

of Mr. Young's self-denying and sustained efforts for the advancement of the moral and spiritual well-being of his flock, and cordial well-wishes for his future prosperity and usefulness. It says: We feel we cannot allow this occasion to pass without some expression (of a more tangible nature than any you have hitherto received) of our appreciation of the invaluable services you have rendered our Church and ourselves during your pastorate of over fifteen years, and while taking a retrospective view of these fifteen years, and while avoiding all the fulsome flattery usually employed on such occasions as these, we must say, in all candour and justice to you, that we feel that your indefatigable exertions, your untiring zeal and industry in behalf of the cause with which we are all identified, have brought about results for which no mere expressions of gratitude nor monetary gifts can adequately repay you and these results have been produced in the face of such difficulties as to a man of less determination, strength of purpose and stamina. Mr. Young was completely taken by surprise, and when able to find words and suppress his emotion, delivered one of the most touching and able addresses we have ever heard him deliver, freighted with reminiscences of the arduous but pleasant work of the past fifteen years, and tender and loving counsel and advice for the future. Had we time, says the *Braver*, we should like to give something like an intelligible report of his masterly address for the benefit of the outside public, but we are sure it will long remain indelibly stamped on the minds and in the hearts of all present. At the close of the meeting the reverend gentleman stood at the door and warmly shook hands with all as they passed out. During the evening Misses Anderson and Burrows favoured the audience with excellent instrumental music.

**PRESBYTERY OF CHATHAM.**—The regular quarterly meeting of this Presbytery was held on July 14 in First Church, Chatham, the Moderator, Rev. A. L. Manson, presiding. The report of the committee appointed to have the oversight of Blytheswood, Goldsmith and Strangfield was received. It was decided to continue the present connection and to advertise for an ordained missionary. Dr. Battisby laid upon the table a call from Bridge End, etc., in favour of Rev. J. M. Miller, licentiate. Commissioners were heard. In view of the want of unanimity and cordiality in connection with the call it was set aside, and Dr. Battisby was authorized to moderate in another call when required. The report of Mr. McColl regarding his visit to North and South Woodslic was considered. Mr. Fleming, of Essex, was instructed to visit the field and to make such arrangements as are necessary and to report. Mr. Gray was re-appointed to prepare notices relative to the decease of the late Mr. Walker. The name of Mrs. Wm. Walker was ordered to be certified to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund. Students labouring within the bounds were instructed to prepare exercises for the regular meeting in September. Commissioners to the General Assembly reported as to their diligence. Mr. McLennan, Comber, was appointed permanent Clerk. Next regular meeting will be held on September 8, in St. Andrew's schoolroom, Chatham, at ten a.m. The Presbytery adjourned to meet on August 11, at eleven a.m. in the First Church, Chatham.—**GEORGE A. MCLENNAN, Pres. Clerk.**

**PRESBYTERY OF BRUCE.**—This Presbytery met at Southampton on July 14, Mr. Eadie presiding. There was read an extract minute of the General Assembly, intimating that Mr. James Ferguson had been granted leave to retire from the active duties of the ministry. Mr. Findlay was authorized to examine the student's labours in the Algoma Mission field, with a view to their certification to college. Mr. W. E. Wallace accepted the call to Little Current, and his induction was appointed for August 25th, at 2 p.m., Mr. Rennie to preside and address the minister, Mr. J. K. MacGillivray to preach and Mr. D. H. MacLennan to address the people. A call from the congregation of Seymour and Rylstone to the Rev. John Moore, of Allenford, and which had been sustained and transmitted by the Presbytery of Kingston, was received and the congregations were ordered to be cited to appear for their interests at an adjourned meeting, to be held at Allenford on the 25th inst., at one p.m. The Standing Committees for the year were appointed, with the following Conveners: Finance, Mr. Little; Home Mission, Mr. Tolmie; State of Religion, Mr. Duff; Sabbath Schools, Mr. Echford; Temperance, Mr. Johnston; Superintendence of Students, Mr. Tolmie; Church Schemes, Mr. Malcolm; Sabbath Observance, Mr. Eadie. Messrs. Perrie and Little were appointed to address the annual meeting of the Presbyterial W. F. M. S. Mr. Gourlay was granted three months' leave of absence that he might visit Europe; and Mr. Johnston was appointed interim Clerk. Arrangements were made for holding a conference on Home and Foreign Missions at the evening sederunt of next meeting of Presbytery. A very hearty vote of thanks was tendered to the ladies of Southampton congregation for their kindness in entertaining the Presbytery to tea at the close of the afternoon sederunt.—**JAMES GOURLAY, Pres. Clerk.**

**PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.**—This Presbytery met in John Street Church, Belleville, on Tuesday, July 7, at half-past seven p.m. Rev. R. J. Craig was appointed Moderator for the ensuing six months. Mr. Young requested that one might be appointed to act in his stead as Clerk *pro tem*, and Mr. W. T. Wilkins, minister of St. Andrews Church, Trenton, was appointed. The resignation of the charge of Napanee by Mr. Young with a view to accepting a commission from the Home Mission Committee to labour as a missionary in British Columbia; and the resignation of John Street Church, Belleville, by Dr. George, with a view to his accepting a call from St. Louis, in the United States, were laid upon the table. Both the congregations concerned had been cited to appear in their own interests at this meeting of Presbytery, and were represented by commissioners. Both resignations were accepted and committees appointed to draft suit-

able minutes for engrossing in the records of Presbytery expressing the feelings of the members in parting with these esteemed brethren. A call from St. Andrews Church, Seymour, and Rylstone, in favour of Rev. John Moore, of Allenford, was sustained and ordered to be forwarded to the Presbytery of Bruce with a request that the consideration of his translation may be expedited as much as possible. Circular letters (or postal cards) received from the Presbyteries of Hamilton and Barrie too late to be of any practical value were read, and the fact ordered to be minuted. The following were appointed standing committees for the ensuing year, viz.: Home Mission and Augmentation—Messrs. M. W. Maclean and Henry Gracey, joint Conveners, with Messrs. Gray, Houston and Rattray, ministers; and Messrs. Walker, Northup, Fraser and Ostrom, elders. Examination of Students—Mr. James Cumberland, Convener, and with him Messrs. Gracey and Porteous and Professor Fowler, ministers; and Messrs. Gillies and Russell, elders. Sabbath Schools—Mr. S. Houston, Convener, and with him Messrs. Childerhose, Gandier and Gallagher, ministers; and Messrs. McArthur, Dunwoodie and Craig, elders. Temperance—Mr. R. J. Craig, Convener, and with him Messrs. Wilkins and Mackie, ministers; and Messrs. Nicol, Shibley and Dr. Boulter, elders. State of Religion—Mr. J. Mackie, Convener, and with him Messrs. Laird, W. S. Smith and Dr. Williamson, ministers; and Messrs. Duff, Wood and Laird, elders. Statistics and Finance—Mr. Wilkins, Convener, and with him Messrs. Fairlie, Houston and MacGillivray, ministers; and Messrs. Dick and Adams, elders. Sabbath Observance—Mr. Rattray, Convener, and with him Messrs. Wishart and Coulthard, ministers; and Messrs. Guthrie and Milne, elders. The following were appointed to visit the mission fields of the Presbytery to dispense the sacraments, etc., and report at September meeting of Presbytery, and they were left at liberty to make their own arrangements as to the time of their visit, with the understanding that the duty assigned be performed before next ordinary meeting of the Presbytery: Sharbot Lake, Mr. Fairlie; Piccadilly, Mr. Mackie; Wilbur, Mr. Porteous; Portsmouth, —; The Ridge, Mr. W. S. Smith; Bath, Mr. MacGillivray; L'Amable, Mr. Gray; Carlow, Mr. Gracey; Maynooth, Mr. Childerhose; Matawatchan, Mr. McElroy; Demorestville, Mr. Coulthard; Consecration, Mr. Wilkins; Roslin, Professor Mowat; Cardiff, Mr. Rattray; Tweed, —; Pine Street, Kingston, Mr. Porteous; Sidney, Mr. Maclean. The treasurer submitted a report of receipts and disbursements, showing a balance of \$13.26 on hand. The resignation of the clerkship by Mr. Young having been accepted, he was instructed to hand over all documents in his hands as Clerk to Mr. Wilkins, as Clerk of Presbytery, *ad interim*, to whom all communications intended for the Clerk of Kingston Presbytery are for the present to be addressed. The Presbytery adjourned to meet in St. Andrews Church, Kingston, on the third Tuesday in September at three p.m.

**PRESBYTERY OF SARNIA.**—This Presbytery met in St. Andrews Church here on the 7th inst., Rev. Mr. McKibbin, Moderator, in the chair. Minutes were read and sustained. An extract was read from the General Assembly intimating that leave had been granted to the Presbytery of Sarnia to receive the Rev. John McKee as a minister of this Church. Also, that the petition of Rev. John Lees, asking to be put on the list of Aged and Infirm Ministers, as an annuitant of the Fund, had been favourably received. There was read an extract minute from the Presbytery of Kingston, transferring Mr. Ross, student, with the view of the Presbytery of Sarnia taking him on trial for license; and also an extract minute from the Presbytery of Orangeville, transferring Mr. McMillen to the Presbytery of Sarnia, to be taken on trial for license. Rev. Mr. Graham reported that he had moderated in a call at Napier and Brooke, on the first of June last. The call was in favour of Mr. Peter McEachren, licentiate; signed by ninety-seven members and fifty-three adherents, and promising \$625 stipend, with use of a house. Messrs. Calvert, Bowlby, Fisher and Dugald McGugan were heard in the matter. It was agreed to approve of the Moderator's conduct and sustain the call as a regular Gospel call, and in event of acceptance the Clerk was instructed to prescribe subjects for trial, to be delivered in Brigidon on the 21st of July next. Revs. Dr. Thompson, Tibb and Jordan, with Mr. D. Leitch, elder, were allowed to retire to examine the candidates for license. A petition for services in Moore Line school-house, No. 17, was laid on the table and read. It was agreed to allow the services to go on at present, and in the meantime cite parties to appear for their interests at the ordinary meeting in September next. Rev. Mr. Graham reported that he had dispensed the communion at Fourth Line, Brooke; that the attendance there and at Inwood was good, and matters on the whole highly encouraging. The Presbytery appointed the following Standing Committees for the year: Home Missions, Rev. Messrs. Currie and Lochhead, with their respective elders. College, Rev. Dr. Thompson, Rev. Messrs. Tibb and Jordan, and Messrs. Houston and Leitch, elders. Temperance, Rev. Messrs. Leitch and McLennan, and their respective elders. Finance, Rev. Mr. Cuthbertson, and Messrs. Houston and Blaikie, elders. Statistics, Rev. Messrs. Lochhead and Pritchard, and their respective elders. State of Religion, Rev. Messrs. McLennan and Leitch, with their respective elders. Sabbath Schools, Rev. Messrs. Tibb and Beamer, and Mr. Adam Bell, elder. Business, the Clerk and Rev. Dr. Thompson. Examination of students, Rev. Dr. Thompson, Rev. Messrs. Tibb, Currie, Beamer and Jordan, and Mr. Wm. Symington, elder. The Presbytery adjourned to meet at 1:30 p.m. At half-past one, p.m., the Presbytery resumed, Rev. Mr. McKibbin, Moderator, in the chair. Leave was granted to East Williams congregation and West Williams to have calls moderated in, if necessary, before next ordinary meeting of Presbytery, and the Moderators were instructed to discharge that duty if called upon. Messrs. McKee and McIntock, ordained ministers, were

invited to sit within the Court. Rev. Mr. Beamer intimated that on the 29th of June, he had moderated in a call in favour of Rev. John McKee, a probationer of this Church. It was signed by 132 members and 105 adherents, promising \$750 stipend, with a rented house. Stipend to be paid quarterly in advance. Messrs. McLean and Brown supported the call, which was unanimous and enthusiastic. On motion of Rev. Mr. Cuthbertson, it was agreed to approve of the Moderator's conduct, sustain the call as a regular Gospel call, and put it into the hands of Mr. McKee for his consideration. The next meeting of Presbytery was appointed to be held on the third Tuesday in September next, at Strathroy, and within St. Andrews Church there, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Rev. Mr. McKee intimated his acceptance of the call from Brigidon, and his induction was appointed to take place at Brigidon on the 21st day of July, at 11 a.m.; Rev. Mr. Jordan to preach; Rev. Dr. Thompson to address the minister, and Rev. Mr. Beamer to address the people. The edict to be served in due time. Delegates to the General Assembly reported in regard to the discharge of their duty. The reports were received. At the request of Rev. Mr. Graham Rev. Mr. McKibbin was appointed Interim Moderator of Sessions at Inwood, Weidman and Brooke. The committee appointed to examine the candidates for licenses, reported that having examined them in the various subjects prescribed by the General Assembly, that on the whole the gentlemen had acquitted themselves with credit, and recommended that they be licensed to preach the Gospel. On motion of Rev. Mr. Cuthbertson, seconded by Rev. Mr. Currie, the report was received and in terms of its recommendation the Presbytery proceeded to license. The questions put on such occasions were satisfactorily answered, and after prayer by the Clerk the Moderator licensed Messrs. Ross and McMillen to preach the Gospel and in token thereof gave them the right hand of fellowship, as did the other members of the Court present. The Moderator addressed the candidates in words suitable to the occasion. Rev. Mr. Graham reported that on the 29th of June he had moderated in a call at Alvinston, which was in favour of Mr. Jas. McMillen, signed by ninety-one members and 117 adherents, promising \$550 stipend, with manse. It was agreed to approve of the Moderator's conduct, note the irregularity (Mr. McMillen not being then licensed), but that Mr. McMillen having successfully passed trials for license, the Presbytery sustain the call as a regular Gospel call and put the same into Mr. McMillen's hands for his consideration. Mr. McMillen intimated his acceptance of the call. The subjects of trial for ordination were prescribed, to be delivered in Brigidon on July 21st, and if satisfactory the ordination to take place at Alvinston on the 22nd inst., at 11 a.m.; Rev. Mr. McKee to preach, Rev. Mr. Cuthbertson to address the minister, and Rev. Mr. Graham to address the congregation. The edict to be served in due time. The Presbytery was closed with the benediction.—**GEO. CUTHBERTSON, Clerk.**

#### OBITUARY.

REV. DONALD FRASER.

The Victoria, B.C., *Colonist* says: When the Rev. Donald Fraser returned from his trip east on the 24th of last month, his many friends were pained to see that the trip had been anything but beneficial to him. He left Victoria in quest of health, which he then badly needed, but instead of that he was taken worse and was down with illness almost all the time during his absence. Since his return he has been unable to occupy his pulpit, but went around with great difficulty. He was taken down with pneumonia, and soon it was evident that he could not live much longer, and in a few hours he was called away by Him whom he has worked for so hard and faithfully. He was attended by Drs. Milne and Ernest Hall, who, with those of his family who are in the city, surrounded the death-bed until the last moment. Rev. D. McRae, of Victoria West, and Rev. E. D. McLaren, of Vancouver, were also with the deceased until the last.

The deceased was born at Lochiel, Glengarry County, Ontario, where his grandmother still resides, and which place he visited during his trip east. He was about forty-six years of age, over half of which time he spent as an energetic and hardworking minister of the Presbyterian Church. He graduated from Queen's College, Kingston, with honours. Before coming to Victoria seven years ago as the first minister of the Canadian Presbyterian Church appointed to Victoria, he had been in charge of the Presbyterian Churches of Priceville, Port Elgin and Mount Forest, Ontario. In the former town he took his first charge and in the latter his mother and brother now reside. As Convener of the Home Mission Committee he worked hard and faithfully, in fact so hard that it impaired his health.

His death is indeed a severe blow to the Presbyterian Church in British Columbia, he having devoted his time and energies to the cause he was championing. To know him was to like him and respect him, and it is safe to say that there is not one person in Victoria that had met him but would say the same. His co-workers in works of religion, education or benevolence regarded him as a leader, he being ever ready to do his utmost to push forward any scheme for the good of humanity. He was sincerely loved by his flock, and he was thoroughly attached to them and Victoria, his adopted home. Since he took charge, the First Presbyterian Church in this city has been steadily growing, not only on account of new arrivals, but by additions made by the deceased's outside work. He took a deep interest in educational matters, being himself a man of high scholarly attainments. He leaves a widow and six children, who are now mourning the loss of an ever kind and loving husband and father. His two eldest daughters are attending Brantford College.

The people of Victoria turned out in large numbers to attend the funeral.

A brief service having been conducted at Mr. Fraser's residence on Pandora Street, attended by the family and a few of the more intimate friends, the mournful cortege, which was a very large one, moved off for the church, the pall-bearers being Messrs. W. D. McKillican, Alexander Wilson, J. Fullerton, John Meston, W. Clarke and R. S. Rendall. The windows and doorsteps on the route were occupied with deeply-interested spectators while the sidewalks were lined with more than ordinarily affected onlookers. On arriving at the church, of which, for seven years, the deceased had been the esteemed pastor, the remains were deposited in front of the pulpit, the services being under the direction of Rev. D. Macrae, seated with whom behind the rail were Rt. Rev. Bishop Cridge, Rev. P. McF. Macleod, Rev. Coverdale Watson, Rev. Dr. Reid, Rev. Mr. McLaren, of Vancouver, Rev. I. H. White and others. The church was simply draped with mourning, while the coffin was covered with wreaths, crosses and other floral tributes. Rev. Mr. Macrae having announced the twenty-third Psalm, it was sung with much feeling by the choir, under the direction of Mr. J. G. Brown. Rev. Mr. McLaren, of Vancouver, read a beautiful selection of Scripture, after which Rev. Dr. Reid offered up a prayer, remarkable for its pathos and applicability to the peculiar circumstances of the case. The hymn "Asleep in Jesus" having been sung, Rev. P. McF. Macleod, in tones broken by emotions, which it was manifestly impossible to hide, and which were fully shared by all present, addressed the congregation.

Rev. Coverdale Watson offered an earnest prayer, followed by the hymn: "The Sands of Time are Sinking." The organ then played the Dead March as the body was being borne out of the church and carried to the Ross Bay Cemetery, where, with appropriate ceremonies, conducted by Bishop Cridge and Rev. D. Macrae, the mortal remains of this faithful Christian were deposited, in sure and certain hope of a joyful resurrection.

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