

Another application was read, bearing also the names of 21 persons resident in Aurora and its vicinity, and praying to be organized as a mission station. On motion made by Mr. King, it was agreed, That the petition be received, that the Presbytery express satisfaction therewith, that Mr. Dick, Prof. Caven, and Mr. T. W. Taylor be appointed to visit Aurora and Newmarket, and to report (after ascertaining by conference with the people) the wants of the district, and the amount of support that might be expected from it, and that the Home Mission Committee be empowered to give such supply to Aurora, in connection with Newmarket in the meantime, as it may think it right, and have it in its power to afford.

Papers were read in favor of Mr. J. P. McAlpine and Mr. W. P. Walker, both of them licentiates of the Free Church of Scotland; and, in accordance with their own wishes, it was agreed, on motion made by Professor Caven, to make application to the General Assembly, at its meeting in November, for leave to receive both of these brethren as ministers of our Church.

Mr. Meikle gave notice of a motion for next ordinary meeting, to the effect that the General Assembly be overtured to abolish the requirements of a Latin Thesis from students and licentiates, and to require an English Thesis in its stead.

R. MONTEATH, *Presbytery Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.—An adjourned meeting of the Presbytery of Hamilton was held in the Central Church there on the 30th of May.

The Rev. John Eadie declined the call from Ancaster East and West.

A Commission from the Colonial Committee of the Free Church of Scotland in favour of Mr. John Thomson, licentiate, was read, and Mr. Thomson was received as a licentiate of this Church.

The Presbytery took up the call from Knox's Church, Ingersoll, in favour of Mr. R. N. Grant, minister of Waterdown and Wellington Square. Parties being heard, and Mr. Grant having signified his acceptance of the call, his translation was agreed to, and he was ordered, after the 5th of June, to await the action of the Presbytery of Paris in reference to his induction. The following minute was adopted, and ordered to be engrossed in the records:—

"The Presbytery, in agreeing to the translation of Mr. Grant, desire to place on record their deep regret in parting with a brother who, both in his public and private relations, has acquired and retained their affection and esteem; and to express their sympathy with the congregation of Waterdown and Wellington Square, in losing the services of a pastor whose character and public ministrations are so well fitted to draw forth their confidence, and to whom they are so ardently attached. The Presbytery would follow Mr. Grant with their earnest prayers, that in occupying a larger field he may experience more of God's grace, and be blessed with a still greater measure of success. The Presbytery would also congratulate the Church in Ingersoll, in receiving as Pastor a man possessed of the amiable manners and intellectual powers of Mr. Grant; and the Presbytery of the bounds in the acquisition of a member very regular in attendance, and efficient in co-operation."

The call from the Scotch Presbyterian Church, Chicago, to Mr. John McColl, was then taken up, when Mr. McColl declined the call, and the Presbytery expressed their gratification that Mr. McColl had seen it to be his duty to remain amongst them.

DAVID INGLIS, *Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.—This Presbytery held its last regular meeting in Central Church, Hamilton, on Tuesday the 11th of July. There were present fourteen ministers and seven elders. The Clerk stated that Mr. Craigie's term as Moderator expired at this meeting, whereupon Mr. John McRobie, of Jarvis, was appointed Moderator for the next twelve months.