

to moderate in the call of a Minister at Ashburn, on a day convenient for the congregation. The Ashburn section of that congregation, promised to give \$800; and the Utica one, \$100, per annum towards stipend, at the same time requesting the Court, if possible, to secure a liberal supplement from the H. M. Committee. The Presbytery, in the circumstances agreed to urge that Committee to grant to them at least \$100 yearly. Concerning Missionary Meetings within their bounds, the Presbytery passed the following motion: namely,—“That the Ministers and Missionaries be sent two and two; that these shall on the previous Sabbath exchange pulpits; and that each pair shall, through the week, hold Missionary Meetings in the congregations which they visit.” The Rev. J. R. Scott was requested to draw out a plan of those proposed services. As Mr. J. Douglas had accepted of the call given to him by the Uxbridge and Leaskdale congregation, the Presbytery agreed to meet at Whitby, on Monday, the 30th September, at 11 o'clock A.M., to receive his trials for ordination.

GEORGE RIDDELL, *Presbytery Clerk.*

Communications.

NOTES OF TRAVEL IN EUROPE.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,—I cheerfully hand to you a few notes of travel, on my return from Europe, having visited France, Belgium, Germany, and Holland—in addition to a brief sojourn in our loved old country; perhaps I should rather say, having visited briefly the latter, in addition to the countries further off, which my plan on this occasion contemplated primarily.

It was my desire and prayer that while seeking recreation, I might have opportunities of serving the good and sacred cause of the Gospel, and I record my grateful sense of the Providential guidance vouchsafed to me and to mine, more remarkably, I thought, than in any other journey I ever undertook. Doors of usefulness opened to me most unexpectedly, if I should say so of what, having prayed for, I so far expected—at any rate then, beyond the measure of my expectations.

On the voyage, both outwards and inwards, my hand was called into use, in the way of preaching to considerable numbers in the cabin of the steamship; and I had opportunity, in addition of addressing on the deck, both cabin and steerage passengers, having for my colleague in the work, the Rev. Dr. Duncan, of London, who, as you know, spent last winter in Toronto. Both he and I were much gratified, also, in taking part on the fore-castle at a prayer meeting held on the evening of the second Sabbath we were at sea, as we were nearing England—the meeting being presided over by a worthy christian gentleman from Philadelphia, Judge Alison.—Those of your readers who have voyaged on the Atlantic, must have felt like us, how very pleasant are those opportunities for friendly intercourse between Americans and Britons which these days of common enjoyment and common peril afford. It should be our care, for patriotic as well as personal ends, to encourage what so much fosters the national unity, as well as gratifies the love of enlarged christian fellowship. Most cordially do I testify to the uniform readiness I have found on the part of our United States fellow christians to invite or second every measure having such tendencies. And on my return trip, I had, from an Episcopalian brother from Ohio, co-operation scarcely less cordial than from my friend Dr. Duncan himself, both in saloon and deck religious exercises.

After a few days of Liverpool, London and Brighton,—leaving Scotia