

On motion of Dr. Laing, duly seconded, the report was received and adopted and leave was granted to the several Presbyteries to receive the Ministers whose names are annexed to each respectively. The Assembly also decided and ordered in accordance with the further recommendations of the report. Leave granted and disposals otherwise as follows :—

To the Presbytery of Toronto to receive Mr. Alex. K. Caswell.

“ Montreal “ “ John Fraser.

“ Toronto “ “ Walter Reid.

“ Toronto “ “ Hugh Rose, as soon as he obtains from

the Presbytery of Manchester, England, the ordinary certificate of good standing in the Presbyterian Church in England, and that in the meantime he may be employed in the service of the Church.

To the Presbytery of Manitoba, to receive Mr. John McLeod, M. D.

“ Halifax “ “ J.B. Dustan as a licentiate.

“ Lanark and Renfrew “ Alex. McAvish as a licentiate.

“ Ottawa, to license Mr. P. S. Vernier.

In reference to the application from the Presbytery of London on behalf of Mr. Robt. H. Craig, the Committee find that the application is for leave to receive Mr. Craig as a Catechist ; and as to do this is within the competency of the Presbytery, they recommend that the case be referred back to the Presbytery. The recommendation was adopted.

RETIRING MINISTERS.

The Assembly called for the report of the Committee appointed to consider the applications of Presbyteries for leave to ministers to retire from the active exercise of the ministry. The report was presented and read by the Convener of the Committee, Mr. Kenneth MacLennan. The report was received and its several clauses were considered *seriatim*, and the Assembly granted the applications of the Presbyteries following, respectively, for the ministers named, to retire from the active duties of the ministry, with disposals as stated below, on special cases.

1. To the Presbytery of Peterborough on behalf of Mr. William White, and that his allowance from the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund date from his first application.

2. To the Presbytery of Saugeen on behalf of Mr. John Irvine.

3. “ Owen Sound “ “ Duncan Morrison.

4. “ Toronto “ “ W. E. MacKay.

5. “ “ “ Robert Jamieson.

6. “ Hamilton “ “ Wm. Cleland.

7. “ Chengarry “ “ W. A. Lang, with the recommend-

ation that the Committee on the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund be asked to give his application the most favourable consideration.

8. To the Presbytery of Paris “ “ Thomas Alexander.

9. “ St. John “ “ Lewis Jack.

10. “ Barrie “ “ Smith Hutchison.

MR. ROBERT DEWAR.

The Assembly on the recommendation of the Committee granted the application of the Presbytery of Owen Sound in behalf of Mr. Robert Dewar, of Annan, for an increased allowance from the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund.

MR. CHARLES CAMPBELL.

The General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Committee, granted the application on behalf of Mr. Charles Campbell, to the effect that he be placed in such a position as will entitle him to rank on the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund, when he may