

by Railway, it is in contemplation that members of Committee visit him from time to time, and by personal inspection make themselves acquainted with the nature of the work. It is hoped that communications tending to revive an interest in the Mission will occasionally appear in the pages of *The Presbyterian*. Mr. Baridon's salary is \$500 per annum—a very moderate income on which to maintain his family and keep a horse—and surely no great sum for a hundred congregations to raise. At the commencement of his engagement in the first of last month the funds at the disposal of the Committee to meet this expenditure amounted to \$230.44, not half the sum required for the present year. The Committee must, therefore, look to such as are friendly to this good cause to aid them in carrying out their plans, and they wish it to be distinctly understood that prompt and sufficient assistance is indispensable to their continuing the work for more than a brief period. They are fain to believe that, if the members of the Church will only take a becoming interest in the scheme, a great and prosperous mission will grow out of the small commencement that has been made. Let us have earnest sympathies, fervent prayers and free-will offerings. From several quarters we have received the inquiry, "What are you doing with the French Mission?" and this we take to be a good indication of existing interest. It has also been frequently said to us, "Do something and you will be supported." Well something has now been done—cautiously and deliberately done. Who are they who will come to our help? May the Lord put it into the hearts of all, to whom He has freely communicated of the riches of His grace, heartily to espouse a cause which has numerous urgent claims upon every true-hearted Protestant in Canada.

It is intended shortly to issue circulars to all the ministers of the Church with a statement to be read from their pulpits. As no general collection has been made for some years on the day appointed by the Synod, namely, the first Sabbath of June, a most unsuitable day, as the Synod is then in Session, and as funds must be got for the expenses of the current year, the Committee have agreed to suggest the last Sabbath of February as likely to be the most convenient for a public collection. The above statement is issued in the mean time, so that the matter may be duly considered, and that such congregations or individuals as may feel disposed to contribute at once may be shown the desirableness of doing so. The Treasurer is Mr. Archibald Ferguson, Windsor Terrace, Dorchester Street, Montreal.

W. SNODGRASS,
Convener.

Montreal, Nov. 24th, 1858.

PRESBYTERY OF BATHURST.

The Presbytery met at Middleville on the 27th Oct. for the purpose of ordaining the Rev. W. C. Clark to the office of the Holy Ministry, and inducting him to the pastoral charge of the Church at Middleville.

The Rev. Mr. McMorine, of Ramsay, presided, and preached a very appropriate discourse from Luke xii. 49. After sermon the Moderator, having stated the steps previously taken with a view to Mr. Clark's ordination, put to him in presence of the congregation the questions prescribed by the laws of the Church, to which Mr. Clark returned satisfactory answers. The Moderator also read the Act of Synod anent the spiritual independence of the Church, to which Mr. Clark gave his assent. Whereupon, the Moderator descending from the pulpit, the Presbytery did, by prayer and the laying-on of hands, solemnly set apart Mr. Clark to the office of the Holy Ministry, and inducted him to the pastoral charge of the Church at Middleville.

Mr. Mylne afterwards addressed the Minister, and Mr. McHutchison, of Beckwith, the people, in suitable terms on their respective duties and privileges.

The Presbytery also met at Oxford on the 3rd Nov., for the ordination of the Rev. Joseph Evans over the church and congregation at that place. The Rev. Mr. Spence, of Ottawa, presided. The Rev. David Evans, of Kitley, (father of the young minister) preached an appropriate sermon from Colossians i. 28. "Whom we preach, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom." The Moderator having detailed the steps previously taken, and put to Mr. Evans the usual questions, he was solemnly ordained to the office of the Holy Ministry.

Rev. P. Lindsay, of Cumberland, addressed the Minister, and the Rev. Joseph Anderson, of South Gower, the people in suitable terms. There being no Kirk Session at Oxford, it having previously been a section of the congregation of South Gower, the Rev. Mr. Anderson and Mr. Hindman, Elder, were appointed to act as Assessors with Mr. Evans, and take the usual steps for the formation of a Session.

It may be remarked as a fact creditable to these young laborers in the Vineyard of our Lord, and further interesting as showing the strong desire which exists among our people, where they are without the ordinances of Religion, to be supplied with Pastors, that, at the meeting of the Presbytery at which they were licensed, memorials were presented, praying the Presbytery to moderate in calls to them, and take the other steps with a view to their settlement with all the expedition the laws of the Church admitted.

We would congratulate these two young Ministers of our Lord upon their admis-

sion to the high rank of ambassadors of Christ. The weighty responsibilities involved in this high rank we trust they duly feel. "May they take heed unto themselves, and to all the flock over which the Holy Ghost hath made them overseers, to feed the Church of God which He hath purchased with His own blood." May there be waste places filled in our beloved Zion, for which both Pastor and people will have unceasing cause in time and through eternity to give glory to God.

This Presbytery, we further understand, had recently the pleasure of welcoming among them the Rev. P. Thomson, appointed by the Colonial Committee to labor as a missionary within their bounds. The vacant Congregation of Litchfield and the Townships of Ross and Westmeath, where we have a large and interesting body of adherents who have long been anxious to be organized into a congregation, and to have a Pastor settled over them, are now enjoying the benefit of Mr. Thomson's Missionary services, and also of those of the Rev. T. Canning, an ordained Missionary of the Presbyterian Church of Ireland, who is an applicant for admission into our body.

P. S.—The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery takes place at Ottawa City on the second Wednesday in January next at 10 o'clock, p. m.

PRESBYTERY OF GLENGARY.

This Reverend Court met on the 27th Oct., according to appointment, in the new Church at Dixon's Corners, Matilda, for the purpose of inducting the Rev. Thomas Scott as Minister of the Congregation lately formed there. The Rev. John Davidson preached and presided on the occasion. The reverend gentleman delivered a most talented and highly appropriate discourse on Heb. xiii. 17. "Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves, for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you." The minister and people were afterwards suitably addressed by Mr. Dobie and Mr. McPherson respectively.

After Divine service a memorial from the Elders and Trustees of Dalhousie Mills congregation was read, stating that the services of Mr. John Livingston, Catechist, which they had enjoyed during the past summer, had been greatly appreciated by them, as well as his exertions in the establishment of Sabbath Schools in their district of country, and that, in parting with him at present, they were upheld by the hope of obtaining his permanent ministrations, as soon as his collegiate studies are completed, and he is set apart to the work of the Ministry. A request was also made by the memorialists to obtain such services as the Presbytery can give until, in the good Providence of God, a Minister shall