

thon taken on second trial, and after being examined on the subjects in which Mr. Fraser gave evidence of talent of a high order and extensive acquirements, the Presbytery appointed his ordination and induction to take place at Chelsea on the following day, at 11 o'clock. After the appointment of members to take part in the ordination services, the Presbytery adjourned to meet at Chelsea, and the Court was closed with the apostolic benediction.

On the evening of the same day the annual meeting, in aid of the mission of the Church of Scotland in connection with the Presbytery of Ottawa, took place in St. Andrew's, Upper Town, owing to the inclement state of the weather and the bad state of the roads the attendance was not so large as it would have been under other circumstances. The chair was taken by the Rev. D. M. Gordon, B.D., minister of the Church, with whom were on the platform the Hon. Mr. Morris, minister of Inland Revenue, the Reverend William T. Canning of Oxford, the Rev. William Anderson, M.A., of Buckingham and the Rev. Mr. Fraser, the minister elect for Chelsea. Rev. Mr. Anderson, delivered a telling speech on the importance of the missions of the Church, and their great utility, especially in a new country like the Dominion, where there were so many families away from fatherland and home, upon whose ear the sound of the Sabbath bell never falls, calling them to the House of God, and whose little ones were growing up in ignorance little better than wild barbarians of the desert. His appeal to the liberality of the audience he rested on two grounds, first, that they were members of a Church whose creed was orthodox—from the pulpits of which were heard from sabbath to sabbath, not high church or low church or broad church doctrines, but the doctrines of the Gospel, the tendency of which, under God's blessing, was to honour our Saviour, and lead the sinner to the only fountain from whence pardon can be obtained, and second, that as Christians they were bound to imitate the example of the Lord Jesus, who from the love He manifested in leaving Heaven for this sin-cursed world that He might bring life and immortality to light, may indeed be regarded as the Prince of missionaries, and this example they could imitate by laying a portion of those means with which God has blessed them upon the altar of missions. He was succeeded by the Hon. Mr. Morris, who forcibly put to those present the duty of supporting the home missions of Synod, and illustrated the benefits they had produced by several anecdotes of their usefulness in the lumbering districts of the Upper Ottawa. During the course of his speech he gave a most interesting sketch of the progress of the Scottish Church in Canada, and instanced what perseverance could accomplish in the success of the Queen's College endowment fund, which now amounted to over \$90,000. The last speaker of the evening was the Rev. Mr. Canning, who briefly addressed the meeting on the subject of the missions in the lumbering districts, after which a collection was taken up in aid of the Mission Fund of the Presbytery. The meeting was then closed by singing the Doxology, after which the benediction was pronounced by the chairman.

January 13th.—On this day the Presbytery, pursuant to adjournment, met at Chelsea. The Rev. D. M. Gordon, Moderator, preached and presided. Notwithstanding the unfavourable state of the weather, the Church was well filled. The usual proclamation being made, the Moderator delivered a most effective sermon from ii. Cor. v. 20, and the usual questions being put to the minister elect, Mr. Fraser was solemnly set apart to the sacred office of the ministry by the laying on the hands of the Presbytery. The Rev. J. B. Mullan then gave the minister an earnest charge on the duties of his holy calling, exhorting him to faithfulness in their discharge, after which the people were addressed by the Rev. Mr. Anderson on their duties to him who had been that day set apart to watch for their souls. This settlement is a very harmonious one, and the Presbytery entertain high hopes of Mr. Fraser's success, as a minister, in that district. He was a good student, is a young man of earnest piety, and as an evidence of the generous sympathy of the congregation of Chelsea it may be mentioned that during the conference which the Presbytery had with the managers of the Church, after the ordination services, they expressed their readiness to adopt the suggestion of Mr. Anderson in his charge to the congregation, viz., to pay their minister a half year's salary in advance. This certainly is a step in the right direction. It is by no means fair to compel a minister, after his ordination or induction, either to go into debt or draw the means of his support for the first six months from friends, but it is believed that the members of our Church only require to be reminded of their duty in this respect to discharge it promptly.

The Presbytery again met in session, and, some other matter being disposed of, adjourned to meet in St. Andrew's Church, Ottawa, on the second Wednesday of May, at 11 o'clock, and was then closed with the apostolic benediction.

NOTTAWASAGA.—The Soiree which was given at Duntroon, in connection with the "West Kirk Congregation," Nottawasaga, on Monday evening, the 7th ult., was a complete success. The weather was all that could be desired, and hundreds turned out in order to enjoy a good evening's entertainment. The catables were got up by the ladies of the congregation in a very magnificent style, and the assembled multitude of six hundred people testified their appreciation of the numerous good things that were set before them, by the heartiness they displayed in demolishing them. Able and eloquent addresses were given by the Revs. McDonald, Carmichael, and Fraser and Mr. McKinnon. The speaking was interspersed with music from the choir of Nottawasaga, which was under the able leadership of Mr. T. Prout. At the close, votes of thanks were tendered to the ladies, who so amply provided the table, to the choir, and to the various speakers, and, after singing the National Anthem, the meeting came to a close. The total amount realized for the Building Fund, after paying all expenses, amounts to \$125. This includes some contributions given by a few kind friends, in Stayner.