

that he might at once return to the Presbytery of Bathurst.

A letter from Mr. Thomas Kydd, Goderich, respecting the state of the Church there, was read. The Presbytery instructed the Clerk to write to Mr. Kydd that this Court is incompetent to take any action in the business referred to.

Circular letters respecting Messrs. William Darrock and James T. Mullen, Archibald Currie and Alexander Maclellan, Students of Divinity, to be taken on trial by the Presbyteries of Kingston, Glengary and Toronto were read. No objection was offered to any of them.

Letters were read from Priceville and the Missionary Association of Queen's College, Kingston. It was agreed to accept of Mr. Charles Cameron as catechist for Priceville; and the Clerk was instructed to write accordingly to Kingston and Priceville. In reference to Mr. Hamilton, the Clerk was also instructed to write to Paisley with a view to ascertain what the congregation there will do, and to state that, should they see fit to engage Mr. Hamilton as a catechist for the summer, the Presbytery were willing to assist them to the extent of \$40.

A letter was read from the Clerk of the Presbytery of Toronto, intimating that Mr. Maclellan had been inducted into the pastoral charge of the Church of Whitby on the 12th of December last.

Mr. Hogg was appointed to supply Galt on the second Sabbath of May, Mr. Thom on the second Sabbath of June, and Mr. Macdonnell on the second Sabbath of July. Mr. Hay was appointed to supply Kincardine on the first Sabbath of July, and Paisley on the second Sabbath, when he shall also declare the church vacant. Mr. Hay was also appointed Moderator of the Kirk Session of Paisley *pro tempore*. Mr. Whyte to supply Mount Forest on the second Sabbath of July.

A communication was read from the Clerk of the Presbytery of Toronto with Extract Minutes from Records of that Presbytery, proposing that means be taken for obtaining a fitting memorial from the members and friends of the Church at large in Canada in honor of the Rev. Dr. Mathieson in testimony of admiration of the dignified, firm and courteous manner in which he, as Moderator, represented the Synod and maintained its rights upon the occasion of presenting the Synod's Address to H. R. H. the Prince of Wales when recently in Canada. This proposal met with the cordial and unanimous concurrence of the Presbytery, and Kirk Sessions were enjoined to take immediate action so as to secure, if possible, a sum of 5 cents from each head and member of all the families connected with the congregations under the charge of this Presbytery; other Sessions to make their returns at next ordinary meeting of Presbytery, and the Presbytery Clerk to be Treasurer.

The Presbytery took up the consideration of the "Bill anent the Representation of the Eldership in the Superior Church Courts," and disapproved of the bill; also of the "Bill anent the attendance of Ministers at meetings of the Superior Church Courts." The Bill anent the "Maintenance of Ministers" was approved of by the Presbytery, and recommended to be passed into a law by the Synod.

Leave was granted to Mr. Hogg to dispense the Communion at Pushinch at any suitable time. The Kirk Session Records of Woolwich, Guelph and Fergus were certified as "carefully and correctly kept," and other Kirk Session Records were ordered to be produced at next meeting of Presbytery. The Presbytery adjourned to meet on the second Wednesday in August. The meeting was closed with prayer.

#### PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.

This Presbytery held its regular quarterly meeting in the Vestry of St. James' Church, London, on Wednesday the 6th of March. Present: The Rev. James McEwen, Moderator, Alexander McKid, Wm. McEwen, James Stuart, Francis Nicol and Hamilton Gibson, Ministers; Sheriff McDonald and Henry B. Robertson, Elders.

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved of. Reasons of absence were given in for Messrs. Bain, Miller and Stevenson.

A copy of the Crown Patent of the Zorra property, obtained from Quebec, was laid upon the table. The Presbytery appointed a Committee to confer with the surviving trustee, Mr. T. Fraser, and endeavour to secure amicably the appointment of new trustees, agreeably to the wishes of the Zorra congregation, said Committee to consist of the Moderator and Mr. McKid.

The subject of Mr. Mullins' (catechist) salary having been introduced, the Clerk was instructed to communicate with the congregation of Bayfield and Varna, which had enjoyed the benefit of his services half the time, and with other congregations which had not yet contributed to the Home Mission Fund.

Mr. Gibson having stated that the congregations of Bayfield and Varna were anxious to obtain a little assistance, the one towards the removal of the debt upon their church, and the other towards the building of a new church, the Presbytery authorize Mr. Gibson to receive subscriptions beyond the bounds of his own congregation.

Mr. Strahan, the Presbytery's Gaelic Catechist, being present, gave in a verbal report as to his labours in Ekfrid. He stated that he had visited 50 families belonging to the Church, and had heard of more. There were 4 preaching stations, average attendance 100 at each. The con-

gregation had procured a site within half a mile of the village of Glencoe, and were receiving tenders for building a church, 60 feet long and 38 feet wide, for which about \$800 had already been subscribed. The Presbytery approved of Mr. Strahan's report, and instructed the Clerk to write to the Colonial Committee for a little assistance towards the support of Mr. Strahan as a Gaelic Catechist.

A letter was read from the Presbytery of Hamilton, relative to a sum due Mr. Stevenson, of Williams, for missionary services performed before London Presbytery was disjoined from Hamilton. The Presbytery agreed to assume the obligation.

The subject of the Congregational Statistics required by the Synod having been brought up, members present were enjoined to have them forwarded by the 15th.

The Committee appointed to examine the Session Records of Stratford reported that they had found them correct.

The Presbytery then took up the consideration of the Woodstock case. After discussion it was moved by Mr. McKid, seconded by Mr. Nicol, and agreed to—That, as no report has been laid upon the table by Mr. Stuart regarding the affairs of the congregation of Woodstock and Norwich, according to injunctions of Presbytery at last and previous meetings, the Presbytery find that they are unable to come to any proper conclusion on the whole case without further information, and therefore appoint another meeting of visitation to be held within the church of Woodstock on Wednesday, the 3rd of April, at 10 o'clock, A. M., the Presbytery to meet in the same place the preceding evening at 5 o'clock, for the dispatch of ordinary business.

Mr. Stuart was appointed to serve the edict on Sabbath, the 24th inst., at Woodstock and Norwich. The Clerk was instructed to write to Mr. John Greig, late Treasurer of the Church, and request his attendance at the meeting of visitation.

The Presbytery then appointed its next meeting to be held at Woodstock on Tuesday, 2nd April, at 5 o'clock. Closed with prayer.

FRANCIS NICOL,  
*Presby. Clerk.*

#### JEWISH MISSION.

MONASTIR, Feb. 19th, 1861.

To the Jews Committee of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland.

DEAR BRETHREN,—Another quarter has come to an end, and still I am unable to report any visible progress in the work you have committed to my feeble hands. Few and far between are the opportunities which offer themselves to preach the clear and plain Gospel of Christ and Him crucified for the sins of man. Still in some instances it has been done, and left to God to dispose of it according to His sovereign pleasure. In the medical line I continue as I did hitherto. A few items, not of my doings, but of my ascertaining, I wish to lay here before you.