

the effort. With several of them I have enjoyed most excellent Christian intercourse, the remembrance of which will not be forgotten.

Here I would take the opportunity of thanking all our friends, and the friends of Israel, for the interest which they manifested towards myself and my people. May the Lord reward them all according to His promise, to bless them that bless Abraham.

I have also received for the funds of the Committee the following sums, which please acknowledge in the *Presbyterian* :

From a general meeting at Milton,	\$ 9 00
“ “ “ Brantford,	8 63
“ “ “ Galt, . . .	20 00

Enclosed you will find an account of my travelling expenses.

Yours truly,
EPH. M. EPSTEIN.

INDUCTION OF REV. JAMES STRUTHERS DOUGLAS, A.M., TO THE MINISTRY OF THE SCOTCH CHURCH IN PETERBORO.

The Rev. Dr. Barclay of Toronto, agreeably to the appointment of the Presbytery of Toronto, preached in the Scotch Church here on Sabbath last, the 26th day of September, from John vi. 67-68, and served the edict in favour of Rev. J. S. Douglas, who had received a unanimous call from the congregation to be their minister, and who preached in the afternoon from John xi. 25-26,—both preaching to very respectable and attentive audiences. The Presbytery of Toronto met by special appointment on the evening of Monday the 27th, at 6 o'clock P. M., in the Church; present, Rev. Dr. Barclay, Messrs. Bain and Mackerras, Ministers, and Judge McLean, Ruling Elder; and, after being duly constituted with prayer, proceeded to the induction of Mr. Douglas, Missionary Minister of the Church of Scotland, transferred to the Presbytery of Toronto from the Presbytery of Glengarry, in consequence of this call; and, no objections being offered, Dr. Barclay proceeded to the pulpit and preached a very eloquent and appropriate sermon from John iv. 37, “Herein is that saying true, One soweth and another reapeth,” showing by way of introduction that in personal matters this is not the rule, but, on the contrary, as a man sows, so shall he reap; but herein it is true that, as one generation provides for another, so the Prophets prepared the way for the Apostles—the Apostles and Martyrs for us—and specially Christ for the whole World; and concluded by inculcating on parents to make spiritual provision for their children, and Ministers for their people, for that by so doing both he that soweth and he that reapeth shall in the end rejoice together. Dr. Barclay then put the usual questions, which being satisfactorily answered, he inducted him into the charge of the Church and Congregation,

giving him in the name of the Presbytery of Toronto the right hand of fellowship, which was repeated by the other members present. Mr. Bain then ascended the pulpit and addressed the new Minister in a very affectionate and practical way as to his duties and personal conduct among his people; after which he was invited to sit with the members present, while Mr. Bain proceeded to address a few pithy remarks to the congregation as to their obligations,—to attend on Mr. Douglas's ministry, to pray for him, and to support him both temporally and spiritually. After the benediction had been pronounced, Mr. Douglas received a most hearty and devout welcome from the congregation, which was unusually large, and the remembrance of that night will no doubt often cheer him under his future labours and trials, and lead him, like Jacob, at such times to call upon the God who then appeared to him at the outset of his ministry in this place.

The services were solemn and the sentiments expressed liberal, affording good ground that the Spirit of Christ, which inspired them, will bless Mr. Douglas's ministry to the souls of all who prayerfully attend upon it; and that the congregation will have from the God of all grace an abundant return in spiritual blessings for the unanimity and liberality with which they have welcomed their new Pastor, as sent by Him who purchased them to Himself with His own precious blood. May God establish this hope in its abundant fulfilment.

PRESBYTERY OF GLENGARY.

This reverend Court met at Lancaster on the 15th September, the Rev. Peter Watson, Williamston, Moderator.

There was a large attendance of Ministers, and also a considerable number of Elders—a proof that the Laity are taking an interest in the affairs of the Church. It is to be hoped that the time is not far distant when each representative Elder will regard the attendance on Church courts as much his duty as it is the Minister's. This could not fail to be productive of much good, as each Elder could on his return home interest the people in the doings of the Church in the way that the Minister could not so well or so easily do.

The Rev. Messrs Scott and Douglas, ordained missionaries within the bounds of the Presbytery, being present, were requested to take part in the business of the Court. Messrs John MacRae and Farquhar Robertson, Elders from Indian Lands and Vankleek Hill respectively, were requested to take part in all matters which might come before the Meeting, referring to the congregations of which they are office-bearers. The Moderator and Mr. McPherson reported that they had fulfilled their respective appointments. Mr. Johnson stated that the fulfilment of his appointment to hold Divine Service at

Vankleek Hill was anticipated by the arrival of Mr. Douglas from Scotland.

Mr. Gregor not being present to give in his report, the Presbytery, taking into consideration his continued absence from meetings of the Court, resolved to admonish him to attend in future, or give satisfactory reasons for his absence.

The Session Records of Cornwall, Martintown and L'Original were then laid on the table, and after an interval were declared by the Committees appointed to examine them to be carefully and correctly kept; whereupon the Presbytery ordered the Clerk to attest them in the usual way, and enjoined the other Kirk Sessions within the bounds to produce their records at next ordinary meeting. Application was made in behalf of the adherents of the Church at Alexandria for the occasional services of a missionary. The Presbytery expressed their regret that they had no missionary at the time at their disposal to give the supplies asked for, but agreed individually to give Service as often as they could. They further appointed the Moderator and Clerk a Committee to visit Alexandria to enquire into the state of the Church there, and report at next ordinary meeting.

A letter from the Colonial Committee of the Church of Scotland, announcing the appointment of the Rev. J. S. Douglas to act as a missionary within the bounds and under the superintendence of the Presbytery was read, and the Committee of Presbytery, appointed at a former meeting to direct the services of Mr. Douglas, gave in their report, which was approved of. Mr. Douglas (it being his first opportunity of meeting the Presbytery) presented his credentials as an ordained missionary from the Colonial Committee, and gave in a verbal report of his labors at Vankleek Hill, East Hawkesbury and Alexandria, (not knowing that a written report would be expected) which was so far approved of; and he was requested to send in a written report to the Clerk at his earliest convenience. At this stage of the proceedings a memorial from the Trustees of the Church at Vankleek Hill in their own behalf and that of the congregation was presented, expressing their gratitude to the Colonial Committee and the Presbytery of Glengary for having sent Mr. Douglas to labor among them, and their high sense of his faithfulness as a Minister of the Gospel, at the same time expressing their sorrow at the prospect of Mr. Douglas leaving to enter upon another field of labor, and intimating their regret that their number is not such as to warrant them to use means at present to secure his permanent services. The Presbytery received the memorial with great satisfaction, and intimated to the memorialists their expectation that they will remit to the Clerk the sum of not less than four dollars for each Sabbath's services rendered by the missionary, as the