

be settled amongst them. The Presbytery received the memorial with pleasure, and, in accordance with the wish expressed therein, appointed Mr. McPherson to hold Divine Service at Dalhousie Mills and Cote St. George on Sabbath, the 21st November.

Mr. Livingston laid on the table a report of his labors as Catechist at Dalhousie Mills and Cote St. George during the past summer, which was received, and from which some extracts are given below. Thereafter Mr. L., previous to his entering on the third year of his Divinity Course at Queen's College, was examined in Divinity, Church History, &c, and the Clerk was instructed to grant him a certificate in common form.

The meeting was closed with prayer.

Extracts from Mr. John Livingston's Report of Missionary Labors in Presbytery of Glengary.—Since entering on my duties as Catechist in May last I have met the people of Dalhousie Mills or Cote St. George every Sabbath, except when on two or three occasions appointments were made for me by the Presbytery elsewhere. The attendance on every Sabbath was to me most gratifying; even on rainy days, when the roads were very bad, I always found the Church full, and, when the weather was favorable, the Churches were a ways densely crowded, while some had to remain outside. In order that I might be able the better to know the condition of the people, I commenced family visitation shortly after going amongst them, and I may say I was cordially received by all. I found they were staunch adherents of the Church of their fathers and were joyful to find that their Churches were to be open every Sabbath for a time, after having been so long closed, except when the Presbytery gave occasional supplies.

I opened a monthly prayer-meeting at the Cote St. George Church, as that section of the congregation is more thickly settled, and, although it was a rather busy season of the year among the farmers, it met with considerable encouragement. I think, if it were continued long, it would be well attended, and might, by the blessing of God, be productive of happy results in that neighbourhood.

It was my firm resolution, when I entered the Missionary field, to take special interest in the religious instruction of the young, and I trust my humble attempts in this way were not altogether in vain. I found that there had been a Sunday School in operation in the Village of Dalhousie Mills last winter, but that, through the smallness of attendance and other discouraging circumstances, it had been discontinued. I attempted at once to re-organize it and to bring its claims before the attention of the parents. At first the attendance was small, but it was daily

gaining more interest. As the majority of the villagers are Roman Catholics, the number of children attending the school is not over twenty; but there is a good library in connexion with it, and the school is now doing well.

There was a Sunday School kept at Cote St. George when I came there. It was continued all last winter by two or three young men belonging to the neighbourhood, who deserve much praise for their zeal, but I was told that, through want of a sufficient degree of interest taken in its welfare by the parents, the number of pupils in attendance was not so large as might have been expected; so I endeavored to urge upon the parents the duty of sending their children, and I was gratified to find that the attendance was afterwards more encouraging. The number attending this school now is seventy, while the average attendance is about fifty-five. It is a Union School, supported by ourselves and adherents of the Free Church, but the great majority of the children belong to our Church.

There is also another Sabbath School at Newton, a small village about two miles from Dalhousie Mills, supported on the Union principle. This one was in operation also before I came to reside in the district; but, being informed that the attendance was not very large, I visited it, addressed the children, and elected two additional teachers from our own congregation, and it is now harmoniously conducted. The number of pupils is about forty.

I established another small Sabbath school about five miles to the west of Dalhousie Mills. I found that there was a neighbourhood there, containing ten or eleven families, all adherents of our Church, who were too far away from the other schools. I there appointed three teachers, and the number of scholars at present in attendance is from twenty to twenty-five. In all there are four Sabbath Schools now in operation between Dalhousie Mills and Cote St. George, containing about 150 children. I visited and addressed them in turn, and can speak in very hopeful terms of them.

Considering it in all its aspects, I regard Dalhousie Mills and Cote St. George, if united, as a very important field of labor. Neither section can of itself support a minister—but, if the two were united, they would make a large and able congregation. In the event of a union taking place between them, a new Church would be required in the centre of the district, which, in my opinion, is not far from Dalhousie Mills. There is no necessity whatever for two churches. One large central one would be quite sufficient. Besides the two Churches now in use are very old, small and uncomfortable.

PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.

An ordinary meeting of the Presbytery

of Montreal was held, according to appointment, on the 3rd ult. There were present, Revds. Frederick P. Sym, Moderator; Dr. Mathieson, James Anderson, William Simpson, Alexander Wallace, William Snodgrass, and James Patterson, Ministers; and Alexander Morris, Esq., Elder.

Extracts of the election of William Hamilton, by the Kirk Session of Georgetown; of George Elliot, by the Kirk Session of Ormstown; and of Frederick S. Verity, M.D., by the Kirk Session of Hemmingford—the two first elections having been made within two months after the last meeting of Synod, and the last immediately after the induction of Mr Patterson—were read and sustained, and their names were added to the Roll as Representative Elders.

The minutes of last ordinary meeting, and of the meeting on the 8th of September, were read and adopted.

Messrs. James Fenton and Andrew Tormie appeared as a deputation from the congregation of Laprairie and Longueuil, and solicited the appointment of a diet of moderation for the Rev. John Moffat to be their pastor, he having frequently officiated both at Laprairie and Longueuil. Agreeably to this request a meeting of Presbytery was appointed to be held in the Church at Laprairie, on the 19th ult., for the purpose of moderating in a call in favour of the said Rev. John Moffat, Divine services to commence at 11 o'clock forenoon; the Rev. William Simpson to preach and preside, and the Rev. James Patterson to serve the edict, both at Laprairie and Longueuil, on the 14th ult.

There was read a letter from the Secretary to the Colonial Committee stating that the Committee "will endeavour to procure an additional missionary without delay."

The Presbytery having considered the report of the Committee of Synod on the nature and powers of the Commission of Synod unanimously agreed to recommend the Synod, at the next annual meeting, to pass an Act in conformity thereto, and to append an explanation of the terms "Stated Diet" and "Diet," in the eighth paragraph of the said report, requiring them to be understood and interpreted to mean the entire session of any meeting of the Commission appointed by the Synod to commence on a certain day.

Mr. Prosper L. Leger appeared and requested to be received as a missionary within the bounds of the Presbytery. He presented an extract of his license, by the Presbytery of Quebec, to preach the Gospel. The Presbytery agreed to receive Mr. Leger as a probationer and missionary within their bounds, subject to the concurrence of the Presbytery of Hamilton, within whose bounds Mr. Leger had been labouring for some time.

The Revds. John Moffat and John Ran-