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THE CHURCH IN CANADA.

DEATH OF REV. MR. MURRAY.—We regret to observe the death of the Rev. Robert Murray, Professor of Mathematics in Toronto University. He had for some time retired from active duty as a Professor, his place being occupied by Mr. Cherriman; and he had taken up his residence at Goderich, where he died. Mr. Murray was a clergyman of the Church of Scotland at Oakville, and was appointed Superintendent of Education for the Upper Province. In 1844 he made way in that office for Dr. Ryerson, and received the appointment to the Mathematical Chair of the University. He was a man of a most amiable temper, and of considerable talent. — *Toronto Globe.*

We have much pleasure in extracting from the *Nagara Chronicle*, of March 25th, the following paragraph. This is the third occasion on which we have been called upon, within the last few months, to chronicle the considerate kindness manifested by congregations towards their pastors in a similar manner.

The Presbyterian Congregation in Queenston has presented the Rev. J. B. Mowat with a very fine horse. This handsome acknowledgement of the Rev. gentleman's professional services shows that his valuable labours are not unappreciated by his Queenston Congregation.

THE CHURCH IN THE LOWER PROVINCES.

EXTRACT OF MINUTE OF THE PRESBYTERY OF MIRAMICHI,

HELD AT NEWCASTLE THE 16TH OF MARCH, 1853.

The Presbytery being met and constituted, there was laid on the Table of the

Presbytery a call from the Trustees of St. Luke's Church, Bathurst, to the Rev. James Murray, now Missionary within the bounds of the Presbytery of Miramichi, requesting him to become the fixed Pastor of that congregation, agreeing "to pay him the sum of one hundred pounds currency per annum in addition to such grant as may be made by the Colonial Committee of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, payable half-yearly, so long as he continues to perform the duties belonging to the said office, according to the mode of worship and discipline of the Church of Scotland;" as also a minute of a meeting of the Trustees of St. Luke's Church requesting the Presbytery to apply on their behalf to the General Assembly's Colonial Committee for a grant for £70 sterling per annum, for three years, to the Rev. Mr. Murray, to be in addition to the salary offered by them, provided Mr. Murray accepts their call, engaging also to give him the occupation of the manse and ground belonging thereto.

At the same time there was laid on the Table of the Presbytery by Roderick McLeod, Esq., of Tabusintac, a call from the Trustees of the St. Andrew's and St. David's Churches, in the parish of Alnwick, to the Rev. James Murray to become the Pastor of these Churches, agreeing to pay him "the sum of one hundred and ten pounds currency per annum, to allow him the free use of the manse and glebe, with thirty acres of land, (five acres of which are cleared), in addition to such grant as may be allowed by the Colonial Committee of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland."

Mr. McLeod requested the Presbytery further to apply to the Assembly's Committee, in their behalf, for a grant of fifty pounds sterling to Mr. Murray, in the event of his accepting their call.

The Rev. Mr. Murray stated that, though he had received the first call some time ago, the second had only just been put into his hands, and therefore requested that he might be allowed to consider the two calls until the next meeting of Presbytery. The Presbytery, considering Mr. Murray's request as reasonable, agreed to it.

Mr. Murray reported, that after spending two months at Bathurst, according to the Presbytery's directions, he had visited Tabusintac, Burnt Church, Black River, Nelson, Blackville, Boiestown, Salisbury, and the Bend, and had officiated at all these places. The Presbytery approve of Mr. Murray's diligence, and direct him to proceed first to Tabusintac and Burnt Church, from thence, as the travelling will permit, to go on to Bathurst, extending his visits to Dalhousie and the districts adjoining; after which to proceed to Black River, Konchibougenc, Shediac, the Bend, and Salisbury.

Roderick McLeod, Esq., requested the Presbytery to appoint some of their number to dispense the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper in St. Andrew's Church, Tabusintac, as early as might be convenient, when they agreed to appoint the Rev. Mr. Murray, and the Rev. Mr. Henderson to dispense that ordinance there on Sabbath fortnight, being the 3rd day of April. They further appointed the Rev. Mr. Murray to preach there on