

A committee consisting of Mr. Laing, Mr. McPherson, Dr. Bell, Mr. Thompson and Mr. Cameron, ministers, with Mr. Jas. Cowan, elder, was appointed to report on this case at a future Sederunt.

PRESBYTERY OF BRUCE.

Leave was given the Presbytery of Bruce to hold an adjourned meeting at Port Elgin at 2 p. m. on the first day of May, 1878.

REGISTRATION ACT.

Mr. Laing, the ex-Moderator, gave in a report of his action regarding the Registration Act, to the effect that he had, according to instructions, corresponded with the Premier of the Ontario Legislature, in reference to the grievance, that ministers performing funeral services should make returns of the death of persons at whose funerals they may officiate.

The correspondence was read; after which, on motion of Mr. Mungo Fraser, duly seconded, the report was received and thanks tendered to Mr. Laing for his diligence in the matter.

On motion of Mr. McMullen, seconded by Mr. Thompson, a committee consisting of Mr. Laing, Mr. Thompson, Dr. Bell, Mr. McMullen, Mr. McEwen, Mr. Sievericht, ministers, and Messrs. Lowry, Marshall, Gray, Renwick, McDougall and Mathieson, elders, were appointed to consider this whole matter and report at a future sederunt.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO CONFER WITH MINISTER OF EDUCATION ANENT USE OF THE BIBLE IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Mr. Laing presented the report of correspondence on this subject, and also an interview held with the Hon. Adam Crooks, Minister of Public Education for Ontario.

On motion, duly seconded, the report was received and the diligence of the committee commended.