

now be permitted; but that final action be taken in the matter at the next meeting of the Presbytery, at which Mr. Stitt be requested to appear for his interests.

The committee appointed to confer with Mr. Straith in reference to his resignation, recommended that the congregation of Knox's Church, Ingersoll, be cited to appear for their interests at a meeting of the Presbytery to be held in Ingersoll on Tuesday, the 23rd August; and that a committee consisting of Messrs. Lowry, McRuer and Cochrane, and Mr. Thompson, elder, be appointed to confer with the congregation on Tuesday, the 16th inst.

The case of Mr. Jno Gillespie was taken up, and after some discussion it was agreed that the Presbytery should meet for the purpose of considering it on the Thursday after the first Wednesday of October, in the River Street Church, Paris.

A communication was read from the Stratford Presbytery in reference to forming a station at McKay's Corners, Zorra; and Messrs. McQuarrie and Inglis, and Anderson, elder, were appointed to enquire into the matter and report at the meeting of the Presbytery in Ingersoll.

The Rev. John Dunbar was appointed Presbytery's representative at the Foreign Mission Committee.

At the request of the Rev. Mr. Robertson, of Norwich, assessors were appointed to sit with the Norwichville Kirk Session.

The Presbytery then adjourned, to meet in Ingersoll on Tuesday, the 23rd day of August, at one o'clock, p. m.; the regular meeting to take place in River Street, Paris, on the Thursday after the first Wednesday of October, at 11 a. m.

The Presbytery of Paris will meet in River Street Church, there, on the first Thursday of October, at 11 a. m.

WM. COCHRANE, *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.—This Presbytery met at Napanee on the 12th and 13th days of July. In compliance with a petition from the congregation of Lansdowne, Mr. Barron was appointed to ordain elders and deacons there. The congregation of Demorestville petitioned for permanent supply of ordinances, and also for a supplement from the Central Fund. The prayer of the petition was regarded favourably by the Presbytery.

Leave of absence for three months was granted to the Rev. Mr. McMechan of Pictou, and the Presbytery expressed their deep sympathy with him in the severe affliction he has experienced through the loss of his beloved partner in life. Provision was made for the supply of his pulpit.

Arrangements were made for the dispensation of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper in the several mission stations within the bounds.

Mr. Wilson directed the attention of the Presbytery to a proposal to raise the sum of \$25,000, as a tribute of respect to the memory of the late Dr. Burns of Toronto, to be appropriated to the endowment of a Theological Chair in Knox College. The Presbytery expressed its cordial approval of the object contemplated.

The following minute was adopted as expressive of the Presbytery's feelings in relation to Mr. McLaren on his removal from the bounds: "In agreeing to his translation, the Presbytery cannot but record their high esteem of the Rev. William McLaren, as their co-presbyter and fellow-labourer in the ministry of the Gospel, who rendered for the last eleven years such willing and efficient aid in every good work, and they now desire to follow him to his new sphere of labour with their best wishes and earnest prayers for his happiness and success."

Mr. Thomas Ritchie, student of Theology, was, after due examination, licensed to preach the Gospel.

Kirk Sessions, whose records were not forthcoming at this meeting, were enjoined to present them at next quarterly meeting, for examination. The Rev. Messrs. Wilson (Convener), Gray and Chambers were appointed a committee to examine all students within the bounds, prior to their return to College.

THOMAS S. CHAMBERS, *Pres. Clerk.*