

Mr. McFaul stated that he found himself unable to attend properly to the three congregations composing his charge, and wished advice from the presbytery. A deputation was appointed to visit these congregations, and also the stations of Ouledon East and Mono Mills, in order to ascertain what arrangements might be made for the advantage of the whole church in that district.

In compliance with a request from Mr. Coutts, the supplies granted at last meeting to the congregations of Chinguacousy were continued.

A call from the congregations of St. Vincent, &c. to Mr. A. Brown, minister of Mono, was laid on the table; and it was resolved to cite parties to appear for their interests at a special meeting to be held at Brampton, on the last Tuesday of February, for the purpose of deciding the matter.

The usual interim financial returns from congregations were ordered.

The Presbytery deferred consideration of a circular from the convener of the synodical committee on psalmody till next ordinary meeting, which they appointed to be held in the usual place on the first Tuesday in April, and resolved that the matter should be taken up as the first business of the evening sederunt.

J. MITCHELL, *Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF OTTAWA.—The Presbytery met in Smith's Falls on the 5th February. All the ministers were present except two. The opening sermon was preached by Mr. Moore.

Several Session Records were attested. Others were ordered to be produced at next meeting.

Mr. T. Wardrope was appointed to moderate in a call in Cumberland and Lochaber, and Mr. McKenzie in Beckwith.

PSALMODY. The Presbytery held a long conference on this subject. It was found that *ten* congregations used the Psalms and Paraphrases, and *three* the Psalms and U. P. Hymn Book.

The Presbytery do not object to the use of songs of Praise other than those in the Book of Psalms.

The Presbytery desire a revisal of the Paraphrases and Hymns, with a selection of a limited number of Hymns to be used in Public Worship.

In regard to the *fourth* enquiry of the Committee, the Presbytery unanimously resolved "That the presbytery recommend that the Synod appoint a committee to prepare a Hymn-Book—that said book be sent down to Presbyteries for the expression of their opinion—and that in the event of the same meeting with general approval, it be bound up with the Psalms and issued under the *Imprimatur* of the Church."

KYOK COLLEGE The Presbytery agreed to recommend the interests of this institution to the liberality of the several congregations within the bounds.

H. M. Committee The quarterly report was given in by Mr. Moore—action taken therein, and the Probationers distributed as follows:

Mr. Reeve.—Beckwith, 17th Feb and 3rd March; Pakenham, 24th Feb. and 10 March; Cumberland 10th February.

Mr. Thom.—Beckwith, 31st March; Renfrew, 7th and 14th April; Dalhousie, 21st and 28th April.

Mr. McKeiracher.—Cumberland, 21st and 28th April.

Application was ordered to be made for four missionaries and three Probationers.

Arrangements were made for holding missionary meetings in the vacant congregations and mission stations.

The overture anent the printing of the minutes of Synod was postponed till next meeting.

Mr. Joseph White was appointed *interim* moderator of the Session of Aylwin.

Next meeting was appointed to be held in Perth on the evening of the first Tuesday in May, at 7 o'clock: Mr. McKenzie to preach, and Mr. Aitken to read a paper on a suitable topic for religious conference during the first sederunt.

S. C. FRASER, *Presbytery Clerk*.