

to preach the Gospel. In terms of the Synod's deliverance in reference to the Rev. N. McKinnon of Wardsville, the Presbytery agreed to meet there on the 31st of July.

Messrs. A. Stewart, and W. Walker, reported as to the ordination of elders at Brooke, and Thamesville respectively. Mr. Caven was appointed Moderator of Session of Thamesville and Stations, and was instructed to proceed to the election and ordination of two Elders for Indian Reserve.

The Presbytery accepted Mr. McDiarmid's resignation of his pastoral charge of Wallacetown and Duff's church. The following Minute in reference to Mr. McDiarmid was entered to be recorded. "The Presbytery in accepting of Mr. McDiarmid's resignation of the pastoral charge of Wallacetown and Duff's Church agree to express their sympathy, with their esteemed brother in the circumstances which rendered his resignation necessary; and further express their high esteem of Mr. McDiarmid's qualifications and character as a minister of the Gospel; if his diligence and devotedness to the work of the Church; and of his uniformly pleasing deportment, as a member of this Court. The Presbytery would further commend their dear brother to the guidance of the Great Head of the Church, trusting that he shall be successful in whatever sphere of labour that the Master may assign to him.

In the matter of the call from Knox Church Kincardine to Rev. John Fraser Thamesford, of the Presbytery agreed to translate Mr. Fraser, Mr. W. King in to preach the Church vacant on 2nd Tuesday of August, and Mr. Caven to act as Moderator of Session. The Presbytery in agreeing to the translation of Mr. Fraser, record their appreciation of his high qualifications and attainments, as a minister of the Gospel; and of the valuable services which he has rendered to the cause of the Saviour in this neighbourhood during the many years that he has been a member of this Court, and their sense of the loss occasioned to this position of the Church by his removal and also their fervent prayer that the Head of the Church may favor him with much success and comfort in the new and important field of labour in which he is about to enter.

Mr. Scott was authorized if he should see fit to elect and ordain Elders at Petrolia and Oil Springs.

The Clerk was instructed to get an application filed up from the Congregation of Harwich and forward to the Convener of Synod's Home Mission Committee asking \$100 supplement for that congregation.

The Presbytery having learned that Mr. King Minister of Buxton had not received the portion of his stipend due for last year appointed by the Synod, to be paid from the Mission Central Fund, agreed that application be immediately made to the Synod's Home Mission Committee for the said portion of Stipend, and instructed the Clerk to make the application in name of the Presbytery.

PRESBYTERY OF STRATFORD — The last monthly meeting of this Presbytery was held at Stratford on the 10th day of July. The Rev. John Fotheringham was elected Moderator for the current year.

The Records of several Church Sessions were examined and ordered to be attested as correctly kept.

Reports were received from Missionaries; and missionary appointments were made until next meeting.

On an application from Knox's Church, Mitchell, a Committee was appointed to moderate in a call to a Minister on Monday the 30th July, at 11 o'clock a.m.

The matter of loosing the Rev. William Caven from his pastoral charge was taken up in order to his induction into the vacant chair of Knox College, Toronto.