

The following Proclamation has just been issued by the Administrator of the Government:—

"Know ye that, taking into our consideration the duty which Our loving subjects of Our Province of Canada owe to Almighty God or the manifold blessings which they have received at His Hands, and especially for the abundant harvest with which He has blessed Our said Province during the present year, We have thought fit, by the advice of Our Executive Council for Our said Province, to appoint, and We do by this Our Royal Proclamation appoint, THURSDAY the SIXTH DAY of DECEMBER next as a Day of General Thanksgiving to Almighty God for these His mercies, and We do earnestly exhort all Our loving subjects in Our said Province to observe reverentially and devoutly the said day of thanksgiving."—&c.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

The session of this Institution is now fully commenced, and we are glad to learn that the prospects are most encouraging.

The Rev. Dr. Leitch has taken charge of the Theological students, aided by the Rev. Prof. Mowat, and the number under their care is larger than in any previous year, 16 young men being now enrolled in the Divinity Hall, with the prospect of several others as the session advances.

In Arts there are 44 students, many of them prosecuting their studies with a view to the Ministry.

The roll of Medical students is not yet complete, but there is the large number of 73 in attendance, and the professors expect an increase over the number of last year, viz. 95. Dr. Lavell has recently been appointed Professor of Obstetrics. Dr. Sampson, the senior medical practitioner in Kingston, and long and deservedly respected there, has recently been obliged to resign the office of President of the Medical Faculty, owing to ill health. The Trustees accepted the resignation with regret and reluctance.

The Principal being ex-officio chairman or president in all faculties connected with Queen's College, no new appointment was found necessary in Dr. Sampson's place.

ADDRESS TO THE MINISTER OF ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, HAMILTON.

The following Address was presented at the close of the first congregational prayer meeting held in St. Andrew's Church after the return of the Rev. Robert Burnet from his recent visit to Europe.

To the Rev. Robert Burnet, Minister of St. Andrew's church, Hamilton.

REV. AND DEAR SIR:—

We, the undersigned Elders, Trustees and Managers of St. Andrew's Church, in our own name and in behalf of the congregation desire to express our gratitude to the Almighty, in whose good Providence, after a lengthened absence, you have been again restored to your wonted sphere of usefulness, and in so doing we would at the same time offer you a most hearty and sincere welcome.

Ever foremost to advance not only the spiritual but also the temporal interests of the church and congregation, at no small sacrifice

of personal and domestic comfort you cheerfully consented at the call of duty to abandon for a time your labours amongst us, to undertake the perils and discomforts of a sea voyage, and the arduous and unpleasant task which was involved in that call.

And, now that we have cause as a people gratefully to acknowledge the goodness of the Lord, who has once more restored you in health and in safety to your family and flock, we embrace the opportunity of tendering to you our heartfelt thanks for the very great zeal, assiduity and devotedness with which (amid many discouragements) you have fulfilled the delicate mission entrusted to you.

With gratitude to the Great Head of the Church we acknowledge that during your absence peace and unity have prevailed amongst us, and that by the kind and valued assistance of your brethren in the ministry, both of our own and of other denominations, many of whom came from a considerable distance to minister to us, your vacant pulpit has been during all that period most ably and efficiently filled. We gladly record that in every case, where application was made for Sabbath or other services, counsel and supply were always readily and cheerfully granted, and in many cases most readily volunteered, and to all those Christian brethren, both in our own city and elsewhere, who thus came to our aid, we return our most sincere thanks.

And now, in conclusion, we would earnestly express the hope that the hallowed tie which binds us together as pastor and people may long continue as closely knit in the future as it ever has been in the past, and pray that peace and prosperity may yet more abundantly rest upon our beloved Zion; that you may be long spared to go out and in amongst us, as of old, faithfully labouring in your Heavenly Master's service, and that at the last you may have many from among your people who shall be as a crown of rejoicing to you in the day when the Lord maketh up His jewels.

JAMES KIRKPATRICK,	Elder.
JAMES HUTCHISON,	Do.
JAMES BLACK,	Do.
THOMAS C. KERR,	Elder & Trustee.
A. LOGIE,	Do. Do.
WILLIAM MURRAY,	Do.
WILLIAM ALLAN,	Do.
JAMES GAY,	Do.
A. MILROY,	Do.
JOHN BROWN,	Trustee
WILLIAM BELLHOUSE	Do.
JOHN RINDEL,	Do.
THOMAS McILWRAITH,	Do.
JAMES WALKER	Do.
MATTHEW LEGGAT	Do.
JOHN CAMPBELL,	Do.
GEORGE A. YOUNG,	Sec. and Treas.

Hamilton, 18th October, 1860.

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.

This Presbytery held its ordinary quarterly meeting in Kingston on the first Wednesday of November. The Rev. Principal Leitch, D.D., was introduced to the members by the Moderator, Dr. Machar, and cordially welcomed by them. The Rev. Messrs. McMorine of Ramsay and Morrison of Brockville, and Judge Logie, Elder of St. Andrew's Church, Hamilton, were also present, and were invited to sit with the Presbytery. Messrs. Macdonnell and Barrach, students in the second year of their theological course, and Messrs. Robertson and Campbell, who had just finished their course in the faculty of Arts,

and were desirous of entering the Theological Hall, were examined, and their examination was sustained as satisfactory. Enquiry was made of the Ministers present, who had not yet reported, whether they had taken up the collection for the Jewish Mission in July, and for the Home Mission in October. Their attention was also directed to the collection to be made for the Widows' Fund in January. Some of the members requiring to attend a meeting of the College Trustees in the afternoon and evening, it was agreed to defer till a future meeting the consideration of the Bill, and Overtures sent down from the Synod.

After some routine business the Presbytery appointed their next meeting to be held in Belleville on the first Wednesday of February at noon.

PRESBYTERY OF GLENGARY.

The Presbytery of Glengary held its ordinary quarterly meeting in St. John's Church, Cornwall, on the 14th Nov. The meeting was a thinly attended one, which was chiefly owing to the all but impassable state of the roads in many parts of the country. There were present Messrs. Dobie, Watson, Davidson and Mair, Ministers, with Walter Colquhoun, Elder. Letters of apology were read from the Moderator, the Rev. Thomas Scott, and from Dr. Urquhart.

A letter from the Moderator was also read, expressing a desire on the part of the Session and Building Committee of the Church of Matilda that the Presbytery sanction their drawing upon the Colonial Committee of the Church of Scotland to the amount of £40 sterling, already promised them. The Presbytery agreed that, before acceding to this request, the Trustees must certify that the whole debt upon the Church, now declared to be finished, is liquidated with exception of £40 sterling.

A letter was read from the Rev. Robert G. McLaren, Ordained Missionary, requesting a Presbyterial certificate, as also a certificate to enable him to draw upon the Colonial Committee for his salary for the past 6 months. The Clerk was instructed to furnish Mr. McLaren with the certificate asked for.

There was read a Report from Mr. Archibald Currie, Catechist, of his labors during the summer months in the vacant Congregations of Lochiel, Côte St. George and Dathousie Mills. The Presbytery received Mr. Currie's Report, but expressed regret that he had not been able to overtake the visitation of all the families in the Congregation, regarding visitation as one of the chief duties of a Catechist.

It was moved by Mr. Mair, seconded by Mr. Watson, and agreed to by a majority of Presbytery, that the Presbytery recommend sessions and congregations within their bounds to observe a day of Thanksgiving for the harvest lately ingathered.