

Five Ministers and three Elders were present.

The trial exercises prescribed for the ordination of Mr. D. B. Cameron were heard and unanimously sustained. His ordination as Minister of Bradford and Second West Gwillimbury was appointed to take place on the fifteenth day of December.

The leave of absence granted to Mr. Greenfield was extended, by his own request, on account of the state of his health.

Notice of a motion was given to change the hours of the diets of Presbytery.

It was intimated that, at next meeting in February, Overtures would be laid on the table on the subjects of Sabbath Schools, the Aged Ministers' Fund and the Muskoka Mission.

It was also announced that, at said meeting, the Presbytery would appoint the Representatives for the General Assembly.

JOHN GRAY, *Pres. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF LONDON:—This Presbytery held its Quarterly Meeting in St. Andrew's Church, London, on the 14th December.

Mr. Peter McLaren, Student of Divinity, under the oversight of the Presbytery, was, after a most creditable examination, licensed to preach the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Rev. Mr. Kemp was unanimously nominated as moderator of Synod of London, to meet in London in May next, on motion of Mr. Cuthbertson.

Rev. Principal Willis was unanimously nominated as Moderator of General Assembly, to meet in Toronto in June next, on motion of Mr. Scott, seconded by Mr. Thompson.

Leave was granted to English Settlements and Proof Line, to have a call moderated in, if necessary, before next ordinary meeting.

Arrangements were made for Mr. Inglis' visit to Congregations on behalf of the Home Mission scheme of the Church.

The Presbytery sustained a call from the congregation of Parkhill and McGillivray, to Rev. Mr. Pritchard of Camden and Sheffield, signed by 125 adherents and 81 members, and promising \$700 annual stipend. Mr. Cuthbertson was appointed Commissioner to prosecute the call at the bar of the Kingston Presbytery.

The Presbytery will call for Elders' Commissions, and the Records of the following Kirk Sessions, at next ordinary meeting:—St. Andrew's Church, London; 1st Presbyterian Church, London; Delaware; Sarnia; St. Thomas; Embro; Wardsville.

The Presbytery will meet in 1st Presbyterian Church, London, on 15th March, 1870, at 11 a.m.

G. CUTHBERTSON, *Pres. Clerk.*

Communications.

THE LATE REV. W. O. BURNS.

MR. EDITOR,—In the course of reading on eminent men that have passed away, a sketch of the late Rev. W. O. Burns, missionary to China, from the pen of the Rev. W. Arnot of Edinburgh, attracted my attention. I once had the honour of his company from Streetsville to this place in the month of April, when the roads were very deep and the streams swollen. He had a *cumie* beast to ride on, and frequently took out his Bible to read by the way. His relish for the word of life was so great, that after preaching in the church here, on "I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ," we were standing together at the door with a light, waiting for one to bring a