

ber. All the Ministers and a large number of Elders were present. A large amount of business was transacted, of which the following are the principal items. Mr. Morrison's demission of that part of his pastoral charge known as Kilsyth congregation, was received, and Mr. Somerville appointed to declare the pulpit of said congregation vacant on the 2nd Sabbath of October. The petition from Griersville congregation, praying for union with Thornbury congregation, was then considered. After reasoning, the prayer thereof was refused; but the Presbytery, feeling for Griersville congregation in their failure to obtain connection with another congregation to sustain ordinances, commended them to the sympathy of Meaford congregation and session, with a view to some arrangement by which their pastor, by the help of a student in the summer months, might take Griersville under his pastoral care. The auditors reported that the Treasurer's books were carefully and correctly kept. The books were attested accordingly, and handed over to the newly appointed Treasurer, Mr. Rodgers. Mr. McNaughton brought forward the overture, of which he gave notice at last meeting, anent Home Mission work. Consideration of the same was deferred until next ordinary meeting. The Home Mission Agent was instructed to send Probationary supply to Kilsyth, Derby, Cruickshank, when Mr. Morrison's connection with the former would cease. Mr. McRae gave a verbal report of his labours so far in Parry Sound District. He was authorised to proceed at once to organize congregations and ordain Elders there. Mr. Stevenson gave notice that he would move, at next meeting, that the Clerk's salary be fixed at \$60.00 a year. The next ordinary meeting was appointed to be held in Knox Church, Owen Sound, on the 3rd Tuesday of December, at 10 a.m. A committee was appointed to make arrangements for holding Missionary meetings within the bounds.

PRESBYTERY OF SAUGEEN.—At an adjourned meeting of this Presbytery held on 31st August, a call from Centre Bruce and Underwood, in the Presbytery of Bruce, to Rev. G. McLennan, of Harriston, was taken up. Mr. McLellan intimated his acceptance of the call, and the Presbytery agreed to translate him. Mr. J. A. McAlmon delivered his trial discourses, which were sustained; and his ordination to the charge of Markdale, etc., was appointed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS.

Your Committee would begin their Report by acknowledging the kindness of the Father of Mercies during another year; and blessing his holy name for the success he has granted to the ministers, elders, and other office-bearers of this Church in their labours, and for the tokens of his good will that he has afforded to our beloved Zion. "Magnify the Lord with us and let us exalt his name together."

STATISTICS.

No Reports have been received by your Committee from the following Congregations and Mission Stations:—

In the Presbytery of Montreal, Alexandria, Kenyon, Lingwick, has reported its Financial Statement, but not its Statistics. Only three mission stations, two of these having ordained missionaries, have reported.

In the Presbytery of Ottawa reports have been received from all but one congregation with settled pastors, and from three of six vacancies; but there is no report from Ramsay, North Gower and Gloucester, except partial financial statements; Metcalf, which reports statistics, but not finances, Dalhousie and Sherbrooke, and from none of the mission stations.

In the Presbytery of Brockville there is no report from Kemptville or Burritt's Rapids; part of Merrickville, Newboro' and Westport, South Gower and