

above congregation, and constituted into the Congregation of Columbus. This movement, tho' unanimous on the part of the applicants, the Commissioners stated "was not desired by them, could it have been avoided." But the wide extent of the field so long and satisfactorily occupied by Mr. Thornton, required that, for *his sake*, as well as the general interest of the front part of the congregation, there should now be such a change, as would, it was hoped, be beneficial to all, ultimately, though it will require additional exertion by each to maintain a separate existence. The Presbytery having ascertained the full concurrence of the other parties affected, unanimously granted the request, and appointed Revs. Messrs. Thornton and Tweedie to constitute the applicants on the 29th Jan. This congregation starts with nearly 80 members and very encouraging prospects.

Petitions were also presented from the Station at Prince Albert, in the Township of Reach, to be congregated and to obtain the moderation of a Call. The applicants in this case have been but a short time in connection with the Presbytery, but have manifested a commendable zeal, and seem resolved to lose no time in securing the labors of a Pastor. The field is very populous, and wholly unoccupied by any Presbyterian body. The petitions were granted, and the above named ministers were also appointed to carry the wish of the people into effect. —*Communicated.*

U. P. PRESBYTERY OF WELLINGTON.

On Tuesday 1st January, this Presbytery met in the school house near Mr. Kee's Tavern, Garafraza, for the purpose of inducting the Rev. Mr. Stuart to the pastoral oversight of the United Presbyterian Congregation of that place. After the transaction of some Presbyterial business, the Reverend Mr. Duff of Elora proceeded to the more special services of the day by preaching from 1st Cor. 1st chap. 23rd and 24th verses, a discourse characterized by his usual eloquence, richness of scriptural illustration and quotation, and impressiveness of delivery.

Mr. Barrie next proposed the Questions of the Formula, to which Mr. Stuart gave satisfactory replies, after which he was,

in prayer, solemnly inducted into the pastoral office in this portion of the Lord's vineyard. Mr. Barrie then proceeded to address the newly inducted pastor, dwelling chiefly on the importance of cultivating personal piety, but at the same time setting before him the nature and extent of the duties he was bound to perform, and exhorting him to the fulfilment of these duties with all Christian energy and devotedness. Afterwards Mr. Barrie addressed the people, showing them the privilege which God had this day conferred upon them in giving them to see their teacher, the man of their choice, and the duties arising from the relationship which had just been formed.

Mr. Stuart enters on a wide and interesting field of labor. May he be long spared to his congregation. May many be brought by his instrumentality to give themselves to the Lord's Christ, and may others have their faith strengthened, and their piety nourished till they come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of CHRIST. —*Communicated.*

BRANT AND GREENOCK.

The U. P. Congregations of these places have unanimously called the Rev. P. D. Muir to be their Pastor.

PARIS.

The Ladies of the U. P. Congregation here have presented the sum of £25 to their esteemed pastor, the Rev. David Caw, as an expression of their approbation of his personal and ministerial character.

INGERSOLL.

The U. P. Congregation here have presented to their pastor, the Rev. Arch. Cross, a handsome Cutter, valued at \$40. This is only one of several gifts Mr. C. has received from his attached people during the short time he has been among them.

TILLSONBURG.

The Ladies of this place presented their pastor, the Rev. Robert Rodgers, with a handsome over-coat, as a New Year's gift, in token of their respect and appreciation of his labours. The present is valued at \$25. —(*Communicated.*)