

Knox's Congregation, resolve to appoint a Presbyterial Visitation, for the purpose of fully investigating the matters referred to in the documents submitted to the Court; and do therefore appoint a meeting of Presbytery for that purpose to be held in Knox's Church, Toronto, on the first Wednesday of December, at six o'clock, p.m.; due notice of such meeting being given for two Sabbaths from the pulpit of Knox's Church. The Moderator to preach at the opening of the meeting. The Presbytery to meet at eleven o'clock, a.m., the same day for general business.

Extracted from the minutes of Toronto Presbytery, by
THOS. WIGHTMAN, P.C.

No. V.

MINUTE OF PRESBYTERY FOR VISITATION OF KNOX'S CHURCH, DEC. 5TH, 1855.—PRELIMINARY MATTERS.

"At Toronto, within Knox's Church, 5th December, 1855, six o'clock p.m. The Presbytery of Toronto again met according to adjournment, to proceed with Visitation of Knox's Congregation. The Moderator, after devotional exercises, preached on Rev. 21, 5, and thereafter constituted the meeting. Sederunt—Mr. McTavish, Moderator; Drs. Burns and Willis; Messrs. Lowry, Reid, Young, Ure, Gray, Laing, Meldrum, Nisbet, Alexander, Holmes, and Wightman, ministers; and Mr. Wallace, elder. A large congregation was present during this sederunt.

"The minutes of former meeting on the 31st October, referring to Presbyterial Visitation of Knox's Congregation having been read, Dr. Burns stated that he had given the requisite intimations of this meeting on the last two Sabbaths. The Moderator read extracts from Pardovan, bearing on the mode of proceeding in conducting Presbyterial Visitations.

"It was in accordance with the rules in Pardovan decided that Dr. Burns, and also Messrs. McMurrich and Shaw, and also the Congregation, be regarded as parties in this case, i.e., that the rules applicable to ordinary Presbyterial Visitations, apply to this, though an emergent one. The following motion was made by Dr. Burns, but as it was not seconded, it was not voted on—'That as this meeting has been called in connexion with the special case of a congregation without a Session, the rules made for Presbyterial Visitations in 1706 do not apply, and ought not to be acted on.' The Presbytery adhered to their resolution as stated above. Whereupon Dr. Burns begged to enter his protest against the finding of Presbytery, and craved liberty to complain to the ensuing meeting of Synod at London in June next, promising to give in his reasons to the Clerk in due time, and craved extracts. The Presbytery ruled that Dr. Burns' protest was groundless, and agreed to proceed with the Visitation."

The above were extracted from the scroll minutes of Toronto Presbytery, on the 21st day of December, 1855, by THOS. WIGHTMAN, P.C.

No. VI.

DELIVERANCE OF THE PRESBYTERY, DEC. 12TH, 1855.

"From the evidence adduced it appears that dissensions and heart-burnings exist in the congregation, and that on the part of a considerable number of Church Members there is dissatisfaction with the Pastor; and