

INDUCTION AT BELLEVILLE.

We cut the following from the pages of the *Hastings Chronicle*.

The Presbytery of Kingston met in the Presbyterian Church at Belleville, May 10th, to ordain the Rev. Archibald Walker. Present, the Rev. John Machar, D.D., Rev. Robert Neill, Moderator, Rev. Professor Williamson, and Professor Weir, Presbytery Clerk. Dr. Machar preached an eloquent and impressive sermon on ii Cor. iii. 2, 3, 4, 5, unfolding in a clear and convincing manner the mutual duties of pastor and people. Prof. Williamson addressed the newly ordained Minister, exhorting to patience, perseverance, prayer and faithfulness in his pastoral duties. Thereafter the Rev. Robert Neill addressed the congregation at considerable length on the relation in which they stood and the duties they owe to their Minister, enforcing an active co-operation in word and deed, that for the Minister's efficiency and comfort they must contribute liberally of their means for his support, and for the support of Christ's cause, and that above all they must be fervent in prayer for his usefulness and for the aid and enlightenment of the Holy Spirit. There was a large and attentive audience, who after the service gave a cordial welcome to their Minister. Altogether the services were most interesting and solemn; and we trust that a long, useful, and affectionate connection will subsist between Mr. W. and his flock. In the evening Royal Munro, Esq., entertained the members of the Presbytery and several other gentlemen to a very excellent dinner at his residence, which was graced by the presence of several ladies. Mr. W., previous to coming to this country, laboured in the celebrated town of Bannockburn with great acceptance. The *Glasgow Examiner*, of April, devotes a column and a half to the notice of Mr. W. as a preacher, and speaks of him in very flattering terms. For the want of space we have only room for the following extract:

"Mr. W. is a native of Renton, and received his education at Glasgow University. He was licensed as a preacher in October, 1850, and has been several months located at Bannockburn in the neighbourhood of Stirling. The Free Church until recently held possession of the Quoad Sacra Church there, and, when they removed from that church, nearly all the congregation went with them, so that Mr. W. has had to raise a new cause. He commenced with little more than 30 or 40 persons attending regularly, and already a regular congregation of from 200 to 300 individuals attend. Steps are being taken to have him settled among them. He has opened a Sabbath-school, which is attended by about 60 young persons who were previously much neglected, and with this school he has a staff of 6 teachers who are very energetic in the work."

We call the attention of our readers to the ensuing letter. Why could not many of our Sabbath Schools contribute to the support of this as well as the orphanage at Calcutta?

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

ORPHANAGE FOR HEATHEN CHILDREN AT COCHIN.
13 Queen's Terrace, Glasgow.

7th February, 1854.

DEAR YOUNG FRIENDS,—The Rev. Mr. Laseron, who is at present in this country, has for nine years past been a missionary to the Jews at Cochin. He has frequently been mentioned in the pages of your own *Juvenile Missionary Record* and therefore is, I dare say, well known to many of you.

During the time he has been at Cochin, though sent to the lost sheep of the house of Israel, Mr. Laseron has had his attention particularly directed to the large number of unfortunate children, who were not only being brought up in heathenism but who, from the death of their parents or other adverse circumstances, were in a most wretched and miserable condition, wanting almost all the necessaries of life.

A few years ago he took about twenty of these poor children under his care and, having no better place to accommodate them in, erected a shed as a temporary house.

Since he returned to this country, he communicated this to some Christian friends; and they have promised to raise a sum of money which will enable him to build a house capable of accommodating fifty orphans. The amount required for this purpose is nearly all raised, and there will be no difficulty in finding the number of children to fill it when it is built. The only thing that remains to be provided for is their support; and to you, the children of Scotland, does Mr. Laseron look for assistance in this.

Already have a great many Sabbath schools undertaken to support one orphan, others have promised to support two and some have even undertaken for three; but there is still a good deal wanted; and it is to call your attention to the proposal that I am writing to you at the present time. It requires £3 to support an orphan for a year; and to no better purpose could you devote the contents of your missionary boxes.

I am quite aware that many of you support orphans at Calcutta and assist in promoting other very useful undertakings. I do not for one moment ask you to cease doing this; but I ask you who do so, Can you not do a little more? And I ask you who have never done anything, Will you not commence at once and try what you can do for the Orphanage at Cochin?

Mr. Laseron has promised to write to me a long letter every three months; and, with the permission of the editors of your magazine, I will publish the whole or part of his letters in this magazine; so that you will hear what is going on among the children you are supporting.

The smallest sums will be gladly received in aid of the orphanage; and, when any Sabbath school or individual young person contributes sufficient for the annual support of one child, the name of the child will be intimated, and particular information given regarding it to the supporters.

All sums for the Cochin Orphanage are requested to be sent to me; and they will be acknowledged receipt of in the *Record* of the succeeding month.

I ask you, in conclusion, to consider how very anxious you should be to show how you value all the instruction you have yourselves received. The best way in which you can do this is to aid in sending this instruction to others. Perhaps you will say, I am poor, and can do but little. It is only a little that you are asked to do. There are upwards of seventy-two thousand children attending Sabbath schools connected with the Church of Scotland. Were each of these children giving one penny every year to the Cochin Orphanage,

more than enough of money would be collected to support fifty orphans.

And, if there are any too poor to give even one penny, we ask their prayers that God would bless Mr. Laseron's labours among these children, and bring many of them to a knowledge of "the Truth as it is in Jesus."

I trust I shall be able to intimate next month that many have promised to take an interest in the Cochin Orphanage.—I am, dear young friends, yours sincerely, JAMES ROBERTSON,

Secretary of the Glasgow Sabbath School Association in connection with the Church of Scotland.

Church of Scotland Juvenile Missionary Record for March.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE SYNOD.

[Condensed from Reports in the *Toronto Colonist and Globe*.]

FIRST DAY.

The Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland commenced its sittings on Wednesday, the 31st May, in St. Andrew's Church, Toronto. The last year's Moderator, the Rev. Alex. Spence, of Bytown, preached an excellent discourse from the words in Zechariah vi. 12—"Behold the Man whose name is the branch: He shall grow out of His place; He shall build the temple of the Lord." After sermon the Synod was constituted and proceeded to the election of a Moderator, the Rev. Dr. Mair, of Fergus, being chosen to fill the office, but declining it from infirm health. The Reverend Professor Williamson, of Queen's College, was then unanimously elected. The minutes of the last annual meeting were then read and approved, and committees were appointed.

Professor Williamson and Dr. Machar were re-elected Trustees of Queen's College. Dr. Machar was elected a Clergy Reserve Commissioner in room of Alexander, McMartin, Esq., deceased, and the Rev. Mr. Urquhart and the Hon. Peter McGill, who retired this year, their names being at the top of the roll, were re-elected.

Replies were read to the Synod's Addresses to Her Majesty and the Governor General, adopted last year. In the Address to Her Majesty the Synod having alluded to the painful occurrences of last June in Quebec and Montreal, the Reply was read. It was addressed to the Moderator, and dated Government House, September 26, 1853, and was to the following effect;

Sir,—I am directed by His Excellency, the Administrator of the Government, to inform you that a dispatch has been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, acknowledging the receipt of the Address from the Synod of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, in connexion with the Church of Scotland, to the Queen on the birth of a prince, which had been forwarded at the request of the Synod by the Governor General, and stating that the Address had been laid at the foot of the throne, and received by Her Majesty very graciously.

His Grace observes that he will not advert to the other occurrences touched upon in that Address further than to express his regret that any religious disturbances should have taken place in the principal Cities of the province; but his conviction was that both the provincial authorities, and the great majority of the inhabitants will have every disposition to prevent their recurrence.

[Signed] R. BRUCE, &c.

A Committee of Bills and Overtures was appointed to prepare the business for the Synod.

Presbytery Books were ordered to be laid upon the Table, and leave granted to Presbyteries to meet in the Church when not occupied by the Synod.

It was agreed that the Synod should, during the session, meet from ten to one and from two to five, and that the first part of each morning's seditur should be devoted to devotional exercises. Several committees were then appointed; and, after the transaction of some other routine business, the Synod adjourned at half-past four o'clock.