

making arrangements for such meeting be left to the Home Mission Committee. 3. That certain students, named in an appendix to the report, be the supply for the coming six months. 4. That the supply of vacant augmented charges be left to the Home Mission Committee. The following resolution was presented by Dr. Bryce and unanimously carried: That the Presbytery, having heard of the appointment by the Assembly's Foreign Mission Committee, on condition of approval by the medical examiner, of Mr. F. H. Russell, B.A., to the mission field of Central India, congratulates the Foreign Mission on the agent chosen; and the Presbytery is of opinion that on account of Mr. Russell having received both his arts and theological education at Manitoba College, and on account of his having been a useful member at Knox church, that the Foreign Mission Committee be earnestly requested to arrange for Mr. Russell's license, ordination and designation in Winnipeg at such time as convenient; and that in case of the request being granted, the clerk be authorized to make all arrangements necessary. Messrs. John Maxwell, T. G. McLeod and F. H. Russell, B.A., asked to have application made on their behalf to the Synod for leave to take them on trials for license. In view of the fact that it is necessary in one of the cases, at least, that action should be taken almost immediately it was agreed to take these three students on trials for license without waiting for the meeting of the Synod, and to ask the Synod under the circumstances to approve such action. It was agreed further to overture the Synod, to give to Presbyteries within its bounds leave to make application directly to the General Assembly for permission to take students on trials for license so that the difficulty may be obviated which has arisen in regard to the licensing of students since the Synod has begun to hold its meetings in the autumn. Prof. Baird and Dr. Bryce were appointed to support this overture before the Synod.

Presbytery of Truro.

THIRTEEN ministers and three elders were at the meeting of the Truro Presbytery on the 17th ult. Commissioners were received from the sessions of Clifton, Springside, Riverside, Acadia, Brookfield, Stewiacke, Upper Londonderry, River Hebert, and Coldstream appointing Messrs. Silas E. Black, James Creelman, William Lombard, Roderick Macleod, Thomas A. Brunton, Thomas Francis, Isaac Flemming, Robert Read, and Roderick Maclean—respectively—representative elders in Presbytery and Synod. Prof. Falconer, of the Presbyterian College, Halifax, and Revs. McLeod Harvey and J. P. Falconer were invited to sit and deliberate with the Presbytery. Rev. John Robbins reported that he had moderated in a call at Coldstream to the Rev. McLeod Harvey. Messrs. William Dickson and Roderick McKay appeared as commissioners and reported that the call was unanimous. The call was sustained and presented to Mr. Harvey, who asked for time for deciding. Rev. Clarence MacKinnon was appointed to moderate in a call at River Hebert. It was agreed to apply to the Augmentation Committee for a supplement of \$150 for Coldstream, and \$250 for River Hebert—in case of settlement. Rev. A. D. Gunn reported that he had preached at Middle Stewiacke and declared the charge vacant. The report was received, and D. S. Fraser was appointed interim moderator of session. The annual report of Truro Presbyterial and the Mission Bands connected therewith, was received, and a resolution of Presbytery expressing gratification with the progress made and the contributions received by these societies, and praying that the blessing of the Head of the Church might rest upon their work, was adopted. On motion of Rev. W. H. Ness, a resolution was also adopted expressing the cordial approval of the Presbytery in the work of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, and sending kindly greetings to the Colchester convention, which was to meet on the following day at Acadia Mines. Considerable time was occupied in considering the supply of the mission stations of the Presbytery during the winter. Messrs. Ness, James Maclean, and McMichael were appointed a committee to prepare a scheme to

be submitted to the next meeting of Presbytery. The Presbytery adjourned to meet at the call of the Moderator of Synod.—J. H. CHASE, Clerk.

Presbytery of Ottawa.

THE adjourned meeting of this Presbytery was held in Knox Church, Ottawa, on the afternoon of Tuesday, the 26th ult., for the purpose chiefly of arranging the Home Mission work for the winter. The reports from the fields within our bounds are very encouraging. The Rev. A. M. Gregor, B.A., was appointed ordained missionary to Chelsea and Cantley, and we hope to appoint one at Plantagenet in a few weeks. Several of the fields are to receive occasional supply from the students during the winter. Aylmer is placed under the care of the Rev. M. H. Scott, M.A., of Hull, for the next six months, but we hope to be able to place an ordained missionary there. The report on French work carried on within our bounds was also equally encouraging. There is cheering progress made everywhere. The Rev. E. F. Sylez, who has been very ill all summer, is not yet able to return to his work in Ottawa, and the Rev. Mr. Monseau, late of Granville, has been secured to act as substitute. We were glad to learn that the work is recovering under his care. The clerk reported that he had received no official notice from the Sarnia Presbytery as to the issue of the call from North Gower to the Rev. John S. Lochhead, M.A., of Parkhill, although it was now a week since the meeting of the Presbytery. He had received a letter from Mr. Lochhead, himself, stating that he had accepted the call. Pending the receipt of the official documents, which the clerk was instructed to write for at once, the following provisional arrangements were made for induction. It is to take place in the church at North Gower, on Tuesday, October 17th, at 3.30 p. m., when the Rev. D. Findlay, B.A., of Manotick, will preside, the Rev. J. A. Macfarlane, B.A., of New Etna, will preach, the Rev. J. M. Goodwillie, M.A., will address the pastor, and the Rev. John McLaron, of Carp, will address the people. The next meeting of Presbytery will be held in Bank street church, Ottawa, on Tuesday, November 7th, at 10 a. m.—JAS. H. BEATT, Clerk.

Presbytery of Kamloops.

MET at Enderby, 10 a. m., September 12th. There was a full attendance of members with Rev. Dr. Robertson and a number of students. Rev. Paul F. Langill, B.A., was elected Moderator for the next year. The chief business of the morning and afternoon sittings was the examination of Mr. Thomas Paton for license and ordination, and of students for certification to their colleges. Extract minute from the General Assembly granting permission to take Mr. Paton on trial for license and ordination, was read by the clerk. Mr. Paton passed satisfactorily the usual examinations and was duly licensed to preach the Gospel. Thereafter he was appointed for two and a half years to Kettle River, and his ordination and designation fixed for the evening meeting. The Moderator to preside, G. H. Rogers, B.A., to preach, George Murray, M.A., to address the minister, W. R. Ross to address the congregation assembled, and Rev. Dr. Robertson to speak on Home Missions. The Clerk was instructed to certify in the usual way, all students labouring within the bounds. Committee on Students appointed: Messrs. Ross (Con.); Murray, and A. L. Fortune. Standing Committees for the year. Home Missions: Rev. P. F. Langill, B.A. (Con.); J. Knox Wright, B.D.; A. Lee, B.A., and Messrs. D. Matheson and John McKelvie. Foreign Missions: Rev. W. R. Ross (Con.); George Murray, M.A., and Mr. E. S. Wood. Temperance: Rev. J. Knox Wright, B.D.; Thomas Paton, and Mr. Thomas Lewis. Sabbath Schools: Rev. A. Lee, B.A. Sabbath Observance: Rev. George Murray, M.A. (Con.); T. H. Rogers, B.A., and Capt. McMorris. Systematic Beneficence: Messrs. D. Matheson (Con.); E. S. Wood; J. McKelvie; Chas. Lewis, and Capt. McMorris. State of Religion: Rev. Thomas Paton. In the evening, in the presence of a large congregation, Mr. Thomas Paton was ordained to the office of

the Christian ministry, and designated to the Kettle River field. A deputation from the Spallumcheen congregation appeared before the Presbytery, asking that the Home Mission grant be continued at present figure for this year. A good case showing urgent necessity was made out, so Presbytery unanimously resolved to make application to the Assembly's Committee in terms of the request. Next morning at ten o'clock business was resumed. Mr. Lee was appointed Treasurer. Messrs. Lee, Murray, and Ross were appointed a committee to strike rate for congregations and missions upon the Schemes of the Church. Resolved to urge strongly that Home Mission grants be paid in quarterly instalments. Resolved to pay \$15 out of Presbytery Fund to Assembly Fund. Resolved that the clerk's salary be \$50 per annum. A communication from Kingston Presbytery re ordination, etc. of Mr. Wm. Black was read. Dr. Robertson reported that Mr. Black had been ill for some time, agreed to express sympathy with Mr. Black in his illness and to instruct the clerk to write him declaring Presbytery's wish that he should come forward as soon as possible to fulfil his appointment by the Home Mission Committee. An application from Kaslo for aid from the Church and Manse Building Fund was disposed of. A reference from Nelson upon dispute with agent of C. P. R. Co. about property was considered and Dr. Robertson and Mr. Rogers were appointed to lay the whole matter before the commissioners of the C. P. R. Co. at Vancouver. A presentation of dressing case from members of Presbytery was made to Dr. Robertson. Home Missions.—Claims for the past six months were carefully considered and approved as follows:—Nelson \$200, Spallumcheen \$150, Vernon \$150, Nicola \$200, Donald \$175, Revelstoke \$146.30, Kaslo \$200, Upper Kootenay \$147, Shuswap \$114, Okanagan \$110, Ashcroft \$200, Fairview \$88, Kettle River \$109, Kamloops (Aug) \$150. Dr. Robertson and Mr. Langill were appointed to examine account of Mr. Paton's removal expenses with power to make application for special grant. Applications to be made in all cases not specified below for grants at rates agreed upon by the Home Mission Committee in March. Special cases: Nelson, \$10 per Sabbath for next six months; Spallumcheen, \$5.77 per Sabbath for the next six months, Okanagan, \$6 per Sabbath for the next six months; Shuswap and Fairview missionaries enjoined to take up further subscriptions and report to convener of Home Mission Committee and Dr. Robertson who shall apply for special grant to make up any deficit. Supply.—Mr. Rogers having resigned Nelson, Mr. Wm. Black was appointed to that field, Mr. Rogers' resignation to take effect upon arrival of successor. Mr. McVicar was appointed to Okanagan for six months. Other questions of supply left to Presbytery's Home Mission Committee and Dr. Robertson. Reports of special visitations of fields received. On request of Mr. Martin, Mr. Langill was appointed to visit Kaslo soon and the organization of the congregation was authorized. Thanks were expressed to Capt. Troup Nelson for "passes" granted members in attending his meeting; to John Patterson, Esq., manager of the steamer "Ameworth" for free transportation of missionaries in the past, and to the Enderby congregation for its hospitality. Next meeting to be held at Vernon, second Tuesday in Dec., at 10 a. m.—JOHN KNOX WRIGHT, Clerk.

Presbytery of Owen Sound.

THE Presbytery met in Knox church, Sept. 10. The first hour was spent in devotional exercises led by Mr. McAlpine, Moderator. Mr. Wesley Akitt applied to be recommended to Knox College to study for the ministry. Dr. Waits, the convener *pro tem.* of the Examining Committee, recommended that he be certified to the Senate to take the literary course. The recommendation was adopted. Dr. Fraser reported that he had moderated in a call to a minister in Keady, etc., and laid on the table the following papers: 1. Call to Mr. James Hamilton, 2. Guarantee of stipend for \$750 and manse; 3. Commissions for representatives to prosecute the call. Dr. Fraser's action was approved, commissioners

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