

Mr. Allan craved leave to withdraw his resignation of the pastoral charge of the congregation of Ste. Eustache, Grand Freniere and Ste. Therese, expressing his purpose to come before the Presbytery, at some future day, requesting a re-distribution of his present field of labour. His request was granted. The Rev. John Jones accepted the call addressed to him by the congregation of Brockville, and the Presbytery agreed to his transiation. A minute in reference to the death of the Rev. P. D. Muir was adopted. Mr. Anderson was empowered to preside at an election of elders, at East Hawkesbury. Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Paterson, for three months after the 1st of June. Interesting reports of missionary meetings, held in the congregations within the bounds, were given in. Mr. Reeve sent in a letter declining the call addressed to him by the congregation of Martintown. A call from St. Sylvester, in favour of the Rev. James Hanrahan, was laid on the table and sustained. The Rev. Mr. Topp was nominated as moderator of next Synod. Messrs. Watson and Becket were appointed members of the Committee on Bills and Overtures. The Session of Cote Street Church, sent to the Presbytery an overture to the Synod anent a hymn book. The Presbytery adapted the overture and appointed Messrs. McVicar and Clark to support it before the Synod. Metis was recognised as an aid-receiving congregation, and Mr. Fenwick continued there for one year from this date. Mr. Scott was appointed to the Bay of Chaleurs, for six months. Mr. Croll, student, was appointed to Sherbrooke for six months. Mr. A. Thompson was sent to Kennebec for six months. Mr. Grant to Roxborough till next ordinary meeting of Presbytery. Mr. Kenneth McRae to Harrington; and Mr. Duncan McRae to Chateaugay Basin. An application for organisation was received from Sherbrooke, and the steps usual in such cases were taken with regard to it. Mr. Thompson, student, underwent the usual preliminary examination with a view to license. Mr. Crombie brought before the Presbytery the present state of the marriage law in Lower Canada, and a committee was appointed to prepare an overture to the Synod on this matter, and to report at a meeting of Presbytery, to be held in Hamilton, with permission of Synod, in June next. The report of the sub-committee on the Presbyterian College in Montreal, was given in and read by Dr. Taylor, the Convener. The Presbytery received the report, re-appointed the Committee, and instructed it to prepare a report for the Synod from the one now represented, and to submit the same to the Presbytery at Hamilton, in June. The remit of Synod respecting an Act for the reception of Ministers from other churches, was approved of *simpliciter*. A committee was appointed to examine the Book of Forms of Procedure, and to report. A petition was presented and read from the Session of Erskine Church, Montreal, on the subject of union between the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Established Church of Scotland, and the Canada Presbyterian Church, and praying the Presbytery to take such steps for helping forward this movement as may seem to it advisable. It was agreed to receive the petition, approve of its object, and appoint a committee to draw up a memorial to the Synod, said memorial to be submitted to the Presbytery at a meeting to be held in Hamilton, in June. After transacting several items of routine business, the presbyter, adjourned to meet in Erskine Church, Montreal, on the first Wednesday in August at 10 o'clock a. m., for the despatch of ordinary business.

A. YOUNG, Pres. Clerk.