

The high esteem entertained by the Presbytery for Mr. Inglis, and the regret with which they have consented to his departure.

Arrangements were made for the supply of the St. Gabriel Street pulpit.

The ordinary meeting of the Presbytery was held on the 16th May. The following were the principal items of business:—

In compliance with a petition from Laguerre, it was agreed to moderate in a call from the congregation there, to Mr. John Crombie, preacher of the Gospel. Mr. McArthur was appointed to attend to this duty. A call from the congregation of Winchester, to Mr. Quin of Osnabrock, desiring to be made a part of his pastoral charge, was laid on the table, duly moderated in, with certain papers in reference to the suspend of the minister from these congregations. The call was sustained, and all the papers ordered to lie on the table till next meeting.

A paper, purporting to be a call from the congregation at Winslow, to Mr. E. McLean, ordained missionary, very numerously signed, was submitted to the Presbytery. It was resolved, that inasmuch as the present paper is not a call duly moderated in, Mr. Swinton be appointed to visit the congregation, and, after sermon, verify this invitation as a due and regular call, and lay it on the table of the Presbytery at next meeting.

There was submitted and read, a report of the proceedings of the Commission, appointed to visit Langwick, and investigate certain charges brought against the Kirk Session there. The charges were found to be substantially correct, and the evils complained of were rectified. It was resolved to sustain the report, and approve the diligence of the Commissioners.

A petition was read from the office bearers at Langwick, expressing the desire of the congregation to have the services of a Gaelic speaking preacher or minister, apart from the congregation at Winslow. It was agreed to grant this request, so soon as the Presbytery have it in their power.

The following distribution of preachers and students was made:—

Rev. J. Crombie—St. Gabriel Street Church, Montreal.

Rev. James T. Inham.

Mr. P. Currie—Vankleek Hill, three months, and Lingwick, three months.

Mr. A. Young—Port Neuf, to 1st August, and Inverness, 1st August to 1st November.

Mr. A. McDiarmid—Martintown and Williamtown.

Mr. Scarth—Longuen and Chateauguay Basin.

D FRASER, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.

The late meeting of Presbytery was principally occupied with calls. The minutes of the special meeting for the ordination of Mr. Pirie, to the charge at Niagara, was read and sustained, and his name ordered to be added to the Roll of the Presbytery.

A call from the Congregation at Wellesley, in favor of Mr. McKay, was sustained, as also his ordination trials, and his ordination was appointed to take place on the 6th June, at Wellesley.

A call from Nairn Church and Cumminsville in favor of Mr. Alexander McLean of Wellington Square, and Waterdown was sustained, and induction was appointed to take place the 23rd of May.

A Call from Paris, in favor of the Revd. W. Stevens, was sustained, and appointments were provisionally made for his induction, in the event of his being able to be forward in time. His induction, is to take place at Paris, on the 21th May.

Mr. Inglis's induction to the 2nd Congregation, at Hamilton, took place on the 9th inst. Mr. Black preached, Mr. Inglis presided, Mr. Stark

addressed the Minister, and Mr. McLean, the people. The attendance was good, and Mr. Inglis's reception appeared most cordial.

A Call was appointed to be moderated in, at Drumville, on the 23rd inst, by Mr. Black.

A call from the Congregation, at St. Catharines, was given in, and duly certified, in favor of Mr. Robert E. Burns, of Kingston—which waits the action of the King-ton Presbytery and his own reply.

M. Y. STARR, Pres. Clerk.

CHALMERS' CHURCH, KINGSTON.

This Church has of late undergone very considerable improvements. It has been thoroughly cleaned and beautifully painted. The basement story has been newly lathed and plastered, so as to render it extremely comfortable for the Sabbath school, and weekly meetings. Alterations have been made in the hot-air apparatus, with the view of securing its better working. If once the spire were erected, the whole would present quite an imposing appearance. The vacant lot adjoining the property of the congregation, will suit admirably for a manse, which will doubtless be put up so soon as they feel in a position to do so. The collections at the re-opening and the beginning of the year, realized over sixty pounds—and the annual soiree in February, cleared about forty-five pounds.

Female agency has lately been enlisted to supplement the provision made by the seat rents and collections. The congregation is divided into sections, and two appointed to each, who make their rounds and report monthly. Several of the ladies, married and single, have entered into the plan with much spirit, and are prosecuting it with success. They will likely add £150 or more to the yearly revenue.

The Senior Bible Class meets in the Church on Sabbath afternoons. Various subjects have at different periods been taken up, such as the Confession of Faith, the Evidences of Christianity, and prescribed portions of Scripture. At present we are going through the Acts of the Apostles. Topics for short Essays are also given out—which form habits of thought, foster a spirit of inquiry, and assist in acquiring the Art of composition. The Quarterly Addresses from the Pulpit to the Young, are continued and found increasingly useful. On the first Sabbaths of January, April, July and October, the youth of the Congregation are collected and addressed on subjects and in terms adapted to their capacities. Parents and teachers are thereby led more forcibly to feel their responsibility, and the interest in the practical efforts made for the benefit of the young is strengthened. The Junior Bible Class meet in the Pastor's House on Wednesday afternoons, and a Female Prayer Meeting on Fridays. The Teacher's Meeting is on Sabbath Morning. The Sabbath School meets at a quarter past two, public services being morning and evening. We have never had so many on the Roll as during the past six months.

The usual Examination came off in March—the children were questioned closely on the Catechism and Scripture Lessons, and acquitted themselves very creditably. The doctrine of Justification was also satisfactorily proved by about 30 of the more advanced. During the past year we have adopted the Prize system—giving a prize to all children who have got a certain number of Tickets. It has had an enlivening effect—securing a larger attendance—greater attention to the lessons and better behaviour. During the current year we propose giving a prize to the one, or more in each class (according to the size) who can shew the largest number of Tickets by next Examination.

We have adopted a new plan of increasing our Sabbath School Library. Printed Cards, with a brief statement and blank subscription list, have been circulated amongst the children

that they may gather small sums among their friends. The cards will be returned next Sabbath. We were calculating on about a quarter of a dollar from each—but already one little boy has paid in nearly three dollars, and all have gone into it so heartily, that our anticipations will be realized. The children are likely to take a warmer interest in the books, when they have had a hand in getting them; we are purposing a change in the mode of distribution—also allowing a single book to each family represented in the school, instead of, as hitherto, to each individual child. This will make the books go much further, and secure their being more generally read; when several in a family get books at the same time a library is speedily exhausted, and the books are but skimmed instead of studied.

Two missionary publications are in circulation—the one presented to the children—the other paid for by those who choose. Of course a missionary box is kept, and deposits made weekly. Some children have separate Boxes of their own. Two who collected ten dollars between them last year, have collected the same sum this. It is of the utmost consequence to encourage a missionary spirit in our Sabbath Schools; who knows but that from within their pale some future Morrisons, or Milnes, or Duffs may spring up.—*Cont.*

KINGSTON—CHALMERS' CHURCH MISSIONARY ANNIVERSARY.

The above anniversary came off on the evening of Wednesday, the 2nd inst., and proved an occasion of more than ordinary interest. The chair was occupied by Andrew Shaw, Esq., and the meeting opened with devotional exercises, conducted by the pastor of the congregation. On the platform were the ministerial representatives of five religious denominations. The addresses were marked by variety in substance and style, but were all clear, cogent and convincing. The Rev. Mr. Crompton furnished a plea for missions, advancing some powerful arguments in their favor.

The Rev. Mr. Gregg, of Belleville, gave a bird's-eye view of the missionary field, circumnavigating the globe, and showing, that even now, from the rising of the sun to the going down of the same, incense and a pure offering are being presented to God.

The Rev. Mr. Douglas, in eloquent and forcible terms, exhibited the remarkable change in public opinion with reference to missions, which the last quarter of a century has witnessed, and how, in the great Missionary enterprise, all the elements of genuine philosophy and philanthropy find a fitting embodiment.

The Rev. Mr. Facer dwelt on the harmony between the home and foreign fields, showing distinctly that missions at home and abroad do not conflict but co-operate, and that those who embrace in their wide-warm sympathies the world at large, will not lose sight of the section where their lot is cast.

The Rev. Mr. Fenwick found a congenial theme in the magnitude and grandeur of the missionary enterprise. The elements of moral dignity which enter in it, and the vast range of objects and subjects which it embraces, were appropriately touched upon.

Before the collection was taken up, the Rev. Mr. Burns furnished a verbal report of the principal Missions of the Church, showing them to be at present in a healthy and powerful state. In regard to this Province, it is plain that the Free Church is remarkably lengthening her cords. Although, since her organization in 1844, her sealed ministers have multiplied from twenty-two to considerably over one hundred, fifty missionaries would barely meet the applications for supply which are not being made. A Presbytery might now be formed, where six years since scarcely a tree was cut down. It is pleas-