

Besides the regular routine business, the following matters were before the Presbytery:—

I. A full report of the mission fields within the bounds was read by the convener of the Presbytery's Home Mission Committee. It contained recommendations bearing upon the successful prosecution of the work in the future, which, after an interesting discussion, were adopted.

II. The call from the Chicago congregation to Mr. G. M. Milligan was considered. Commissioners were heard at length from Chicago and Detroit, as also Mr. Milligan, who intimated his declination of the call. The Presbytery resolved to retain Mr. Milligan in his present sphere of labor, at the same time expressing their deep sympathy with the Chicago congregation, and their earnest prayer that the Great Head of the Church may soon provide them with a suitable pastor. The Presbytery granted them a new moderation, in the event of their desiring to call before next regular meeting.

III. The present state and claims for assistance of Buxton were discussed at great length. The following motion of Mr. Bartlett's, seconded by Mr. Becket, was submitted:—"That the Presbytery recommend the Assembly's Home Mission Committee to grant Mr. King a supplement of \$170 for the current year, and issue an order in his favour on the treasurer of the Buxton fund for the sum of \$125, being interest available on amount invested, for the half year ending 30th September, 1870."

It was moved in amendment by Mr. Warden, seconded by Mr. Walker:—"That, having considered the whole state of affairs at Buxton and heard the report of a deputation appointed to visit the field in May last, and finding that the state of matters, financially, is as follows: Amount promised by congregation for the current year, \$180; interest available per annum from funds invested, \$250; there being also a manse with three or four acres of land, which might be a source of income to the extent of \$40 per annum—making a total of \$470; the Presbytery agree (1) to issue an order on the Treasurer of the Buxton Committee, in favor of Mr. King, for the sum of \$125, being interest available from funds invested for the six months ending 30th September, 1870; (2) to recommend the Assembly's Home Mission Committee to grant \$100 as a supplement to Buxton for the current year; and (3) to grant leave to Mr. King to leave his pulpit vacant one Sabbath in each month, and instruct the Presbytery's Home Mission Committee to employ him accordingly."

A vote being taken, the motion was carried over the amendment by a majority of one, and the Presbytery decided in terms thereof. From this decision Messrs. Walker and Warden asked leave to have their dissent marked in the minutes.

IV. *Baras' Memorial Fund.* The circular from the Joint Secretaries of this fund was read, asking the co-operation of the Presbytery in securing contributions within their bounds. It was moved by Mr. Warden, seconded by Mr. Becket and resolved, "That the Presbytery, heartily sympathizing with the object of the circular read, cordially give its sanction to the canvassing for subscriptions within its bounds, and appoint Mr. W. King to attend to this matter, at as early a date as may be convenient to him; and commend him and his mission to the co-operation of the brethren and to the sympathy and liberality of our christian people."

V. The Windsor Session and Congregation having petitioned for a moderation in a call to a minister, promising \$850 per annum as a stipend, the Presbytery granted the prayer of the petition and appointed Mr. Milligan to attend to this duty. (The Rev. John Gray, one of the Probationers of the Church, has since the date of the Presbytery meeting, been unanimously called to this charge.)

VI. The Presbytery took up the remit from the General Assembly anent the charge in the statistical and financial year, and agreed to approve *simpliciter* of said remit, and recommended accordingly.

The Presbytery also took up the remit from the General Assembly on the act for the reception of Ministers, and on motion of Mr. Warden, seconded by Mr.