

ral Assembly for leave to take them on public probationary trials for license. Returns rendered by Kirk-Sessions to questions on State of Religion, were received, and ordered to be transmitted to the proper quarter. Reports of Missionary Meetings held in several congregations were received and approved. The quarterly Home Mission Report was read by the Rev. D. Paterson, and received, and disposed of seriatim. Messrs. Alexander Young and Kenneth Macdonald were appointed to visit the congregation of Hampden.

JAMES WATSON, *Pres. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.—This Presbytery ordained Mr. Andrew Dowsley, B.A., at an adjourned meeting, held in Lansdowne, on the 15th of February, and appointed him to labour in that township for a time, as ordained missionary. The quarterly meeting was held in Brock Street Church, Kingston, on the 13th and 14th days of April. The greater part of the evening session of the first day was spent in special religious services, conducted by Messrs. Coulthard, Wishart, and Gellaher. A considerable number of the people were present on the occasion. Rev. E. D. McLaren, of the Canada Presbyterian Church, and the Rev. Mr. Smith, of St. Andrew's Church, Kingston, in connection with the Church of Scotland, being present, were invited to sit as corresponding members. Mr. Burton, treasurer of Presbytery, presented his accounts for examination. Auditors were appointed, and in accordance with their report they were attested as correct. Hinchinbrooke and Bedford were recognized as mission stations, under the care of the Presbytery, and Mr. D'Argent was appointed to supply them for the summer. The Presbytery cheerfully accepted of the offer made by the Missionary Association of Queen's College, Kingston, to place a student at their service for the summer. On behalf of the Commission appointed to visit Trenton, Mr. Burton reported that they had performed the duty entrusted to them, and that the congregation there were willing to contribute more fully to their pastor's support. The amount of supplement required in future will be only \$50 per annum. The Presbytery requested the Assembly's Home Mission Committee to reconsider their action anent the reduction of supplement to the Trenton congregation, that the former amount may be continued up to the 1st of April, 1875. Mr. McIntosh tabled his resignation of the charge of Amherst Island, which was accepted. A committee was appointed, to draft a suitable minute. Mr. Gallaher demitted his charge of Genva'e and Harrowsmith. Messrs. S. Stewart and R. Gibson appeared as representatives from the congregations, and were duly heard. No objection being offered, it was decided that the pastoral tie be dissolved on the last Sabbath of April. Mr. McMechan was appointed to preach the former charge vacant, and Mr. Chambers the latter, on the first Sabbath of May. It was agreed to place the name of Mr. Dowsley, ordained missionary at Lansdowne, on the roll of the Presbytery. Principal Caven, of Knox College, was nominated moderator of the next General Assembly, and the Rev. John Crombie, M.A., of Smith's Falls, moderator of the Montreal Synod. Messrs. Wilson and Northrup were appointed members of the Assembly's Committee on Bills, etc., and Messrs. Leitch and McAlister members of a similar Committee for the Synod of Montreal. The Presbytery decided to apply to the Assembly's Home Mission Committee for an additional supplement of \$50 for Camden and Sheffield, to date from the 1st of April, 1875. A draft report on the reconstruction of Synods and Presbyteries, in case of union, was submitted and considered. While expressing general approval, it was recommended that the word *Kingston* be substituted for that of *Ottawa*, in the name proposed to be given to one of the Synods. Messrs. Wishart and Wilson were appointed to support this alteration. Messrs. Gray, Wilson, Burton, and Wishart were appointed a committee, to confer with a similar committee of the sister Church, should one be empowered to act, so as to come to an understanding in relation to the limits of the Kingston Presbytery in the United Church. Three of the Sessions furnished answers to the queries issued by the Assembly's