

Danwich, praying for Missionary supply.

A call from the United Congregations of South Bruce and Greenock, to Mr. Alex. McKay, probationer, was read and sustained. Mr. McKay, being present, accepted the call and subjects were prescribed for his ordination trials.

A petition was received from the Kirk Session of Knox's Church, Woodstock, praying for a call, and the Presbyter, agreed to meet with in Knox's Church, Woodstock, to moderate in a call on the 19th inst., at 2 o'clock, P. M.

The trial discourses of Messrs. Bremner and Currie were heard and sustained, and the Presbytery agreed that the remaining part of their ordination trials be heard at Woodstock on the 19th inst., and in the event of their trials being sustained, that the Presbytery meet at Blyth on the 7th of Feb. at 11 o'clock A. M. for the ordination and induction of Mr. Currie, and at Paisley on the 15th Feb. at 11 o'clock, A. M. for the ordination and induction of Mr. Bremner. Messrs. Duncan McMillan and James Ferguson having at a former meeting resigned the pastoral charge of their respective congregations, the Presbytery agreed to cite the congregation of Aldborough and the united congregations of Lobo and Carradoc to appear for their interests at a special meeting to be held at Lobo, on the 18th Jan'y. inst.

Messrs Robert Wallace and John Rennie, resigned the pastoral charge of their congregations, and the Presbytery agreed to meet with in Knox's Church, Ingersoll, on the 17th Jan'y, and to cite the congregation of Ingersoll and Beachville, to appear for their interests.

Mr. Andrew Tolmie resigned the pastoral charge of his congregation, and the Presbytery agreed that a special meeting be held at Innerkip on the 16th Feb. at 11 o'clock, A. M. for a visitation of the united congregations of Blandford and Innerkip, and should they see cause, to cite the said congregations to appear for their interests at the next ordinary meeting.

The Session Records of the following congregations were appointed to be given in at the next ordinary meeting, viz., North East Hope, Harrington, Blandford, Innerkip, Williams and Thamesford.

Mr. William Cowan, entrant on the first year of the literary course was examined, and his examination was sustained with approbation.

A conference was held about the concert for prayer proposed to be held during the second week of Jan'y. inst., and it was agreed to recommend that prayer meetings be kept at a suitable time during the days or evenings of that week, by all the congregations within the bounds of the Presbytery.

The annual contributions for the College fund was taken into consideration and it was agreed that a circular be sent to each congregation, shewing the amount required to meet the annual expenditure in connexion with the College.

The Annual Missionary Meetings were appointed, the Presbytery having been divided into four sections, and deputations arranged for each of these sections.

The following missionary appointments were made, viz., Mr. Alex. Fraser to Southampton, and Port Elgin until next meeting, and to give an occasional afternoon service to West Arran.

Mr. Alex. McKay, to Riversdale until next meeting.

Messrs Ross and Blount, to visit Ashfield, Kincardine, Bruce, Port Elgin, Southampton, Paisley, Culross, Curriek, Kinloss and Wawanosh, to hold missionary meetings at each of those places, appointed by the missionaries there, beginning at Ashfield on the eighth of Feb.

Messrs John Stewart and Alex. McKay to hold a missionary meeting at Huron on the eighth of Feb. and to join Messrs. Ross and Blount at the missionary meetings north of that place.

Mr. Ross to preach at Bruce on the second

Sabbath of Feb. and at Culross on the third Sabbath of Feb.

Mr. Blount to dispense the ordinance of the Lord's Supper at Port Elgin on the 12th Feb. and to preach at Carrick on the 19th Feb.

Messrs. John Fraser and David Beattie to dispense the ordinance of the Lord's Supper at Grey on the 5th Feb. and immediately thereafter to hold missionary meetings at Grey, Wallace and Elma.

Messrs. Angus McColl and John McMillan to dispense the ordinance of the Lord's Supper at Wardsville on the 22nd Jan. Mr. A. Currie to preach at Clinton on the 22nd Jan. and at Ashfield on the 26th Feb. Mr. John Stewart to preach at Huron on the 19th Feb. Mr. Tolmie to preach at Vienna and Port Burwell on the 5th Feb.; Mr. Rennie on the 12th, Mr. Doak on the 26th, and Mr. Young on the 4th March. Mr. Bremner to preach at Woodstock on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sabbaths of Jan.—Mr. Allan on the first Sabbath of Feb.—Mr. Graham on the third and fourth Sabbath of Feb.—Mr. Tolmie on the first Sabbath of March.—Mr. Scott on the second Sabbath, and Mr. Gauld on the fourth Sabbath of March.

Mr. A. McDiarmid to preach at Yarmouth on the third Sabbath of Jan. and at Belmont on the following Monday. Mr. D. McMillan at Yarmouth on the last Sabbath of Jan. and at Belmont on the following Monday. Mr. Meldrum at Belmont on the second Sabbath of Feb. and at Yarmouth on the following Monday. Mr. Sutherland at Yarmouth on the first Sabbath of March, and at Belmont on the following Monday.

Mr. Jas. Ferguson to preach at Frampton on the 22nd Jan. Mr. D. McDiarmid in the forenoon of the 5th Feb. and at Watmister in the evening. Mr. McKenzie on the last Sabbath of Feb. and Mr. John Fraser to give an afternoon service before the next meeting.

Mr. Rennie to preach at Wardsville and Newbury on the 15th Jan. Mr. Troup on the 29th Jan. and Mr. Forrest on the 26th Feb.

Messrs. Walker and Chesnut to give each a Sabbath to Wallaceburgh before next ordinary meeting.

Mr. Findlay to give one Sabbath to Elma. Mr. McDonald one Sabbath to Gray, and Mr. W. T. McMullen one Sabbath to Elma and Wallace before next ordinary meeting.

Mr. McDonald to preach at Blyth on the 22nd Jan.

Mr. L. McPherson to preach at Chalmers' Church, Danwich, on the last Sabbath of Jan.

The Presbytery adjourned to meet at London on the 27th March, (Tuesday) at 2 o'clock, P. M.

WILLIAM DOAK.

Presby. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.

The ordinary meeting of this Presbytery was held on the 10th and 11th of January, twenty-two ministers and seven elders being present.

Mr. Geikie was appointed to supply the pulpit at Galt, and to act as moderator of the Kirk Session till next ordinary meeting in April. In the altered circumstances of the case the Presbytery agreed to fail from their reference to the Synod in relation to the recognition of Mr. Geikie as a member of Presbytery.

After full consideration, the Presbytery agreed to accept of Mr. Jamieson's resignation of his charge at Dunnville, their deliverance on the subject being recorded in the following terms:—In accepting Mr. Jamieson's resignation of his charge of the congregation at Dunnville, on the ground of ill-health, the Presbytery desire to record

their sympathy with him, and the congregation, and regret that he has found such a step necessary for the cause assigned; and they regret his resignation the more especially because his ministry has been so remarkably blessed and prospered, and because he has engaged to so remarkable a degree the confidence and affection of his people, who, while on account of the state of his health, they have not interposed any obstacle in the way of his release, have expressed their deep regret at parting with him. And further, the Presbytery record their high respect for, and confidence in Mr. Jamieson, and hope that God in His providence, may open up some field of labour within their own bounds, in which his health may be restored and confirmed, and where his labours may be blessed and owned by God.

Mr. Black, of Caledonia, was appointed to declare the Church at Dunnville vacant; and Mr. Jamieson, having been afterwards appointed to continue his labours at Dunnville for three months, was also appointed to act as *interim* Moderator of the Kirk Session.

The Presbytery having resumed consideration of the Mount Forest case, referred to in a former number of the *Record*, it was agreed to approve of the action of the Committee in not moderating in a call, and to express disapprobation of the want of previous consideration on the part of the petitioners for a moderation.

A report was given in on behalf of Messrs. Cameron and Park, that they had organized a new congregation at the Rocky Saugeen Church, near Durham. The communion roll, containing the names of 33 members was also laid on the table with the explanation that the state of the roads had prevented the attendance of females to such an extent that the roll contained only one. On petition presented from the new congregation, Messrs. Cameron and Park were appointed to moderate in a call on the 8th of February.

The Clerk was instructed to issue a Presbyterial certificate in favor of Mr. Steven, late of Paris, accompanied with the expression of the Presbytery's sympathy with him, and of their hope that he may soon be restored to health and usefulness.

Mr. Cuthbertson's motion to the effect that congregations be required to give in to the Presbytery stated financial returns, was, after discussion, ordered to lie on the table till next ordinary meeting.

The Presbytery having again resumed consideration of the application for leave to sell the Church at Lawrenceville, it was agreed that such application be dismissed.

The following missionary appointments were made:—Mr. Donald McLean, to labour, in Minto and Maryborough; and Mr. Mathieson, at Rocky Saugeen till next ordinary meeting. Mr. McMechan to visit Maryborough in the middle of February, and Messrs. Geikie and Cameron to visit Mount Forest, and dispense the communion there on the 19th of February.

The Presbytery having taken up consideration of the ordinary Fund of Knox College, it was unanimously agreed that the attention of ministers within the bounds be directed, through the *Record*, to the circular recently issued by the Board of Management, and that they be instructed to use