

of the four or five branches of the Presbyterian Church either in Scotland or England; none of them is so much as named or referred to in the Synod's report. A small handful of like-minded brethren in Ireland, hitherto unknown to fame on this side of the Channel, represents the other negotiating party; and the treaty seems all but concluded.

**SYNOD OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CANADA IN CONNECTION WITH THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND.**—The Synod met in St. Andrew's Church, Toronto, on the 7th of June. Rev. Mr. Morrison, of Owen Sound, was elected Moderator.

After some discussion on the subject of Union, throughout the whole of which the utmost cordiality towards the other negotiating Churches appeared, it was decided to send down the basis agreed upon by the Joint Committee to presbyteries and sessions. The closing address of the Moderator admirably set forth the state and prospects of the Church. The resumé of this speech in the *Toronto Globe* says:—"The financial success attained by the authorities of Queen's College and the sustentation and widows' and orphans' funds was held to be a subject of congratulation; and the various mission reports presented, and the necessity for their support, were referred to. The question of the scarcity of young men offering as candidates for the holy ministry was held to be a subject for the gravest consideration. Referring to the question of Union, the Rev. Moderator congratulated the Synod upon the happy conclusions to which it had been led on the subject of Union, and the promising aspects which the whole question now presented. Whatever anxiety some of them might have felt in approaching the subject, or whatever obscurity or difficulty might have been felt in dealing with it in debate, in coming to a clear comprehension of it in all its bearings, had been removed. Their fears, to a great extent, had been set at rest, and their hearts had been cheered by the goodly intelligence which had come to them from day to day from their brethren of the General Assembly of the Canada Presbyterian Church as to the unanimity and cordiality with which they had been guided by the Great Head of the Church to conclusions so much in harmony with the views of this Synod. In all this he saw a token for good, and for all they should thank God and take courage."

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND.**—The proceedings of this Assembly will be noticed in our next issue.

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### CALLS, &c.

Rev. J. Thomson, recently from Scotland, has received a call from the congregation of *Beamsville*.

**LOCHIEL.**—The Presbytery of Montreal met at Lochiel, on the 11th of May, for the induction of Rev. Mr. Ross. The Rev. J. McLean, of Roxboro, who presided on the occasion, preached a very appropriate sermon, which was listened to with marked attention. Thereafter Mr. Ross was inducted into the pastoral charge of the congregation of Lochiel by prayer, and received the right hand of fellowship from the members of Presbytery. The Rev. A. F. McQueen, of Kenyon, then addressed the minister, after which the Rev. Mr. Stewart, of Lancaster, addressed the congregation in a very appropriate and pointed manner. Mr. Ross was then conducted to the door by the Moderator, where he was welcomed by his new flock in the customary way.

The call given by the congregation to Mr. Ross was a most unanimous one. The congregation has agreed to give to the minister a salary of \$700 a year, besides providing him with an excellent and comfortable manse. This shows an increase of \$200 per year over and above what was formerly raised. We wish Mr. Ross all success and happiness in his new sphere, and earnestly hope that