

**PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.**—An adjourned meeting of the Presbytery of Hamilton was held in the Central Church on the 21st of February last.

Mr. Milne's resignation of the charge of Beamesville and Clinton was accepted, and the following minute, on motion of Mr. Fraser, was unanimously adopted: "The Presbytery, having full confidence in Mr. Milne, and being satisfied that his reasons for taking this step are honourable to him, feel themselves shut up to accept of his resignation, as tendered. The Presbytery desire to record their regret at parting with Mr. Milne, and their sympathy with the congregation in being deprived of a Pastor associated in their minds with their prosperity as a church, and endeared to them by a short but acceptable ministry."

The clerk stated that he had received a letter from Mr. Thornton, declining the call from Flamboro' West.

Mr. Grant's resignation of Lucan East was accepted, and Cayuga was constituted a part of Mr. Grant's pastoral charge.

Mr. Fraser gave notice that at ne t regular meeting he would move that the action of the Presbytery anent the answer to the remit of the General Assembly on the appointment of a Professor to Knox College, be reconsidered.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Presbytery of Hamilton was held in the Central Church on the 11th of April.

The Clerk reported that the Presbytery of London, England, in connection with the United Presbyterian Church, had refused to grant the translation of the Rev. John Edmond, D.D., to the pastoral charge of the Central Church congregation in this city. Mr. Burson was continued Moderator of the session of that congregation, with power to moderate in a call at such time as he and the session may agree upon.

Mr. McColl was instructed to moderate in a call at Ancaster East and West, at such time as may be suitable for himself and the congregation.

Mr. Murray was appointed Moderator of the Session of St. Ann's and Wellandport, and was instructed to moderate in a call there at such time as he and the Session may agree upon.

Mr. S. C. Fraser was nominated as Moderator of the Hamilton Synod, to be held at Galt in May next. Mr. McColl, Minister, and Mr. Henderson, Elder, were nominated as members of the Committee of Bills and Overtures for the same Synod.

Rev. A. B. Simpson, of Knox Church, Hamilton, obtained leave of absence for four months, with a view to his visiting Great Britain.

The following ministers were duly appointed as Commissioners to the General Assembly, to be held in Quebec in June next: By rotation, Messrs. Inglis, Craigie, and McRobbie; by election, Messrs. Munro, McColl, R. N. Grant, Fraser, and Burser. Mr. Fraser having stated that he would not be able to attend, Mr. McBain was declared as chosen in his place. Also the following Elders: Messrs. A. I. McKenzie, Jas. Henderson, John Alexander, A. C. Buck, Wm. Henderson, J. McQuarrie and Jas. Osborne. Mr. Osborne having asked to be excused, Mr. J. B. Allan was duly declared to be elected in his place.

On motion of Mr. Fraser, seconded by Mr. McColl, Mr. David Inglis, of Hamilton, was nominated as Professor of Divinity in Knox College.

Mr. Simpson read the report of the Committee appointed to prepare a deliverance, embodying the results of the Conference on the state of religion, held at the close of last ordinary meeting. The report was adopted and ordered to be engrossed in the minutes, and in accordance with its recommendation a standing committee on the state of religion, was appointed, Mr. A. B. Simpson, Convener.

The next ordinary meeting was appointed to be held in the Central Church, on the second Tuesday of July next.

Mr. McBain gave notice of an overture in reference to Psalmody.

DAVID INGLIS, *Clerk of Presbytery.*