

half of the West session explained what they had done and that the West congregation did not seem to fully favor the union, but they left the whole matter in the hands of the Presbytery to arrange what was considered best in the circumstances. The Rev. Thos. Scouler was appointed moderator *pro tem* of the session of the West church. After some discussion it was resolved that a committee be appointed to make enquiry as to the circumstances of the congregation and to consider any question of union of congregations in the city that may be raised and report to the next meeting of Presbytery. The following were appointed the committee: Revs. J. H. Maxwell, convener; E. D. McLaren, J. W. Macmillan and A. Dunn and Mr. McQueen, elder. The Presbytery authorized that the necessary certificate be given Mr. Greig on his leaving the Presbytery. The meeting then adjourned to meet in St. Andrew's church, New Westminster, on Tuesday, the 4th September next, at 2:30 p.m.—Geo. R. MAXWELL, Clerk.

Presbytery of Glengarry.

THE Presbytery of Glengarry met by adjournment at Woodlands on the 9th Aug., the moderator, Rev. N. T. C. Mackay, in the chair. Rev. G. D. Bayne, of Pembroke, being present, was invited to sit and deliberate. The principal business was to hear Mr. N. A. MacLeod's trials for ordination. Through some disappointment the usual exercises and discourse had to be passed over. Mr. MacLeod was then examined in the prescribed subjects, Hebrew, Greek, Theology and Church History. The trials were on the whole sustained. Presbytery then proceeded with the ordination and induction services according to provisional arrangements made previously. A suitable sermon was preached by the moderator, in the absence of Rev. A. Russell, who had been appointed to that duty. Rev. J. Hastie narrated the steps taken towards filling the vacancy. Mr. MacLeod then answered the usual set of questions and was formally ordained and inducted. Rev. A. Givan then suitably addressed the minister, and Mr. Hastie the people on their respective duties. The newly-inducted minister was then introduced to the congregation at the door of the church. Elders and managers then met with the Presbytery and reported things in a favourable condition.—M. MACLENNAN, Clerk.

Presbytery of Halifax.

A *pro re nata* meeting of the Halifax Presbytery was held at Shubenacadie, on the 8th inst., to consider a call from Middle Musquodoboit to the Rev. E. Smith. Mr. Dickie reported that, after due notice, he had moderated in the call on the 24th July, and that the people are earnestly desirous of obtaining the pastor of their choice. Messrs. McCurdy and Selgwick, elders, represented the congregation, and asked that the call be sustained and expressed their hope that Mr. Smith would accept. The call was sustained and presented to Mr. Smith, who in a short statement signified his acceptance of the same. Arrangements were accordingly made for his induction. The services will be held in the church, Middle Musquodoboit, on Tuesday, the 25th inst., at 2 p.m., the Rev. John Murray to preside, Rev. J. P. Fiksoner to preach, Rev. H. H. McPherson to address the minister and Rev. McLeod Harry the people. Rev. Murray is to read the edict on the 19th and 20th. Some time was spent in devotional exercises and prayer was especially offered for the Rev. E. Grant who seems to be rapidly failing in strength.—P. M. MORRISON, Clerk.

Rev. R. M. Hamilton.

In connection with the election of Rev. R. M. Hamilton to the First church in Brantford, the Expositor of that city publishes the following sketch of him:—Mr. Hamilton is of Scotch descent. His grandparents came from Scotland some twenty years ago and settled in Eastern Ontario. About forty years ago they with many others moved

west and settled in Perth county, near where the village of Cromarty now stands. Here Mr. Hamilton was born May 24, 1859. He is one of a family of thirteen, eight sons and five daughters, all of whom, with two exceptions, are still living. He received his early education in the country school some two miles and a half distant. His first ambition was to follow the trade of his grandfather and be a carpenter, but his father having purchased another farm when he was about twelve years old needed the help of all his boys, and Robert was put to the plow and his mother, an active, capable woman, who took a keen interest in her son's welfare, did much to turn him from his purpose and make a farmer of him. However, at fifteen, while between the plow handles, he experienced a change of heart and from that time he felt himself constrained to preach the Gospel. He returned to school the following winter to prepare himself for teaching as a stepping-stone to his future work. At this time his father sold his farm and purchased another near the town of Stratford. This gave the family greater advantages and Robert entered the High School, from which in two years he took a second class teacher's certificate. After teaching two years and a half he entered Pickering College on the advice of one of his former teachers, the late S. P. Davis, M.A., and from there matriculated in Toronto University, July 1881. At the end of his second year he found it necessary to teach again and he filled Principal Campbell's place in St. Thomas Public School for a few months. Then, after two years as assistant master of Cayuga High School, he returned to Toronto and graduated in '87. He spent the next winter in the colleges of Edinburgh, and the following summer travelling through Europe, when he returned to Toronto and graduated from Knox college in '89. Having suffered somewhat from throat trouble during his college course, he was persuaded by some of his friends not to enter the ministry, and a splendid opening being presented to him in the wholesale house of Gowans, Kent & Co. (Mr. Kent about this time became his father-in-law) he was induced to go into business, but not feeling satisfied he soon resolved to begin preaching, which he did in a mission at Eglinton. In a short time he abandoned business and gave himself entirely to the work at Eglinton. The mission was soon organized into a congregation, and on June 23, 1890, he was settled as pastor of the double charge of Eglinton and Bethesda. Here he laboured with success till last November, when he tendered his resignation to seek a larger field.

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