

tation consisting of Mr. Smith and Mr. Thom, were appointed to meet the Lindsay congregation on the Monday evening following. Mr. Scott was appointed moderator of the session of Lindsay congregation during the vacancy.

An application was read from the clerk of Cobourg Presbytery to that of Ontario, in reference to the congregation of Kendall in the Township of Clarke, said congregation having applied to be transferred to the Presbytery of Ontario, with a view to being united with the Clarke congregation, meeting in Orono. The Presbytery resolved that in the meantime, the application for transfer lie on the table, and the congregation of Clarke was cited to appear at next meeting of the Presbytery.

Dr. Thornton and Mr. Edmondson were appointed a committee to prepare a minute in reference to the removal from the bounds, of Mr. Douglas, now inducted into the congregation of Cobourg. This amid the pressure of business had been overlooked at the previous meeting. At the afternoon sederunt the report was given in to the following effect.

In connection with the removal of their young brother from the bounds, the Presbytery feel it becoming to record their great regret at being deprived of the aid of one, who, during his brief ministry in this quarter, had shown himself to be a conscientious, zealous and efficient labourer, in the vineyard of his Master. They bear grateful testimony to his success in building up a cause, which, when he undertook it was comparatively weak, and to many would have seemed discouraging; also to his regular attendance upon the meetings of the Presbytery, and to the judiciousness and ability which characterized the part he acted in all the *res geste* which from time to time, occupied the court and to the equanimity of temper and brotherly love which, in their intercourse with him, endeared him to his co-presbyters. And they earnestly pray, that the Great Head of the church may bless "the work of his hands" in the new field of labour, upon which he has entered.

Circular letters were read from the Presbyteries of Brockville and Manitoba anent the intended application by the former, to the next general assembly, for the reception as a minister of the Canada Presbyterian church of Rev. James Douglas, who had been a minister of the Congregational body; and by the latter Presbytery of a like application to be made, for the reception of the Rev. Neil McDougall, minister without charge of the Presbyterian Church of Canada. It was on motion duly made and seconded, that in regard to the latter, this Presbytery are not prepared to concur.

Mr. Edmondson reported in behalf of a committee appointed to consider the mode of carrying out in the best manner, a meeting with the eldership in the bounds, resolved on, at the previous meeting. The recommendation adopted by the Presbytery, was to the effect, that the afternoon sederunt of next meeting be devoted to holding a conference on the duties of the eldership—that the Rev. J. R. Scott and J. Ratcliff, elder, lead the meeting by reading short essays on the subject, and that the moderator of each session throughout the bounds, urge the attendance of all the members of the session at such conference.

The next meeting of Presbytery was appointed to be held within the Hall in Prince Albert, on the 24th December, at 11 o'clock a.m. Calls are expected to be forward by the above date, from the congregations of Uxbridge and that of Prince Albert and Port Perry, moderations having been granted in both cases.

The Presbytery on application being made for the dispensation of the Lord's Supper in the vacant congregation of Beaverton, agreed to request the Rev. D. Cameron, Lucknow, to dispense said ordinances in conjunction with Rev. H. Currie of Camlington.

R. H. THORNTON, Clerk.