

It was moved by Mr. Warden, and duly seconded, that the overture be adopted and transmitted to the General Assembly. It was moved in amendment by Mr. Cuthbertson, seconded by Mr. Baird, that the overture be simply transmitted. The amendment was carried.

On motion duly made, it was agreed that the thanks of the Synod be given.

1st. To the ministers and managers of the First Presbyterian church for the use of the church.

2nd. to the friends in London for their generous and warm hearted hospitality.

3d. To the Grand Trunk Railway company for their courtesy to the members of Synod, travelling by their road.

The minutes were then read and sustained. The business being finished the moderator briefly addressed the members of Synod after which the meeting closed.

D. WATERS, Synod Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF OTTAWA.—This Presbytery held its last regular meeting at Carleton Place on the 6th and 7th of May. The attendance was larger than usual, there being 15 ministers and 5 elders. Though the length of the session was more limited than formerly, yet a large amount of business was transacted of which the following is an epitome: Mr. Jas. Whyte read a most interesting report on the State of Religion within the bounds which was received and ordered to be transmitted to the convener of the Synod's Committee upon that subject.

It was agreed to hold a conference at the meeting in November, to which the elders and Sabbath-school teachers of the place he invited, to consider the question of the spiritual instruction and specially the conversion of the children and youth of our church.

The Financial Reports of the various congregations for the past year were examined and the Clerk instructed to write to those who had not contributed to all the schemes of the church, of their failure to do so and request their attention to this matter. Similar instructions were given in regard to one of the congregations that had fallen behind in the payment of their minister's stipend.

Mr. James Stewart and Mr. R. Whillins, students who have just completed their Theological course, made application to be received on trial for license. They were accordingly examined on the prescribed subjects. Their examination was sustained and the Presbytery agreed to apply to the General Assembly for leave to take them on trial for license.

Mr. McLaren introduced to the Presbytery Mr. Edward Vincent, a licentiate of the Presbytery of New Brunswick, New Jersey, and on behalf of the Foreign Mission Committee called attention to the deliverance of the late General Assembly at Toronto, authorizing the Presbytery of Ottawa to ordain Mr. Vincent to the Foreign Mission work when requested to do so by the Foreign Mission Committee, and requesting them on behalf of said Committee to take the necessary steps for the ordination of Mr. Vincent. The papers which he produced were accordingly read, consisting of a certificate of Licensure, and a transfer from the Presbytery of New Brunswick to the Presbytery of Ottawa. It was thereupon moved, seconded and carried that the Presbytery express its satisfaction with Mr. Vincent's papers and agree to take the necessary steps for his examination with a view to ordination to the Foreign Mission work. He was therefore examined upon the appointed subjects, at the close of which the Presbytery