

"epistle of Christ." And who could not read, who did not, as it were, instinctively read, in your late Pastor, such an epistle? Even the enemies of the truth could scarcely, I should think, have been his enemies.

Let the recollection of the untiring earnestness with which he sought your good, stimulate you to follow his footsteps, by seeking "every one his neighbour's good unto edification," and by seeking unitedly the good of the congregation. "Pray for the peace of Jerusalem." Oh think what reproach it would be to the cause of Christ, what discredit to yourselves, who have so long enjoyed the gospel, and had it so lovingly exemplified, should you ever allow envying and strife, misunderstandings and alienations, to prevail among you. Seek, on the contrary, to shew that you have not only been taught as it is in Jesus, but learnt also of the Great Teacher himself to exercise continually that "love which is the fulfilling of the law." Seek at once to exhibit and experience "how good and pleasant a thing it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." Believers in Jesus, I would urge you to go forward. Copy, in so far as he copied Christ, him who has so long instructed, counselled and encouraged you. As we have seen that he exemplified the former part of our text, *living to Christ*, so I have no doubt that, if his voice could this day be heard in our midst, it would be in confirmation of the latter clause, viz., *"to die is gain."* Follow him in the narrow way, animated by the "good hope through grace," that you too shall reach the goal, and wear the crown. "Be ye also ready"; "gird up the loins of your mind, be sober and hope unto the end, for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ."

I cannot leave this subject, without adverting to the circumstances attending the close of Mr. Cassie's ministerial labours, as connected with the peculiarly sudden and unexpected termination of life. While it came upon him in one respect truly "as a thief in the night," in another, it was as if all had been preparing for it. As there was much of completeness in Christ, in his character, so Providence ordered that there should be a peculiar completeness in his finishing up of his ministerial career. He was not only allowed to denit his charge of the congregation, (whose interests lay very near his heart,) in circumstances which comforted him, and which seemed agreeable to all, but to preach to you there—after his farewell sermon, to go to Montreal and take part in the Union he had so long desired; and still farther, it was ordered, as if in the way of finishing his testimony before leaving for Immanuel's land, he this day week preached once more to the former part of his charge at Perrytown and Oakhill; and in the latter place occupied the self-same pulpit in which in your old church he had begun, twenty-six years ago, his youthful ministry among you. "His course" was now finished, and we believe he "kept the faith"; and on the third morning thereafter, with appalling suddenness to us, but in great kindness to him, came the call, "come up hither."

Servant of God, well done!  
Praise be thy new employ.  
The battle's fought, the victory's won,  
Rest in thy Saviour's joy.

"Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright, for the end of that man is peace."

## DISTRIBUTION OF PREACHERS AND OTHER MISSIONARIES

OF THE

CANADA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,

FROM JULY TO THE SECOND SABBATH OF OCTOBER.

NAMES OF PREACHERS	JULY, 4 SABBATHS	AUGUST, 4 SABBATHS	SEPTEMBER, 5 SABBATHS	OCTOBER, 4 SABBATHS
Rev D Anderson.....	M 1.....	4M 1.....	4M 1.....	5M 1..... 2
" W Bennett.....	Ln 1.....	4Ln 1.....	4Ln 1.....	5Ln 1..... 2
" W Clark.....	Gy 1.....	4Gy 1.....	4Gy 1.....	5Gy 1..... 2
" Thos Fenwick.....	Ota 1.....	4Ota 1.....	4Ota 1.....	5Ota 1..... 2
" A Fraser.....	Std 1.....	4Std 1.....	4Std 1.....	5Std 1..... 2
" A G Forbes.....	To 1.....	4To 1.....	4To 1.....	5To 1..... 2
" P Goodfellow.....	Ln 1.....	4Ham 1.....	4Ham 1.....	5Ham 1..... 2
" J Gauld.....	Std 1.....	4Std 1.....	4Ln 1.....	5Ln 1..... 2
" J Howie.....	Hur 1.....	4Ln 1.....	4Ln 1.....	5Ln 1..... 2
" Jas Hume.....	P 1.....	4P 1.....	4P 1.....	5P 1..... 2
" John Irvine.....	Br 1.....	4Br 1.....	4Br 1.....	5Br 1..... 2
" R Leask.....	Gh 1.....	4Gh 1.....	4Gh 1.....	5Gh 1..... 2
" Jas McDowell.....	P 1.....	4P 1.....	4P 1.....	5P 1..... 2
" W Matheson.....	Ln 1.....	4Ln 1.....	4Ln 1.....	5Ln 1..... 2
" C McKerracher.....	To 1.....	4To 1.....	4To 1.....	5To 1..... 2
" D McLean.....	Ln 1.....	4Hur 1.....	4Gy 1.....	5Gy 1..... 2
" Mal McKenzie.....	Gh 2.....	4Gh 1.....	4Cob 1.3 Ham 4.5	5Ham 1..... 2
" Geo Murray.....	Ln 1.....	4Gh 1.....	4Ham 1.....	5Ham 1..... 2
" R Renwick.....	Ham 1.....	4Ham 1.....	4Ln 1.....	5Ln 1..... 2
" J Robertson.....	To 1.....	4To 1.....	4To 1.....	5To 1..... 2
" R Rodgers.....	Ln 1.....	4Gy 2.....	4Gy 1.2 Gh 3.5	5Gh 1..... 2
" John Scott.....	Ot 1.....	4Ota 1.....	4Ota 1.....	5Ota 1..... 2
" Walter Scott.....	Ln 1.....	4Ln 1.....	4Hur 1.....	5Hur 1..... 2
" Wm Smart.....	K 1.....	4K 1.....	4K 1.....	5K 1..... 2
" R M Taylor.....	Cob 1.....	4To 1.....	4To 1.2 Gh 3.5	5Gh 1..... 2
" J Turnbull.....	Ham 1.....	4Gy 1.....	4Gy 1.....	5Gy 1..... 2
" Jos White.....	Ham 1.2 Ota 3.4	4Ota 1.....	4Ota 1.....	5Ota 1..... 2
" Thos Wilson.....	Gh 1.....	4Cob 1.....	4Br 1.....	5Br 1..... 2

NOTE.—In the above scheme, Br. means Brockville Presbytery; Cob. Cobourg; Gh. Guelph; Gy. Grey; Ham. Hamilton; Hur. Huron; K. Kingston; Ln. London; M. Montreal; Ota. Ottawa; P. Paris; Std. Stratford; To. Toronto.

The Sub-Committee of Missions agreed that the Students remain within the bounds of the Presbyteries to which they have been appointed, to the end of September.

Agreed to recommend Dr Cairns to the Presbyteries of Montreal and Ottawa, to be employed by them at their discretion.

Number of vacant Congregations and Stations reported by the several Presbyteries:—

MONTREAL—No returns. OTTAWA—The number of vacancies not reported. BROCKVILLE—The number of vacancies not reported. KINGSTON—Four Congregations and Stations. COBBOURG—1 Congregation and 2 Stations. ONTARIO—No returns. TORONTO—12 Congregations and Mission Stations. GUELPH—6 vacant Congregations and 3 Mission Stations. HAMILTON—2 vacant Congregations and 2 Mission Stations. PARIS—No returns. LONDON—18 vacant Congregations and Mission Stations. HURON—5 vacant Congregations and Mission Stations. STRATFORD—3 vacant Congregations and 1 Mission Station. GREY—11 vacant Congregations and Mission Stations.

JAMES DICK,

Richmond Hill, July 4, 1861.

Convener of Sub-Committee on Missions.

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF IRISH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

The annual meeting of this Court took place on the first of July and following days. The opening sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. Dill, the retiring Moderator, from Jeremiah VI 16. The Rev. John McNaughton was unanimously called to the Moderator's chair, on taking which he addressed the assembly in appropriate and eloquent terms.

In connection with the Reports of Synods, it was stated that in Belfast four additional congregations had been erected, Dr. Cooke expressing his belief that these were some of the fruits of the revival of 1859.

A long discussion took place in connection with the Report of the Committee respecting Presbyterian Chaplaincies. A motion expressive of disapproval of the conduct of the ex-Moderator in connection with pri-

vate correspondence with the Secretary-at-War, was proposed by the Rev. Mr. Rogers, of Comber, but a motion of the previous question was carried by a large majority.

## CASE OF REV. J. B. WILSON.

This case was connected with the subject of the Chaplaincies. Mr. Wilson had been appointed by the Government to the situation of Acting Chaplain to the Forces at Dublin, while his name had not been given in by the Committee. After a long and somewhat keen discussion, it was carried by a majority, that the Assembly should express their disapprobation of Mr. Wilson's conduct in the matter, but that, in the circumstances, the Assembly should instruct the Presbytery of Belfast to loose Mr. Wilson from his charge. From this deliverance, in so far as it expressed disapprobation of Mr. Wilson's conduct, Dr. Cook dissented.