

audience large, the staff of speakers full, and the whole was exceedingly harmonious and happy. Mr. Donald has been settled over a wide and important field, and we trust that he will be long spared to labour acceptably and successfully in it.

The Rev. A. A. Drummond having laboured for about three years in the congregations of North Easthope and Mornington, has felt it to be necessary to lessen his labours, and accordingly has demitted his charge of Mornington, continuing Pastor of North-Easthope, and in connection with this has undertaken the charge of Shakespeare, in the same township. On Wednesday the 14th November, the Presbytery met at Shakespeare, and ratified this arrangement, and in the evening of the same

day the congregation held a very pleasing and profitable, though private, social meeting, which was addressed by the Rev. Messrs. Robertson, Dunbar, Howie and Cross, of the U. P. church, Bell, of the Kirk of Scotland, and Caseman, of the Lutheran Church. Under the above arrangement Mr. Drummond will neither have to preach so often, nor travel so far, his work will be greatly concentrated, and his usefulness much increased. The congregation of Mornington, which he leaves, uniting with another station within seven miles, will be self-sustaining. Mr. Drummond's address will hereafter be "Shakespeare P. O." The next meeting of this Presbytery will be held in Paris, on the first Tuesday of January, 1861, when congregational statistics are appointed to be given in.

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## Gleanings.

KIRKWALL, ORENEY.

It will be interesting to not a few of our readers, to learn that the Rev. Dr. Paterson, having completed the fortieth year of his ministry there, a commemorative meeting of his Congregation was held on the 24th October, when a number of excellent addresses were delivered, and a presentation of £140 sterling was made to him by his people. Another sum was presented by the ministers of the Presbytery and by other parties, chiefly ministers and members of the Church originally from Kirkwall, out of which sum he was requested to purchase an elegant writing table and ink stand. Dr. Paterson returned thanks in an admirable speech, said he would procure the articles named as a memorial, but that all the remainder of the money he would devote to public purposes. The whole occasion was peculiarly delightful. Fervent wishes were expressed that the pastor might be alive and vigorous ten years hence, but it was justly said that he had well earned his jubilee in forty years. In many respects there is not one Congregation in Scotland superior to that to which he so worthily ministers. We can never forget the kindness we received from them, and the happiness we experienced among them, in August, 1856. It has been said, and we cordially subscribe, that Glasgow may be the York, but Kirkwall is the Canterbury of the United Presbyterian Church.

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## Obituary.

WILLIAM OLIPHANT, ESQ., EDINBURGH.

We are grieved to learn that our friend Mr. Oliphant, Bookseller, Edinburgh, died there on the 13th November. He was the excellent son of an excellent father; and they were successively, for a long time, the publishers of the United Secession; and United Presbyterian Periodicals. Sometime ago he assumed two partners, by whom we suppose the periodicals will be continued.

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