

Proceedings of Presbyteries.

ONTARIO PRESBYTERY.—This Presbytery met at Oshawa on Tuesday the 8th day of September; Rev. J. R. Scott, Moderator. Besides him, there were seven ministers and eight elders present. The following are the principal items of business then transacted.

Mr. Edmondson was appointed to moderate in a call at Ashburn and Utica on a convenient day. A petition from the Prince Albert congregation for aid towards the completion of a place of worship in Port Perry, was favourably considered. It was agreed to transmit the same to the H. M. Committee, with a recommendation for the purpose of securing assistance in some form towards that object. An appeal from the Prince Albert Session was disposed of. The committee appointed to examine Mr. Bryant reported, that, after examining him, they regarded him a fit and proper person to enter upon the preliminary course in Knox College, with a view to the ministry. Thereupon the Presbytery agreed to certify him accordingly. Mr. James R. Scott intimated his acceptance of the call addressed to him by the Cambray congregation. The Presbytery then dissolved the pastoral tie between him and the Whitby congregation, and appointed his induction into the pastoral charge of the Cambray congregation, to take place there on the 29th day of this month; Mr. R. Binnie to preach, Mr. McTavish to preside, and address the minister, and Mr. Smith, the people.

The following plan of missionary meetings was adopted. The congregations were divided into these groups:

1. Woodville; Cambray; and Lindsay.
2. Uxbridge and Leaskdale; Manilla, Vroomanton and Cannington; and Beaverton and Mara.
3. Prince Albert; Wick and Greenbank; and Ashburn and Utica.
4. Dunbarton and Canton; Claremont and Erskine Church; and Whitby.
5. Oshawa; Columbus and Brooklin; and Bowmanville and Enniskillen.
6. Clarke; Newton and Newcastle; and Cartwright and Ballyduff.

The pastor of the congregation first mentioned in each group, was appointed to arrange the meetings for said group.

The Presbytery adjourned to meet at Cambray on the 29th day of September, at 10 o'clock, a.m.

GEORGE RIDDELL, *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF COBOURG.—A special meeting of this Presbytery was held at Centreville, on the 25th ult. There were present nine ministers and one elder.

The meeting having been called to confer with Mr. Douglas and the congregations under his charge, relative to changes contemplated, all parties were heard, when it was unanimously resolved:—That it is advisable, that Mr. Douglas resign the pastoral charge of Centreville and Millbrook, provided that he be allowed a suitable retiring allowance during life. It was also agreed that \$250 would be such suitable retiring allowance, to be paid quarterly in advance.

A scheme for holding missionary meetings was adopted.

D. WATERS, *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF GUELPH.—The ordinary meeting of this Presbytery was held in Knox's Church, Guelph, on Tuesday, 8th Sept.—Rev. James A. Thomson, Moderator. Seventeen ministers and seven elders were present.

In accordance with the recommendation of a committee appointed to visit Hawksville and Elmira, the Presbytery finally determined that Mr. Graham should preach at these two places on alternate Sabbaths.

On application from the united congregations of Eden Mills and Rockwood, the