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PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery, will be held in Toronto, on Tuesday, March 31, at 11 o'clock, a. m.

T. WIGHTMAN, *Pres. Clerk.*

HOME MISSION COMMITTEE.

The Home Mission Committee will meet in the vestry of Knox's Church, Toronto, on Tuesday, 31st March, at 7 o'clock, p. m.

W. REID, *Convener.*

KNOX'S COLLEGE COMMITTEE.

The College Committee will meet in Knox's College on Wednesday, 1st April, at 10 o'clock.

A full meeting is particularly requested, as important business will require attention.

M. WILLIS, *Convener.*

KNOX'S COLLEGE-CLOSING EXERCISES.

The Session will close on Wednesday, 1st April. The closing exercises will take place in the College Hall on that day, at 11 o'clock, a. m.

PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.

The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will be held at London, on the first Tuesday of April.

J. SCOTT, *Pres. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.

The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will be held in Belleville, on the first Monday of March, at 7 o'clock, p. m.

WILLIAM GREGG, *Presb. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.

The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will be held at Hamilton, on the second Tuesday of April, at 2 o'clock, p. m.

M. Y. STARR, *Presb. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE AND OTTAWA.

The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will take place at Perth, on the first Tuesday of March.

Proceedings of Presbyteries, &c.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

The Presbytery of Toronto met on 28th of January. Thirteen Ministers and three Elders were present.

A call from the town of Whitby in favour of the Rev. Mr. Lowry of West Gwillimbury, was presented and sustained. Before putting the call into Mr. Lowry's hands, the Presbytery ordered his congregations to be cited to appear for their interests at next meeting.

Also a call to the Rev. R. Swinton ordained missionary, from the Congregation in Markham, was presented and sustained, and ordered to be transmitted to Mr. Swinton.

The committee formerly appointed to attend to the affairs of Knox's Congregation, Toronto, with reference to the altering of the constitution gave in an interim report, which was received. After some discussion it was agreed to continue the committee now consisting of Rev. Messrs. Lowry and Laing, and Mr. Clark, sen., Elder.

On the morning of the 24th, the Presbytery proceeded to hear Mr. Mitchell's trial discourses. Mr. Mitchell was then examined in Hebrew, Greek, Theology, and Church History. The discourses and other trial exercises were sustained; and Mr. Mitchell's ordination was appointed to take place at Milton, on Tuesday, the 17th of February, at noon. Mr. Laing, (as being the last ordained member of Court) was appointed to preach and preside; Mr. McLaughlan to address the pastor, and Mr. Nisbet the people.

A letter was read from Mr. W. Heron, Elder in Whitby Rear, applying for moderation in a

call to a pastor for the united Congregations of Reach and Whitby Rear. Mr. Laing was appointed to attend to the matter.

T. WIGHTMAN, *Pres. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

The Presbytery met in Knox's Church, Milton, on Tuesday, the 17th ult; when after sermon by Rev. J. Laing, of Scarborough, Mr. James Mitchell was ordained to the pastoral charge of the united Congregations of Boston and Milton.

The call from the Congregation in the Town of Whitby was next taken up, and a letter from West Gwillimbury, acquiescing in the proposed translation, having been read, the call was put into the hands of Mr. Lowry, who accepted the same. The induction was appointed to take place on Tuesday, the 3rd of March, at half past 6 o'clock, P. M.—Mr. Ure to preach and preside, Mr. Reid to address the minister, and Mr. Wigham the people.

A letter from Rev. R. C. Swinton, accepting the call from Markham, was read. The induction was appointed to take place at Brown's Corners, on Wednesday, 11th of March, at 12 o'clock noon. Mr. Adams was appointed to preach and preside, M. Alexander to address the minister, and Mr. Laing the people.

Mr. Laing reported verbally that Dr. Burns and he had visited several of the families in connection with the Station at Reesor's Corners, and found things apparently prosperous. The report was sustained.

Mr. Laing reported in reference to the Knox's Church case, that although the committee of the Presbytery and the congregation had not met, he had attended a congregational meeting, at which the utmost harmony prevailed, and that matters were now in a fair way of being settled in accordance with the principles of the Church.

A petition for supply during the summer was received by Mr. Reid, from the township of Osprey, 9th line. Mr. McKenzie was appointed to visit that district, make enquiry, and report to next meeting to be held in Toronto.

Mr. Laing gave notice of an overture to the Synod on the subject of the "Re-arrangement of Presbyteries."

A committee consisting of Dr. Willis, (convener) Messrs. Wightman and Laing, was appointed to draw up a report, on the examination of the students, who had appeared before the Presbytery, to be sent to the College committee, as enjoined by the Synod.

The next ordinary meeting was appointed to be held in Toronto, on Tuesday the 31st March.

THOMAS WIGHTMAN, *Pres. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.

This Presbytery held its ordinary quarterly meeting on the 28th and 29th of January.

The Rev. J. C. Quin was elected Moderator for the ensuing six months.

The Clerk read a letter from the Rev. Daniel