

Presbytery of Guelph.

The Presbytery met in Chalmers' Church, on the 9th inst. After reading the minutes of the last meeting and taking down the names of those present, the Clerk reported the death of Mr. J. A. Thompson, of Erie, on which his name was removed from the Roll, and a Committee appointed to draw up a suitable minute, and report in the afternoon. Mr. Strachan is to declare the pulpit vacant on the 21st inst., and Mr. Cameron is to act as Moderator of Session during the vacancy. Session Records were called for and Committees appointed to examine them. These Committees reported in the afternoon, and action was taken in accordance with the reports given in. A Committee was named to take the superintendence of Students in the bounds during the summer. The Clerk reported that all congregations had sent in their Statistical Reports and Financial Statements for the year, and that reports had also been received from some of the mission stations. Mr. Mullan stated that by the appointment of the Clerk he had gone to Woolwich on the 8th April, and in due form had declared the pulpit vacant, through the translation of Mr. Yeomans to the Presbytery of Hamilton. A report was read from the Committee appointed at last meeting to visit Everton, when it was agreed that it be received and that the thanks of the Presbytery be given them for their diligence. Mr. Torrance was authorized to procure supply for that congregation as soon as he can, and Mr. Cameron was chosen Moderator of Session. A petition for organization was read from certain members and adherents of the church at Preston, when it was resolved that the petition be received and that the usual notice be given to the Kirk Session in the neighborhood. Mr. McDiarmid stated that he had preached at Hillsburg and Price's Corners, and declared the pastoral charge of these congregations vacant. The Clerk reported that the Synod of Toronto and Kingston had at their meeting last week, dismissed the complaint and appeal of Mr. Sheriff Davidson and sustained the action of the Presbytery in the matter of the election and ordination of Elders in St. Andrew's Church, Berlin. The attention of the Court was called to the fact that a Synod had been instituted, and the Clerk made a statement of the proposition of the same to be raised in those bounds, and of the amount which would fall to each congregation, basing his calculation on the number of families each contained. Applications were received from Mr. Brouillette and Mr. Ross, to be received into the Church, the former as a minister and the latter as a probationer. The Committee appointed to visit Winterbourne and St. Andrew's Church, Woolwich, gave in their report to the effect that they had succeeded in getting these congregations to unite so as to form one pastoral charge. Notice of this has already appeared in our columns. The report was received and the Committee asked for their diligence. A petition of the congregation was then read praying the Presbytery to unite them. The prayer of the petition was granted, and Mr. Davidson who was at the same time appointed Moderator of the united session, was instructed to announce this decision to them on the 21st inst. A petition was read from a number of persons in Comestogo, praying to have a mission station opened in that village. Commissioners were heard in support of the same. The petition was received and the Clerk notified to give proper notice to the Kirk Session of congregations likely to be affected by granting its prayer. It was resolved to summon the congregation at Hawkesville and Winterbourne to appear at the next meeting, when the future relations between them would be considered. The Committee watching over the interests of Moorefield reported, and were confirmed. An application was read from the same place to be joined with Rothsay, under the pastoral care of Mr. Anderson, only on condition of being retained in connection with the Presbytery of Guelph. A report was read from the Finance Committee, setting forth among other things, the state of the German Mission, and of the ordinary Presbytery Funds. The Clerk was instructed to correspond with the congregations that are in arrears, and request them to discharge the same. Leave of absence was granted from the congregation to Dr. McKay and Mr. Middlemiss, who intend visiting Scotland during the summer. The Committee in the matter of dispute between the congregations of Rockwood and Eden Mills, reported that the matter had been satisfactorily and amicably arranged. Notices were read from several Presbyterians of their intention to apply at the General Assembly for leave to receive ministers. The Clerk was instructed to report Mrs. Thompson's name to be placed among the beneficiaries on the Widows' Fund of the Church. A minute was read on the removal of Mr. Yeomans, which was approved and adopted, and a copy ordered to be sent to Mr. Yeomans. The Committee appointed to prepare a minute on the death of Mr. Thompson reported, when it was agreed that the report be received, adopted, and a copy of the minute be forwarded to the widow. The clerk reported that the Home Mission Committee had declined to grant any supplement to Rockwood congregation, and had withdrawn that formerly enjoyed by Eden Mills. Agreed that the Presbytery renew its application and press it earnestly. A Committee was appointed to prepare an overture, in accordance with a refusal from the Session of Chalmers' Church, to the General Assembly on the preparation of a hymn-book that may be commended for adoption throughout the Church. The roll was called and marked. The next meeting was fixed to be held in Chalmers' Church, Guelph, on the second Tuesday of July, at 10 o'clock, forenoon.

The Rev. John M. McIntyre, received from his Bible Class, in Cumberland, where he was labouring for two months, an address accompanied with a very beautiful, and useful writing desk; also Mrs. McIntyre a costly dressing case, and Mr. McIntyre replied in suitable terms. A very strong attachment was formed between all parties during that short time.

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Official Announcements.

MEETINGS OF PRESBYTERIES. CHATHAM In the Lecture Room of Knox Church, Toronto, on Saturday, 19th June, at 11 a.m. LINDSAY - At Woodville, on the last Tuesday of May, at 11 a.m. BRUCE - At Port Elgin, on the 2nd Tuesday of July, at 4 o'clock p.m. KINGSTON - At Kingston, in Brook St. Church, on the 2nd Tuesday of July, at 7 p.m. HURON - At Searleth, on the 2nd Tuesday of July, at 11 a.m. PARIS - Presbytery meets in Zion Church, Brantford, on first Tuesday of July, at 2 p.m. TORONTO - Next meeting of Presbytery of Toronto in the Lecture Room of Knox Church, Toronto, on the last Tuesday of May, at 11 a.m.

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WM. COCHRANE, Convener, Brantford, May 13, 1876.

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