

**BOOK OF FORMS, &c.** We beg to remind ministers and elders,—especially Presbytery Clerks,—that Presbyteries are expected to report to the Synod on the Book, which has been adopted *ad interim*. It is desirable that special attention should be given to this matter.

**INDIAN LANDS.**—On the evening of Friday the 21st of February a large number of the members and adherents of the congregation under the pastoral care of the Rev. D. Gordon, Indian Lands, assembled in the manse as a "surprise party." The evening was spent in delightful social intercourse, clouded only by the prolonged absence of the Pastor, waiting for whose return the occasion had been deferred for a considerable time.

The singing by the choir, the happy, and appropriate remarks made by the Elders and other office-bearers, the choice and abundant refreshments prepared by the willing and skilful fingers of the Marthas and Marys present, but, more than all, the mutual cordiality and kindness that seemed to glow in the heart of each and all, made it an occasion rich in material for pleasurable remembrance.

Gifts in money and other things to the amount of \$150, were presented in token of attachment to the Pastor and his family.

In this connection may be mentioned, what should have found mention in the *Record* at the time,—the presentation of a handsome parlor carpet by some friends in the congregation about the same time last year.

**PRESBYTERY OF STRATFORD.**—The last quarterly meeting of this Presbytery, was held in Norman Street Church, Stratford, on the sixth day of March. The Rev. A. A. Drummond, Moderator. There were eleven ministers and five elders present.

A call from Knox's Church, Mitchell, to the Rev. William Lundy, signed by twenty-seven members and eleven adherents was not sustained, in consequence of the small number of signatures.

The group of stations consisting of Nissouri North and South, Biddulph and Fish Creek were divided into two separate pastoral charges, Nissouri North and South, to form one charge and Biddulph and Fish Creek the other. The Rev. R. Hall was loosed from the congregations of Biddulph and Fish Creek, and appointed Moderator *ad interim* of the Sessions of said congregations. Mr. Hall was also appointed to preach at Biddulph and Fish Creek, on the first Sabbath in April, and to declare these congregations vacant.

The remit from Synod respecting an amended Act, for the reception of Ministers from other Churches, was approved of *simpliciter*.

A committee was appointed to examine the Book of Forms of Procedure, and to report at next meeting.

The Presbytery adjourned to meet at Stratford, on Tuesday the eighth day of May, at eleven o'clock, a. m.

WILLIAM DOAK, Pres. Clerk.

**PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE.**—This Presbytery met on the 7th ult., Mr. Bennett, Moderator, P. S.

A deputation for Brockville appeared, applying for moderation in a call. The request was granted, and Dr. Boyd was appointed to moderate in a call, on the 21st.

Mr. Matheson accepted the appointment to Red River, and was accordingly loosed from his charge.

The Presbytery then considered the demands of the Home Mission Fund Committee, for statements of arrears due to probationers, when after full consultation, it was moved, seconded and agreed to, "that the clerk be instructed to communicate with the Rev. Mr. Laing, of Cobourg, the fact that the Presbytery having, by a special effort, raised almost all the money necessary to pay the sums due to its probationers up to date, makes no demand for money