

Such students as presented themselves, with a view to attend Knox College, were examined, and certificates granted them to the Board of Examiners appointed by the General Assembly.

Mr. Baikie, student of Divinity, was examined, with a view to being licensed. After a very satisfactory examination, the Presbytery licensed him to preach the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Mr. Goodfellow was appointed to moderate in a call at Forest and McKay's Settlement on the 19th October, at half-past 10 o'clock, a.m.

Mr. Goodfellow gave in the resignation of his charge of Widder and Lake Road congregations, on account of ill health. The resignation was allowed to lie on the table till next ordinary meeting, and meantime arrangements were made to cite parties to appear for their interests.

The families in the neighborhood of Komoka were united to the congregation of Delaware, under the pastoral charge of Mr. Grant.

Mr. McKinnon was appointed the Presbytery's Corresponding Member of the Assembly's Foreign Mission Committee.

G. CUTHBERTSON, *Pres. Clerk.*

Communications.

THE LATE REV. THOMAS CHRISTIE.

Died at Flamboro West, on the 8th day of September last, at the ripe age of 86 years, 11 months and 22 days, the Rev. Thomas Christie, the last survivor of the three first missionaries sent out to Canada by the United Secession Church of Scotland.

Mr. Christie was born on 16th September, 1783, at Harvieston, in the parish of Tillicoultry, Clackmannanshire, Scotland. His father's name was David Christie, and his mother's Janet Kirk. His father belonged to the Church of Scotland, although his parents were Antiburghers. He was descended from the Christies of Durie, Leven, Fifeshire, the present representative of the elder branch of which family is Captain Charles M. Christie, of Durie, a zealous and influential elder of the Free Church of Scotland. When the subject of this notice was about twelve years of age, his father, who was a manufacturer, withdrew from his connection with the Parish Church, became a Seceder under the Rev. James McKenzie, of Alloa, and was one of the first three Elders in the Secession congregation of Tillicoultry. He died in 1817, and, six years after, he was joined in the land of spirits by his widowed partner. Her father had been the former proprietor of Harvieston, which afterwards became the country seat of Crawford Tait, Esquire, father of the present Archbishop of Canterbury.

In early life Mr. Christie was brought to feel the power of the truth in Christ, and joined the Church of his fathers. Having consecrated himself to the Lord, he was next led to devote himself to the work of the ministry, and with this object in view he prosecuted his early studies at the school of his native parish, in which he had a favorable opportunity for preparing for the higher education which was required before being admitted by the Presbytery to the Theological course. In 1807 he entered the University of Edinburgh, and passed through the classes of Greek and Latin, three sessions, under Professors Dunbar and Christison; of Metaphysics, under Professor Ritchie; of Moral Philosophy, under Dugald Stewart, in 1809, the last session, we believe, in which that eminent Professor fulfilled the duties of that chair; of Chemistry, under Professor Murray; and of Natural Philosophy, under Professor Playfair, having thus enjoyed the privilege of sitting under some of the most eminent men who have adorned that famous