytery's humble servant

JOHN B. LOGAN, M. A.

P. S.—I should have mentioned that there is a Sabbath school at Fisher's Grant with about fifty names on the roll. I found thirty in attendance.

Our Foreign Missions.

NEW HEBRIDES MISSION.

Letter from Rev. Dr. Geddie.

ANEITEUM, MAY 30, 1868.

My Dear Brother,—I received a few lines from you lately about business matters, and also the boxes sent from Halifax to Melbourne, for all which I beg to thank you. Dr. Steel has informed me also of the receipt of monies to which you refer, and they will be duly acknowledged as you direct. I shall enclose to your letters to the donors informing them of their application.

We have just closed our annual missionary meeting. It has been an unusually

pleasant and harmonious one. All the members of the mission were present except Messrs. Morrison and Paton, and the absence of the former on account of sickness had a solemnizing effect on our whole number. I trust that we had the presence of our Divine Master with us. Much important business was done, and I trust that our deliberations will result in God's glory and the extension of the Redeemer's cause in these islands. Mr. McNair will furnish you with a copy of our minutes.

I feel thankful to say that we enjoy tolerably good health in this island at present Mrs. Geddie suffered much during the hot season, but her health improves as the weather becomes cooler. You probably know more about Mr. Morrison than I can tell you, as our communication with Sydney is not frequent. It was a sad disappointment to us all that he did not return to the island in the *Dayspring*. I have heard fears expressed indeed that he may not be able to return at all to the missionary work. His withdrawal from the work in our present weakened state is a serious calamity to the cause. May God in mercy disappoint our fears, and spare our brother to labour in the work which he loves. Mr. Gordon has returned from Australia improved in health and spirits. I am glad that you have consented to give him up, as this commits another church to the work. The change will, I think, be agreeable to himself, and beneficial to the cause. He is about to visit Santo, and let us pray God to bless this new effort to extend his cause. Mr. and Mrs. McNair are here at present. He, no doubt, keeps you informed about his labours.

I grieve to think that our prospects of help are not more encouraging. The Board of Foreign Missions ought, I think, to address a *call* to some of the settled ministers who may be deemed suitable for the work, and such an appeal might induce some to exchange home for foreign service. It is quite probable that if you were to invite two of those who have had the missionary work before their minds for years, that they might feel it to be their duty to come here. The matter is worthy of your

serious and prayerful consideration. But while I plead earnestly for help, let me caution you against sending unknown, untried and inferior men.

I have received a letter from Dr. Steel, suggesting that Mr. Morrison should have an addition to his salary during his stay in Australia. He required a minute from this mission to authorize him to make the proposed increase. We unanimously voted an additional £100 yearly to his salary during the whole period of his residence in Australia, if necessary. It is, I believe, the custom of other societies to increase the salaries of their missionaries, while absent from the islands, on account of sickness or duty.—When Messrs. Inglis and Paton were in Scotland, each one of them had £50 yearly added to his salary, and when the latter was in Australia collecting for the *Dayspring*, he had £180 out of the *Dayspring's* funds added to his salary from home, exclusive of all travelling expenses. The London Missionary Society acts on the same principle. The addition to Mr. Morrison's salary will not appear extravagant when I mention that the minimum salary for Presbyterian ministers in Victoria is £300 sterling per annum; and £250 in New South Wales. Our vicinity to the Australian Colonies is likely to make these islands a somewhat expensive field of missionary labour.

I have not time to write you more at present, we are just winding up the business of our meeting. I expect to write soon and send letters by Mr. H. Robertson, who expects to leave here in about two or three months and go direct to Nova Scotia.

Ever yours, &c.,

JOHN GEDDIE.

REV. P. G. MCGREGOR.

Minutes of Mission Council held May 26th - 28th, 1868.

The annual conference of the New Hebrides Mission was held this day at Aname the station of the Rev. J. Inglis:—Present Dr. Geddie, the Rev. Messrs Inglis, Copeland, Gordon, Cook, Neilson, McNair, and Capt. Fraser. In the absence of Mr. Paton the former Chairman, Dr. Geddie presided and opened the meeting with praise and

prayer. Mr. Copeland was then appointed Chairman and Dr. Geddie Clerk for the ensuing year, after which the meeting proceeded to business.

1. A letter was read from Mr. Paton stating that it was impossible for him to be present at this meeting. It was resolved that Mr. Paton's statement be sustained, but the meeting regrets his absence and would inculcate as a rule on all the members of the mission that nothing but reasons of the gravest importance should keep any member away from the annual meeting.

2. As Mr. Morrison in consequence of bodily indisposition and acting under medical advice, has been detained in Australia, this meeting sympathise very deeply with their afflicted brother and appoint Dr. Geddie as senior member of the mission to write a letter of sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Morrison in the name of the meeting, and fondly hope that God in His good Providence may speedily restore him to his wonted health and strength, and that he may be permitted to return to labour in the work on which his heart is so much set.

3. This meeting having heard the minutes of the various special meetings held during the year by committees of the mission, together with verbal explanations on various points approve generally of the course adopted by the committees, and thank them for their diligence in the various matters that have come before them.

4. William Sim, Esq., a christian gentleman and office-bearer in one of the Presbyterian congregations of Victoria, and a generous friend of the missionary cause being present was unanimously invited to take a seat at the meeting. Mr. Sim took his seat accordingly.

5. This meeting having heard the reports from the several mission stations, agrees to accept the same, expresses its thankfulness to God, that notwithstanding many adverse circumstances, the work of God is on the whole in so favourable a condition.

6. It was agreed that the *Dayspring* shall leave this island (D. V.) on Monday the 1st June, proceed to Aniwa and Erromanga thence to Nemea (New Caledonia) and return to Anciteum as soon as possible:

after which she shall proceed northward to Santo for the purpose of settling Mr. Gordon on that island, if found practicable, calling at Futuna, Aniwa, Tana, Eromanga, Fate, and in short at as many islands as deemed advisable by the way, and that Messrs Inglis and Cosh accompany her as deputation.

SECOND SEDERUNT.

Same Day and Place, 7½ P.M.

7. As the *Dayspring* will probably return to this island from Santo about the end of July, It was resolved that she be occupied during the month of August in visiting such parts of Tana and Erromanga as may be deemed advisable and that Messrs Copeland and McNair accompany her: that she be placed at the disposal of the Loyalty Islands brethren during the month of September for the purpose of bringing them to their annual meeting and doing such other work as may be required of her there, and that she go north during the months of October and November for the purpose of exploring and visiting as many of the islands as possible of the northern part of the group, calling at Santo on her return voyage for the purpose of removing Mr. Gordon to Erromanga during the unhealthy season of the year; and that Dr. Geddie and Mr. Neilson be appointed a deputation to accompany the vessel in order to carry out the objects in view.

THIRD SEDERUNT.

Same Place, May 27th, 9 A.M.

8. It was agreed that the *Dayspring* leave this group not later than the 15th of December, and proceed to New Zealand and visit some of the principal towns in that colony, procure the supplies of the missionaries, and return direct to Aneiteum, leaving New Zealand not later than the 25th of March, 1869; and that Mr. Inglis be appointed to accompany her, and act as agent both for the vessel and for the missionaries, and promote in every way the interest of the mission.

9. That Dr. Geddie and Mr. Inglis be appointed to confer with Capt. Fraser about a continuation of his services in the *Dayspring* for the ensuing year, and in the event of his leaving the service of the mis-

sion they be empowered to arrange about his passage fare home.*

10. As Mr. Morrison, in the providence of God, has been prevented from returning to these islands from failing health, this mission authorize the Rev. Dr. Steel to pay him £100 per annum (if necessary) in addition to his salary during his stay in Australia.

11. That this meeting recommend the formation of a fund of £3000 (three thousand) to be invested by the Treasurer of the Presbyterian Church of Victoria for the benefit of the *Dayspring*, the principal to be drawn upon in case of accident or loss of the vessel, the interest to be expended in meeting her current expenses, that the nucleus of this fund be formed of the contingent ship fund of the Presbyterian Church of Victoria, and of the New Zealand insurance fund, the remainder to be raised by the various churches interested in the mission; and that Dr. Geddie communicate on this subject with the Church to which it belongs. Mr. Copeland with Reformed Presbyterian Church in Scotland. Mr. Gordon with the Presbyterian Church New South Wales. Mr. Cosh with the Presbyterian Church of Victoria, and that Mr. Inglis bring the matter before the Presbyterian Churches in New Zealand.

FOURTH SEDERUNT.

Same Place, 28th May, 9 A.M.

12. That Dr. Geddie be appointed to write to the Canada Presbyterian Church and the Church of Scotland in Nova Scotia Mr. Copeland to the Presbyterian Church of Queensland, and Mr. Paton to the Presbyterian Churches of South Australia and Tasmania, on the subject of the New Hebrides mission.

13. That Mr. Inglis be appointed to make arrangements with the Rev. Dr. Steel and Rev. Mr. McDonald on the subject of the best investment of the native teachers fund.

14. That Mr. Inglis be appointed to make enquiries of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in Scotland with respect to the

* Capt. Fraser has been engaged for another year.

fund collected in Australia for the purpose of bringing out missionaries.

15. That Mr. Inglis be appointed to purchase supplies for the native teachers, and that Messrs. Cosh and Neilson be appointed to assist him in making up their supplies for this year.

16. That in accordance with Mr. Morrison's desire, Mr. Neilson be appointed to remain in his station at Erakor during the ensuing season.

17. That as Cook's Bay is not open at present, and as Mr. Gordon intends to remove to Santo for a few months, Mr. McNair be appointed to remain at Dillon's Bay during the ensuing season.

18. That in order to save the time of this meeting and diminish the work of the clerk, all members should come prepared with written minutes on all matters they may wish to bring up for consultation.

19. Information being asked by the Secretary of the Mission Committee of the Presbyterian Church in Victoria, whether this mission would recommend that Church to ordain and send here, as a missionary, a young man who is a very fair scholar, but who has not received any theological education; this mission is unanimously of opinion that it is *undesirable* to ordain, as a missionary for *this group*, any man who has not received the full education required for the home ministry in the church from which he comes.

FIFTH SEDERUNT.

Same Day and Place, 2½ P. M.

20. That the next annual meeting shall be held on Aneiteum at Dr. Geddie's station, as soon after the return of the *Day-spring* from New Zealand as convenient.

JOE. COPELAND, *Chairman.*
JOHN GEDDIE, *Clerk.*

News of the Church.

Presbytery of P. E. Island.

This Presbytery met on the 30th Sept., in Queen Square Church, Charlottetown. There were present, the Revds. D. McNeill, moderator, A. Campbell, J. Allan, I. Mur-

ray, H. Crawford, A. Fraser, A. Cameron, R. Laird, W. Ross, A. McLean, A. Falconer and J. G. Cameron, ministers; and Messrs. J. Lockerby, A. Simpson, G. Henderson and A. McSwain, elders.

A moderation in a call to a pastor was granted to the Murray Harbor congregation. The Rev. J. G. Cameron was appointed to preach to the congregation on the second Sabbath of October, and moderate in said call on the Monday following at 11 o'clock—both services to be held in the church on the north side.

The Rev. W. Stuart was appointed to dispense the sacrament of the Lord's supper in the congregation of Lot 14, on the third Sabbath of October, and meet with the congregation on the following Monday, and endeavor to secure the arrears due their late pastor, Rev. J. D. Murray.

Rev. R. Laird, convener of the Publication Committee, reported as to the state of the *Presbyterian* financially, and submitted certain recommendations regarding it. The Presbytery agreed to pledge itself to put forth every effort to secure additional subscribers, and recommended sessions to take the superintendence in securing subscriptions and payments. The various members of Presbytery were also urged to contribute original articles for its pages.

A letter was read from Rev. Dr. McCulloch, asking the advice of Presbytery as to the lowest amount for which they would authorize the committee to dispose of the Seminary building in Truro; when it was moved by Rev. J. Allan, and seconded by the Rev. I. Murray: *That the Presbytery not being in circumstances to decide as to the value of the property, remit the matter to the committee for necessary information, before giving any specific decision in the case.* Moved in amendment by the Rev. D. McNeill, and seconded by Rev. A. McLean: *That the committee be instructed to advertize the property for sale, and that it be not sold till the highest possible amount be realized.* On these motions being put, Mr. Allan's was preferred.

Letters were read from Revds. T. Sedgwick and P. G. McGregor, regarding the contemplated visit of the latter to the Presbytery in reference to the Synod's Supplementary Fund. It was agreed to express sympathy with the movement, and furnish Mr. McGregor any assistance within our power. Revds. J. Allan, H. Crawford and A. Fraser were appointed a committee to make arrangements for his visiting the congregations.

The Rev. W. Ross placed the demission of his charge in the hands of Presbytery. The demission was allowed to lie upon the table, and the congregation instructed to appear for their interests at the next meeting of Presbytery.

The Rev. A. Falconer obtained leave of absence from his congregation for a short time, to solicit assistance in liquidating a debt still resting upon his church. The request was granted, and his case recommended to the sympathy and generosity of the church.

Reports of missionary labor by Messrs. H. Archibald and R. Cumming, were read and sustained. A request from the Free Church congregation, that the Presbytery might apply for them to the Home Mission Board for the services of Mr. Glendinning for one month, was granted.

The following appointments were then made:—Mr. Lawson, first Sabbath to Murray Harbor, then to supply Mr. Cameron's pulpit during his absence at Murray Harbor, and the following Sabbath to West St. Peters. Mr. S. Archibald two Sabbaths to West St. Peter's, two to the Free Church, Charlottetown, and two to Lot 14, commencing from this date. Mr. Fraser to Lot 14, on the fourth Sabbath of October, and to West St. Peter's on the first Sabbath of November. Adjourned to meet in the Free Church, Charlottetown, on Wednesday, the 20th October, at 11 o'clock.

ALEX. FALCONER, *Pby. Clerk.*

Presbytery of Halifax.

The Presbytery of Halifax met at North Cornwallis on Thursday, 1st October, at 10 o'clock, a. m., and was constituted by Rev. D. S. Gordon, moderator, *pro tempore*, besides whom there were present Revs. J. L. Murdoch, Professor McKnight, and John McLeod, ministers, and Henry B. Webster and Hiram Smith, elders.

Having met for the ordination of Mr. Joseph Hogg, and the usual call for objection having been made, and none having been offered, the Presbytery proceeded to the place of worship, where Rev. John McLeod preached a sermon from Rev. xiv. 6. Rev. J. L. Murdoch narrated the steps and addressed the usual formula of questions to Mr. Hogg, which having been satisfactorily answered, he was by solemn prayer and imposition of hands ordained to the office of the holy ministry, and inducted into the pastoral charge of the congregation of North Cornwallis. Mr. McLeod then briefly addressed the minister and congregation on the relative duties arising out of the relationship that had been formed between them. The moderator having conducted Mr. Hogg to a convenient place, the congregation welcomed him by taking him by the hand. On motion Mr. Hogg's name was added to the roll of Presbytery.

In the afternoon of the same day the Presbytery met at Kentville, for the ordination of Mr. John B. Logan. Objections having been called for, and none made, the

Presbytery proceeded to the place of worship, where Professor McKnight preached a very able and appropriate discourse from 1 Cor. iv. 1, narrated the steps, and put the usual formula of questions. Satisfactory answers having been given to these questions by Mr. Logan, he was by solemn prayer and imposition of hands ordained to the office of the ministry, and inducted into the pastoral charge of the congregation of South and West Cornwallis. The newly ordained minister was then suitably addressed by Rev. John L. Murdoch, and the congregation by Rev. Professor McKnight. The congregation having recognized Mr. Logan as their minister in the usual way, his name was added the roll, and he took his seat as a member of Presbytery.

A letter from Rev. James Waddell was read in which, on account of ill health, he tenders his demission of the pastoral charge of the congregation of Sheet Harbor. The demission was allowed to lie on the table, and Mr. Edward Grant appointed to give notice to the congregation of said demission, and summon them to appear before the next meeting of the Presbytery for their interests.

The call from Boston to Rev. John McLeod was then taken up. Mr. McGregor reported that he had preached in Newport, notified the congregation of the call, and summoned them to appear at this meeting for their interests. Messrs. Hiram Smith and James Ross appeared as commissioners from Newport congregation; Professor McKnight appeared for the congregation of Boston. The papers having been read, and the parties heard, Mr. McLeod said he felt it to be his duty to decline the call,—which decision the Presbytery unanimously sustained.

The next meeting of Presbytery was appointed to be held in Cinalmers' Church, Halifax, on the first Wednesday of November, at 11 o'clock, a. m.

J. McLEOD, *Pby. Clerk.*

Latest from our Missionaries.

We have just received letters from Rev. D. Morrison and his wife, dated the 1st September. They were then living near Sydney, Australia. Mr. Morrison's health was better than at any time since he had left Fate. His symptoms were decidedly encouraging. Rev. Mr. McNair writes from Erromanga under date of July 4. He and Mrs. McNair were in good health, and the aspect of affairs on the island was favourable. Our latest letters from Trinidad are up to the 4th Sept. Mr. and Mrs. Morton were well.

STATISTICS OF SYNOD.

LOCALITY OF CONGREGATION.	NAME OF PASTOR.	Length and breadth of Con. in miles.	No. of adherents including children.	No. of families.	No. of churches.	No. of sittings in these.	No. preach'g stations.	Average attendance in churches & stations.
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PRESBYTERY OF PICTOU.

1	New Glasgow,	David Roy,	9 x 8	820	147	1	800	600	
2	do.	J. Stewart & J. B. Watt,	14 x 7	550	115	1	500	350	
3	Sherbrooke,	John Campbell,	14 x 2	630	95	1	400	300	
4	New Glasgow,	George Walker,	9 x 4	400	75	1	420	340	
5	Prince Street, Pictou,	James Bayne, D.D.	8 x 15	1040	212	1	650	800	
6	French River and vicinity,	A. P. Miller,	8 x 8	400	45	2	320	300	
7	Scotsburn and Saltspring,	Alex. Sutherland,	22 x 8	450	70	2	400	450	
8	Green Hill,	George Patterson,	10 x 7	600	100	2	600	350	
9	Cent. Ch., W. Riv., Pictou,	James Thompson,	8 x 10	150	85	1	600	300	
10	West River, "	George Roddick,	10 x 10	750	125	2	1150	400	
11	Hopewell,	John Mackinnon,	8 x 8	650	115	1	800	500	
12	Knox's Ch., Pictou Town,	Alexander Ross,	16 x 12	750	130	2	700	600	
13	Merigomish,	K. J. Grant,	12 x 4	802	145	1	350	300	
14	Little Harbour,	J. A. F. Sutherland,	7 x 3	380	67	1	300	220	
15	Glenelg, Caledonia, E. P. ver, St. Mary's,	C. B. Pitblado,	35 x 18	1100	200	3	1200	1000	
16	Albion Mines,	A. J. Mowitt,	3 x 3	570	107	1	520	300	
17	East Branch, East River,	A. McL. Sinclair,	21 x 7	850	152	2	1000	400	
18	Lochaber and Goshen,	J. F. Forbes,	20 x 10	665	130	2	800	400	
19	Antigonish,	J. D. Murray,	30 x 14	700	140	3	900	400	
20	Barney's River,	{	10 x 8	400	70	1	330	200	
21	Blue Mountain,	D. B. Blair,	{	12 x 8	500	90	2	550	300
22	Earlton,	L. Macdonald,	12 x 14	440	90	1	450	300	
23	St. John's Ch., Chatham,	John McCurdy, D. D.,	10 x 10	500	150	1	500	300	

PRESBYTERY OF HALIFAX.

1	Annapolis & Bridgetown,	D. S. Gordon,	4 x 25	130	28	1	240	250
2	Barrington and Clyde,	M. G. Henry,	25 x 25	350	65	4	700	600
3	Bermuda,	Walter Thorburn,	21 x 4	500	....	2	600	500
4	Bridgewater,	P. M. Morrison,	15 x 8	....	100	4	....	....
5	Cornwallis, North,	Vacant,	....	....	....	....	....	....
6	do. South,	William Forlong,	....	....	....	....	....	....
7	do. West,	Vacant,	....	....	....	....	....	....
8	Dartmouth,	Alexander McKnight,	7 x 6	....	40	1	200	150
9	Halifax, Chalmers' City,	William Maxwell,	....	700	125	1	600	550
10	do. Poplar Grove,	P. G. McGregor,	12 x 2	700	145	1	550	500
11	do. St. John's,	John Forrest,	City.	450	80	1	700	300
12	Harbor Grace, Nfld.	Alexander Ross,	....	....	....	....	....	....
13	Kennt'k, Gore & Rawdon	Allan Simpson,	25 x 8	530	92	4	700	350
14	LaHave,	Donald McMillan,	12 x 5	700	130	4	....	....
15	Lawrencetown,	Alexander Stuart,	25 x 10	380	59	3	300	180
16	Lunenburg & Malone B.,	William Duff,	12 x 20	....	140	2	1100	900
17	Musquodoboit,	Robert Sedgewick,	28 x 6	1250	285	2	800	900
18	Musquodoboit-Harbor,	E. A. McCurdy,	38 x 12	470	85	3	550	270
19	Newport and Kempt,	J. M. McLeod,	32 x 7	1170	208	3	1000	700
20	Nine Mile River,	John Cameron,	15 x 17	800	120	2	600	170
21	Sheet Harbor,	James Waddell,	37 x 6	....	58	1	400	300
22	Shelburne,	George M. Clark,	40 x 8	500	106	3	650	600
23	Shubenacadie, &c.	James McLean,	21 x 20	1000	212	3	1000	500
24	St. John's, Nfld.,	Moses Harvey,	....	....	....	....	....	....
25	Windsor and St. Croix.	J. L. Murdoch & E. Annand	4 x 12	750	110	2	800	500
26	Yarmouth,	G. Christie and E. McNab,	26 x 24	519	112	3	850	500

STATISTICS OF SYNOD.

No. of baptisms.	No. communicants.	No. Accessions.	No. Removals.	No. of Elders.	Diets of worship each Sabbath.	Communion services.	Families observing family worship.	No. Sabbath Schools.	No. Teachers.	No. Pupils.	Vols. in Library.	Prayer Meetings each week.	Average attendance at each.	Bible classes.	Attendance at do.	No. of Deacons.	No. of Managers.
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PRESBYTERY OF PICTOU.

27	228	20	4	7	2	3	140	1	21	170	500	2	50	1	22	3	1
12	145	7	4	10	19	2	110	3	24	115	250	3	30	1	30	3	12
22	182	10	8	7	3	4	80	3	20	130	300	3	30	2	20	3	3
14	145	22	22	6	6	2	75	1	22	140	310	1	80	1	20	3	4
23	314	24	19	13	2	4	133	2	26	220	2400	2	70	2	50	4	5
8	110	8	6	8	2	1	40	4	6	50	60	1	30	1	50	5	6
18	98	5	5	9	2	2	70	3	...	...	...	4	25	1	...	7	7
11	209	11	16	10	19	3	100	4	16	175	400	1	25	1	...	9	8
8	212	12	5	6	2	2	83	3	12	140	140	1	30	5	70	7	9
10	275	10	8	12	2	2	120	5	20	150	220	2	40	2	30	3	10
9	214	8	4	7	2	2	115	4	17	120	150	3	20	4	25	2	11
20	160	13	3	8	2	3	120	3	15	130	600	4	60	1	12	5	12
18	265	19	20	11	2	3	100	6	32	270	378	3	45	1	...	5	13
16	146	11	1	7	2	2	65	3	17	125	100	2	20	3	89	3	14
30	356	20	5	15	2	3	180	11	48	350	426	2	30	1	30	...	15
21	130	15	5	8	2	2	85	2	20	160	420	1 1/2	30	2	30	5	16
20	261	16	5	9	2	2	152	7	20	160	...	1 1/2	20	1	30	6	17
32	122	51	12	6	2	3	105	5	17	160	200	1	30	1	...	7	18
14	127	11	1	9	2	2	...	2	7	50	140	1	40	1	...	6	19
14	110	9	4	7	2	1	70	3	6	60	150	1	12	1	...	9	20
23	126	9	8	12	2	1	90	4	8	80	200	1	20	1	...	9	21
20	70	12	3	2	2	1	90	2	4	40	...	2	30	1	35	5	22
10	130	5	4	3	2	2	50	2	12	60	200	1	30	1	...	9	23

PRESBYTERY OF HALIFAX.

3	48	1	6	3	2	3	11	...	...	130	1	15	1	16	...	2	1
11	98	7	4	3	2	3	...	2	9	60	125	1	30	2	25	2	2	
8	160	12	10	5	2	8	...	2	18	110	900	2	20	1	12	3	3	
...	...	...	5	2	2	2	...	1	6	40	200	1	1	1	...	4	4
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	6
7	57	2	3	2	2	2	...	1	5	30	400	...	1	10	...	4	8	
20	214	20	7	6	2	4	...	1	19	130	450	1	80	3	40	7	9	
20	223	32	25	7	2	4	...	2	23	146	330	1	100	2	80	7	10	
22	105	31	16	4	2	9	...	1	14	100	350	1	75	1	40	12	11	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	12
23	130	11	5	7	2	3	35	...	...	...	...	1	40	3	80	8	13
20	60	14	8	2	2	4	...	4	12	115	...	...	3	80	4	9	14
10	66	3	1	4	2	3	10	...	1	3	15	1	22	1	16	4	15	
...	69	7	1	5	3	3	...	2	12	67	110	1	50	1	12	3	16	
31	426	19	10	9	2	4	200	6	18	130	250	4	30	5	140	12	17	
9	115	26	5	7	2	4	...	5	12	130	120	2-3	35	3	75	4	18	
21	230	22	18	7	2	4	...	97	2	7	70	250	1	30	2	45	5	19
6	157	2	3	7	3	3	70	1	5	30	60	2	30	1	...	4	20	
9	99	5	2	2	2	3	...	5	10	85	570	occas'n	25	2	56	3	21	
12	83	2	2	5	2	2	...	3	11	80	200	1	35	1	20	7	22	
33	329	24	13	12	2	4	75	9	25	150	...	2	25	4	100	8	23	
...	24	24
9	...	8	7	4	2	4	15	3	14	120	130	2	65	1	15	3	25	
13	171	13	12	8	4	6	37	3	16	120	500	1	30	1	30	5	26	

STATISTICS OF SYNOD.

LOCALITY OF CONGREGATION.	Method of raising stipend.	Terms and mode of payment.	Annual value of manse and glebe.	Supplement received.	Debt on Congregational property.	Balance due the pastor.
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PRESBYTERY OF PICTOU.

1 New Glasgow,	Col. quarterly.	Cash hf-yearly
2 do.	Voluntary sub.	Cash quarterly.
3 Sherbrooke,	Voluntary sub.	Cash quarterly.	.....	.....	\$190	.....
4 New Glasgow,	Sabbath col.	Quartly in adv.	.....	.....	.....	.....
5 Prince Street, Pictou,	P. R. and sub.	Cash quarterly.	.....	.....	.....	.....
6 French River and vicinity.	Voluntary sub.	Quarterly.	.....	\$40	90	\$100
7 Scotsburn and Saltspring,	Voluntary sub.	Cash quarterly.	.....	.....	.....	.....
8 Green Hill,	Voluntary sub.	Cash qtr. in adv.	.....	.....	.....	.....
9 Cent. Ch., W. Riv., Pictou,	Voluntary sub.	Cash qtr. in adv.	.....	.....	.....	.....
10 West River,	Voluntary sub.	Cash qtr. in adv.	.....	.....	.....	.....
11 Hopewell,	Voluntary sub.	Cash qtr. in adv.	.....	.....	.....	.....
12 Knox's Ch., Pictou Town,	Voluntary sub.	Cash qtr. in adv.	.....	.....	.....	.....
13 Merigomish,	Voluntary sub.	Cash qtr. in adv.	\$60	.....	.....	.....
14 Little Harbour,	Voluntary sub.	Cash qtr. in adv.	.....	80	.....	.....
15 Glenelg, Caledonia, E. River, St. Mary's,	Voluntary sub.	Cash qtr. in adv.	.....	.....	.....	.....
16 Albion Mines,	Voluntary sub.	Cash qtr. in adv.	.....	.....	.....	.....
17 East Branch, East River,	Voluntary sub.	Cash qtr. in adv.	.....	.....	.....	.....
18 Lochaber and Goshen,	Voluntary sub.	Cash qtr. in adv.	.....	.....	.....	.....
19 Antigonish,	Voluntary sub.	Cash qtr. in adv.	100	.....	.....	.....
20 Barney's River,	Voluntary sub.	Cash yearly.	.....	.....	.....	60
21 Blue Mountain,	Voluntary sub.	Cash quarterly.	.....	.....	.....	.....
22 Earltown,	Voluntary sub.	Half-y'ly cash.	40	.....	.....	.....
23 St. John's Ch., Chatham,	Pew Rent.	Cash.	.....	.....	.....	.....

PRESBYTERY OF HALIFAX.

1 Annapolis & Bridgetown,	Sub, col & P.R.	Cash quarterly,	.....	\$200	\$240	.....
2 Barrington and Clyde,	Voluntary sub.	Cash quarterly,	\$60	100	250	\$38 39
3 Bermuda,	P.R. col. & g'nt	Cash quarterly,	125	.....	.....	.....
4 Bridgewater,	Subscription.	Cash hf-yearly,	100	.....	.....	.....
5 Cornwallis, North,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
6 do. South,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
7 do. West,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
8 Dartmouth,	Pew Rent.	Half-yearly,	12	.....	520	.....
9 Halifax, Chalmers',	P. R. and col.	Quartly in adv.	.....	.....	.....	.....
10 do. Poplar Grove,	P. R. and col.	Cash quarterly,	.....	.....	4400	.....
11 do. St. John's,	P. R. and col.	Quartly in adv.	.....	.....	5200	.....
12 Harbor Grace, Nfld.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
13 Kenntc'k, Gore & Rawdon	Voluntary sub.	Cash hf-yearly,	.....	.....	.....	.....
14 LaHave,	Voluntary sub.	Annually,	48	.....	80	.....
15 Lawrence town,	Subscription.	Quarterly,	.....	100	100	112
16 Lunenburg & Mahone B.	Subscription.	Cash annually,	.....	.....	200	.....
17 Musquodoboit,	Sub. and col.	Cash quarterly,	60	.....	200	.....
18 Musquodoboit Harbor,	Voluntary sub.	Half-yearly,	.....	120	.....	84
19 Newport and Kempt,	Voluntary sub.	Quarterly,	100	.....	200	.....
20 Nine Mile River,	Voluntary sub.	Quarterly,	.....	120	.....	.....
21 Sheet Harbor,	Sub. and col.	Quarterly,	.....	.....	.....	.....
22 Shelburne,	Subscription.	Half-yearly,	.....	.....	.....	95 09
23 Shubenacadie, &c.,	Voluntary sub.	Quarterly,	.....	.....	.....	.....
24 St. John's, Nfld.,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
25 Windsor and St. Croix,	P. R. and sub.	Cash quarterly,	130	.....	800	.....
26 Yarmouth,	Voluntary sub.	Cash quarterly,	.....	56	.....	155

STATISTICS OF SYNOD.

Stipend promised.	Stipend paid.	Widows' Fund.	Synod Fund.	Ministerial education.	Home Missions.	Foreign Miss.		Building and repairs.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
						Cash.	Produce.			

PRESBYTERY OF PICTOU.

\$480	\$480	.....	\$18	\$28	\$74	\$115	.....	\$306	\$1111	1
580	610	.....	44 88	11 21	20 50	75 15	.....	203 19	974 53	2
800	800	.....	15 25	22 22½	45	.....	117 58	713 56	1713 62½	3
720	720	.....	12	30 10	90	226 86	.....	515 45	1603 41	4
800	1000	\$20	17 30	20 07	39	78 53	.....	\$4000 353 44	5528 34	5
300	224	.....	2 89	.....	2 89	4	.....	18	251 78	6
520	500	.....	5 91	5 00	12	33 50	.....	158	714 47	7
720	680	.....	16	30	50	138	.....	100	1014	8
600	600	.....	6	19 05½	26 76	26 68	.....	90	100 868 40½	9
600	600	.....	6	10	27	30	.....	200	60 933	10
700	660	4	4 28	27	40 52	\$48	.....	188 10	999 62½	11
700	700	20	14 16	51 62	94 50	.....	.....	308 60	1204 72½	12
537	537	.....	9	.....	14 37	21 38	.....	104 32	686 07½	13
420	420	.....	4	3	12 87	19	.....	150	63 676 87	14
800	800	.....	7	30	42	54	.....	1600	270 95 2803 95	15
600	600	.....	15	.....	26 75	.....	.....	200	30 62 872 37½	16
600	600	.....	4	15	27	54	19	.....	76 795	17
800	800	.....	8 31	.....	59 14	52 25	.....	76 16	995 86	18
600	400	.....	4	.....	10 00	.....	.....	150	564	19
264	264	.....	4	.....	8 60	8 50	.....	60	345 10	20
314	320	.....	8 80	.....	18 86	18 85	.....	88	454 51	21
400	400	.....	4 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	90	534 20	22
800	800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	800	23

PRESBYTERY OF HALIFAX.

\$400	\$400	.....	\$4 50	\$9 03	\$19	\$14 50	.....	\$160	\$23	\$630 03	1
400	361 61	.....	.....	.....	26 78	33 25	.....	370	30	821 64	2
1000	1100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200	1300	3
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6
200	221 35	\$20	9 40	5 52	17 30	30 78	.....	400	160 67	865 02	8
1200	1200	.....	12	18 10	172 22	56 74	.....	1040	2040 04	4639 10	9
1175	1175	.....	20	.....	546	87 22	\$80	160	515 62	2583 84	10
600	600	.....	.....	.....	.....	32	.....	1200	2000	3832	11
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12
600	600	.....	8	9 50	25	25	.....	100	.....	767 50	13
500	420	.....	5	6	16	18	.....	20	8	493	14
416	304	.....	3	3	6	6 50	.....	23	7	352 50	15
600	580	.....	5	17 61½	36	.....	.....	200	.....	838 61½	16
700	700	.....	6	.....	16 40	50 40½	.....	2800	26	3598 80½	17
440	356	.....	4	4	22 26	12 58	.....	.....	80	478 84	18
600	664 68	.....	6	5 87	10	10	.....	945	60	1701 55	19
740	740	.....	10	33	33	42 81	.....	30	.....	888 81	10
400	232 53	.....	8	.....	26 91	32 25	.....	.....	25 25	324 94	22
504	563	.....	8	.....	10 54	31 59	.....	60	40	713 13	23
800	800	.....	6	10 22	39 29	28 84½	.....	.....	125	1009 36	22
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24
1000	920	.....	15	.....	60 22	60 22½	.....	300	332	1687 45	25
1200	936	.....	14 29	.....	.....	12 90	.....	100	81 41	1144 60	26

STATISTICS OF SYNOD.

LOCALITY OF CONGREGATION.	NAME OF PASTOR.	Length and breadth of Con. in miles.	No. of adherents including children.	No. of families.	No. of churches.	No. of sittings in these.	No. preach'g stations.	Average attendance in churches & stations.
1 New Annan,	James Watson,	7 x 11	566	93	1	315	2	260
2 Wentworth,		12 x 3	70	15	1	200	2	50
3 Wallace,	John Munro,	30 x 10	661	113	4	1000	2	500
4 Goose River,	W. S. Darragh,	50 x 38	304	45	3	500	5	112
5 River John,	H. B. Mackay,	7 x 7	655	130	1	400	1	100
6 Tatamagouche,	Thomas Sedgwick,	10 x 6	950	150	2	650	3	850

PRESBYTERY OF TATAMAGOUCHE.

PRESBYTERY OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

1 Bedeque,	R. S. Patterson,	10 x 10	600	90	1	360	5	300
2 Strathalbyn,	Alexander Campbell,	13 x 8	1100	200	1	534	1	300
3 Covehead,	James Allan,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4 Cavendish & N. Glasgow,	Isaac Murray,	10 x 11	388	97	2	700	3	100
5 Brown's Creek,	Alexander Munro,	12 x 5	1260	150	2	600	4	600
6 St. Peter's Bay,	Henry Crawford,	9 x 5	430	93	2	700	1	300
7 Bay Fortune,		16 x 5	420	90	3	600	..	350
8 Alberton, &c.	Allan Fraser,	20 x 5	815	145	2	600	2	500
9 Woodville & Little Sands,	Donald McNeill,	18 x 8	700	127	2	600	5	.....
10 N. London N., & Summer-	Alexander Cameron,	15 x 11	640	108	2	580	..	400
11 Princetown, [field.	Robert Laird,	10 x 10	904	150	1	550	1	440
12 West River & Brookfield,	William Ross,	12 x 20	600	100	2	500	..	300
13 Dundas, [merside.	Allan McLean,	7 x 6	300	63	1	250	2	200
14 Richmond Bay E., & Sum-	W. R. Frame,	10 x 4	500	100	2	550	..	450
15 Charlottetown, Queen Sq.	Alexander Falconer,	10 x 2	325	56	2	650	..	275
16 W. Point, Camp'n & Brae	William Stuart,	30 x 15	580	110	2	300	4	200
17 St. Peter's, West,	Daniel W. Cameron,	14 x 5	500	90	2	550	..	400
18 Tryon and Bonshaw,	John G. Cameron,	20 x 5	480	88	2	420	3	220
19 Free Ch., Charlottetown,	Vacant,	.....	.....	40	1	500	..	.....
20 N. London S., & Granville,	Vacant,	10 x 6	500	100	2	550	2	350
21 Richmond Bay, West,	Vacant,	16 x 8	500	100	2	500	2	320
22 Murray Harbor,	Vacant,	20 x 10	450	65	3	650	1	300

PRESBYTERY OF TRURO.

1 Stewiacke,	J. Smith, D.D.	6 x 7	750	150	1	1000	2	400
2 Onslow,	J. I. Baxter,	11 x 9	950	150	3	1150	5	500
3 Truro,	W. McCulloch, D.D.	18 x 7	1220	252	1½	1350	6	1200
4 Clifton,	J. Byers,	15 x 4	750	140	2	550	1	400
5 Upper Londonderry,	E. Ross,	10 x 8	1000	123	3	1100	..	400
6 Lower Londonderry,	A. L. Wyllie,	13 x 8	1166	216	2	1400	2	900
7 Economy,	J. McG. McKay,	18 x 5	800	170	2	850	1	600
8 Maitland and Noel, 2nd,	J. Currie,	25	680	125	2	600	3	700
9 Maitland and Noel, 1st,	T. S. Crow & J. McLellan,	30	770	140	4	1200	6	600
10 Parrsboro' and Maccan,	D. McKinnon,	24 x 20	200	60	3	200	4	100
11 M. Stewiacke & Brookfield	J. D. McGillivray,	16 x 9	.....	.....	2	800	3	.....
12 Acadia,	D. Stewart,	17 x 3	.....	42	2	300	1	100
13 Springside,	J. Sinclair,	9 x 8	600	110	1	500	..	300

STATISTICS OF SYNOD.

No. of baptisms.	No. communicants.	No. accessions.	No. removals.	No. of Elders.	Dists of worship each Sabbath.	Communion services.	Families observing family worship.	No. Sabbath schools.	No. Teachers.	No. pupils.	Vols. in Library.	Prayer Meetings each week.	Average attendance at each.	Bible classes.	Attendance at do.	No. of Deacons.	No. of Managers.
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PRESBYTERY OF TATAMAGOUCHE.

10	150	9	2	3	2	3	79	2	14	96	150	4	31	1	17	3	1
3	27	1	2	2	1	1	general.	5	12	110	200	3	25	4	60	5	12
17	107	3	7	7	3	3	25	2	9	80	100	2	1	8	3	4	5
13	74	4	6	6	2	2	80	4	8	56	200	2	50	1	25	8	5
17	202	10	8	7	2	2	.....	4	25	200	450	3	55	1	60	8	6
23	195	13	8	7	2	3	.....	4	25	200	450	3	55	1	60	8	6

PRESBYTERY OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

11	136	3	3	7	2	3	34	3	8	60	120	1 and 2	30	1	20	5	1
18	54	1	4	5	2	1	190	4	8	70	200	3 weekly	100	1	14	4	2
21	128	10	5	9	2	3	40	3	15	100	200	5	50	1	60	6	4
25	64	3	4	5	2	3	nearly ah.	5	20	80	.....	2 weekly	50	2	4	9	5
14	125	2	3	8	2	3	24	4	14	200	140	1	25	2	24	6	6
14	112	4	2	3	2	3	20	2	6	38	.....	3 m'thly.	30	3	25	6	7
20	210	13	4	6	2	2	64	4	20	100	100	3	46	4	60	7	8
21	54	1	6	2	2	1	50	2	4	.....	137	2	.....	.....	.....	7	9
10	106	3	3	7	2	3	42	3	9	100	150	.....	2	2	50	6	10
25	296	9	13	7	2	2	58	6	23	170	500	1	28	5	90	3	11
11	44	1	4	9	3	1	nearly all.	2	.....	60	.....	3	15	.....	.....	12	12
6	42	3	3	3	2	1	50	2	2	30	.....	1	30	1	15	5	13
19	222	25	8	6	2	2	50	3	10	112	180	1 weekly	60	3	60	4	14
6	63	7	4	4	3	3	20	2	9	95	330	1	30	1	15	5	15
17	106	8	10	5	2	3	.....	3	9	50	100	1	.....	2	20	4	16
8	142	17	3	10	2	3	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	40	7	20	5	17
25	37	25	1	3	2	.....	.....	3	18	120	200	3	25	2	20	12	18
6	60	3	4	2	2	.....	.....	1	5	60	.....	1	30	1	30	7	19
10	30	.....	4	2	1	majority.	1	4	40	.....	2	2	3	40	2	6	20
9	180	14	5	7	2	1	.....	2	8	45	85	1 and 2	25	4	25	10	21
13	70	.....	2	10	2	.....	30	1	3	25	80	1	20	.....	.....	8	22

PRESBYTERY OF TRURO.

20	137	16	4	8	2	2	160	2	8	20	.....	1	20	1	10	5	1
6	208	10	10	8	2	6	80	6	18	130	190	4½	35	.....	.....	12	2
20	350	15	15	14	2½	3	130	3	20	200	200	6	75	2	60	3	3
4	125	6	4	6	2	3	40	1	5	30	200	2	1	30	1	20	4
8	147	8	3	8	2	4	.....	.....	.....	30	200	1	2	45	.....	5	5
32	285	9	5	11	2½	4	118	4	21	180	350	2	55	2	45	10	6
7	220	15	3	10	2	4	60	2	8	70	.....	1	30	1	20	5	7
17	160	16	7	9	2	3	66	3	19	135	.....	3	35	8	125	7	8
7	232	8	2	12	2	3	78	3	12	135	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	9
7	70	.....	3	6	2	3	20	2	6	60	100	1	15	.....	.....	5	10
30	.....	8	10	7	2	4	77	1	2	27	288	2½	.....	.....	.....	8	11
17	57	23	.....	2	2½	3	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	45	5	12
5	167	10	8	9	2	2	81	4	20	100	180	2	40	4	40	5	13

STATISTICS OF SYNOD.

LOCALITY OF CONGREGATION.	Method of raising stipend.	Terms and mode of payment.	Annual value of manse and glebe.	Supplement received.	Debt on Congregational property.	Balance due the pastor.
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PRESBYTERY OF TATAMAGOUCHE.

1 New Annan,	P. R. & V. sub.	Cash quarterly.	\$40	\$40	\$100	\$40
2 Wentworth,	Voluntary sub.	Cash.	.....	.....	.....	.....
3 Wallace,	Sub. and col.	Cash & prod. an.	.....	.....	.....	.....
4 Goose River,	Voluntary sub.	.....	.....	60	.....	.....
5 River John,	Subscription.	Cash quarterly.	60	.....	.....	.....
6 Tatamagouche,	Voluntary sub.	Cash quarterly.	.....	.....	600	.....

PRESBYTERY OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

1 Bedeque,	P. R. sub. & col.	Cash hf-yearly,	.....	.....	.....	\$40
2 Strathalbyn,	P. R. and sub.	Cash hf-yearly,	\$66	.....	.....	.....
3 Covehead,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4 Cavendish & N. Glasgow.	P. R. and sub.	Cash hf-yearly,	20	.....	\$250	.....
5 Brown's Creek.	P. R. and sub.	Cash yearly,	66 66	33 33	.....	91 66
6 St. Peter's Bay,	Voluntary sub.	Cash hf-yearly,	.....	.....	.....	.....
7 Bay Fortune,	Voluntary sub.	Cash hf-yearly,	.....	.....	.....	100
8 Alberton, &c.	Subscription.	Cash quarterly,	.....	.....	.....	.....
9 Woodville & Little Sands,	P. R. and sub.	Cash.	60	80	20	.....
10 New London, N., & Sum-	P. R. and sub.	Cash hf-yearly,	.....	.....	.....	140
11 Princetown, [merfield,	Assessment.	Cash in advance,	10	.....	.....	.....
12 West River & Brookfield,	Pew Rent.	.....	.....	.....	160	.....
13 Dundas, [merside,	Subscription.	Quarterly,	.....	100	.....	.....
14 Richmond Bay, E. & Sum-	P. R. & V. sub.	Cash hf-yearly,	.....	.....	.....	.....
15 Charlottetown, Queen Sq.	P. R. and sub.	Cash quarterly,	.....	.....	.....	.....
16 W. Point, Camp't'n & Brae,	Subscription.	Cash quar. in ad.	.....	66 66	.....	.....
17 St. Peter's, West,	Subscription.	Csh hf-vly in ad.	70	.....	700	39 33
18 Tryon and Bonshaw,	Voluntary sub.	Cash hf-yearly,	.....	100	.....	.....
19 Free Ch., Charlottetown,	P. R. and sub.	.....	133 33	.....	1333 33	.....
20 N. London S., & Granville,	P. R. and sub.	Cash hf-yearly,	50	.....	.....	.....
21 Richmond Bay, West,	Subscription.	Cash quarterly,	.....	.....	.....	.....
22 Murray Harbor,	Subscription.	Cash hf-yearly,	85	.....	.....	.....

PRESBYTERY OF TRURO.

1 Stewiacke,	Subscription.	Cash quarterly.	.....	.....	.....	\$122
2 Onslow,	Subscription.	Cash hf-yearly.	.....	.....	\$400	.....
3 Truro,	Subscription.	Cash quarterly.	\$32	.....	140	.....
4 Clifton,	Subscription.	Cash quarterly.	16	.....	.....	178
5 Upper Londonderry,	Subscription.	Cash quarterly.	40	.....	.....	150
6 Lower Londonderry,	Subscription.	Cash quarterly.	.....	.....	.....	.....
7 Economy,	Subscription.	Cash quarterly.	.....	.....	.....	.....
8 Maitland and Noel, 2nd,	Subscription.	Cash quarterly.	.....	.....	.....	98 75
9 Maitland and Noel, 1st,	Subscription.	Cash quarterly.	.....	.....	.....	436
10 Parrsboro' and Maccan,	Subscription.	Cash quarterly.	.....	\$80	.....	100
11 M. Stewiacke & Brookfield	Subscription.	Hf-vly & quar.	.....	.....	.....	7
12 Acadia,	Subscription.	Cash quarterly.	.....	100	.....	.....
13 Springside,	Subscription.	Cash quarterly.	.....	.....	.....	.....

STATISTICS OF SYNOD.

Stipend promised.	Stipend paid.	Widows' Fund.	Synod Fund.	Ministerial education.	Home Missions.	Foreign Miss.		Building and repairs.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
						Cash.	Produce.			

PRESBYTERY OF TATAMAGOUCHE.

\$360	\$360	.....	\$3 50	.....	\$8	\$8	.....	\$132	\$44 37	\$555 87	1
64	64	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	115	2
.....	400	.....	7 48	\$7 39	9 88	20 40	\$17 75	250	92 61	80 51	3
260	263	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	265	4
560	560	.....	11 40	8	9 65	14 95	.....	1000	40	1644	5
500	564 50	\$20	10	12	10 46	66	.....	.....	265 75	948 71	6

PRESBYTERY OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

\$486	\$450	.....	\$5	\$16 67	\$16 67	\$47 96	\$24	.....	\$60	\$620 30	1
600	.....	\$12	4	.....	3	16	.....	\$140	.....	175	2
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3
500	500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	500	4
433 33	410	.....	3 33	3 33	.....	.....	25	148	.....	589 66	5
250	250	.....	4	4 66	7 04	25 63	.....	72	21	384 33	6
250	230	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	.....	254	7
583 33	583 33	.....	3	16	26	84	.....	.....	100	812 33	8
366	316 66	5 95	4 16	3 10	6 15	6 56	.....	.....	.....	342 58	9
533 33	533 33	.....	3	6 87	19 58	56	.....	50	.....	668 78	10
500	502 51	10 66	9 83	30	50	103 33	62	456 25	205 70	1430 28	11
533 33	433 33	23 33	4	3 33	2 50	6 66	.....	33 33	73 33	579 81	12
340	230	.....	2	.....	4	3	.....	200	.....	430	13
466 67	480	.....	4	11 92½	.....	56 67	.....	666 67	200	1419 26½	14
500	523	.....	.....	.....	15	40 90	.....	40	135	753 90	15
352	352	.....	.....	2	2	9 85	8 80	.....	.....	374 65	16
433 33	394	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1443	41	1878	17
333 66	333 66	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	4	260	20	621 66	18
.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	26 66	.....	33 33	233 33	295 32	19
.....	.....	.....	.....	3	8	20	.....	.....	.....	31	20
500	500	.....	.....	.....	10	10	.....	.....	.....	520	21
366	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	.....	20	.....	27	22

PRESBYTERY OF TRURO.

\$800	\$678	.....	\$16	\$48	\$60	\$62	.....	\$35	\$899	1	
444	415	.....	8	16	24	48 86	.....	\$40	70	621 86	2
800	800	\$20	12	37 26	150 86	137 39	.....	850 54	2008 05	3	
560	400	.....	8	.....	20	42 63	.....	100	20	590 63	4
600	450	.....	4	20	20	20	.....	.....	91	605	5
720	720	.....	3	44 50½	88 63	98 28	.....	843	183 05	1985 47	6
600	600	.....	3	.....	14	24 78	.....	.....	111	757 78	7
700	575 12½	.....	18 04	8 80	57 97	178 98	.....	.....	71 78	910 70	8
660	402	.....	4 17	4 40	8 30	8 23½	.....	.....	.....	427 15½	9
400	300	.....	5	2 50	2 50	3	.....	.....	.....	313	10
600	593	.....	14	12	46 26	46 27	.....	50	.....	761 53	11
400	400	.....	3	.....	.....	18 72½	.....	.....	.....	421 72½	12
480	240	56 75	.....	.....	20	20	.....	474	.....	810 75	13

STATISTICS OF SYNOD.

LOCALITY OF CONGREGATION.	NAME OF PASTOR.	Length and breadth of Con. in miles.	No. of adherents including children.	No. of families.	No. of churches.	No. of sittings in these.	No. preach'g stations.	Average attendance in churches & stations.
PRESBYTERY OF CAPE BRETON.								
1 Sydney, &c.*	Hugh McLeod, D.D.	25 x 15	2000	350	4	2000	2	1500
2 Boularderie,	James Fraser,	28 x 8	1050	150	2	860	2	850
3 Sydney Mines,	Matthew Wilson,	7 x 10	840	150	3	700	..	600
4 Grand R. & Loch Lomond,	James Ross,	10 x 36	1180	197	2	880	2	800
5 St. Ann's and N. Shore,	Abraham McIntosh,	30 x 5	1800	245	3	300	3	1200
6 Little and Big Glace Bay,	Alex. Farquharson,	1 x 9	500	100	1	.....	..	350
7 Cow Bay,	D. McDougall,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
8 Cape North,	Vacant,	13 x 20	360	60	1	300	2	120
9 Gabarous,	Vacant,	30 x 8	627	132	2	.....	..	200
10 Leitch's Creek,	Vacant,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

PRESBYTERY OF VICTORIA AND RICHMOND.

1 Baddeck,	Kenneth McKenzie,	14 x 7	720	110	3	950	6	250
2 Mabou,	William Sinclair,	20 x 6	300	43	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	500	2	230
3 Middle Riv. & L. Ainslie,	Donald McKenzie,	17 x 12	800	140	2	700	2	300
4 Plaister Cove,	William G. Forbes,	9 x 20	600	120	2	800	3	480
5 Whycomagh,	Murdoch Stewart,	15 x 12	1300	245	1	800	..	750
6 West Bay,	Vacant,	35 x 5	920	170	2	500	..	250

PRESBYTERY OF ST. JOHN.

1 St. John Ch., St. John,	James Bennet,	City.	900	140	1	800	..	400
2 St. David's, do.	Neil McKay,	Cy. & Port'ld	800	140	1	900	..	525
3 Calvin, do.	William Alves,	do.	600	120	1	700	..	250
4 Carleton Pres. Ch., do.	Vacant,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
5 Sussex, Studholm, Nor- ton and Hampton,	James Gray, A.M.	48 x 6	700	90	4	590	4	460
6 Springfield & English Set.	Lewis Jack,	13 x 8	250	57	2	400	2	110
7 Campbell Set. & Lond'ry,	Andrew Donald,	38 x 7	347	72	1	140	7	300

PRESBYTERY OF MIRAMICHI.

1 River Charlo,	Thomas Nicholson,	30 x 4	1050	140	4	1150	4	500
2 New Mills & Point le Nim,	Angus McMaster,	.....	.....	56	1	.....	1	.....
3 Bass Riv. & Mill Branch	James Fowler,	17 x 5	510	82	2	340	1	230
4 Kouchibouguac,		21 x 1	190	30	.....	.....	..	70
5 Richibucto,	James Law,	20 x 6	.....	200	3	800	2	.....
6 Blackville and Derby,	Thos. G. Johnstone,	20 x 1	325	65	2	650	3	330

PRESBYTERY OF ST. STEPHEN.

1 St. Stephen,	Vacant,	5 x 3	300	120	1	250	..	120
2 Scotch Ridge & St. James,	John Turnbull,	16 x 4	416	100	3	600	2	300
3 Bocabec and Waweig,	William Millen,	15 x 15	440	80	2	360	2	.....

PRESBYTERY OF YORK.

1 Florenceville & Glassville,	Samuel Bernard,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
2 Fredericton,	Alexander Stirling,	.....	.....	45	1	300	5	.....
3 Harvey,	Samuel Johnson,	20 x 7	760	104	1	230	3	200
4 Prince William,	Alexander Smith,	20 x 16	400	100	4	800	5	360
5 Salmon River,	James Salmon,	20 x 10	.....	60	1	200	4	80

* There are now two additional ministers settled within this charge, which may account for the difference between this and former returns.

STATISTICS OF SYNOD.

No. of baptisms.	No. communicants.	No. accessions.	No. removals.	No. of Elders.	Diets of worship each Sabbath.	Communion services.	Families observing family worship.	No. Sabbath Schools.	No. Teachers.	No. pupils.	Vols. in Library.	Prayer Meetings each week.	Average attendance at each.	Bible classes.	Attendance at do.	No. of Deacons.	No. of Managers.
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PRESBYTERY OF CAPE BRETON.

80	75	2	1	5	2	2	all,	6	25	4	4	4	20	1	20	1	1	
30	71	2	1	5	2	1	nearly all,	3	9	130	2	2	750	12	12	2	2	
64	67	5	2	2	2	2	.....	1	8	75	250	1	60	6	6	3	3
30	48	2	2	7	2	1	about half,	2	6	50	300	1	20	1	7	10	10	
6	27	1	3	2	2	2	nearly all,	1	7	80	200	1	50	9	9	15	5	
10	.....	4	2	3	.....	.....	about qtr.	1	7	80	200	1	50	9	9	15	5
.....	15	2	4	2	.....	.....	50	4	6	100	.....	2	10	6	6	8	8
11	7	7	8	2	.....	.....	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	40	13	13	9	9
.....	10

PRESBYTERY OF VICTORIA AND RICHMOND.

11	28	2	8	3	1	70	1	5	35	100	3	20	13	1	13	1	1
10	45	3	10	3	2	26	2	6	86	200	1	1	26	6	6	2	2
16	46	4	3	5	2	1	.....	4	10	100	80	2	40	13	8	3	3
58	75	10	3	7	3	1	nearly all,	3	12	60	120	3	40	2	30	15	4
.....	65	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	nearly all,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5
47	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	115	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6

PRESBYTERY OF ST. JOHN.

20	126	6	8	4	2	2	.....	1	12	100	500	1	30	1	25	9	1
18	163	41	38	8	2	4	generally,	1	17	150	400	1	60	1	15	7	2
8	110	5	2	3	2	2	not known,	1	18	130	550	1	20	9	9	3	3
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4
12	112	5	9	5	2	3	.....	2	7	56	180	1	35	1	12	24	5
11	114	6	5	11	2	3	36	2	8	60	.....	3	30	1	20	14	6
26	105	16	3	5	2	4	21	3	7	70	160	2	20	8	8	7	7

PRESBYTERY OF MIRAMICHI.

31	145	8	10	2	3	generally,	2	4	50	400	1 1/2	50	3	100	4	10	1
.....	60	3	1	1	1	generally,	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	50	4	2	2
27	44	2	2	2	1	.....	1	4	60	240	.....	1	50	3	3	3	3
10	18	.....	1	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	4
42	205	8	4	2	2	generally,	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	5	5
9	44	1	4	3	2	2	.....	2	4	25	51	.....	.....	.....	4	4	6

PRESBYTERY OF ST. STEPHEN.

.....	60	1	2	2	2	generally,	1	7	75	400	1	30	1	8	5	1	1
7	130	5	3	7	2	60	4	17	150	200	3	20	5	5	2	2	2
7	50	4	1	2	2	.....	3	15	90	150	occas'n'l,	.....	.....	.....	5	3	3

PRESBYTERY OF YORK.

.....	50	3	2	2	4	.....	1	5	.....	.....	4	15	1	20	5	1	1
24	212	11	6	2	4	generally,	4	8	120	200	occas'n'l,	40	2	30	7	3	3
14	103	6	11	2	4	18	4	9	105	150	3	17	4	17	4	4	4
8	68	3	3	5	2	1	.....	2	6	40	.....	1	30	2	15	7	5

STATISTICS OF SYNOD.

LOCALITY OF CONGREGATION.	Method of raising stipend.	Terms and mode of payment.	Annual value of manse and glebe.	Supplement received.	Debt on Congregational property.	Balance due the pastor.
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PRESBYTERY OF CAPE BRETON.

1 Sydney, &c.,	Subscription,	About 1st Jany.
2 Boularderie,	Subscription,	Cash & pro. y'ly.
3 Sydney Mines,	Subscription,	Yearly,	\$60
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2 Fredericton,	Subscription,	Quarterly,
3 Harvey,	Pew Rent,	Monthly,	\$100	\$42 42
4 Prince William,	Subscription,	Half-yearly,	\$40	.....	.....	50
5 Salmon River,	Sub. and col.	Yearly,	.....	.....	.....	.....

STATISTICS OF SYNOD.

Stipend promised.	Stipend paid.	Widows Fund.	Synod Fund.	Ministerial education.	Home Missions.	Foreign Miss.		Building and repairs.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
						Cash.	Produce.			

PRESBYTERY OF CAPE BRETON.

\$1000	\$800	.....	\$8	\$16	\$48	\$80	.....	\$120	\$300	\$1252	
600	360	.....	4	5 45	48	20	.....	.....	9 17½	566 62½	1
600	600	\$20	.....	72	86	.....	.....	.....	.....	778	3
600	256	.....	11 25	.....	11 25	22 85	.....	.....	18 65	320	4
600	400	.....	18	6	24	32	.....	.....	.....	480	6
600	600	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	638	6
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60	.....	.....	172	.....	232	8
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10

PRESBYTERY OF VICTORIA AND RICHMOND.

\$516	\$455 65	.....	\$12 25	\$8 85	\$14 06	\$28 76½	.....	\$261 33½	\$49 40	\$830 81	
520	400	.....	7	.....	10	50	.....	.....	30	497	1
600	319 70	.....	7	.....	8	8 50	.....	300	200	843 20	3
600	235 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	235 70	4
.....	.....	.....	5	4	10 55	19 60	.....	.....	.....	39 15	6

PRESBYTERY OF ST. JOHN.

\$1200	\$1200	\$20	\$8	.....	\$50	\$32 07	.....	.....	\$600	\$1910 07	
800	800	.....	27 93	.....	76	37	.....	.....	1452 74	2393 67	2
800	800	.....	69 03	.....	.....	40	.....	.....	932	1841 02	3
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4
454	372 13	.....	3	.....	3 34	4 08	.....	\$40	.....	422 55	5
280	233 30	.....	3 50	.....	15 25	10 25	.....	1270	.....	1532 30	6
166	209 82	.....	4	\$2	2 16	4	.....	.....	.....	221 98	7

PRESBYTERY OF MIRAMICHI.

\$480	\$360	.....	\$14	.....	\$6	\$32	.....	.....	.....	\$412	
464	146	\$3 11	3 11	.....	6 22	3 11	.....	.....	.....	161 55	2
360	220	.....	5 13	.....	10	8 65	.....	.....	\$18 75	262 53	3
200	100 20	.....	9 35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 50	117 04	4
700	700	.....	17	.....	36 03½	37 61	.....	.....	.....	790 64½	5
460	360	.....	10	.....	6 40	4 25	.....	.....	20	400 65	6

PRESBYTERY OF ST. STEPHEN.

\$500	\$500	.....	\$5 27	.....	\$34 04	\$40	.....	\$80	\$30	\$500	
400	400	.....	.....	.....	29	28	.....	.....	16	590 21	2
360	302	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	375	5

PRESBYTERY OF YORK.

\$400	\$300	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$15	.....	.....	.....	\$315	
440	449 79	.....	\$3	\$9 10	\$9 10	9 10	.....	.....	.....	480 09	3
330	300	.....	3	.....	3	6	.....	\$7	\$10	329	4
300	300	.....	10 53	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200	510 53	5

Statistical Summary for Year ending 31st December, 1867.

	Hullinx.	Victori.	Tatama- gouche.	P. E. Island.	Truro.	Cape Breton.	Victoria & Richmond.	St. John.	Miramichi.	St. Stephen.	York.	Total.
Adherents, including children.....	14457	14457	3206	11992	8886	8357	4640	3597	2075	1156	1169	70425
Families.....	2635	2635	546	2162	1678	1678	898	619	373	300	309	13334
Churches.....	31	31	12	30	18	18	11	10	12	6	7	228
Sittings.....	14440	14440	3065	11244	11060	5040	4250	3530	2040	1210	1530	70133
Teaching Stations.....	52	52	15	36	24	9	13	13	11	4	17	226
Baptisms.....	8410	8410	83	6305	6200	5620	2269	2049	1130	420	640	41690
Communicants.....	297	418	745	303	180	232	35	35	119	14	46	1872
Accessions.....	3640	4133	2281	2158	2158	510	306	299	516	240	433	18486
Removals.....	154	183	40	145	144	3	17	79	9	5	20	3152
Elders.....	115	198	33	82	74	12	18	65	22	8	5	646
Sabbath Schools.....	54	79	17	56	33	16	10	10	11	8	11	305
Teachers.....	279	360	68	164	139	59	33	69	12	39	28	1270
Pupils.....	1728	3150	542	1657	1087	435	281	566	135	315	245	10639
Volumes in Libraries.....	5165	7644	1100	2742	1583	750	500	1700	691	750	350	22565
Prayer Meetings each week.....	27	45	14	39	27	15	9	9	21	4	9	1994
Average attendance.....	957	1565	464	1491	1087	1830	292	275	125	90	102	8278
Bible Classes.....	39	28	8	43	20	1	7	4	4	1	9	160
Average attendance.....	765	623	170	588	365	7	56	72	150	8	82	2814
Deacons.....	18	5	5	8	8	12	28	28	8	15	12	96
Managers.....	114	116	31	137	83	79	27	71	19	15	14	706
Financial Abstract.												
Spent received, { Under \$100.....	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	1	3	20
{ Up to \$100 but	3	2	1	9	4	2	2	2	3	1	1	23
{ Over \$200.....	5	2	1	9	4	2	2	2	3	1	1	23
Manse and Suppl- ment included, { Under \$100.....	\$710 58	\$628 80	\$482 75	\$497 68	\$236 24	\$512 66	\$414 76	\$609 21	\$331 70	\$440 66	\$347 45	\$555 71
{ Over \$100.....	635 00	700 00	100 00	561 00	88 00	60 00	40 00	300 00	104 00	120 00	40 00	2248 00
Annual value of Manse and Glebe.....	12110 00	280 00	700 00	2463 33	540 00	184 00	240 00	12950 00	104 00	654 55	100 00	28807 33
Debt on Congregational property.....	768 48	160 00	40 00	410 99	1091 75	1882 00	1159 67	941 22	2664 00	654 55	92 42	7201 08
Balance due the Pastor.....	13479 00	13653 00	2944 00	8326 98	7704 00	4000 00	2236 00	3700 00	2664 00	1260 00	1470 00	60658 98
Stipend promised.....	12874 17	13515 00	2211 50	7021 82	6573 12	3016 00	1411 05	3615 25	1886 20	1200 00	1349 79	54675 904
Stipend paid.....	20 00	44 00	50 00	51 94	76 75	40 00	.....	20 00	3 41	.....	16 53	275 80
Widow's Fund.....	144 19	230 54	33 38	52 32	108 21	49 25	31 25	115 45	58 58	5 27	10 53	344 64
Synod Fund.....	121 834	276 69	27 89	160 884	193 46	25 49	12 85	2 00	64 65	63 94	19 10	571 654
Ministerial education.....	1082 93	694 37	37 99	169 44	612 62	263 29	146 75	43 61	85 62	68 94	12 10	3691 06
Home Missions.....	585 591	1091 384	111 35	524 22	709 20	240 89	106 86	137 40	85 62	68 94	30 10	3080 584
Foreign Missions—Cash.....	80 00	164 584	17 75	123 80	983 00	292 00	561 331	1310 00	46 25	80 00	7 00	406 134
do. Produce.....	7808 00	6330 00	1432 00	3512 58	1856 37	357 52	274 40	2884 74	46 25	46 00	210 00	22515 804
Buildings and repairs.....	5853 99	4078 40	442 73	1159 36	1856 37	357 52	274 40	2884 74	46 25	46 00	210 00	17415 062
Miscellaneous.....	\$2570 73	\$29444 91	\$4334 09	\$2716 86	\$1112 65	\$4266 62	\$2445 36	\$8221 59	\$2144 41	\$1465 21	\$1634 62	103437 091
Total.....	\$2570 73	\$29444 91	\$4334 09	\$2716 86	\$1112 65	\$4266 62	\$2445 36	\$8221 59	\$2144 41	\$1465 21	\$1634 62	103437 091

REMARKS ON THE STATISTICAL TABLE.

We now give the Statistics as submitted to last Synod, with such additions as we have been able to procure—including two returns which came in after the copy was in the printer's hands. We can see no reason why the Table should not be published in June instead of November. All that is necessary to make this practicable is that each minister, or in cases of vacancy, each Session Clerk or Congregational Treasurer, should see that his return be forwarded to the Clerk of Presbytery by the 1st of March at latest. It is just as easy to devote an hour or two to this matter in winter as in mid-summer. And it is easier to do the work correctly, because there is less risk of mixing up the transactions of the past with those of the current year.

In the General Abstract we have inserted an additional line this year, exhibiting the average stipend in each Presbytery, and in the whole Synod, as represented by 105 returns which contain an entry in the column for stipend paid.

There are two or three matters of detail, to which we would call attention, with a view to securing greater uniformity in filling up the returns in future. One of these relates to Manses. They are excellent institutions, highly to be commended where they exist, and much to be desiderated where they do not; but they seem to occasion some perplexity in filling up the statistical return. In several instances we found the estimated rental of the manse included in the sum total of congregational contributions for the year—though it has no more right to be so included than the estimated rental of the church. In one case we have reason to believe that the rent of the manse is included in the stipend paid, though there is nothing in the return to indicate that the mode of payment is partly by cash and partly by giving a house rent free. In such a case there should be no entry made in the column for annual value of manse; because a house for which the minister has to pay rent to the congregation out of his salary is not really a manse, but merely a congregational investment in real estate. It is simpler and better, however, to follow

the usual practice. The manse and the cash stipend should be entered separately, each in its proper column. To guard still further against possible misconception, we may add that money contributed for reducing or removing debt on a manse should be included under the head for Church and Manse Building; that money contributed for payment of interest on manse debt should be included, with all other local expenses, under the heading for Miscellaneous Objects; and that the return for Annual Value of Manse should represent only such value as the minister receives from the use of it—any payment exacted from him, for interest of debt or otherwise, being deducted from the real value of the property.

Home Mission Supplement is another occasional item which should not be included in the return for Stipend. The complete amount of the provision made for a minister is ascertained by adding the value of manse, and supplement, when they are available, to the stipend paid by the people. But the estimate thus formed will be false if one or other of these additional items be already included in the stipend.

There is another knotty point to which we would call attention;—the subject of arrears. Some congregations are always more or less behind time, and are, perhaps, every year paying off arrears. In such cases the arrears paid up within a given year should be included in the *stipend paid* for that year, though not strictly belonging to it. For otherwise the congregation would never get credit in the Tables for paying such sums at all, and the minister would be represented as receiving less than he actually does receive. As this view of the proper mode of filling up the return may be controverted, we would appeal in support of it to the condition of the present Table. It will probably be admitted that the proper, or at least the principal use of exhibiting in distinct columns the stipend promised and that paid for the past year, is to present at a glance the relation between nominal and actual stipend, and to afford materials for estimating the average relation between them throughout the Synod

or in any particular part of it. The other purpose that might be served by these columns—that of testirg the *punctuality* of congregations, is less important in itself, and is sufficiently secured by means of the column which sets forth the balance due to the pastor. Now, if we examine the present Table we will soon satisfy ourselves that it is impossible to ascertain with anything like accuracy the average relation between nominal and actual stipend, in consequence of the irregular way in which these columns on stipend continue to be filled up. Some irregularities meet the eye at once—as in one case where \$600 is promised and nothing paid, though it is scarcely to be supposed that the minister has received absolutely nothing for a whole year—and in other cases where there is no entry for stipend promised—the suggestion in the printed schedule that where there is no specific sum promised the usual amount (or the average of last five years) be put in place of it, being overlooked or rejected. But there are other irregularities which can only be guessed at. It may be assumed that the great majority of ministers give their congregations credit, in the column *stipend paid*, for all the money they have received as stipend within the twelve months, whether from 1st January to 31st December or from 1st March to 28th February—arrears from former years included. But probably there are others who omit the paid up arrears from their reckoning, and report only what they have received for services rendered during the past calendar year. Indeed this is the strict meaning of the heading of the column; and congregations have themselves to blame if they are so dilatory in their payments that even two months' grace is not sufficient to enable them to close the year's accounts. Still, it is the fact that there are congregations thus dilatory; and the omission of an indefinite amount of arrears, which become available for the minister's support, but not in time to be acknowledged as stipend paid, vitiates to some extent any calculation that may be made from the returns respecting the actual income of the ministry. In order to obviate this inconvenience we would recom-

mend that arrears, when paid up, be reckoned for the purpose of the return as part of *stipend paid* for the year then current.

Lastly—in making up the return, care should be taken to add up the money columns correctly. An immense deal of unnecessary labour is caused every year by carelessness in this matter. And the returns for the past year were perhaps the most inaccurate, in this respect, that have ever been given. Let us explain how an incorrect sum total operates like a nail among wheat, when poured into the hopper of a flour mill. An error in a single return, or in several, may lurk unsuspected till the financial Abstract is completed, and it is found that two different modes of making up the Grand Total of contributions for the year do not yield the same result. Then the processes of summation have to be revised. Perhaps they are found to be correct. The abstract for each Presbytery must then be examined and tested separately, and when a discrepancy is discovered the source of it must be hunted up by revising the addition of each separate return within the Presbytery. A little care in making up the return would save all this. In the returns now printed over thirty such errors had to be ferretted out and corrected. In several cases the value of the manse had been included; in others the stipend promised as well as that paid; even the balance due the pastor might be found included in the total contributions for the year! It is expressly to prevent such mistakes that a heavy black line is drawn in the printed schedule over the line for stipend paid, to indicate that the process of addition is to begin there, and not go higher up the page. But in most cases there was no obvious way of accounting for the error. And the amount of these errors was far from trifling. In a few cases the error extended only to the cents, or amounted only to a few dollars. But in most cases the amount was considerable; in some cases very large. To be more precise—there are errors, usually in excess, but sometimes in defect, to the following amounts respectively—\$2040, \$1000, \$922, \$800; for manses from \$130 downwards; and in defect \$200,

\$100, \$90. Inaccuracies on such a scale, if not corrected, would render the Table worthless. One is almost tempted to suggest that, if the present ministry are to be despaired of, advantage should be taken of the future reconstruction of the Hall to found a chair for drill in simple addition. But seriously, five minutes more—or ten at the utmost—spent in revising the return before forwarding it to the Presbytery Clerk, would obviate the evil.

A. MCKNIGHT,
Convener of Com. on Statistics.

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