

agreed to sustain the examination and prescribe subjects for trials. It was subsequently decided to hold an adjourned meeting within Knox Church, Ottawa, on Tuesday the 28th inst., at 2 o'clock, p.m., to hear those trials, and, in the event of them being satisfactory, to proceed with the ordination in the evening, at half-past seven, Mr. McKenzie to preach, Mr. McLaren to address the Missionary, and Mr. James Whyte the congregation.

Mr. George Turnbull, a minister of the Presbyterian Church of England, appeared before the Presbytery and requested them to take such action as would lead to his reception in the Canada Presbyterian Church. On the report of committee appointed to confer with him, and after hearing the papers which Mr. Turnbull produced, the Presbytery agreed to apply to the General Assembly for his reception as a minister of this Church.

Mr. Crombie read the Home Mission Report which gave a very satisfactory account of the work done during the past quarter and presented very cheering prospects for the ensuing one. Nearly a full supply had been received for all the stations including those which the Presbytery had resolved to open up at last meeting. The remnant instrumental music was taken up and after considerable discussion it was agreed by a majority of five to disapprove of instrumental music in the public worship of God. Mr. Burns was appointed moderator for the next 12 months.

The next quarterly meeting is to be held within Bank St. Church, Ottawa, on the first Tuesday of August at 2 o'clock, p. m.

JAMES CARSWELL,
Presb. Clerk.

THE PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO held an ordinary meeting on the 7th of last month, attended by 19 ministers and 3 elders.

Professor Inglis reported that, according to appointment, he had dispensed the Lord's Supper to the young church at Aurora, and had made arrangements for the dispensation of the same ordinance at Newmarket on an early day. The report was received, and it was agreed to associate Mr. D. Fotheringham with the other members of the interim session.

The Presbytery called for the draft minute of committee formerly appointed, anent the late Mr. Duncan of Markham, when the following was read, adopted, and ordered to be put on the Presbytery record:—The Presbytery would acknowledge devoutly the sovereignty of God in removing their late brother, Mr. Duncan, whose life and pastoral course had not been long, but who had won by his earnest labours, in public and private, a warm place in the hearts of the people of his charge. The Presbytery would also record their sense of his fidelity in attending this and the other courts of the church, of the interest he took in the various proceedings of said courts, and of his care and non-sparing assiduity in fulfilling the appointments with which he was entrusted. Further, the Presbytery would record their sympathy with Mrs. Duncan in the great loss she has been called to sustain, and their earnest hope that, in answer to believing prayer she may find Him who has taken a way her earthly stay to be a Husband of the widow, and a Father of the fatherless. Nor would the Presbytery fail to add their sense of the loss which the congregation has sustained, and their hope that in due time they may be able to secure one who will take the oversight of their souls again, and steadily break among them the bread of life.

The following minute was also read and adopted in regard to the translation of Mr. Fletcher to Hamilton.—The Presbytery cannot allow their brother, Mr. Fletcher, to be separated from this Presbytery by his translation to McNab St. Church, Hamilton, without expressing their high esteem for his personal and ministerial character, and their appreciation of his faithful labours as a member