

the recommendation of the General Assembly, the following persons were appointed to take charge of the different schemes of the Church: Assembly Fund, Mr. F. R. Beattie; Home Missions, Mr. Cameron; Foreign Missions, Mr. Ballentine; French Evangelization, Mr. Torrance; Colleges, Mr. Bell; Aged and Infirm Ministers' and Widows' and Orphans' Funds, Mr. Smith. A minute was adopted expressing regret at the departure of Rev. W. Hodnett who had been transferred to Manitoba.

LINDSAY: 14th September:—The time of the Presbytery was chiefly occupied with matters pertaining to the welfare of its numerous Home Mission Stations and supplemented congregations. It was agreed to employ an ordained missionary in the north mission field and to apply to the H. M. Committee for a grant of \$350 per annum towards his support. It was found that the congregations of Balsover and Victoria and Kirk field, were not yet ready for an incorporating union. A committee was appointed to prepare questions suitable for Presbyterial visitation, to report at next meeting.

BARRIE: 28th September:—There was a large attendance of members and of commissioners from congregations interested in the proceedings. Arrangements were made for the induction of Mr. John K. Baillie to the charge of Second Innisfil. The rearrangement of some of the congregations in the bounds has for some time engaged the anxious consideration of the Presbytery, and occupied a large share of the time at this meeting. Rev. Allan Finlay, of Bracebridge, gave an interesting account of mission work in his extensive diocese of Muskoka. The Clerk was directed to certify to their respective Colleges *fourteen* students, resident in the bounds during the summer.

OWEN SOUND: 21st September:—The Committees that were appointed to look after the finances of the mission stations reported favourably, shewing that much success had attended the labours of the missionaries during the summer, and that the people had implemented their engagements to the students. Applications were received from Wiarton and Sarawak, etc., asking that ordained missionaries be sent to these fields by the H. M. Committee for two years. A call from Euphrasia and Holland to Mr. J. F. McLaren, signed by 98 communicants and 41 adherents, was sustained.

SARGEON: 14th September:—Four students gave reports of their missionary labours during the summer. A call from Palmerston in favour of Rev. J. M. Aull, of Ratho, was sustained. In reference to the Durham "Organ case," the Presbytery resolved to meet with the congregation with the view of arriving at a wise conclusion.

GUELPH: 21st September:—There was a large attendance. The ministers and elders in Guelph were appointed a committee to consider the whole subject of the appointment of commissioners to the General Assembly. Parties were appointed to take special charge of a particular scheme of the Church, Mr. C. Davidson having entrusted to him the Foreign Mission Scheme, Mr. Torrance the Home Mission and Assembly Expenses, Mr. Mullan, French Evangelization, Mr. Middlemiss, the Aged and Infirm Ministers, Mr. McCrae, The Widows' and Orphan's, and Mr. Smellie, the College Fund. The consideration of the remit on a Sustentation Fund was delayed till next ordinary meeting. The recommendations of the Assembly on the State of Religion were referred to the Presbytery's Committee on that subject. Mr. Smith was appointed the corresponding member with the Convener of the Assembly's Committee on Sabbath-schools with regard to the course of study and examination proposed for Sunday school Teachers. Mr. Middlemiss, submitted the report of the Committee appointed to prepare a scheme of missionary meetings and sermons.

PARIS: 20th September:—A presbyterial visitation of St. George congregation was held in the evening, and on the following day a similar visitation was held in Mr. Scrimgeour's congregation, Glenmorris.

HAMILTON: 21st October:—It was reported that a new congregation, with forty-one members and seven managers had been organized in Pearl Street, Hamilton, to be known hereafter as Erskine Church. It was announced that the late Mr. John Ganett, of Hamilton, had left a legacy of \$100 in perpetuity for the poor of Central Church, \$100 for the Home and Foreign Missions, \$50 for the French Evangelization, and \$50 for the College fund; also that the late Mr. David Butter, of Caledonia, had left \$200 for the schemes of the Church. It was resolved to hold a Sabbath-school conference at Jarvis, and a committee was appointed to perfect arrangements.

CHATHAM: 14th October:—The meeting was held at Bothwell, and the first day was spent in holding a Sabbath-school Convention. The resignation of Rev. A. Currie, of Ridgetown, was accepted. A committee was appointed to organize a mission station at Henderson. Mr. Gray was appointed to attend to the interests of the Foreign Mission Scheme; Mr. McKechnie, of the French Evangelization Scheme; Mr. Walker, of Home Missions; Mr. Becket, of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund, also of the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund; Mr. F. B. Stewart, of the Assembly Fund; Mr. Waddell, of Sabbath-schools; and Mr. Smith, of the State of Reli-