

Mr. McKenzie reported that he had preached and presided at the moderation of a call at Bethesda church and Alnwick, and that the people were very harmonious in desiring the Rev. William McWilliam, B.A., as their minister, and laid on the table a call in his favour.

Mr. Laing gave in a report of a missionary tour in the new townships, performed in company with Mr. Walter Roger, student of theology. These new townships claim the increasing consideration of this Presbytery. About a dozen of new townships have been opened up, in which there are large numbers of Presbyterians settled. Both men and means are required for the proper cultivation of this field.

JAMES BOWIE, *Pres. Clerk*.

The Presbytery met again at Port Hope, on August 22nd.

Mr. McWilliams, probationer, accepted the call from the congregations of Bowmanston and Alnwick, and his ordination was appointed to take place on Wednesday, September 23, at 11 o'clock, A.M., in the Bethesda church.

Rev. D. Waters was inducted into the pastoral charge of the congregation of Port Hope. Mr. McKenzie preached from Mark xi. 17, Mr. Smith presided, Mr. Roger addressed the pastor, and Mr. Laing the people.

A petition from a number of persons, proposing to separate themselves from the congregation at Port Hope, occupied much time. Finally a Committee was appointed to confer with the petitioners, and endeavour by mutual explanation if possible to reconcile all parties, and to report to next meeting.

The reference from the Perrytown Session was disposed of to the satisfaction of all parties concerned, Mr. Martin having withdrawn voluntarily from the membership of the Church.

The resignation of Mr. Scott was left over for consideration at next meeting of Presbytery.

J. LAING, *Clerk, pro tem.*

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