

appointed Rev. W. B. Clark and Mr. Anderson, elder, to go to Kennebec, at their earliest convenience, and attend to this matter. Messrs. Lindsay, Wright, and Mackenzie were appointed as a committee to make arrangements for holding Missionary meetings throughout the various congregations of the Presbytery.

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**PRESBYTERY OF GUELPH.**—This Presbytery met yesterday, in St. Andrew's Church, Guelph. We are able to give only a very brief summary of the principal business transacted. It was agreed that a Sabbath School Conference should be held in Melville Church, Fergus, on the second Tuesday of January next, and a committee, Mr. Smellie, convener, was appointed to make all necessary arrangements. Reasons of protest and appeal by Sheriff Davidson against the decision of Presbytery in the Berlin case, at their last meeting, were read, and a committee named to prepare answers to the same. The committee to whom the application of the Rev. W. F. Clarke to be received as a minister of the Presbyterian Church in Canada had been referred, reported, recommending that the application be entertained, and that it be brought before the General Assembly at their next meeting, and the clerk was instructed to give notice of this to all the Presbyteries throughout the Church. Mr. John Cullen, lately a priest of the Roman Catholic Church, was introduced, applying to be received into the Church. He was heard, stating the reasons which induced him to take this course. A committee was appointed to confer with him, examine his documents, with instructions to report at next meeting. Reports were received from a number of other Committees. A call was submitted from the congregations of Nassagaweya and Campbellville to Mr. H. H. McPherson, and ordered to be forwarded to him for his decision. Mr. Ball was heard on his notice of motion regarding the changes made in Collier's Histories, prescribed by the Council of Public Instruction as text books in our schools, and a committee was appointed to make inquiry still further as to the extent and authority for such changes, and to report at next meeting. The session of Kno Church, Eora, which had sought the judgment of the Presbytery on a case of the marriage of a man with the sister of his deceased wife, was instructed to deal with it according to the law of the Church upon the subject. Mr. William Reid, a student who had completed his course of study for the ministry, was licensed to preach the gospel, and a certificate of license granted him. Mr. Goodwillie laid upon the table his resignation of the congregations of Doon and Hespeler, and Mr. Bentley was appointed to give them notice of the same, and cite them to appear for their interest at next meeting, which was appointed to be held in St. Andrew's Church, Guelph, on the 2nd Tuesday of November, at nine o'clock, forenoon.

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**PRESBYTERY OF OWEN SOUND.**—This Presbytery held an adjourned meeting on the 25th day of August last, in Division Street Church, Owen Sound, and ordained and inducted the Rev. J. Somerville, M.A., into pastoral charge of the congregation of the above-named Church. Mr. Somerville has entered upon his labours with every prospect of success. At the close of the services a petition from Griersville congregation, praying for union with Thornbury congregation, was received. The Court ordered the petition to lie on the table until next ordinary meeting, and in the meantime to cite all parties concerned to appear for their interests at said meeting. Mr. Rodgers was appointed to dispense the Lord's Supper at South Diagonal Station on the first Sabbath of September. Messrs. Morrison and Somerville were appointed a deputation to visit the mission stations of Wiarton, etc., in order to gather information regarding the condition of these stations, and report at next ordinary meeting. Messrs. Cameron and Rodgers were appointed to visit the pastoral charge of North Keppel and Sarawak, in reference to the arrears of stipend due to the pastor thereof. The Presbytery held its regular quarterly meeting in the same place on the 21st day of September.