

Having heard these statements the Presbytery deferred the further consideration of this case till a future meeting.

The Presbytery then adjourned to meet at Waweig this evening at half-past six p. m., and the meeting was closed with prayer.

WEWIG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, }
October 12th, 1870.

At 6.30 p.m., the Presbytery met according to adjournment, and was constituted.

The assemblage was very limited owing to the incessant rain of the afternoon and evening; but the Presbytery resolved to proceed with the visitation of this section of Mr. Millen's charge as intimated.

The Pastor preaches the gospel faithfully, does not hold diets for catechising, but visits his people from house to house once a year, and many of them more frequently; visits the afflicted attentively. Conscientiously attends Presbytery, but regrets that since the Union he has not been able regularly to attend the meetings of Synod. He administers baptism in an orderly way. Has no Bible-class. The Elders visit to some extent among the people, but not as much as they ought. Always visit and pray with the sick when asked. They attend meetings of Session and other Church Courts when appointed, as far as practicable; but they seldom attend or take part in prayer meetings.

The number of Elders is not sufficient, and they have no special districts allotted. No incompetent person is admitted to ordinances. They have contributed to the principal schemes of the Church to the amount of \$33. There is an increasing interest in religious things, and there are other hopeful indications of progress.

There are about 26 paying families and about 36 families in some way connected with the Presbyterian Church. There are some, but not many, who never attend religious ordinances. There are 24 communicants, of whom, seven were added during the last year. There were nine baptisms last year. There are occasional week evening preachings; but no weekly prayer-meetings.

The sum promised the pastor from this section is \$168. It has not been regularly paid. It is raised by pew rents, and the Trustees could not tell how much was paid during last year. It was paid to the pastor by the holders of pews in small sums to suit their convenience. (Rev. Mr. Millen stated that he had received from this section from \$112 to \$115 last year.) The rents are payable half-yearly, but there is no proper system of collecting them.

After lengthened conference the Presbytery found as follows:—"In view of the facts now elicited the Presbytery find that

while there is much faithful and exhausting toil on the part of the pastor, and some self-denying effort and loving co-operation on the part of the people, there is at the same time a lack of thorough organization and vigorous work in contributing and collecting means for ministerial support. The amount paid the pastor is too small, and ought to be forthwith increased; and the Presbytery would earnestly and affectionately urge upon the congregation the duty of faithfully and punctually discharging the obligations they owe to God, to their pastor, and to the church at large. The Presbytery would also affectionately urge the propriety of exercising a greater degree of Christian consistency in attending to sealing ordinances and point out the obvious duty of those who seek baptism for their children to seek the other seal of the New Covenant for themselves. The Presbytery is encouraged by the kindly Christian spirit manifested on all hands to hope that, by the blessing of God, the needful improvements will be speedily accomplished."

The Presbytery then adjourned to meet at Bocabec the day following at 11 a m.

BOCABEC, 13th Oct., 1870.

The Presbytery met according, and after sermon by the Moderator was constituted. The visitation of this section of Mr. Millen's charge was then proceeded with.

The pastor gave the same answers here that he had already given at Waweig.

The general state of religion is a subject of much anxiety, and there is little to indicate that it is in a prosperous state. Our own people are not so regular in their attendance upon ordinances as they ought to be.

There are some 24 families contributing to the support of the ordinances in this section. Over 32 call themselves Presbyterians, some of whom very seldom attend service. They assign poverty and various other causes for their neglect.

There are about 25 communicants. There have been no accessions from the ranks of the young for some time. The Lord's Supper is dispensed here once a year, and the preaching of the Word every alternate Sabbath morning, with occasional week-day services. In the absence of the pastor the church is closed. There is no strictly Presbyterian Sabbath School in the congregation. There are *Union Schools* in which many of the teachers are Presbyterians. The congregation has greatly suffered from death and emigration, and the population is decreasing.

The amount promised the pastor is \$200. The obligation is irregularly discharged; the greater number paying directly to the