

the Presbytery of Ottawa, of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, in connection with the Church of Scotland. Mr. McDiarmid was appointed to visit the Upper Ottawa Mission Field, and take such action as he may deem best, to secure an increase in the amount raised toward the support of the Missionary. The report of the Missionary, recently laboring at Castleford, showed that a very interesting work of grace had for some time been going on there. The Presbytery adjourned to meet on the call of the Moderator.—J. CARSWELL, *Pres. Clerk.*

**PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.**—This Presbytery met on the 4th, 5th and 6th May. Much business was transacted, of which we note some of the principal items. The Presbytery had an application of Bay Street Congregation asking for moderation in a call. The petition from a number of members for disjunction and separation of congregation was also again considered. The Presbytery appointed a Committee to confer with the representatives of Bay Street Church, and with the representatives of the petitioners, as to the obligation of the congregation to its late pastor, so as to secure its being implemented. The parties petitioning were also instructed to make known to the Presbytery the locality in which they would wish their church to be built, that the Presbytery might be in a position to refer the matter to the sessions in the city, with a view to coming to a final decision in the matter. Rev. John M. King presented a very full and satisfactory report from the Home Mission Committee of the Presbytery. It stated that supply of preaching had been given at sixteen distinct points to an aggregate of 1585 persons, with 478 in full communion. The sum of \$2297 had been contributed by these stations, and they had received from the Assembly's Home Mission Fund \$1420. At least \$5300 had been expended for building. The contributions from the Presbytery for the Home Mission Fund had been \$3130 79, while the Presbytery had received from the Fund \$837 50. The report was received and it was agreed that it should be printed. Messrs. A. Stewart, J. S. Stewart, P. Straith, and A. McClelland, students who had finished their course, were examined with a view to application being made for leave to take them on probationary trials. It was agreed to apply to the Assembly for leave to receive Messrs. J. R. Battisby, James Frazer, and W. Stuart, licentiates of the American Presbyterian Church, as probationers of this Church. A committee was appointed to examine the statistics of the Presbytery, and draw up a report as to the progress of the Church since 1861. A report was received from the Church Extension Committee with the draft of a constitution of "The Presbyterian Church Extension Association of Toronto." The constitution was fully considered and agreed to, and the committee re-appointed for the purpose of having the Association brought into active organization. Mr. McFaul was appointed to organize the congregation at Shelburne, which place is to be supplied with Primrose; the stations at Honeywood and Horning's Mills to be supplied together.

The Presbytery met again on the 19th May. Most of the time of the Presbytery was taken up with the consideration of the affairs of Bay Street Congregation, and more especially the petition from certain persons for separate organization. It was agreed to intimate to the Sessions of Knox Church, Bay Street Church, Cook's Church, and Gould Street Church, so that at next meeting the Presbytery might be able to proceed to a final decision in regard to the petition. An interesting and most encouraging report was presented by Mr. King on the progress of the Church within the bounds of the old Presbytery of Toronto, since the union in 1861.

### Notices of Publications.

THE DOCTRINE OF THE TRINITY UNDERLYING THE REVELATION OF REDEMPTION; by the Rev. George Patterson, N.S. Edinburgh: W. Oliphant & Co., 1870.

We have much pleasure in calling attention to the above Treatise on the Doctrine of the Trinity, written by an esteemed minister of our sister