

PRESBYTERY OF OTTAWA.—The last regular meeting of this Presbytery was held within Daly street Church, Ottawa, on the 2nd and 3rd February. The following items of business were transacted. A report of the commission appointed to examine and ordain the Rev. Hugh Macguire as a Missionary at Alywin, Quebec, was given in, which stated that the examination had been conducted on the 8th of December, and the ordination on the 9th of December. The report was received and ordered to be engrossed in the minutes. Power to moderate in a call in Knox Church, Ottawa, Carleton Place, and Dalhousie, and Sherbrook, was granted to the Moderators of the Sessions of these several congregations. A Committee was appointed to confer with a Committee of the Presbytery of Ottawa, of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, anent a re-arrangement of certain parts of the Home-Mission field, and the limits it would be desirable to embrace within the Presbytery of Ottawa after the union. On the report of the Committee appointed at last meeting to confer with the French Protestants in the City of Ottawa, praying to be organized into a congregation, an interim Session was appointed to attend to the desired organization. An arrangement was entered into with the Rev. Hugh McGregor to go as an ordained Missionary to Alice and Pettewawa, for one year. Trials were prescribed to Mr. McGregor, and an adjourned meeting of Presbytery appointed to be held in Knox Church, Ottawa, on the 23rd February, at three p.m., when these trials will be heard, and if sustained, the Presbytery will proceed with the ordination in the evening, at half-past seven o'clock; Mr. Maguire, to preach, Mr. Joseph White to address the Missionary, and Mr. James Whyte the congregation present. The Rev. Principal Caven was unanimously nominated as the Moderator of the next meeting of the General Assembly, and the Rev. John Crombie, Moderator of the Synod of Montreal; whilst as representatives on the Committee of Bills and Overtures, Mr. James Whyte, Minister, and Mr. Robert Bayne Elder, were appointed for the Assembly, and Mr. Armstrong, Minister, and Mr. John Hardie, Elder for the Synod. The next regular meeting of Presbytery was appointed to be held in Bank street Church, Ottawa, on the first Monday of May at three o'clock p. m.; a conference on Sabbath Schools to be held in the evening at half-past seven.

J. CARSWELL, *Pres. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF COBBOURG.—This Presbytery met at Peterboro' on the 12th of January. In accordance with the notice of motion previously given, Mr. Bennett submitted a series of resolutions anent Presbyterial visitation of congregations, which were considered *seriatim* and unanimously adopted. It was farther resolved in connection with this matter, to appoint a committee consisting of Messrs. Bennett, Douglas, McKay, Donald, *ministers*, and Messrs. James Craik and Walter Riddell, *elders*, to prepare a series of questions to be used at the Presbyterial visitations—the committee to report at next regular meeting. The Rev. Principal Caven was unanimously nominated Moderator of the next General Assembly. Arrangements were made for supply once a month being given to each of the mission stations during the winter. Mr. MacWilliam reported that he had moderated in a call at Norwood on the 7th inst. The call, which was laid on the table, was in favour of the Rev. R. McKenzie of Morris-town, in the State of New York, and was found to be signed by forty-one communicants and thirteen adherents; but in view of the very small numbers of signatures attached to the call, and in view of the explanations given by the commissioners from the congregations, the call was not sustained. It was unanimously agreed, in view of the great difficulty of getting supply during the winter months for our mission stations, that the Presbytery take steps to secure the services of an ordained missionary at as early a period as possible, and that the matter be committed to the Presbytery's Home Mission Committee. Mr. Roger brought under the notice of the Presbytery the necessity, in consequence of impaired health, of securing some assistance in the pastoral and other