

PRESBYTERY OF MANITOBA.—This Presbytery met at Kildonan on the 16th and 17th days of July.

In the absence of the Moderator, the Rev. J. Black was appointed Moderator *pro tem*. Rev. Messrs. Ure & Cochrane, Commissioners from the General Assembly, being present, were asked to sit and correspond. Mr. Mathieson reported that he had dispensed the communion at the Portage, and that elders had been elected. Messrs. Morrison and Cunningham, Elders, of Headingley, were associated with Mr. Mathieson as a Session, *ad interim*, for the ordaining and inducting of these elders. Reports were received from the different stations, as to the amounts they could raise this year for the support of ordinances among themselves. Arrangements were made for the dispensation of the Lord's Supper at Springfield, Park's Creek and Rockwood. Mr. McNabb was instructed to dispense the same ordinance at White Mud River at his convenience. A petition was received and read from Springfield, praying to be recognized as a supplemented congregation in connection with certain parties in Kildonan, with the right to choose their own minister. A paper was read, signed by certain parties in Kildonan, concurring in the above petition from Springfield, both papers were accompanied with a subscription list and delegates. There was also read a petition from part of the people of the Springfield Settlement, praying for a missionary to be settled among them. After consideration it was moved by Mr. Frazer, seconded by Mr. Harper, and agreed to, that the petitions from Springfield and Sunnyside lie on the table till next meeting, and that a Committee of Presbytery be appointed to confer with all the parties interested, and report at next meeting; further, that the petitioners purporting to be connected with the Kildonan Church be informed that any such petition asking a change in their present ecclesiastical relations must be formally transmitted by the Kirk Session of said congregation to the Presbytery. Messrs. Bryce, Donaldson, Frazer, and Sutherland were appointed as the deputation to carry out the above resolution, Mr. Frazer, Convener. The Rev. James Nisbet, of the Prince Albert Mission, was authorized to ordain elders in connection with that Mission. An extract minute of the General Assembly was read, granting our request to receive Mr. P. H. Moodie as a third year Theological Student, to complete his studies under the care of the Presbytery. Prof. Bryce reported as to the petition sent down to the Home Mission Committee, asking leave to open classes at Winnipeg, in connection with Manitoba College, that, in the General Assembly, the matter had not been taken up in the form in which the petition had passed through the Presbytery, but as to the transference of the College from Kildonan to Winnipeg, and that the Rev. Messrs. Ure, of Goderich, and Cochrane, of Brantford, had been appointed Commissioners to inquire into the matter on the spot. These Commissioners being present held a conference with the Presbytery on the matter. It was agreed to apply to the Home Mission Committee for a grant to Prof. Hart of \$100 for past services in the Mission field and \$200 for the present year. Prof. Bryce, on behalf of the Committee, appointed to prepare a minute expressive of the sympathies of the Presbytery with the Rev. John Black in his late bereavement. read a minute, which was adopted, ordered to be engrossed, and a copy given to Mr. Black. The next meeting of Presbytery was appointed to be held at Winnipeg and within the Church there, on the 10th day of September, at 11 o'clock a.m.

ALEX. FRAZER, *Pres. Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF SIMCOE.—The ordinary meeting of this Presbytery was held at Barrie on Tuesday, August 5th, at 11 a.m. All the Ministers and five Elders being present.

Mr. John Gray was elected Moderator for the following year, and the undersigned, who at last meeting was chosen Clerk in consequence of Mr. Gray's resignation of the office, assumed the duties of the Clerkship.

A minute was adopted expressing the thanks of the Court for Mr. Gray's services as Clerk for the past five years, and acknowledging his eminent qualifications for the office, his careful and satisfactory discharge of its duties, and his