

Zorra, now vacant; and the mission fields, two—Trowbridge, and Ellice and Logan—the latter being, at present, somewhat in abeyance. The old Home Mission Committee was re-appointed with the addition of Mr. Wilkins—Mr. Hamilton, Convener. The supply of Vacancies and Mission Stations during last quarter was, as usual, reported. Mr. Peter Murray appeared from East Zorra, and stated the progress of the new church building and other circumstances, affording the gratifying intelligence that they would soon be able to enter it, and the congregation be likely to enter upon a new and more prosperous career. A Committee was appointed to visit them, and consult and take action as they may deem prudent for the good of the cause. Mr. Hall reported that he had moderated in a call to a minister at Biddulph, according to appointment. The call, signed by 98 members and 75 adherents, was unanimously and heartily addressed to Mr. Helenus H. Macpherson, M.A., and was also unanimously sustained. A tender of the resignation of the pastorate of North Easthope, by Mr. Allan was read, and he was heard in relation thereto. After many expressions of kind feelings and sympathy in his increasing bodily infirmities, it was agreed to cite the congregation to appear at next ordinary meeting for its interests in this matter. It was also agreed to send a deputation to deal with the congregation as to a retiring allowance to Mr. Allan. The Clerk presented a summary report from the statistical and financial returns of the congregations, excepting St. Andrew's, North Easthope, and St. Andrew's, Stratford. It was agreed to receive the report, tender thanks to its compiler, and defer the consideration of it till next meeting. Session records, not produced this year, were ordered for examination at next meeting. Mr. Boyd asked leave of absence from his charge for three months, with a view to recruiting, and visiting his native land. Leave was granted with the good wishes of the brethren. The Home Mission Committee was instructed to make special inquest into the religious necessities of Trowbridge and neighboring parts, and report at next meeting.

LONDON PRESBYTERY.—The Presbytery of London, in connection with the Presbyterian Church in Canada, met in St. Andrew's Church, London, and was constituted. Mr. Gordon, of Dorchester, Moderator, in the chair. There was a good attendance of ministers and elders. Mr. Gordon was appointed Moderator for the next six months, it being understood that the appointment thereafter will be in order of induction. Mr. Cutlibertson was appointed clerk. Dr. Proudfoot, Messrs. Simpson and Gordon, were appointed members of Presbytery Home Mission Committee: Dr. Proudfoot, convener. A call was presented from the congregation of Wardsville, to Mr. Donaldson. The call was sustained. Mr. Donaldson having intimated his acceptance of it, his induction was appointed to take place at Wardsville, on 9th August, at 11 a.m. In terms of a petition from Hyde Park and neighbourhood, it was agreed to encourage the Presbyterians there to build a church. A deputation was appointed to visit that section, to organize them, and give them counsel and encouragement, it being understood that the sessions of the various Churches in London be notified of the Presbytery's action. In terms of a petition from South Plympton, to be disjoined from North Plympton, it was agreed to cite parties to appear for their interests; and further, to appoint Messrs. Thompson, Rennie, Simpson, Abraham, ministers, and Hon. A. Vidal, elder, to visit Wyoming, North and South Plympton, and Forest, with a view to re-arrange the whole field, if desirable or necessary. Mr. Rennie was appointed Treasurer of Presbytery.

Obituary.

THE LATE REV. JAMES CAIRNS, M.D.

On the 18th of February last, the above named minister passed away at the age of nearly seventy-seven years. Many of the readers of the