

the Basis of Union was carefully read and considered. A few suggestions were agreed to—though not of disapprobation—and ordered to be transmitted to the Convener of Committee. Each Session unanimously agreed to submit the Basis also to the Congregation, which having been done the following Resolutions first unanimously adopted by the Sessions, were also unanimously adhered to by the Congregations:

*Resolved*—That this Session recognises the favour of the Lord of Zion in leading the Joint Committees of the United Presbyterian Church and the Presbyterian Church of Canada in all their meetings, to see so far, eye to eye in their deliberations and findings, and particularly—that now a Basis of Union has been formed which in the judgment of this Session compromises no principle held by either body, and on which it is deemed they may safely incorporate.

*Resolved*—That in the opinion of this Session a union so desirable, and which by the Divine Blessing may prove of incalculable benefit to the cause of truth, and the upbuilding of the Church of Christ in this land should by the respective Church Courts be forwarded without any undue delay.

Attested by James Skinner, Moderator of Sessions and Minister of Congregations. The foregoing resolutions were, after public Worship on Wednesday the 20th October, unanimously adopted by the Session and Congregation of the United Presbyterian Church in the Village of Carlisle, and after public Worship and the election of Elders on October 21st by the United Presbyterian Congregation of Fish Creek, Blanchard.

J. SKINNER.

#### BEVERLY.—RE OPENING OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

This Church at Kirkwall, Beverly, under the pastoral charge of the Rev. John Porteous, was after enlargement, reopened for public Worship, on Sabbath the 17th October. The Rev. Wm. Ormiston, Hamilton, preached on the occasion two eloquent and impressive sermons, from Psalm lxxxiv., 1, 2, in the forenoon, and from 2nd Cor. v., 20, last clause, in the afternoon. The day was delightful for the season, and there could not be much under 600 people present. The collection was between \$59 and \$60 only, as the congregation had previously subscribed towards defraying the necessary expense.

The Church is now forty feet by seventy-five feet, the late addition being twenty-five feet. It is capable of accommodating nearly 500 people. This is the second enlargement that has been made since its erection in 1848, a gallery having been added in 1853. May the Great Head of the Church pour down a plentiful rain and prosper us for the future, as he has graciously done for the past.—*Communicated*.

#### U. P. PRESBYTERY OF HURON.

This Presbytery met at Brucefield, on the 6th of October. Took up an application from the Session of Goderich, for the services of a preacher for the first three months, in consequence of the continued absence of their minister in Scotland. Agreed to give all the service in their power to said congregation, on the understanding that preacher's stipend be fully met by the congregation. Took up the subject of Synodical collections; and whilst enjoining on all the congregations the duty of making said collections, called special attention—in view of our independence of the Home Church—to the claims of the Home Mission Fund. The Clerk read a petition from the congregation of Brucefield, requesting one of their number to Moderate in a call, at their earliest con-

venience. The Commissioners present were heard in support of the prayer of the petition: the usual questions were put. After conversation on the present circumstances and future prospects of the congregation, the Presbytery agreed to grant the prayer of the petition. Mr. Logic was appointed to preach in Brucefield, on Sabbath first, and make the necessary intimation to the congregation; and Mr. Barr was appointed to Moderate in a call, on Wednesday, the 13th inst. Appointed next Quarterly Meeting to be held at Brucefield, on the first Tuesday in Jan.—[*Communicated*.]

GREY, TURNBERRY, AND HOWICK.

The Rev. W. C. Young, late of Newton and Newcastle, was inducted by the Presbytery of Huron into the pastoral charge of the congregations of these places, on the 4th of August.