

gregation of Carlisle to the Rev. John Rennie, formerly of Dunnville. 3rd. From the congregation of Dorchester to the Rev. Mr. Barron, Probationer. The necessary process was entered upon to have these calls settled.

A letter was read from Mr. Barron, declining the call from Parkhill and and McGillivray.

The Presbytery resolved to take the necessary steps to ask leave of the Synod to receive Rev. Mr. Stevenson, a Minister of the Pres. Church of Canada, in connection with the Church of Scotland, who applies to be received as a minister of the Church. Also to ask leave to license Mr. Peter McLaren, a student prosecuting his studies under the direction of the Presbytery.

On motion of Mr. Kemp, a committee was appointed to confer with sessions and churches in the U. S., with the view of forming a Western Presbytery, and thus dividing the London Presbytery, now too large.

The report of the Committee on Evangelization created a long discussion, which resulted as follows:—Moved by Mr. John Scott, and duly seconded, that Mr. Kennedy having been employed on the understanding that he desired to come into full connection with the C. P. Church, in the ordinary way, by application to the Synod, and now learning from himself that such is not his desire, the Presbytery feel the arrangement made with him at the Meeting of Presbytery in December last is rendered null and void, and therefore must now discontinue his services as an evangelist.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. A. F. Kemp, and seconded, that Mr. Kennedy having placed before the Presbytery a certificate from the Presbytery of Ogdensburg, designating him to the Presbytery of Montreal, and an endorsement on said certificate by the Clerk of the Presbytery of Montreal that he is in good standing, that the Presbytery regard said certificate as a designation to this Church in terms of the Act for the reception of ministers, and receive Mr. Kennedy accordingly as a licentiate in regular standing in the C. P. Church.

The amendment was lost, and the Presbytery declared in terms of the motion.

From this finding Mr. Kemp dissented, and appealed to the Synod, and craved extracts, which were granted.

A communication from the Presbytery of Paris, in reference to the running of trains by the Grand Trunk and Great Western Railways on the Lord's day, was read.

They asked the co-operation of this and other Presbyteries, with a view to the suppression of this feature of Sabbath desecration.

A committee, consisting of Messrs. Kemp, Thompson, and Dr. R. F. Burns, ministers, and Mr. Bartlett, elder, was appointed to consider the document and report at the meeting to be held in April.

G. CUTHBERTSON, *Pres. Clerk.*

## Communications.

### A BRIEF NOTICE OF THE LATE REV. GEORGE RIDDELL, OF NEWTON AND NEWCASTLE, PRESBYTERY OF ONTARIO.

The dead "yet speak" by their example, though their pen may have caused no voice to linger after them. Surely it is dutiful to hold up the example of the pious dead to the view of those, who were not privileged to look upon it, as it evolved from the loom of life. This the writer humbly desires to do to the readers of the "Record," in regard to the subject of this notice. And the example he has left, as a legacy to the Church, is of no common character,—it may be looked at not only without a blush, or any feeling akin to regret, but with real satisfaction and profit, being comparatively so free from flaws, such as checker and mar that of many really