

the arrears due on the stipends of ministers, and dealing with defaulting congregations, as well as the contributions to the schemes of the Church; and that ministers be required to report in case there are arrears which are not mentioned in the statistics, and that the Presbytery will not take into consideration arrears for years past that have not been reported.

The next meeting takes place on 2nd Tuesday of January, at eleven a.m.

J. PORTEOUS, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE met at Cornwall on 1st November 1st.

A unanimous call from Cornwall in favour of Mr. John Burton was sustained by the Presbytery, and declined by Mr. Burton.

Mr. Burton, by letter, accepted the call from Yonge and Lyn. The ordination services were appointed to take place on the 17th of November. Mr. Ferrie to preach and preside, Dr. Boyd to address the pastor, and Mr. Smith the people.

The portion of the debt on Knox College apportioned to the Presbytery was divided among the various congregations, which were instructed to collect and transmit the same as speedily as possible.

Missionary supplies were made out for the ensuing quarter.

The next meeting will be held at Kemptville on 1st Tuesday of February next.

PRESBYTERY OF PARIS.—The Presbytery of Paris held its annual quarterly meeting at Woodstock on Tuesday, the 1st of November. There was a very large attendance of members, but very little business of public importance.

The circular from the Board of Management of Knox College was remitted to a committee to apportion the amount expected from the Presbytery equitably among the several congregations within their bounds, and it was resolved to use the utmost diligence to raise the full amount expected of them.

Mr. Irvine, of Ayr, being still unable to resume his labours, it was agreed to continue the supply of his pulpit, as at present, for other three months, and the necessary appointments were made out till next meeting.

Messrs. Inglis, Dunbar, and Christie, were appointed a committee to draw up a suitable minute antecedent to the sudden death of the Rev. David Caw; and Messrs. Cochrane, Gillespie, and Hume were appointed to co-operate with the session of Dumfries St. Church, Paris, in procuring supplies for the vacant pulpit.

The Presbytery then adjourned to meet in Dumfries st. church, Paris, on the first Tuesday of February at 10 a.m., and was closed with prayer.

JOHN GILLESPIE, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.—The Presbytery of Toronto met on the 1st of November.

Mr. Gregg resigned his office as clerk.

The subject of missionary meetings for the winter having been taken into consideration, it was agreed to recommend that missionary meetings be held in each congregation within the bounds as formerly, but that it be left to each minister to make arrangements for his own meeting or meetings, and that, instead of simply taking up a collection at these meetings or on the Sabbath following, congregations form themselves into missionary associations, and take up periodically contributions for the missionary schemes of the Church by means of collectors appointed for this purpose. It was also agreed that each minister be required to report personally or by letter, to the Presbytery as to the compliance with these recommendations.

The attention of the ministers of Presbytery is specially called to the above resolution.

The Presbytery took into consideration a circular which had been sent to them by the Synodical Committee, with reference to the present financial state of Knox College, and appointed a committee to prepare a statement of the sums which it would be proper for the congregations within the bounds respectively to aim at, in order that the amount expected from the Presbytery of Toronto might be realised, the committee to communicate with the several congregations.

Mr. Patterson gave notice of a motion for next meeting, that the Presbytery nominate Dr. Ormiston, of Hamilton, as a fit and proper person to be appointed to the vacant professorship in Knox College.

The next ordinary meeting will be held in Knox church, Toronto, on the first Tuesday of February, at eleven o'clock, forenoon.

JAMES MITCHELL, Pres. Clerk.