

Session of Greenock, and to Moderate in a call there when the congregation is prepared for it.

A letter was read from the Rev. Mr. Calder, declining the call addressed to him by the congregations of West Church and Pine River.

The subject of Sabbath desecration, as now practised within the bounds of the Presbytery by county employes in collecting tolls, &c., was taken up, and a committee was appointed to draft a petition to the County Council anent the matter, and to report at a meeting of Presbytery to be held in London during the meeting of Synod.

The auditor's Report for the past year was read and approved of.

The Committee appointed at a previous meeting to draft a minute anent Mr. McNab's translation to Red River, reported and read the following, which was approved of and engrossed in the records, and a copy thereof ordered to be sent to Mr. McNab, viz.:

"The Presbytery, while parting with their brother Mr. McNab, who proceeds as a missionary to Red River Settlement, would express their esteem for his character as a christian and their appreciation of his fidelity and acceptance in his ministerial work during the brief period of his connection with the Presbytery, and their wishes and prayers that he may continue to enjoy much of the Master's presence, and that his future labors in the mission to which he has devoted himself may be largely owned for the promotion of the Divine glory and the salvation of men."

At a meeting of Presbytery held in London on the 4th May, a letter was read from the Rev. John Fraser, tendering the resignation of his pastoral charge, and desiring the Presbytery to take the matter into consideration at their earliest convenience. A special meeting of Presbytery was appointed to be held in Kincardine, Knox Church, on the 18th of May, to dispose of this resignation and to transact any other business that may be necessary.

Messrs. Ross and McQuarrie were appointed members of the General Assembly's Committee on Bills and Overtures.

The next regular meeting of Presbytery is to be held in Knox Church, Kincardine, on the 2nd Tuesday of July, at 11, a. m.

ARCH. MACLEAN, *Pres. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF COBOURG.—This Presbytery held its last regular meeting at Port Hope on the 5th of April. The attendance both of Ministers and Elders was large.

The Presbytery first proceeded to consider the mode of appointing Commissioners to the General Assembly. After several motions had been submitted, the following was carried by a small majority: "That delegates be appointed in the manner following:—One half of the ministers by the order of the Roll, and the other half by election; the elders, one half by rotation, viz.: those representing the sessions of ministers appointed by rotation, and the other half by election." The Presbytery having learned on sufficient authority that Mr. James Douglas, whose name stands at the head of the Roll, could not, from infirmity, attend the meeting of the General Assembly, it was agreed that the rotation should commence with the name next in order.

In accordance with these resolutions, Messrs. Roger, Alexander, Patterson, Laing, Donald, Blain, *Ministers*, and Messrs. Tully, Angus, Murdoch, Mason, Kerr, Craick and Scougall, *Elders*, were appointed Commissioners to the General Assembly.

It was agreed that Sessions be recommended to elect their Representative Elders as soon as convenient each year after the meeting of the General Assembly.

The Clerk was instructed to apply to the Home Mission Committee for the services of two students during the summer.

The Presbytery proceeded to consider the *interim* act on the Reception of Ministers. On the first paragraph being read, it was unanimously agreed that