

Report of Kirk-Session.

This being the first Report published by the Kirk-Session, it may not be out of place to mention a few particulars respecting the past history of the Congregation, which cannot be more appropriately introduced than by transcribing the following brief and touching minute of the first meeting of the Kirk-Session:—

At Montreal, the 24th day of August, 1834, on which day the Session of St. Paul's Church, in Connection with the Church of Scotland, met, pursuant to notice from the Pulpit, and was constituted.

SEDERUNT.—The Rev. Edward Black, *Moderator*; Messrs. Philip Ross, Robert Armour, and James Carswell, *Elders*.

This being the day on which St. Paul's Church was opened for public worship, the Session judged it proper to enter on record that Divine Service was conducted, in the forenoon, by the Minister of the Congregation; in the afternoon, by the Rev. Walter Roach, of Beauharnois; and in the evening, by the Rev. Montgomery Walker, from the Colonial Society of Glasgow.

This also being the first meeting of Session held since the Congregation was acknowledged as one of the Churches in Connection with the Presbyterian Church of Canada, the Members of Session gave to each other the right hand of fellowship, with the assurance each of using his endeavours to promote the spiritual improvement of the Congregation, and to advance the interests of the Church of Christ.

The right hand of fellowship, with every wish for the welfare of the Congregation, was also given to the Members of Session by the Rev. Walter Roach and the Rev. Montgomery Walker.

Prayers for the Divine Blessing on this portion of the Church were offered up by all the Ministers present.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH was founded in 1832 by the Rev. Edward Black, D.D., a native of the Shire of Galloway, Scotland, who came to Canada in 1822, and was for some years colleague with Mr. Esson, in the old St. Gabriel Street congregation. The Church edifice was built entirely through Dr. Black's energy, and chiefly by money advanced by himself. The first Communion