

affairs of the station, and that subsequently Mr. Donald Sinclair and his wife had been admitted to the communion of the Church there through the Session of Burns' Church. It was reported that Messrs. Hartley and Sinclair, student missionaries, had been labouring at Burns' Church and Wartburgh respectively during the quarter. Messrs. Hislop, Renwick and Mitchell were appointed a committee to prepare a scheme for holding missionary meetings. The Session Records of the congregations within the bounds were ordered to be produced at next meeting for examination. Mr. Hamilton was appointed Corresponding Member of the Foreign Mission Committee for the year. It was agreed that the Presbytery expenses of the current year be raised according to the apportionment of last year. Contributions to this object are expected by the new year. Dr. Waters reported somewhat unfavourably of the condition of the station at Wartburgh, and a deputation stated that some fourteen families regularly attended worship there, that there was no immediate prospect of increase, that they were anxious for supply of preaching through the winter as frequent as possible, and that they would be able to pay Mr. Sinclair about \$40 for his services during the summer. Eight Sabbaths' supply was promised them for the winter. Dr. Waters was authorized to lay the case of Wartburgh before the Home Mission Committee and ask, in its behalf, as much from the Mission Fund as it might be proper to give. It was agreed to ask \$50 for the next six months for Elma, &c., and to inform these congregations that thereafter they would be expected to make up the full amount of salary promised to their pastor, or, if unable to do so, to inform the Presbytery accordingly. It was further agreed to ask, in behalf of Biddulph, as formerly, \$75 a year, and for Burns' Church \$2 a Sabbath. Mr. Hamilton having been restored so far as to undertake in part his former work, thanked the Presbytery for the supply of his pulpits. Mr. Mitchell was appointed Convener of the Committee on Statistics, to report at next meeting. Mr. Fotheringham submitted that, owing to the state of his health, it had become necessary that he should cease from pastoral work for a lengthened period, say a year or two, and tendered the resignation of his charge. With a view to expediting the matter and saving trouble to the Presbytery, he had intimated his intention to the congregation seven weeks previously, and his Session had called a meeting of the congregation that they might be prepared to appear for their interest. The following documents in the case were then read: First, minutes of a meeting of the congregation, setting forth that it had adopted a paper to be engrossed in its minutes and laid before Presbytery, as expressive of its mind in regard to Mr. Fotheringham's demission, and appointing delegates to Presbytery: Second, the aforesaid paper, setting forth *inter alia*, that "with much sincere sorrow for the loss of their minister, they would oppose no objections to the Presbytery in loosing him from his charge," and that they desired supply in case his resignation be accepted: Third, extract of minutes of the Session, transmitting the aforesaid documents and appointing delegates. The delegates being heard, it was moved by Mr. Drummond, seconded by Mr. Macpherson, and agreed to accept Mr. Fotheringham's resignation and loose him from his charge, and appoint Messrs. Hamilton and Mitchell to prepare a minute, to be engrossed in the Presbytery Record, relative to his resignation. Mr. Renwick was appointed to preach to the congregation of Hibbert next Sabbath, and declare the pastoral charge of the same vacant after the first of October. Mr. Hamilton was appointed Moderator *ad interim* of the Session of Hibbert, and Mr. Fotheringham was continued clerk of Presbytery. The Presbytery adjourned to meet for ordinary business at Stratford on the 28th Nov. next.

JOHN FOTHERINGHAM, *Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF OWEN SOUND.—This Presbytery held its regular quarterly meeting at Owen Sound on the 26th and 27th days of September.

The following are the principal items of business.