

held as read. Secondly, an application from the Presbytery of Guelph—D. Guelph for leave to receive Mr. D. McNaughton, a minister of the McNaughton Presbyterian Church of North America. The papers relative were read. Thirdly, an application from the Presbytery of Toronto—J. Toronto for leave to receive Mr. John Marples, formerly of the Marples. Congregational Church, but of late in connection with the Free Church of Scotland.

It was agreed to refer the foregoing applications, with relative Applications papers, to the Committee appointed last night on the reception of referred ministers.

LICENSURE—APPLICATIONS FOR.

Applications were read from the Presbyteries following for Licensure—leave to take the students named below on public probationary Applications trials for license, namely:—

From the Presbytery of Chatham to take on trial for license, Mr. J. M. Goodwillie.

From the Presbytery of London to take on trial for license, Mr. Peter Scott.

From the Presbytery of Paris to take on trial for license, Mr. George Bryce.

From the Presbytery of Owen Sound to take on trial for license, Mr. R. Fairbairn and Mr. A. McRae.

From the Presbytery of Simcoe to take on trial for license, Mr. Thomas McKee.

From the Presbytery of Toronto to take on trial for license, Mr. G. Bruce and Mr. J. Cameron.

From the Presbytery of Kingston to take on trial for license, Mr. John Gallagher.

From the Presbytery of Ottawa to take on trial for license, Mr. A. McLean and Mr. J. Abraham.

From the Presbytery of Montreal to take on trial for license, Mr. R. H. Hoskin.

From the Presbytery of Huron to take on trial for license, Mr. W. Ferguson.

It was agreed that the foregoing applications, with all relative papers, be referred to the Committee appointed last night. Applications referred.

REMITTS—RETURNS TO.

There were handed in the Returns to certain Remits sent down to Presbyteries last year. On motion, the Returns were referred to the Committee appointed last night, to collate the same, and report at an early Sederunt. Returns referred.

THANKSGIVING DAY—LETTER ON.

There was handed in and read a communication from the Rev. F. H. Marling, Secretary of the Congregational Union, suggesting the desirableness of combined action on the part of several ecclesiastical bodies named, with a view to the appointment of a day of Public Thanksgiving, which might be observed throughout the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec. Thanksgiving Day—Letter on.

It was agreed to appoint a Committee to take Mr. Marling's Committee letter into consideration, and report to this Assembly at an early Sederunt. The Committee was then appointed as follows:—Dr.