

including the ground, of 8000 dollars. On Sabbath, September the 1st, the Lecture Room was opened for public worship. The services, which were highly appropriate, were conducted by the Rev. Dr. Burns, of Knox College, Toronto, father of the pastor, and by the Rev. G. D. Bradford, of the United Presbyterian Church in the city. On the evening of Tuesday following, a large and agreeable social meeting of the congregation and their friends, was held in the same place; and it was countenanced by persons of all denominations. Professor Elliot, of the North West Presbyterian Seminary (U. S.) prayed at the opening; and suitable addresses were delivered by the Rev. Messrs. McConnel, Macguire, and Swazey, of the Presbyterian Churches in the city; by General Mann, of the M. E. church; by Dr. Burns, of Toronto, and by the pastor. The speeches of the representatives of the various bodies in and around the city breathed a kindly and christian spirit. Dr. Marsh, of the M. E. church, with an excellent band and a powerful melodion loaned for the occasion by the celebrated firm of Messrs. Root and Cadey of the city, conducted the music. The church, when finished, promises to be commodious and elegant; it will be surmounted by a fine spire. The basement floor is several feet above the ground; of suitable height; every way commodious; and the Bible class-rooms communicate with it by folding doors. The church progresses very promisingly. Forty-five were added at last communion, and the next occasion of the kind in a few weeks will show a large addition. The Sabbath school and Bible classes will also be formed in the course of a week, and under favourable auspices. The collections for the building fund at all the commencement meetings will amount to a thousand dollars.

PROCEEDINGS OF PRESBYTERIES.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.—This Presbytery met on the 11th of September.

Mr. Walter Wright was appointed to take charge of the mission in Muskoka for a time, and the Presbytery agreed to renew their recommendation to Sabbath Schools within the bounds, to contribute to the funds of that mission.

A call from the congregations of Barrie and Guthrie Church, Oro, to Mr. M. Fraser, Probationer, accompanied by a guarantee of a salary of \$800, was sustained and accepted. The Presbytery agreed to record their satisfaction with the liberal spirit evinced by these Congregations.

Mr. McFaul withdrew his resignation of the congregation of Munsies Corners.

The trials of Mr. Wm. A. Johnson for ordination were heard; and the Presbytery, being satisfied with these, appointed his ordination to take place at Willis Church, Oro, on Wednesday the 25th of September, when the trials of Mr. M. Fraser, for ordination will also be heard.

JAMES MITCHELL, *Presbytery Clerk.*

ONTARIO PRESBYTERY.—This Presbytery met at Prince Albert, on Tuesday, 10th September. The following are the principal items of the business then transacted:—

The Rev. W. C. Windel was chosen Moderator for the next term of office. The Presbytery had under consideration the re-arrangement of some of the Stations, and, in relation to these, passed the following motion—namely.—“That the Islay and Cambray stations be separated from Woodville and Lindsay respectively, and joined together in April, or earlier, should Lindsay call a Minister before that period.” The Clerk was instructed to certify Messrs. E. Vincent—belonging to the Clarke Congregation—and E. Panton—connected with the Oshawa one—to the Board of Examination, as Students of the preliminary Course to Knox College. Carrying out the prayer of the petition of the Congregation of Ashburn and Utica, the Presbytery appointed the Rev. J. Baird, M.A.,