

of Mr. Mann's field at Pakenham, and his attachment to his people there, have made him feel it to be his duty to decline the call.

The Congregation of McNab and Horton form a large and interesting charge. They are strongly attached to our Church, and most anxious to obtain a Minister. They are prepared to guarantee an annual stipend of £100, and a free manse.

The Rev. J. Mc'Morine, of Ramsay, stated to the Presbytery that business of a private nature, connected with the recent death of a brother, required his presence in Scotland, and requested leave of absence for this purpose for three or four months. The Presbytery acceded to this request, and in token of their regard for their respected brother agreed to supply his Pulpit almost every alternate Sabbath during the period of his leave of absence, Mr. Fraser agreeing to preach on the second Sabbath and Mr. Bain on the fourth Sabbath of June, Mr. Evans on the first Sabbath of July, and Mr. Spence on the fourth, Mr. Mann on the second Sabbath of August, Mr. Mylen on the fourth, and Mr. Anderson on the first Sabbath of September.

Mr. Fraser was appointed to preach at Brockville on the first Sabbath of June, and to declare the Church there vacant.

The Presbytery entered into consideration of the plan sent down by Synod to Presbyteries last year for the better carrying out of Presbyterian Church Government. The Reports of Sessions were called for, when it was found that of the Sessions, whose Ministers were present, three were not prepared with Reports, three reported in favour of the proposed plan in all its provisions, and regarded its adoption as strongly called for by the present state of the Church, and two reported in favour of several parts of the plan.

The Presbytery adjourned to meet at Cumberland on the eighteenth day of June next.

It may be remarked that this Presbytery have no less than five vacant Churches at present within their bounds to supply with preaching. The members of Presbytery give as much service to these Churches as they can, consistently with their duty to their own congregations. But what does all that service amount to, a Sabbath only in six or eight weeks! How lamentable this state of things! "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few. Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He will send forth labourers into His harvest".

PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.

At Montreal, and in Saint Andrew's Church, the eleventh day of May, 1851, on which day the Presbytery of Montreal held its regular Quarterly Meeting,—

Twelve Ministers, and Two Elders, Members of Court, were present.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and sustained.

Mr. Simpson resigned the office of Clerk, and Mr. Wallace, of Huntingdon, was appointed thereto.

Inter alia,

A communication was read from the Presbytery of Bathurst, intimating that that Presbytery had resolved, and now did dissolve the pastoral relation between the Revd. Thos. Haig and his late charge, the congregation of Brockville.

The Presbytery took into consideration certain papers, laid before it at its two last ordinary meetings, respecting the translation of the Revd. D. Shanks from Valcartier to the congregations of Buckingham and Cumberland, within the bounds of the Presbytery of Bathurst. Parties having been called, and no appearance made on the part of the congregation of Valcartier to oppose the removal of Mr. Shanks, the Presbytery considered itself warranted to hold them as consenting thereto, and expressed its willingness to concur with the Presbytery of Bathurst in said translation.

A notice was read from the Presbytery of Kingston of its intention to apply to next meeting of Synod, for leave to take on trials for license Mr. John Campbell, Student of Divinity, Queen's College.

A Memorial from the congregation of Beechridge, accompanied with a Subscription List, was laid before the Presbytery, said Memorial praying that the Presbytery would take such steps as would, with as little delay as possible, secure that congregation a pastor.

Also, a Memorial from the Presbyterian inhabitants of Nowalton, requesting the Presbytery to meet in Nowalton, and take such steps as are necessary in order to form them into a congregation connected with this Church.

The Presbytery, having taken both of these Memorials into its serious consideration, expressed its warm sympathy with the people in the various localities from which they had been forwarded, and the pleasure which will afford in being able to any extent to further their views; and, in order to carry out as far as possible the wishes expressed in their prayer, resolve to hold a Special Meeting at Beechridge on Wednesday, the 21st instant, at half-past ten o'clock, and in Nowalton, the same day, at five o'clock in the afternoon, Dr Mathieson to conduct Divine service at the former of these places, prior to meeting of Presbytery, Mr. Wallace at the latter.

The Revd. Jas. Thom, of Three Rivers, read a Memorial from the Kirk Session and Congregation of Three Rivers to the Colonial Committee of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, praying for aid to assist in building a New Church. The Presbytery, being satisfied with the very laudable zeal manifested by the members of this congregation, and the liberality displayed, agreed to transmit this Memorial to the Synod, with the recommenda-

tion that the Synod urge the application of the Memorialists upon the favourable consideration of the Colonial Committee.

The Presbytery appointed the Revd. R. MacGill to dispense the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper to the Congregation of Saint Eustache at such time as will be convenient to him prior to the next meeting of Presbytery.

The Clerk was instructed to give copies of certain Documents in his possession, which were applied for by the Presbytery of Glengarry, respecting Mr. Ferguson, formerly a Licentiate of the Church of Scotland.

It was also arranged that several members of the Court should proceed to Melbourne, and hold a Presbyterian Visitation of the Congregation there, as well as to inquire into certain matters brought before the attention of the Presbytery by several Documents forwarded from that Congregation; said Visitation to take place on Monday, the second day of June.

At Beechridge, the 21st day of May, 1851, on which day the Presbytery met (after Divine service had been engaged in, Dr Mathieson preaching from Psalms 12, 2), and was constituted.

The Minute of last Meeting respecting Beechridge case was read.

The Memorial forwarded to last Meeting of Presbytery being duly authenticated by the People present, the Presbytery advised the People, that, in order to secure the services of a Pastor, who should labour alike among the Gaelic and English part of the population, they should request some one of the Ministers of the Province, possessing a knowledge of both languages, to preach to them with the view of afterwards giving him a call; and that, if they should fail in this matter, they should then forward a Memorial, as numerously signed as possible, to the Colonial Committee of the Church of Scotland, praying that a Clergyman, possessing both the English and Gaelic languages, might be sent out to labour among them in the Lord. The People were at the same time informed, that, did the former suggestion fail, and it were found necessary to adopt the latter course, the Presbytery would then give them all the assistance in its power, and strongly recommend their case to the very favourable consideration of the Colonial Committee.

The Presbytery afterwards met in the Village of Nowalton, where, after service by the Revd. A. Wallace from 2, Chron. 6, 18, the Presbyterian inhabitants were formed into a Congregation in connection with our Church under the care and within the bounds of the Presbytery of Montreal.

The Presbytery expressed its sincere gratification at the progress that had been made in securing subscriptions towards the erection of a suitable place of worship, and resolved, that, so soon as the necessary documents had been completed, it would strongly urge the claims of this Congrega-