

colony. With this view the Rev. Messrs. McGill and McIntosh were appointed to address a letter of instructions to the Rev. John M. Roger of Peterboro', then about to proceed to Scotland; as also, to prepare a draft of an appeal to the Presbyteries of the parent church on behalf of the destitute Presbyterian population in Canada—and the clerk was instructed to call on the other Presbyteries to send in statements of the number of Missionaries required by each and the amount of salary which they will guarantee respectively to each Missionary. The special meeting at Williams', was held according to appointment, on the 31st day of July—when the Rev. Duncan McMillan, formerly of Caledon, in the Presbytery of Toronto, was inducted to the pastoral office at Williams' on a most harmonious call from a large congregation, among whom he has entered on his labours with the most cheering prospects of success and comfort.

At the present meeting, after disposing of some matters of minor importance, the Presbytery took up the instructions of Synod in regard to Missionaries, and the clerk gave in duly attested statements from the Presbyteries of Toronto, Kingston and Glengary, showing the number of Missionaries they respectively require and the amount of salary which they will guarantee to each of a certain number of Missionaries. The Presbytery then had read the draft of an address to the Presbyteries of the Parent Church; setting forth the religious destitution of this colony, and especially of the Presbyterian population therein, and claiming their aid for its relief. Various suggestions having been adopted for the emendation of the draft—it was agreed to for substance, and committed to Messrs. McGill, Stark, Gale, and McIntosh, with authority to revise, print, and forward it—to be laid before the Presbyteries in Scotland, and the General Synod of Ulster, with an appendix containing the statements and guarantees of Presbyteries respecting the number of Missionaries required and the amount of support

to be provided for them here. This committee was also authorised to correspond with the committee of the General Assembly on Colonial churches and the Glasgow Colonial Society, in regard to the selection of Missionaries of suitable qualifications, and the means of making up the salaries guaranteed to a sufficient amount. The Presbytery thereafter prepared a statement of the number of Missionaries required within their bounds, and the amount of support to be secured to them.

There were introduced to the Presbytery, Mr. George Bell, of Perth, and Mr. Lachland McPherson, of Zorra, professing a desire to enter on a course of study, with a view to the Holy Ministry, under the inspection of the Presbytery. Satisfactory testimonials of character were produced in their behalf, and the Presbytery having examined them as to their professed views and the progress they had previously made in their education, they were received as students and directed as to the course of study they were to pursue.

At 7 o'clock, p.m., the Reverend William McKillican preached, by appointment, before the Presbytery, from Proverbs, xi, 30, "He that winneth souls is wise," &c., and thereafter the Presbytery adjourned till 9 o'clock, a.m., next day.

On the 10th instant, the Presbytery met pursuant to adjournment, but little business of general interest occurred. With reference to the Synod's injunction, the Presbytery appointed the Ministers within their bounds to preach on the subject of intemperance, on Sabbath, the 22d December next, and to read from the pulpit, on the Sabbath previous, the act of the Synod, and intimate the appointment of the Presbytery in this respect.

The next ordinary meeting was appointed to be holden at Hamilton, on the second Wednesday of January next, at 9 o'clock, a.m., and the Presbytery was closed with prayer.

UNTO THE RIGHT HONORABLE THE MARQUIS OF NORMANBY, &c.

The Memorial of the Committee of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, for promoting the religious interests of Scottish Presbyterians in the British Colonies.

The Committee of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland for promoting the religious interests of Scottish Presbyterians in the British Colonies, have observed with the deepest interest the notice which has been given on the part of Her Majesty's Government, respecting the introduction into Parliament of measures to make provision for the Government of the Canadas; and as these measures must necessarily have respect to the religious as well as the civil condition of these Provinces, the Committee feel that they would be guilty of a dereliction of their bounden duty, if they neglected the present opportunity of bringing under your Lordship's consideration the claims of the Members of the Scottish Church, for the protection of their ecclesiastical rights in any legislative enactments that may be proposed for adoption. The solemn trust committed to your

Memorialists by the General Assembly, may free them, they trust, from the charge of presumption in obtruding themselves upon your Lordship's notice; and the frequent and earnest appeals which have been made to them by their brethren in Canada for assistance in asserting their just rights, will be considered by your Lordship, as your Memorialists cannot but hope, an additional excuse for the demand that they presume to make upon your Lordship's attention. The mistaken notions that prevail in many quarters respecting the legal position of the Members of the Scottish Church in the British Colonies generally; the little practical effect that has hitherto been given in Canada to the juster views that have recently been expressed by Her Majesty's Government upon the subject—the erroneous statements that have been made respecting the relative amount of the Presbyterian