

handed in the following statement prepared by the instructions of the congregation:—

“On the fourteenth day of July, 1870, the Rev. Wm. McLaren was inducted Pastor of Knox Church, Ottawa, and since that time has, with marked ability and great acceptance to the congregation labored faithfully, zealously and successfully in the discharge of his duties, the Great Head of the Church blessing and crowning with success the labors of his servant by adding many to the Church of such as shall be saved. The membership of the congregation being now larger than at any time in its previous history. The congregation, while deeply regretting the loss of their esteemed Pastor to whom they are knit by the strongest ties of christian love and attachment, nevertheless, in view of the important position to which he has been called by the Church at large, feel constrained to acquiesce in the decision of the General Assembly. We earnestly pray that God will as abundantly bless his labors in the important field to which he has now been called, as He has graciously done in the past.”

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the congregation.

ROBT. BLACKBURN, }  
ALEX. MUTCHMOR, } COMMISSIONERS.

KNOX CHURCH, Ottawa, 8th July, 1873.

After hearing Mr. McLaren, the following motion was agreed to:—

“That having heard the acquiescence of the Commissioners from the Session and congregation of Knox Church in the appointment of their Pastor, Mr. William McLaren, to the chair of Systematic Theology, in Knox College, Toronto, and also Mr. McLaren's continued adherence to his acceptance of said office, the Presbytery resolve, as they hereby do, that the pastoral tie between the said Mr. William McLaren and the congregation of Knox Church, Ottawa, be and is hereby dissolved on and after the 20th day of this present month of July, and that Mr. McLaren be and is hereby transferred from said date to the care of the Presbytery of Toronto, in order to his induction by them into the chair of Systematic Theology, in Knox College, at the time fixed by the Assembly. Further, that a Committee consisting of Messrs. McKenzie, James, Whyte, Crombie and Burns, be appointed to draft a suitable minute to be entered on the Records of the Presbytery, and communicated to the congregation of Knox Church, Ottawa.” Mr. McDermid was appointed to preach and declare the church vacant on Sabbath the 27th inst., the supply of the pulpit thereafter to be left in the hands of the Session.—J. CARSWELL, *Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF BROOKVILLE.—This Presbytery met at Prescott, on 24th June. Mr. Lohead's resignation of North Gower and Gloucester, was accepted. Thanks were tendered to Rev. A. Gillies, for his earnest and very successful labors at Lyn. Permission having been granted by the Assembly, the Presbytery received as ministers of this Church, Messrs. Joseph Elliot, James Douglas, J. M. Boyd and A. Dowsly, B. A. Mr. Douglas having accepted a call to Kemptville and Oxford Mills, his induction was appointed to take place on 9th July. Mr. Glendinning's ordination was appointed to take place at N. Augusta, on 10th, provided all the preliminary matters are satisfactory. R. Binnie was appointed Moderator of Presbytery for the next twelve months. An adjourned meeting of Presbytery was appointed to be held at Dunbar, 12th August, with reference to arrangement of fields.—J. HASTIE, *Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.—The quarterly meeting of this Presbytery was held at Picton, on the 8th and 9th days of July. Mr. Burton was appointed Moderator for twelve months. A call from Demorestville to the Rev. James M. Boyd, which had been presented at a former meeting, was sustained. The amount of annual stipend promised by the congregation is \$400. Mr. Hugh Gray, a Licentiate of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, made application to be received; but in the absence of certain documents no action was taken.