

church generally, resolve to record their disapproval of Mr. McAlister's conduct in leaving one church and uniting with another in a manner so hurried, and manifesting little or no regard for the distinctive principles of these churches; and in going to Metis with the intention of dividing the small congregation there, and, by his action, encouraging dissatisfaction instead of making peace. Also to record their unqualified disapprobation of certain sentiments stated in the above documents to have been uttered by Mr. McAlister, and which seem to be held also by his followers. At the same time, considering that Mr. McAlister's conduct and views seem unaccountable on ordinary principles, and sympathizing with Mr. McAlister's infirmity, and remembering the earnest and devoted way in which his duties were performed in times of health, the Presbytery resolve to take no further steps, but to give effect, so far as this church is concerned, to the withdrawal from its communion of Mr. McAlister, and declare him no longer a minister of the Canada Presbyterian church. They also hereby instruct the clerk to forward a copy of this minute to the clerk of each Presbytery, and to the *Record* for publication, that it may generally be known that Mr. McAlister's connection with this church is at an end.

The appointment of missionaries was taken up, when the following appointments were made:—

Port Hope—Mr. McWilliam, the 15th and 22nd February, New Townships; Mr. Duncan, 15th and 22nd February, Bethesda church and Alnwick, Mr. Robert Scott, till the 1st Sabbath of March, inclusive, and after that Warsaw.

Warsaw—Mr. Fayette, till the 1st Sabbath of March, inclusive, and after that Bethesda and Alnwick.

The overture on a Book of Forms, which at last Synod was not taken up for want of time, it was agreed to renew.

The session at Port Hope was instructed to prepare a Communion Roll, and to submit it to the congregation, so that, if any parties were dissatisfied, they might have an opportunity of intimating the same to the session.

Mr. Smith was appointed to attend the meeting of the Home Mission Committee, and to apply for two students—Mr. K. McDonald to be one of them, that he may supply Warsaw.

The deputations appointed for missionary meetings were appointed a committee to examine the session records of the various congregations that they visit. All session records to be produced at next meeting that they may be duly attested.

It was agreed to require from all the congregations and mission stations half-yearly financial reports. Mr. Smith, C. H. Morgan, Esq., and David Brodie, Esq., were appointed a committee to prepare proper schedules.

It was agreed that probationers preach twice on the Sabbath, visit the families, catechise the young, and hold prayer-meetings.

JAMES BOWIE, *Pres. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF PARIS.

This Presbytery held its ordinary meeting in Dumfries St. Church, Paris, on the third of February, when there was a good attendance of the members. Several items of business were transacted, among which were the following:—

Mr. Caw gave in reasons of dissent from the finding of last Presbytery, in the case of Mr. John Taylor's petition complaining of certain action of the session of the Dumfries St. Church, Paris. The reasons were received, and a committee was appointed to prepare answers to be given in at next ordinary meeting.

The health of the Rev. Joseph Young, of Brantford, being still such that he is unable to resume his pastoral labours or to occupy his own pulpit, a list of supply was made out for his congregation till next ordinary meeting.

Mr. Inglis reported that the congregation of Beachville had been regularly supplied since last meeting. It was agreed to continue the present arrangements for their supply in the meantime, and to instruct the member of the Synod's Home Mission Committee from this Presbytery, to endeavour to procure a suitable student, who may occupy that station and the adjoining village of Sweaborg during the recess of the college.

Mr. Richardson having declared his acceptance of the call to Tilsonburg and Culloden, gave in his several pieces of trial as prescribed, the Presbytery expressed themselves entirely satisfied with his trials and after the several examinations on