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### STATE OF RELIGION.

On behalf of the Committee on the State of Religion, appointed by the General Assembly, I respectfully request that Sessions send replies to the following questions, to the clerks of their respective Presbyteries, not later than the beginning of February; and beg to direct the attention of Presbyteries and Synods to the deliverance of the General Assembly on this subject.

I. What appears to be the present condition of religious life in the congregation and district, as compared with its condition at former periods? Are there any special causes in operation injuriously affecting it? and if so, what are they?

II. Have the members of the Church in full communion generally a sense of their acknowledged obligations to honour Christ by holy living? and by personal effort for the good of others? and in what way is this manifested?

III. On what grounds are applicants for full communion admitted? and what is the nature of your personal dealings with them in order thereto?

IV. What portion of the congregation are communicants?

V. What evidence does the congregation give of interest in the cause of Christ generally? and what means are adopted to awaken and foster such an interest?

VI. In what proportion is family worship observed? and what evidence do parents give of their sense of responsibility to God as entrusted with the spiritual care of their children and domestics?

VII. What proportion attend the prayer meetings? and how are these conducted?

VIII. Is the liberality of the members increasing? and to what extent may that increase be regarded as evidence of religious progress?

IX. Is the Shorter Catechism used in the families and Sabbath schools?

X. In what manner is pastoral visitation conducted?

JOHN McTAVISH, *Convener*.

Woodville, 14th Nov. 1870.

### FRENCH EVANGELIZATION COLLECTION.

The collection taken up in Cote Street, Montreal, yielded \$160 (less ordinary collection). Our congregations will bear in mind that this object is different from the Kankakee Mission, and the French Canadian Missionary Society. Its necessities are pressing, and deserve warm sympathy and substantial aid. In those cases where the collection could not be taken up on the Sabbath recommended, let an early day be appointed. Where missionary associations exist, or missionary meetings are held, let this most important object have its fair share. All moneys to be forwarded to Rev. W. Reid, Toronto, or Warden King, Esq., Craig Street, Montreal, designated "For French Evangelization."

### A FOREIGN MISSION.

The following circular has been addressed to Presbyteries by the Convener of the Foreign Mission Committee:—

OTTAWA, 10th October, 1870.

*To the Moderator of the Presbytery of.....*

REV. AND DEAR SIR,—I am instructed by the Foreign Mission Committee to address you in reference to a matter which requires early attention. The Committee, at its meeting last week, had under consideration an offer on the part of Mr. G. L. Mackay, Licentiate, to go forth as a labourer to the Foreign Mission field. The Committee having met with Mr. Mackay, examined his testimonials, and made enquiries of those acquainted with his career, were so favourably impressed with his piety, modesty, devotedness and suitable talents, that they would at once have most gladly accepted his services, but for two difficulties: (1) the lack of funds, and (2) the restrictions put upon the Committee by the action of the late General Assembly.

The lack of funds would not in itself have prevented the Committee from taking some favourable action, inasmuch as they are strongly persuaded that the establishment of a Mission to India or China would go far to evoke a measure of liberality sufficient to sustain it. But in view of the action of the late General Assembly, the Committee feel that they cannot hold forth any encouragement to Mr. Mackay, unless there is such an expression of the mind of the Church, given by the Presbyteries, as to warrant them to believe that the next General Assembly will be prepared to accept his services.

In reference to Mr. Mackay, I may state that he was brought up under the pastoral care of the Rev. D. Mackenzie, Zorra, and that he is the son of one of the office bearers of his church. After studying for some time in Knox College, Toronto, he went to Princeton, N J., and passed through the full theological course in the Seminary. During his summer vacations, he has laboured in Canada in the Mission field, where he has, we understand, made a very favorable impression.

His purpose to devote himself to work among the heathen, was formed before he went to Princeton, as we learned at the time, and it has since that been deepened and confirmed. His heart seems now fully set on the work. He has made the first offer of his services to his own Church, but should they not be accepted, he intends offering himself to the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions in the United States.

Mr. Mackay intends spending the coming winter in Edinburgh, with the view of prosecuting some additional studies more directly preparatory for Foreign Mission service. It is likely he will commence the study of some of the languages of India or China. These are the fields to which his mind has been more specially directed.

It appears to the Committee highly desirable that Mr. Mackay's services should be secured, and arrangements made so that he may be designated and sent forth by the next General Assembly to the foreign field. We have long been speaking about the claims of the heathen field, and enquiring for young men willing to devote themselves to that department of Christ's service. An opportunity now presents itself of showing our interest in the salvation of the heathen, not in words only, but in deeds.

Should it appear that the Church is generally prepared to follow up words by practical effort to send the Gospel to the heathen, the Foreign Mission Committee will recommend the next General Assembly to accept of Mr. Mackay as a Foreign Missionary, and send him forth without delay. We will also advise with Mr. Mackay in reference to his studies, and endeavour to secure his presence at the next General Assembly.

I have to request that you will kindly bring this subject under the notice of your Presbytery at its first meeting, and favour us with an expression of your mind respecting it, at the earliest moment. It is necessary that Mr. Mackay should know as soon as possible what he may expect to be our decision, in order that he may shape his future course accordingly.

There are two points especially on which we desire to know the mind of the Presbyteries of the Church, not later than 14th January, 1871, viz:

1. Should the Committee recommend the General Assembly to send Mr. Mackay as a Missionary to the Foreign field?
2. If so, to what field should he be sent?

Any additional suggestions your Presbytery may have to make will be gladly welcomed.

Trusting that the Great Head of the Church will guide you and the whole Church to right conclusions, I remain,

Rev. and dear sir,

Yours respectfully,

WM. McLAREN, *Convener*

### **Missionary Intelligence.**

#### **SYNOPSIS OF REPORT OF STUDENTS' MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF KNOX COLLEGE.**

The immediate and chief object of this Society is to furnish Missionary supply to the more remote settlements, which are, by the nature of their situation, cut off from regular Presbyterial attention.

The funds of the Society are almost entirely derived from collections or contributions received by the students in the mission field, and expended in the payment of the missionaries appointed by the Society.

The Treasurer's account for the past year opens with a balance of \$5.65 cash on hand. During the year, there was received a total of \$596.29, and at the

close of the account for the year stands a balance of \$20.00 in the treasurer's hands.

During the summer the Society employed six missionaries, one French and five English, as follows: two in Stephen and Hay; one at Port Severn; one in Penetanguishene; one at Bruce Mines and Sault St. Marie; and one at Fort William. Of the two last named, it may be said that this has been the commencement of a Presbyterian mission in both, and the encouragement which the missionaries received has led the Home Mission Committee to continue the supply during the winter.

The reports from nearly every one of these stations were highly satisfactory and encouraging, showing that the people felt grateful for the interest taken in them, and appreciated the labours of the missionaries. In nearly all, something was raised for the funds of the Society; in one or two sums equal to more than half the salary of the missionary, and in one an amount even exceeding the whole of what would be required for that purpose.

The receipts for the present year up to this date will be found in the subjoined

#### TREASURER'S REPORT.

##### MONEYS RECEIVED IN BEHALF OF KNOX COLLEGE STUDENTS' MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Per Mr. D. Winters, Chelsey, West Bentinck and Hanover .....	\$20 61
“ Mr. A. M. McRae, Brooke and Euphemia .....	6 00
“ Mr. Geo. Bryce, Weston .....	31 55
“ Mr. Gilchrist, Dunnville .....	23 00
“ Mr. J. M. Goodwillie: Port Colborne, \$3.25; North Pelham, \$2.75; Welland, \$4; Crowland, \$4 .....	14 00
“ Mr. J. Fraser: Oro, \$4.50; Orillia, \$11.65; Longford Mills, \$5 .....	21 15
“ Mr. McLeod, McNab .....	17 00
“ Mr. J. Abraham: Whitby, \$11; Vittoria, \$5 .....	16 00
“ Mr. P. Nicol, Norwich, Windham and East Oxford .....	12 00
“ Mr. D. C. Johnson, Wardsville and Aldborough .....	7 25
“ Mr. W. Kay, Cedar Grove .....	7 50
“ Mr. J. Campbell, Langside .....	2 25
“ Mr. Danby—Friends .....	8 40
“ Mr. S. Fisher: Pine River, \$6.60; Ashfield and Dungannon, \$5.40 .....	12 00
“ Mr. D. McCrae, Indian Lands .....	18 76
“ Mr. Jas. Stewart, Indian Lands .....	23 00
“ Mr. Frizell, Georgetown, Limehouse and Boston .....	20 25
“ Mr. Thos. Johnson, Beverley .....	4 00
“ Mr. Currie, Kinmount .....	14 50
“ Rev. Mr. Maclean, Huron Presbytery .....	167 50
“ Mr. Alex. Maclaren, Wakefield, &c., Que. ....	27 50
“ Mr. E. Cockburn, Cumberland .....	19 50
“ Mr. Burnet: W. Hunter, Esq., \$2; T. Sharp, Esq., \$1; R. A. Hartly, \$1 .....	4 00
“ Mr. Scott: Zorra, \$44.90; Dunblane, \$22 .....	66 90
“ Mr. Ratcliffe, Columbus and Brooklin .....	20 00
“ Mr. R. Pettigrew, Chesterfield .....	13 00
“ Mr. McKeracher: Mr. Mellville .....	2 00
“ Mr. Acheson, Egremont .....	2 50
“ Mr. McAlmon, Tudor and Huntingdon .....	9 45
“ Mr. McKellar: Bear Creek, \$14.82; Sarnia, \$2.50 .....	17 32
“ Mr. P. McKay, Collingwood and Williamston .....	6 25
“ Mr. Thos. Thomson, Muskoka and Gravenhurst .....	17 50
“ Mr. R. J. Beattie: Angus, \$7; Burns Church, Essa, \$2.75; Allis- ton, \$3.28 .....	13 03
“ Mr. R. D. Fraser: Ivy, \$2.30; Essa Town Line, \$4.10; Cooks- town, \$3.51 .....	14 91

Per Mr. Millard, Luther.....	\$7 50
“ Mr. Martin, Mt. Forest.....	6 25
“ Mr. R. Gunn, Woodville.....	24 00
“ Mr. Geo. Bruce: Friends at Bracebridge, \$5.25; Pt. Carling, \$9; Cairns Church, \$5.83; Friends, \$1.90 .....	21 98
“ Rev. T. Ritchie: Glenvale, \$1.08; Harrowsmith, \$1.92; Miss Fisk, \$1; Mrs. Owens, \$3.....	7 00
In addition, the Society's missionaries collected the following amounts in their respective fields:	
Per Mr. Gilray: Penetanguishene Reformatory, \$79.15; Vent's Settlement, \$31.65; Wyebridge, \$71.46; McRae Settlement, \$36 .....	218 26
“ Mr. McKeracher, Bruce Mines, \$38.95; Sault St. Marie, \$65.81....	154 76
“ Mr. Vincent, Fort William .....	63 00
“ Mr. D. Fletcher: Russell's Settlement, \$10.00; Muskoss Mills, \$8 .....	18 00
Total .....	\$1201 33

E. COCKBURN, *Treasurer Students' Missionary Society.*

Besides this, the students are engaged in mission work in the city during the winter; and the station to which their attention has been hitherto chiefly directed having been lately organised as a congregation, steps are being taken to open one in another part of the city.

It is the intention of the Society to publish a full report before the close of the Session, in which a more detailed statement will be given of the numbers in attendance, and of the nature of the fields taken up by the Society.

G. BRUCE, *Secretary Students' M. S.*

### GENERAL MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE.

Fifty years ago the first missionaries from America landed at Honolulu, and last June the Jubilee of this event was celebrated. It was a public holiday, and the king, queen, and the Minister of Foreign Affairs were present. There was a mammoth picnic party, to which the king contributed 10,000 pounds of poi, twenty hogs, eight sheep, and other articles; a procession of cavalry, Sabbath School children and other somewhat incongruous elements; and a most interesting scene in the old stone church, where the king and queen sat on the right of the pulpit, and Dr. Lowell Smith presided.

Sir Rutherford Alcock, the British Ambassador to China, must be a man with little respect for religion. He is doing his best to injure the cause of missions by representing the missionaries as personally distasteful to the Chinese. The recent massacre of the French missionaries will, undoubtedly, be repeated in the case of those from the British Churches, unless some more manly utterance is given on the subject of missions by one more qualified to judge of their value than the present Ambassador.

Moshesh, the chief of the Basutos, who died recently, was under the care of the French Protestant Missionaries, who have preserved some memorials of his last moments. His conversion came late.

“One day a Christian named Marett,” says the letter, “was reading to him the thirty-second Psalm, ‘Blessed is the man whose transgressions are forgiven.’—‘Stop; repeat that again,’ said the chief; and it was repeated over and over again. His astonishment was increasing as he heard the words and pondered over them. ‘How is it possible that I never heard that before? How did you hide from me such comforting news? ‘Blessed is the man whose transgressions are forgiven.’”

"A few days after M. Jousse went to see him, and opened the New Testament at the fourteenth chapter of John. He did not go far. 'There are many mansions in my Father's house.'—'What!' cried the chief, enraptured, 'do repeat that again;' and he followed the missionary's voice—'There are many mansions in my Father's house.'—'Oh, what wonderful news!' he exclaimed; 'how is it that I never heard it before? Why did you keep it from me? and yet I was nearly lost! Oh, what a King is Jesus? Such a good, loving King! He has prepared a mansion for me, and I was nearly lost! What astonishing love! How hard for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God! How hard for those who have trammelled themselves with many wives, and set their hearts on the things of this world!'"

"From that time light had burst into his dark mind, and the work of conversion was complete. All was peace and joy. Many interesting and touching things are told of these his last days on earth. The people who attended him say that such was the happiness in that sick room, that they forgot that Moshesh was ill. He never complained; his heart was so full that he constantly spoke. Sometimes in the middle of the night he would burst into laughter. His attendants thought he was dreaming; but his mind was still pondering over those 'mansions' of the Father's house. 'Oh, what a loving King thou art, Jesus! I was nearly lost,' he would constantly repeat.

"He called all his children together, and had for each of them a special message. His heart was weeping over his renegade sons, and he entreated them with tears, and calling them by their Christian names, to go back to their God. He gave orders for all his people to come to his baptism, with provisions, he said, for a whole month, that they might sit together, and that he might tell them the great things which the Lord had done to him. He would not be baptised before the whole nation should be called to gether. 'They would never believe,' he said, 'that I am converted. I must confess my Saviour before them all.' But feeling his end near, he said, 'I shall not be baptised; my missionaries and my people have delayed coming. But it is all right; I go to my Father's house. On Friday I leave, but you shall not weep for me; my departure shall be a great rejoicing to all.'

"During the night of Thursday to Friday, after having given his last orders and messages, forgetting nothing and no one, he slept soundly. The people were astonished. On Friday morning at 9 a. m. he coughed and suddenly cried out 'Help me that I may fly.' Abraham, an apostate, rushed to his bed and took hold of him in his arms; but the spirit had already fled, and nothing remained but his earthly *envelope*. Thousands of people had already gathered. The funeral was imposing, but the feeling pervading was that of great joy."

Eliezer, the converted Jew, whose case of persecution has been so often before the readers of the *Record*, is still a Russian soldier, but in that capacity he has been the means of doing much good to his brethren of Israel. He will shortly, it is expected, be set at liberty. Dr. Duff and Principal Lumsden recently visited the Stations at Pesth and Galata, of the Jewish Mission of the Free Church.

The Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church of the U. S., spent last year \$316,500. It sent out 13 ordained Missionaries and 29 assistants, of whom 12 were ladies.

## Home Ecclesiastical Intelligence.

### CALLS, &c.

The Rev. J. B. Duncan has been called by the congregations of *Forest and McKay's Station*. Rev. R. M. Thornton, M.A., has been called by the congregation of *Union Church, Galt*. Rev. H. J. McDiarmid has been called by the congregations of *Renfrew and Castleford*. Rev. J. A. McDonald has been called by the congregation at *Dorchester*. The Rev. D. Inglis, of Hamilton, has been called by a congregation in New York. We have great pleasure in knowing that, notwithstanding the inducements presented, Mr. Inglis has made up his mind to decline the call. The Rev. Dr. Irvine has been called to Westminster Church, Philadelphia, and also to a Church in Augusta, Georgia.

WINDSOR.—The Rev. J. Gray was, on the 16th ultimo ordained and inducted as pastor of the congregation at Windsor. Rev. W. Forest preached, Rev. A. McColl and Rev. D. H. Fletcher, of Scarborough, addressed severally the minister and people. A pleasant social meeting of the congregation was afterwards held. Mr. Gray's prospects are highly encouraging.

CHURCH OPENING—SOUTH PLYMPTON.—The Canada Presbyterian congregation of South Plympton, under the pastoral care of the Rev. Robert Scott, having felt for some time past the need of a new and a better building than the one in which they had so long met, began a movement last winter, which has resulted in the erection of a handsome church built of white brick, at a cost of over \$2,000 in cash. The people belonging to the congregation drew all the material free of cost. And when it is known that the stones used in the foundation had to be brought from a distance of 30 miles, and that the two lots, one from Mr. Archibald Dewar (80 x 105 feet) on which the church is built, and the other from Mr. George Forbes (80 x 100 feet), on which to erect a large stable for the use of those who require to drive, were generously given as free gifts, it is not an over estimate of the value of the property to say that it is worth \$3,000. On Sabbath, the 6th of November, the Rev. J. M. King, M. A., of Toronto, preached at the opening of the church, forenoon and afternoon, and the two collections amounted to a little over \$118. It is expected that by the month of March the congregation will be nearly free of debt. It is also gratifying to state that the liberality and unanimity of the people far exceeded the expectations of the most sanguine. And what, perhaps, must be gratifying to all, is the fact that the collections for the Schemes of the Church and missionary purposes generally, instead of falling off, have almost been doubled. We trust that such a spirit will long continue.

COTE DES NEIGES.—On Sabbath, the 30th of October, the Sabbath School of the Presbyterian congregation, Cote des Neiges, was examined by the Superintendent, the Rev. Mr. Gillies, in the presence of the congregation in the Union Church. Over a hundred written questions were asked, every one of which the scholars promptly and correctly answered. Since the Sabbath School has been undertaken by Mr. Gillies, who is ably assisted by Miss Phillips and Miss Fallon, the attendance has increased from less than a dozen to sixty. On the evening of the 6th inst., the Bible Class, also, was publicly examined on the book of Genesis, from the 17th chapter to the end, the class having been some time ago publicly examined



on the first sixteen chapters of the same book. Including both examinations, 260 questions were asked on the book of Genesis, every one of which was correctly answered. Mr. Gillies began this class with eighteen, which kept steadily increasing until now it has an average attendance of sixty.

TORONTO EAST.—Notices have appeared from time to time of the Evangelistic work conducted in this part of the city, in connection with the Canada Presbyterian Church. Some months ago, the basement part of the newly-erected brick church was opened for public worship. Under the labours of Mr. Cameron, Student, the attendance has increased from opening, till now, at the evening service, an audience numbering nearly three hundred persons fills the place. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed for the first time to the congregation meeting there, on Sabbath, November the 20th, by the Rev. Dr. Topp, when nearly eighty persons united in the ordinance. Several of the ministers of the city churches took part in the services connected with the interesting occasion. This is the seventh organized church in the city connected with the denomination. It is a matter for deep thankfulness to God, that it starts on what it is hoped will prove a course of great usefulness with so considerable a membership.

OAKVILLE.—Two members of the Oakville Presbyterian congregation waited on the Rev. William Meikle, at his manse, on Monday evening, the 7th ultimo, and presented him with the sum of \$53. This was quietly collected from the congregation in anticipation of Mr. Meikle's intended visit to the Southern States, to spend a few weeks' holidays with his friends there, for the benefit of his health. We congratulate Mr. Meikle on his success since he came to labor in Oakville, and we trust that his visit will prove of much benefit to him. Reciprocal kindness, however small, between pastor and people cannot fail to strengthen that bond of unity which ought to be the aim of any people.—*Com.*

COLLINGWOOD.—We are glad to observe that the ladies belonging to the Presbyterian congregation, have shown their appreciation of their Pastor's services, and testified their kindly feeling to Mrs. Rogers by a handsome presentation of a set of costly furs. Other valuable as well as useful presents were made to the family. We are glad at all times to note any expression of kindness toward a pastor and his family. It should be stated that the whole congregation united in these seasonable gifts. The value of the whole was about \$80.

RAMSAY.—A deputation lately waited upon the Rev. H. D. Steele, and in the name of several of the members and adherents of this congregation presented their Pastor with the sum of over fifty-one dollars, as a slight token of their esteem. This is all the more creditable as the congregation is in the habit of paying the stipend regularly six months in advance. Since Mr. Steele's settlement in Ramsay, the friends have given various other tokens of their attachment by donating to their minister a valuable horse, plated harness, a handsome set of buffalo robes—besides ministering in many other ways to his personal comfort. We wish the congregation all prosperity.

GUTHRIE CHURCH, ORO, &c.—On the 22nd Sept. a deputation from the Bible Class and Sabbath School of Guthrie Church, Oro, and from friends at Shanty Bay, waited upon Mr. J. Munroe McIntyre, student of the Presbyterian College, Montreal, who has been laboring among them during

the summer, and presented him with an address, accompanied by a gold chain, and a purse containing thirty-five dollars. Mr. McIntyre received other tokens of respect and good will from the friends among whom he had been laboring during the summer.

**MCDOWALL BURSARY.**—The proceeds of the sale of the "Memoir of the Rev. James McDowall," along with the contributions of a few personal friends, amounting to something over \$300, with provision for the annual increase of the principal, has been invested in Trustees for a Scholarship to be called the "McDowall Bursary." It will be open for students from the County of Grey, who will take a full course at either of our universities, and will be given for attainments in Metaphysics and Moral Philosophy.

**WEEK OF PRAYER.**—The Secretaries of the Evangelical Alliance have published the following programme of subjects for the week of prayer beginning 1st January, 1871:

*Sunday, Jan. 1.*—Sermon—Subject: Inspiration of Holy Scripture; its sufficiency and sole authority for religious faith and practice.

*Monday, Jan. 2.*—Prayer: Grateful review of the past; calling for renewed confidence and for increased devotedness; humiliation for the worldliness of the Church, and for national sins provoking Divine judgments.

*Tuesday, Jan. 3.*—Prayer: For nations; for kings and all others in authority; for soldiers and sailors; for all who have suffered in recent wars; for the blessings of peace, and that God would graciously bring good out of recent calamities.

*Wednesday, Jan. 4.*—Prayer: For the children of Christian parents; for a blessing on home influence and on all teachers; for early dedication to God, and for more laborers in Christ's service.

*Thursday, Jan. 5.*—Prayer: For the baptism of the Holy Spirit on all who profess and call themselves Christians; for the increase of charity, and of affectionate communion and co-operation among all in every land who love the Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity.

*Friday, Jan. 6.*—Prayer: For the circulation of the Word of God; for the increase of faithful ambassadors for Christ; for an end of religious persecution; and for the removal of all hindrances to the spread of the Gospel.

*Saturday, Jan. 7.*—Prayer: For Christian missions; for the conversion of the Jews; for the better observance of the Lord's Day; for a blessing on Christian literature; and for "the glorious appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ."

*Sunday, Jan. 8.*—Sermon—Subject: Faith, Hope, and Love—essential witness for the truth.

**YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.**—The Young Men's Christian Association of Toronto announce that they have a Committee for the purpose of showing kindness to young men who are strangers, and leading them under religious influences. It is requested that all who desire the co-operation of this Committee, will send the names and addresses of young men about to remove to Toronto, in whom they are interested, by the person himself if possible, or by post, with such particulars of character as they may deem proper, addressed to J. McDonald, Esq., President, or T. J. Wilkie, Secretary, 34 King Street East.

We take the opportunity of saying, in addition, that the parents, guardians, or pastors, of young men removing to Toronto or to any other large city, should give them a note of introduction to some of the pastors.

**BURNS MEMORIAL.**—The subscriptions for the "Burns Memorial," including a monument over the grave of the late Dr. Burns, and the endowment of a Chair in Knox College, to bear his name, are being taken up in Toronto with such success as to warrant the confident hope that with

the hearty co-operation of friends in other parts of the Church, the object in view may soon be attained. This will appear from the lists which are published in the present issue. The total result for Toronto will be given in next number. Subscription books will be sent at once to all the congregations. It is hoped that ministers will, either in concert with the deputations appointed by Presbyteries, or independently, take immediate action in the way of completing subscription lists. In cases where the presence of a member of the Toronto Committee is thought essential to success, parties are requested to correspond with the Secretaries. It will be observed that subscriptions are payable only in the event of, at least, \$20,000 being subscribed. The subscription list, when completed, should be forwarded to the Secretaries, who will publish the amounts from the several congregations from month to month, with the names of all subscribers of \$20 and upwards, smaller sums being given in the aggregate.

**THE RECORD.**—The new volume will commence with the new year. We earnestly request ministers and those friends who act as agents to send in new lists for the coming year. It is most desirable that an agent should be appointed in every congregation to make up and forward a list and to collect and remit the subscriptions in one sum, instead of each remitting severally. It would save much trouble and inconvenience, if the RECORDS for each congregation could be sent in one parcel. For terms we refer to the cover.

A title page and table of contents for vol. ix. will be issued with next RECORD.

**RELIGIOUS TRACT AND BOOK SOCIETY.**—The Rev. C. S. Eastman, formerly of Seaforth, has been appointed agent of the Upper Canada Religious Tract and Book Society. He was appointed on the recommendation of various ministers of different denominations. The Society have commenced the publication of a bi-monthly *Reporter*, which, we doubt not, will tend to increase the interest felt in the cause throughout the community.

**WIDOWS' FUND.**—We remind ministers who have not yet remitted their annual rate, that it is now due. Ministers who have not yet connected themselves with the Fund, may be furnished with a copy of the rules and regulations by application to the Rev. W. Reid, Toronto.

**ARTICLES LEFT OVER.**—We have a considerable amount of matter in type, which we are reluctantly obliged to leave over. We owe an apology to some friends who have sent contributions which have not yet appeared. We trust after this month to bring up all arrears of the kind.

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### HOME MISSION WORK AND SUPPLY OF VACANCIES.

*The attention of Presbyteries and Probationers interested is called to the following:*

At the meeting of Committee held in October, the Convener was instructed to direct the attention of Presbyteries and Probationers to the following instructions of Synod, urging Presbyteries to adhere thereto.

1. Presbyteries are enjoined to furnish information to this Committee in accordance with the requirements of the above scheme, and to co-operate with the Committee.—*Regulation vi., 3.*

Information is required, before the beginning of each quarter, of all vacancies, and settlements occurring within the bounds of each Presbytery.

2. The amount of salary to be paid by each congregation, station, or group of stations, shall be determined by the Presbytery of the bounds, and specified to the Committee; and it is recommended that a *minimum* be aimed at by the Presbytery and Committee, conjointly, of \$400 for an ordained minister or a licentiate, without board; \$200, without board, for a catechist; and for a student of Divinity at the rate of \$5 per Sabbath, with board and travelling expenses to the field of labour.—*Minutes of Synod, 1866, page 34.* In congregations or stations receiving aid from the Central Fund, this rate is not to be exceeded.

3. That the roll of probationers shall consist of preachers who have been licensed less than three years; and ministers who have been loosed from their charges, or who have been received from other churches and have been receiving appointments from the Committee less than two years, (reckoning, in both cases, from the date of their admission to the roll.)—*Regulation 2.*

4. That Presbyteries be strictly enjoined not to grant employment to probationers or ministers without charge, except such as come to them through the Committee.—*Minutes of Synod, 1867, page 56.*

The above injunction does not apply to ministers demitting their charge or received into the church in the middle of a quarter; nor to ministers in infirm health, or regularly employed in some other calling.

All communications in regard to vacancies and settlements on the part of Presbyteries, and applications for employment or notices of withdrawal on the part of Probationers, should be sent, by the end of December, to

REV. R. TORRANCE, GUELPH,  
Convener of Sub Committee.

## Proceedings of Presbyteries.

THE PRESBYTERY OF MANITOBA.—According to appointment of the General Assembly, the brethren designated to form this, the youngest Presbytery of the Church, met at Kildonan, on Tuesday, 4th of October, at 11 a. m.

The proceedings were commenced by public worship, conducted by the Moderator, the Rev. John Black, who also preached from II Corinthians, iv. 1.

At the close of the public service, the act of General Assembly erecting the Presbytery was read, and it was ascertained that of the four minister designated to form the Presbytery three were present, viz.: Rev. Messrs. Black, Fletcher and McNabb, the Rev. James Nisbet being unable from distance to attend, and Mr. Angus Polson was found to be duly accredited as an elder to represent Kildonan congregation, Mr. D. Gunn that of Little Britain, and Mr. John Sutherland that of Headingley. The membership to form the Presbytery being thus ascertained, the Court was constituted with prayer. The Moderator then declared the Presbytery duly formed, and in a brief address recounted some of the more important points of the history of Presbyterianism in the Province, gave a brief statement of its peculiar principles, and of the extent to which these prevail in the christian world, and concluded by reading from the "Book of Rules" the paragraph stating what are the powers, duties, &c., of a Presbytery.

Rev. Mr. Fletcher then gave an interesting report of his visit to Ontario—of the meeting of the General Assembly—of the progress of the Church, and her liberal intentions toward this province.

Rev. J. Black was then elected Moderator, and Rev. W. Fletcher Clerk for the ensuing year. The regular meetings of the Presbytery were then appointed to be held quarterly. Session records were ordered to be brought up for examination at next quarterly meeting.

Arrangements were then made for the supply of the stations, Mr. Fletcher being appointed to the Portage La Prairie group, and directed to organize a congregation consisting of all the members in these as soon as convenient. The ministers

forming the Presbytery were appointed a committee to superintend the studies of Mr. D. B. Whimster, student of divinity, to examine him, and to report at next quarterly meeting.

It was resolved that arrangements should be made for holding meetings throughout the bounds in January next, for the purpose of forming Missionary Associations to raise money for the Home Mission Fund. Messrs. Black, Fletcher and Polson were appointed a deputation to attend the school meeting of Kildonan congregation, to advise with them as to the best means of promoting both common and higher education in the community, and to report to the Presbytery at its next meeting.

The Presbytery then adjourned to meet again at Kildonan church, on Wednesday, 19th inst., at 11 o'clock a. m.

WM. FLETCHER, *Clerk.*

This Presbytery met, by adjournment, at Kilonan Church, Oct. 19th. The Presbytery, in pursuance of the minutes of last meeting, took up the subject of Higher Education in the Province, and agreed in terms of the Resolution of the General Assembly, to correspond immediately with the Home Mission Committee on the subject, with the view of obtaining their co-operation in the establishing of a High School or College at as early a day as possible, such an institution being in the view of the Presbytery of the utmost consequence at the present crisis, both to the Church and the country. The Presbytery also appointed a Committee, consisting of the Presbytery Elders, to watch over the security of all church property within the bounds, and in the coming settlement of lands in the Province to secure legal deeds for the same. The Presbytery adjourned to meet in the same place on Tuesday, Jan. 3rd, 1871.

WM. FLETCHER, *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.—This Presbytery met in Chalmers' Church, Kingston, on the 11th ult. A call from the John Street Church, Belleville, in favour of the Rev. John Burton, of Prescott, was presented and sustained. The amount promised for salary was \$1200. Steps were taken to bring the matter to an issue as soon as possible.

There was laid on the table a call from Trenton and Consecon in favour of the Rev. John G. Calder, Probationer. The call was sustained, and ordered to be transmitted to Mr. Calder.

The Rev. James Barron was appointed corresponding member of the Home Mission Committee.

Thanks were tendered to the Rev. Mr. Wilson for his efficient services as Convener of the Presbytery's Home Mission Committee.

Mr. Thompson, received as a catechist at a former meeting, was recognized as a student of Theology, and instructed to pursue his studies in the meantime, under the superintendence of the Presbytery, with a view to his going ultimately to College.

The Presbytery empowered each minister to take such steps as to him may seem best for the raising of mission funds. Arrangements were made for the holding of a religious service on the evening of the first day of each quarterly meeting, at the close of which a conference will be held on the state of religion.

THOMAS S. CHAMBERS, *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF PARIS.—The regular meeting of the Presbytery of Paris was held within River Street Church, Paris, on Tuesday, the 6th day of October last. There was a large attendance of ministers and elders, including the assessors appointed by the General Assembly, to sit with the Presbytery in disposing of Mr. Gillespie's application for restoration to the Holy Ministry. Professor Caven and the Rev. W. Reid intimated by letter their inability to be present on account of church and college duties.

The records of Knox's Church, Ayr, were examined, and certified as correctly kept.

The minutes of Toronto Presbytery were read, agreeing to the translation of the Rev. John Aull, from Knox Church, Brampton and Malton, to Ratho and Innerkip. The Presbytery agreed that Mr. Aull's induction to Ratho and Innerkip take place at Ratho, and within the Presbyterian Church there, on Tuesday, the 18th October next, at 11 a. m. Mr. Wright was appointed to preach on the occasion, the Moderator, Mr. Hume, to induct, Mr. McMullen to address the minister and Mr. Cochrane the congregation.

The Presbytery then proceeded to take up Mr. Gillespie's application for restoration to the office of the Ministry. The Clerk read extract minutes of the last General Assembly, remitting the case for disposal to the Presbytery, and appointed certain assessors to sit with the Presbytery in issuing the case. At the request of the assessors, the minutes of Presbytery in the case, and all other documents having a bearing on the case, were read. Mr. Gillespie was afterwards heard, at the request of the Presbytery, in support of his application for restoration to the Ministry. After consideration, the Presbytery proceeded to give judgment. It was moved by Dr. Topp, seconded by Mr. Walter Inglis, "The Presbytery having heard all papers in the case, and having heard an additional statement from Mr. Gillespie, who was present, whilst expressing their sympathy for him in the position which he now occupies, and whilst not calling in question the sincerity of his repentance, are yet of opinion that, in view of all the circumstances of the case, and also having respect to those higher considerations which affect the sacredness of the ministerial character, and the general interests of the Church and of the truth as it is in Jesus, and likewise the freedom from reproach by which a Minister of the Gospel should be distinguished, it would not be expedient to comply with the petition of Mr. Gillespie, and restore him to the office of a minister of this church, and resolve accordingly. But, while coming to this conclusion, the Presbytery, in view of the fact that Mr. Gillespie has, since his deposition, been residing in the United States, will throw no obstacle in the way of his application to any of the Courts of the Presbyterian Churches in that country, for restoration to the Holy Ministry there."

It was moved by Mr. McMullen, seconded by Mr. Lowry, "that having heard the papers in the case and having heard Mr. Gillespie in support of his petition, the Presbytery, while very favourably impressed as regards Mr. Gillespie's repentance, yet having regard to the great responsibility involved in the act of restoring a deposed minister, as also to the aspects of this case, agree not to dispose of it, but refer the matter back to the General Assembly." It was moved in further amendment by Mr. Cochrane, seconded by Mr. McRuer, "The Presbytery having heard all the papers in the case, and having heard an additional statement from Mr. Gillespie, and believing in the sincerity of his repentance, feel warranted in restoring him to the membership of the Church, as they now hereby do;—in reference to Mr. Gillespie's application for restoration to the Holy Ministry, the Presbytery deem it more expedient inasmuch as Mr. Gillespie has resided for the past five years within the United States, that application for said restoration should be made within the limits and to a Presbytery in the United States; and further, that in the event of Mr. Gillespie making such application for restoration, this Presbytery will gladly furnish all necessary information to enable them to come to a right decision in the case."

On the vote being taken between the amendments of Mr. McMullen and that of Mr. Cochrane, the amendment of Mr. Cochrane was carried by a majority; and on the motion of Dr. Topp having been put against the amendment of Mr. Cochrane, Dr. Topp's motion was carried by a majority. The Presbytery accordingly resolved that it would be inexpedient to comply with Mr. Gillespie's petition, and restore him to the Holy Ministry.

Mr. Lowry, on behalf of the Foreign Mission Committee, made a statement in reference to the proposal of said Committee to send a missionary to China or India. After consideration, it was moved, seconded and agreed, that the Pres-

bytery cordially approve of the proposal, on the understanding that said missionary co-operate with the missionaries of other evangelical churches in that country to which he may be designated.

Mr. Cochrane reported, that in accordance with the instructions of Presbytery he had preached and moderated in a call for a minister to Dumfries Street Church, Paris, and laid upon the table a unanimous call in favour of the Rev. William Inglis, of Toronto, signed by 203 members and 95 adherents. Mr. Cochrane's conduct was sustained. Messrs. Finlayson and Penman, Commissioners from the congregation, having been heard, the Presbytery unanimously sustained the call, and instructed the clerk to inform Mr. Inglis of the same.

A letter was read from the Simcoe Presbytery, intimating that Mr. Walter Wright had been dismissed, at his own request, on the 2nd day of August last, and was now no longer a minister of or member of the Canada Presbyterian Church.

Steps were taken, in answer to a communication from the Guelph Presbytery, to send a contribution from this Presbytery for the liquidation of the debt on the church in New Hamburg.

The Presbytery then proceeded to the consideration of the case of Mr. W. J. Stitt, a preacher of the United Brethren in Christ, who made application some time ago to be received into the Canada Presbyterian Church. Mr. W. Robertson having addressed the Court against the application, and Mr. Stitt having been heard in reply, the Presbytery proceeded to give judgment. It was moved by Mr. W. Robertson, seconded by Mr. James Robertson, of Norwich, "That the resolution came to by the Presbytery at the meeting in Hamilton in the case of Mr. Stitt be cancelled, and that his application to be received as a Probationer of this Church be declined, on the ground that it now appears that his status, and intellectual and moral qualifications, are not such as to warrant the Presbytery in recommending him to be received into the church." It was, moved in amendment, by Mr. Cochrane, seconded by Mr. McRuer, "The Presbytery having heard Mr. Stitt's explanation of certain charges made regarding his status as a preacher in the Church of the United Brethren, and against his general character, find no grounds for concluding that Mr. Stitt has intentionally misled the Presbytery in regard to his status as in said Church, or that his moral character is such as to refuse his application to be received into the service of the church; but inasmuch as Mr. Stitt, from the present delicate state of his health, deems it inadvisable to apply for reception as a regular preacher into our Church, the Presbytery agree to revoke their recommendation of him to the General Assembly; and allow Mr. Stitt, according to his own request, to withdraw his application for admission into the Canada Presbyterian Church." The vote being taken between the motion and the amendment, the amendment was carried by a majority. Mr. W. Robertson craved leave to enter his dissent.

The Presbytery then adjourned to meet at Ratho, and within the Presbyterian Church there, on Tuesday, the 18th day of October, at 11 a. m., and to hold its next regular meeting at Woodstock, and within Knox's Church there, on the second Tuesday of January, 1871, at 2 p. m.

WILLIAM COCHRANE, *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF SIMCOE.—This Presbytery met within the Barrie Presbyterian Church on the 20th Sept., at 11 o'clock, a. m.

Ten ministers and one elder were present.

Mr. Ferguson reported the organization of a new congregation in the Township of Tay. A special meeting of Presbytery was appointed to be held at Bradford on the 4th October, in connection with a call from Cookstown, &c.

A claim of \$168 having been made by Mr. W. Wright, M. A., for missionary services in Muskoka, the following deliverance was agreed to there ament:—"That, with regard to a claim made by Mr. W. Wright, M. A., for one hundred and sixty-eight dollars for services alleged to have been rendered in the Muskoka

District, from the second Sabbath of April to the second Sabbath of October, 1869, the Presbytery decline to entertain the claim, on the ground that Mr. Wright was not employed to render such services, but that, on the contrary, three months' notice was given to him, that the pre-existing engagement of six months would terminate on the last Sabbath of April of the aforesaid year. Further, that the Clerk be instructed to communicate this decision to Mr. Wright, and to forward to him the extracts from the Minutes of Presbytery, relating to his engagement."

Several Students, who had been labouring in the Mission Field of the Presbytery during the past summer, were examined, and Certificates, with the view of their attending College, were ordered to be given to the following gentlemen, viz:—Messrs G. Bruce, B. A., T. Thompson, J. McIntyre, A. Gilray, J. Caswell, J. Frazer, D. Fletcher, and A. Russell.

The Overture anent the retiring allowances to Principal Willis, and the Professors of Knox College, was taken up and considered. Mr. R. Moodie was heard in support thereof.

The following finding was come to:—"The Presbytery approve of the object of the Overture, agree to transmit it to the Synod of Toronto, and appoint Messrs. R. Moodie and J. K. Hislop, Ministers, and Mr. J. Brown, Elder, to support it before said Synod."

A letter was read from the Clerk of the Presbytery of Ontario, intimating that Mr. W. C. Windell was no longer a Minister or member of the Canada Presbyterian Church.

Mr. J. K. Hislop, was re-appointed Corresponding Member of the Foreign Mission Committee.

Mr. Luke G. Henderson, a Missionary labouring within the bounds, and employed as a Missionary for several years in Scotland, applied to the Presbytery to be dealt with as to his fitness for the work of the Ministry, and presented Certificates of his having completed the Literary Course of Glasgow University.

A Committee was appointed to deal with Mr. Henderson, and to prescribe a course of Theological Study, with the view of ascertaining his fitness for the work.

Mr. P. L. de St. Croix, a Minister of the American Presbyterian Church, applied for employment in the Mission Field, and submitted Certificates, as to regular standing and character, from the Presbytery of Tioga of said Church, and from the Rev. S. J. Prime, of the New York *Observer*. It was agreed to take no action meanwhile in his case, but to put his services at the disposal of the Home Mission Committee of the Presbytery, till the next regular meeting in November, for the purpose of ascertaining his fitness for the work.

A considerable amount of business was transacted in connection with the Home Mission Field. Supplemented grants to weak congregations and to mission stations were considered, in relation to the prospective meeting of the Home Mission Committee of the General Assembly.

In connection therewith, the following resolution was adopted, respecting a recent visit of Mr. R. Rodgers to Muskoka:—"That the Presbytery have heard with great satisfaction the report read by the moderator at the morning sederunt, in relation to his tour of exploration and missionary inspection in the districts of Muskoka and Parry Sound, and while they are pleased to learn that the missions in these regions are in a promising condition, desire to give expression to their high appreciation of the very zealous and effective services rendered by him to the Church in his missionary tour."

JOHN GRAY, *Presbytery Clerk*.

At a special meeting of the Presbytery, held at Bradford on the 4th October, a call was submitted by Mr. Hislop, from Cookstown, Ivy and Town Line congregations, in favor of Mr. G. Burnfield, Probationer. It was sustained as a regular gospel call, and notice ordered to be sent to Mr. Burnfield.

J. G.



**PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE.**—This Presbytery held its quarterly meeting in Brockville, on the 2nd of August last. Mr. Burton was appointed Moderator for the present year. Upon motion of the Clerk, a vote of thanks was unanimously tendered to Mr. Burton for his very valuable services as Clerk of Presbytery during the last three years. Arrangement was made for the induction of Mr. Traver, in the event of his accepting the call from the congregation of Brockville.

In the matter of supplemented congregations it was found that Cornwall had fallen from the list, and that North Gower and Gloucester had resolved not to make application for a renewal of supplement. The Presbytery unanimously agreed to make application for two hundred dollars for the next year on behalf of Kemptville, and by the casting vote of the Moderator for seventy dollars on behalf of South Gower and Mountain. Arrangement was made for the dispensing of the sacrament of the Supper in certain vacant congregations and mission stations by members of Presbytery. The next regular meeting was appointed to be held in Kemptville, on the first Tuesday of November, at 4 p.m.

The Presbytery met specially at Brockville, on the 25th August, for the induction of Mr. A. J. Traver, formerly of Berlin. According to appointment at regular meeting, Mr. Bennett preached and presided, and Messrs. McKenzie and Burton addressd the minister and congregation respectively.

WILLIAM BENNETT, *Clerk of Presbytery.*

**PRESBYTERY OF COBOURG.**—This Presbytery met at Port Hope, on the 11th of October. Encouraging reports were given in from the different missionary fields within the bounds. It was felt that in all there had been such progress as to reward the fostering care of the Presbytery, and that one of them, viz., the Minden Mission District, should be encouraged to seek at an early day the benefits of a fixed pastorate.

Mr. Roger reported that, on the 11th of August, he had moderated in a call at Lakefield. The call was in favour of the Rev. D. Stewart, of Lancaster. The Clerk read a letter from Mr. Stewart, intimating his intention to decline such a call if it should be presented to him. Under these circumstances, it was resolved that the call should not be proceeded with.

Mr. Beattie's resignation of his charge at Campbellford was considered. Mr. Beattie stated that, under the existing circumstances of the Campbellford congregation, he believed that it would be very desirable that he should continue in his present field. He therefore craved leave to withdraw his resignation. The Presbytery cordially granted the permission sought, and desired to record the great satisfaction with which they regarded Mr. Beattie's relation among them.

The Rev. Mr. Blain tendered his resignation of his charge at Springville and Lakvale. It was resolved to allow the resignation to lie on the table, and to cite parties to appear at next meeting of Presbytery.

Mr. Donald reported that, on the 26th of September, he moderated in a call at Perrytown. The call was in favour of Mr. Alex. Urquhart, preacher, was unanimous, was signed by 101 communicants and 75 adherents, and was accompanied by a series of resolutions, adopted at a congregational meeting, to the effect that the salary paid by the united congregation should be at the rate of \$600 *per annum*, Perrytown agreeing to pay \$300, Kendal \$200, and Oakhills \$100. The call was sustained, and it was resolved that in the event of Mr. Urquhart signifying his acceptance of the call before next meeting of Presbytery, the moderator be authorized to appoint him trials for ordination.

The following minute in reference to the late Rev. James Douglass, of Centreville, was unanimously agreed to, and ordered to be engrossed in the Presbytery's records:—

“The Presbytery, acknowledging the hand of God in the removal of their venerable Father in the Church, the Rev. James Douglass, desire to bear testimony to the laborious services which for the long period of forty years he has

rendered to the Presbyterian Church in this country, and further to express their sympathy with the friends of the deceased in their bereavement, and their trust that his abundant labours having ended, he has entered into his rest."

Mr. Paterson was appointed Moderator of Presbytery for the ensuing twelve months.

WILLIAM DONALD, *Presbytery Clerk.*

THE PRESBYTERY OF COBourg.—At an adjourned meeting of this Presbytery held at Millbrook, on the 8th of November, it was announced that Mr. Alex. Urquhart had signified his acceptance of the call addressed to him by the congregations of Perrytown, Oakhills, and Kendal. His ordination was appointed to take place at Perrytown, on the first Thursday of January, 1871. Mr. Mitchell was appointed to preach on the occasion, Mr. Donald to address the Minister, and Mr. Laing the people.

Mr. Roger was appointed a member of the Foreign Mission Committee.

The Presbytery proceeded to consider Mr. Blain's resignation of his charge at Springville and Lakevale. Parties having been heard, were removed from the bar; whereupon it was moved by Mr. Roger, seconded by Mr. Donald, and unanimously resolved, "That having respect to Mr. Blain's clearly expressed wish, and to all the circumstances of the case, the Presbytery agree to accept the resignation, and appoint a committee to draw up a minute expressive of the great affection, esteem and confidence with which they regard their brother, Mr. Blain." Mr. Mitchell was appointed to preach at Springville and Lakevale on the fourth Sabbath of November, and declare the churches vacant; and Mr. Ewing was appointed Moderator of Session during the vacancy.

The next meeting of Presbytery was appointed to be held at Peterboro', on the first Tuesday of January, 1871, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon.

WILLIAM DONALD, *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF OWEN SOUND.—A *pro re nata* meeting of this Presbytery was held at Owen Sound, on the 13th day of September. Mr. C. C. Stewart, having accepted the call from Owen Sound, gave in his trial discourses, which were heard and sanctioned, and his ordination and induction appointed for the 27th September; Mr. McInnes to preach and preside, Mr. Brown to address the Minister, and Mr. Gauld, the people. At Owen Sound, 27th September, the Presbytery met at 11 o'clock, A. M., when, after a sermon by Mr. McInnes, Mr. Stewart, having answered the questions of the Formula, was set apart by prayer, and the laying on of the hands of the Presbytery, to the work of the holy ministry, and inducted into the Pastoral Charge of the Owen Sound Congregation. At the close of the services, Mr. Stewart was warmly welcomed by his flock. This Presbytery held its regular meeting at Owen Sound the same day. The following are the principal items of business:—

The petition from Allenford, to be organized as a Mission Station, and joined to South Keppel, under the pastoral care of the Rev. D. J. McInnes, was taken up and read. Delegates appeared and were heard from Allenford, and from the west post of Amabel Mission Field; also from the different stations forming the congregation of South Keppel. Mr. McInnes was heard. It was moved by Mr. Dewar, seconded by Mr. McInnes, that the prayer of the petition be granted, so far as to recognise Allenford as a Mission Station. The vote being taken, the motion was carried, when Mr. Frazer entered his dissent from their finding, on the following grounds:—that Amabel has already been organized as a mission field, and that to organize his portion of the field, apart from the other parts of it, would be injurious to the best interests of this whole field.

It was moved by Mr. Dewar, seconded by Mr. Edgar, and agreed to, that in regard to the second part of the petition, this be laid over to next Presbytery, and that, in the mean time, a deputation of Presbytery be sent in, to visit the

whole field known as Amabel mission field, and report to next meeting. Messrs. Dewar, Tolmie, Stewart, and Frazer, with Mr. Cooper, Elder, were appointed on this mission; Mr. Dewar, Convener.

The Rev. Mr. Troup, being present, was asked to sit and correspond. Messrs. Danby and Scott, Students in Divinity, appeared and read a homily each, on Rom., XIII, 8, which discourses, after a few words of criticism, by members of Court, were sustained. Messrs. Gould and Stewart, were appointed a committee to examine these Students, and report at next sedurent. Mr. Frazer read the following minute, anent the resignation of Mr. Bremner:—The Presbytery, in parting with their brother, Mr. Bremner, would record their high appreciation of his character and ministerial faithfulness; they would express their sympathy for him and his family, in their present circumstances, and humbly pray, that the Shepherd of the sheep may soon open for him a field of usefulness, and long spare him therein, crowning his labours with an abundant blessing.

It was moved by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. McClunes, and agreed to, that this minute be adopted, and a copy be sent to Mr. Bremner. Mr. Dewar's motion, for the reconsideration of the finding of the Presbytery, anent the Synod Fund, was postponed till next meeting.

Mr. Brown, on behalf of the committee appointed to prepare a scheme for raising funds to meet the general expenses of Presbytery, reported and read a scheme for that purpose. The scheme was considered and adopted, dividing the Presbytery into four districts, and appointing committees, with their conveners, to visit the field in accordance therewith. Mr. Brown was appointed a member of the Foreign Mission Committee.

Mr. Gauld, reported that he had visited the 9th and 11th lines, St Vincent, and found about fifteen families anxious for services in connection with our Church.

Mr. Gauld reported on home mission matters.

Mr. Brown reported that a Session had been formed at Williamstown, by the election and ordination of two Elders, John Odell and Samuel Goodfellow. Mr. Brown was continued Moderator of this Session.

The Statistics, from the South Keppel supplemented congregation, were read, attested, and ordered to be forwarded to the Home Mission Committee, with the recommendation, that the supplement of \$200.00 be continued. Mr. Gould having requested a visitation of his Congregation, his request was granted, and the Presbytery resolved to meet for this purpose at Griersville, on Tuesday, the 18th day of Oct., at 11 o'clock, A. M. It was also agreed that, in the event of matters at Allenford being prepared for adjudication at that meeting, the Presbytery take them up and dispose of them. The next meeting of Presbytery was appointed to be held at Owen Sound, on the 1st Tuesday of February, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

A. FRAZER, Clerk.

**PRESBYTERY OF GUELPH.**—This Presbytery met in Knox Church, Elora, on Tuesday. The following were among the principal items of business transacted: Committees were appointed to examine the records of the Kirk Sessions of St. John's Church, Garafraxa, North Luther, and Rothsay and Wallace. At the afternoon sederunt these committees reported said records carefully kept, and that the business was transacted in an orderly manner. Mr. John Duff and Mr. J. G. McGregor were invited to sit with the Presbytery. Mr. Wardrop was appointed moderator of the Session of St. Andrew's Church, Berlin, and, in compliance with a request presented, was authorized to moderate in a call for a minister by that congregation, when he shall see cause. A letter was read from Mr. Thos. McGuire, stating that, according to instructions, he had preached to the congregation of Doon and Hespeler, on the 28th of August last, and declared the pastoral charge vacant; and one from the clerk of the Presbytery of Brockville, intimating that Mr. A. J. Traver had been duly inducted to the pastoral oversight of

the congregation of Brockville, on the 25th of August. Copies of Constitution submitted to the Presbytery for their sanction, by the congregations of Union Church, Galt, and Knox Church, Elora, were referred to a committee, to report at next ordinary meeting. Notice was read from the Presbytery of Simcoe that the Rev. W. Wright, M.A., was dismissed, at his own request, and was no longer a minister or member of the Canada Presbyterian Church. The subject of the debt on the church at New Hamburg was then taken up. The Clerk stated that he had sent notice to the Presbyteries of Paris and Hamilton, requesting that the amount—\$50 each—which had been promised by them, should be sent to Mr. Hunter before the 1st of October; that he had ascertained that the balance for which this Presbytery was liable was \$115; and that he had sent a circular to each congregation in the bounds, as he had been instructed, asking a contribution for the purpose of raising that sum. The Treasurer reported the amount he had received, which, with sums then handed in or promised, would be nearly sufficient to meet the claim. Mr. J. K. Smith asked leave of absence for six months, that he might travel to a more temperate climate with his wife, whose state of health was such as to render it necessary, according to the judgment of her medical adviser, that she should remove from Canada during the winter, and stated the arrangements he had made for the supply of his pulpit. The Presbytery unanimously agreed to grant Mr. Smith's request; to express their deep sympathy with him on the occasion which calls for his departure from them for a time; and their hope that it may, by the blessing of God, be instrumental in restoring Mrs. Smith's health. Further, they trust that he may have opportunity, while away, of glorifying God through the preaching of the gospel of his Son. They commend him with all affection to the confidence of ministers of the Presbyterian churches in the places which he may visit, or at which he may be stopping for a time; and instruct their clerk to furnish him with a copy of this resolution. Mr. Ball was appointed Moderator of the Kirk Session of Knox Church during Mr. Smith's absence. A petition was read from the congregation of Hawksville, praying to be disjoined from Elmira and joined to Winterbourne, when it was agreed that it lie on the table till next ordinary meeting, and that notice be given to all concerned that they may then appear for their interests. Mr. McLennan tendered his resignation of Clifford station, which was accepted. A petition was read from the same station, signed by fourteen individuals, asking to be disjoined from the Presbytery of Guelph and transferred to that of Durham. Mr. A. S. Allan was heard in support of the prayer, and answered questions put to him. On motion, it was resolved that the prayer of the petition be granted, so far as disjunction from this Presbytery is concerned, and the Clerk was instructed to inform the Presbytery of Durham of the action taken, and that it was the wish of the Presbytery of Guelph that they would receive the petitioners, according to their own request, under their charge.

A petition was read from the congregation of Union Church, Galt, transmitted through the Session, asking that one be appointed to moderate in a call. Mr. James McMillan and James Young, Esq., M. P., appeared as commissioners in support of the same, and Mr. James Dagleish, representative elder, who stated that they proposed giving a salary of \$1200 per annum. It was agreed that the prayer be granted, and Mr. Torrance was authorized to preach and moderate on such a day as the Session may require. A committee which had been appointed to audit the books of the Treasury, reported that they found the accounts and vouchers correct, but called attention to the fact that there were six congregations which had not contributed anything to the Presbytery Fund last year, and six that had not given their due proportion. The names, with the amount for which they were severally liable, were read over, and the Clerk was instructed to communicate with each and request attention to the matter without delay. Mr. Middleniss tendered his resignation as Treasurer, when it was resolved that consideration of it lie over until next ordinary meeting. A scheme for missionary sermons and meetings was submitted and approved with a slight change, and while no Session was bound to adhere to the arrangement proposed,

it was declared imperative that a missionary meeting be held in each congregation and reported to the Presbytery, and that due notice be sent to the members of any deputation of any departure that may be made from the scheme. The Clerk reported the amount of supply given to the Presbytery by the Home Mission Committee for the ensuing quarter, when it was left with himself to distribute the same among the vacancies. Reports of missionary labors were read, and the Clerk was instructed to certify the amount of service in each case to the Home Mission Committee. Mr. Millican reported that he had carried out the instructions given him in reference to visiting South Luther and Amaranth, and bringing under the notice of the people of the latter place the arrears into which they had fallen for missionary services they had enjoyed, and they had expressed their regret that said arrears had accrued. They promised to pay them off as soon as possible, and they had sent with him \$15 towards that purpose. It was unanimously resolved that the report be received, and the cordial thanks of the Presbytery tendered to Mr. Millican for the prompt and diligent manner in which he has fulfilled their instructions. Appointments were made so far as practicable, to supply the mission field in the bounds. The following report on the resignation by Mr. McKenzie of his late pastoral charge, accepted on the 24th of August last, was read and adopted:—"That this Presbytery record their deep sorrow that Mr. McKenzie has seen it to be his duty to resign the pastoral oversight of the congregation of Doon and Hespeler, and that they have been under the necessity of accepting the same. They would cheerfully bear testimony to the courteous and Christian manner in which he has departed himself in all their meetings at which he has been present, and to the fidelity with which he has attended them during the eight years that have elapsed since his ordination. They feel that in parting with him they lose the valuable counsel of a judicious brother. And they would express the hope, that the Great King and Head of the Church may soon open to him another stated sphere of usefulness, in which he may enjoy comfort, and see the pleasure of the Lord prosper through his instrumentality.

Next ordinary meeting was appointed to be held in Knox Church, Guelph, on the second Tuesday of December, at 11 o'clock, forenoon.

ROBERT TORRANCE, *Pres. Clerk.*

**PRESBYTERY OF ONTARIO**—The Presbytery of Ontario met at Prince Albert on the 8th day of November, and was constituted by the Rev. R. Macarthur, Moderator. There was a large attendance of the members. The business was chiefly routine. Read the Report of Mr. Cross, who had been appointed to preach vacant the pulpits of Cartwright and Ballyduff. Said report intimated that he had been prevented from doing so by finding the entrance to the church secured, and parties waiting to resist any attempt to obtain admission. Further, that while the most violent and unbecoming language toward the Presbytery was employed by the most of those present, there were others who declared that they knew of many in the congregation who would not leave the Canada Presbyterian Church, with Mr. Windel and his sympathizers, but wished to retain their connection with it. Without giving the report in detail, it plainly appeared thereupon, that Mr. Cross had, as the servant of the Presbytery, done what he could in the circumstances; and it was accordingly, on motion, agreed to receive the report, and tender the thanks of the Presbytery to Mr. Cross, and hold the pulpits as declared vacant. A verbal request was made by the Moderator in behalf of Mr. Windel, from whom he had received a letter applying for a ministerial certificate, but which he had neglected to bring. It was agreed, therefore, to delay this matter for consideration at a future meeting.

The Presbytery was occupied a considerable time with the question of supply for the Mission field, which had been occupied by two students during the summer. It was concluded to recommend at the first meeting of the Home Mission Committee, Mr. Daniel Cameron, an elder in Beaverton congregation, a catechist, and in the meantime to employ him in the above named field.

Attention was turned to a letter from the Convener of the Foreign Mission Committee in regard to the employment of Mr. McKay in some foreign field. After Conference it was agreed to defer action on this very important subject until next meeting, which is to be held at Prince Albert on the 10th of January, 1871, at 11 o'clock, A.M.

Mr. Thom gave notice that he would, at next meeting, move that this Presbytery proceed to nominate Rev. W. Gregg to the Professorship in Knox College. It was agreed that Messrs. MacTavish, Thomson, Kennedy, and Smith, be a committee agent the Burns Memorial, and to arrange to have every congregation visited by one of these brethren, and report to next meeting of Presbytery.

An application was read from Mr. R. McAlpine Thornton, B.A., late student in Knox College, to be received as a Probationer. Mr. Thornton having attended a full session in the United Presbyterian Theological Hall, Edinburgh, and also in the New College there, and a summer session in Germany, had subsequently obtained license from the Edinburgh Presbytery of the U. P. Church. Highly satisfactory testimonials from Professors Eadie and Cairns, of the U. P. Church, and from Professors Rainy, Blaikie, and Duff, of the Free Church, were read, and extract of License from the above mentioned Presbytery. The application was cordially granted, and he was received accordingly, as a Probationer of the Canada Presbyterian Church.

Missionary meetings were earnestly recommended to be held in all the congregations in the bounds, and reports of the same rendered to the Presbytery. Mr. Scott was appointed to arrange for such meetings in the Mission field, and secure the aid of the ministers visiting it in rotation.

R. H. THORNTON, *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF STRATFORD.—This Presbytery met for ordinary business, at Stratford, on the 27th September. Eleven out of fourteen ministers were present, with seven elders. The report of the committee appointed to visit New Hamburg was called for, when Mr. Boyd stated that he had visited the Station according to appointment, and found the people therewith connected anxious to be supplied with preaching every second Sabbath, and promising to pay for such supply at the rate of \$100 per annum. The Presbytery received the report, appointed Messrs. Boyd and Drummond a committee further to inquire into the circumstances of the Station and report at next meeting, and requested Mr. Drummond to give supply of preaching at New Hamburg until that time. Commissioners from Burns' Church, East Zorra, stated that the congregation require, as formerly, the sum of \$2 per Sabbath from the Mission Fund. The Presbytery agreed to recommend the Home Mission Committee to grant said sum. Upon application it was agreed to unite the Sessions of Shakespeare and Hampstead as one session under the title of "The Sessions of the united congregations of Shakespeare and Hampstead." The committee appointed to visit the congregation of Fish Creek reported, and upon their recommendation, and with the concurrence of said congregation, as also of Biddulph, with which it has been hitherto connected, it was agreed to confine the pastoral labors of Mr. Allan Findlay to the latter. Fish Creek had always been weak in members, and had recently become more so by removal from the bounds. It was also in comparatively close proximity to other congregations. The congregation of Biddulph came forward with an offer of a large advancement on the amount heretofore contributed for the support of ordinances, at the same time expressing an expectation of increased prosperity from the labors of their pastor when released from Fish Creek. The congregation of Fish Creek is to be dissolved, so soon as it shall have paid its indebtedness, by the Session of Fish Creek and Biddulph granting certificates to its members; and the Presbytery agreed to apply to the Home Mission Committee for supplement to raise the salary to \$500—the congregation paying \$425, and \$50 as house rent. The congregations of Molesworth and Listowell were

removed from the list of aid-receiving congregations. The report of the committee appointed to apportion to the congregations the expenses of Presbytery for the year was adopted. A committee was appointed to arrange and cause missionary meetings to be held, as also to see to the forming of missionary organization where they do not exist. After the transaction of other business the Presbytery adjourned to meet at Stratford, on the first Tuesday of December next, at eleven o'clock, a.m.

JOHN FOTHERINGHAM, *Clerk*.

**PRESBYTERY OF OTTAWA.**—The regular quarterly meeting of this Presbytery was held in Knox Church, Ottawa, on the 1st and 2nd of Nov. There were present 11 ministers and 5 elders. The following are the principal items of business transacted:

A call was laid upon the table and sustained, to the Rev. H. J. McDermid, from the congregation of Renfrew and Castleford.

Rev. James Whyte was appointed corresponding member of the Foreign Mission Committee from this Presbytery.

The call to the Rev. R. Fleming, from the congregation of Admaston, Douglas and Grattan, which lay over to this meeting, was set aside.

Power to moderate in a call was granted to the congregation of McNab.

A circular was read from the Foreign Mission Committee anent engaging the services of a missionary, and the selection of a foreign mission field. The Presbytery recommended that the services of the missionary who had offered himself be accepted, and that India be the field to which he be sent.

A circular was read in regard to the Burns memorial fund. The Presbytery agreed to recommend this matter to the favorable consideration of the congregations within the bounds, leaving it to Kirk Sessions to take what action they may deem fit in regard to it.

The following plan was adopted for conducting missionary meetings during the winter. That each minister in the Presbytery take charge of the missionary meeting in his own congregation, and in that of the mission station, or group of stations, of which he is moderator, and that, when no missionary association is in existence, a collection be taken up at the meeting, and in addition to that, a subscription, to be called for afterwards by collectors.

A committee was appointed to bring in an overture at next meeting in regard to the preparation of a hymn book for use both in congregations and Sabbath schools.

The next meeting of Presbytery is to be held at Perth, on the first Tuesday of February next.

JAMES CARSWELL, *Clerk*.

**PRESBYTERY OF HURON.**—The Presbytery met in Goderich on Tuesday and Wednesday, the 11th and 12th days of October.

Communications were read from the congregations in arrears, &c., setting forth that steps were being taken to remove said arrears. A petition from West Church, Kincardine, was read, praying that the Presbytery apply to the Central Committee for a supplement for them to the amount of \$100 per annum, in the event of their giving a call to a minister in union with Pine River.

The Presbytery, while deeming it inexpedient to take immediate action on the matter of the petition, resolved to give their favorable consideration to any such application from West Church with a view to their being supplied with a stated Pastor.

There was produced and read a call from the congregation of Lucknow in favour of the Rev. A. McLean, of West Puslinch. The call, because of some irregularities connected with the moderation of it, was not sustained.

A petition from Lucknow, signed by 35 heads of families residing in that village and neighborhood, was taken into consideration, praying that they be

organized into a new station. A deputation, consisting of Messrs. Fraser, Leask, Forbes and Young, ministers, and Mr. Rutherford, elder, was appointed to visit the congregation of Lucknow to enquire into the circumstances in which the petition has originated, and to report at next meeting—Mr. Leask, Convener.

Mr. McCuaig, on behalf of the committee appointed to examine students, reported that they met and examined Mr. Simeon Fisher, and certified him to the Board of Examiners as a student of the third year in the literary department of Knox College. The report was received, and thanks tendered to the convener.

The Clerk brought before the Court a circular, issued by the committee on the "Burns Memorial Fund." The Presbytery, in the meantime, took no action on it, but commended it to the favorable consideration of the members present. Mr. Ure was appointed corresponding member of the Foreign Mission Committee from this Presbytery.

Mr. Anderson, on behalf of the congregation of Glamis, applied for a special meeting of Presbytery, to be appointed to moderate in a call in that congregation, and sustain it if it be deemed advisable. Mr. Anderson further stated that the congregation promised to pay an annual stipend of \$600, with a manse and glebe. It was agreed to grant the request, and a special meeting was accordingly appointed to be held in Glamis at 11 a. m., on Tuesday, the 8th proximo.

Mr. Ferguson read his report on finance, setting forth the average contributions per member of each congregation to all the Schemes of the Church. The report was received, and thanks tendered to Mr. Ferguson. The report was then committed to the Home Mission Committee to be revised and printed, and copies thereof to be sent to all the congregations within the bounds for distribution. Missionary reports of the labors of the probationers and students employed during the last quarter were read and approved of.

A Committee, consisting of Messrs. Fraser and Anderson, was appointed to examine Mr. Archibald McGilvray, elder, of North Bruce, who was recommended by Mr. Fraser, with a view of his being employed as a catechist in some of the Quebec stations. Said committee afterwards reported that they examined Mr. McGilvray, and recommended him as a fit person to be received as a catechist. The Presbytery received the report, adopted the recommendation thereof, and instructed the clerk to forward Mr. McGilvray's name to the convener of the Central Committee.

The following minute was adopted anent the resignation of the Rev. James Duncan of Bayfield: "The Presbytery, in accepting Mr. Duncan's resignation of his pastoral charge, desire to place on record their sense of the loss sustained by the causes which, in the providence of God, have led to this step. Throughout the period of his connection with this Presbytery, Mr. Duncan has won, in ever-increasing measure, the confidence and love of his brethren; and they cannot allow his official connection with them to cease without expressing their gratitude to the Great Head of the Church that one so distinguished for his ability and attainments, depth of piety, and singleness of purpose in the work of the ministry, should have been so long spared in the service of the Church. They would express their deep sympathy with him in the present infirm state of his health, their hope that a cessation from public duty may tend to his improvement in physical energy, and their prayer that his declining years may be crowned with the richest manifestations of the Master's presence and favor."

There appeared Messrs. John McAsh and Alexander Sterling, delegates from the congregations of Bayfield and Bethany, for the purpose of having the said congregations united in one pastoral charge. The delegates stated that their respective congregations held meetings for the purpose of union, and that they were desirous of being united on the following conditions, viz.: Bayfield to receive supply every Sabbath, and Bethany a station to the south of Bayfield every alternate sabbath. After some discussion it was agreed to unite Bethany to Bayfield on the above terms—the union to take effect three months from date.

The appointments for the ensuing quarter, as made by the Home Mission Committee, were submitted and approved of.



A circular letter from the clerk of the Presbytery of Simcoe was read, setting forth that the Rev. Walter Wright was declared to be no longer a minister or a member of this Church.

The following minute was adopted anent the resignation of Rev. Wm. Matheson, viz.: "The Presbytery take leave of the Rev. Wm. Matheson, of North and Centre Bruce, with feelings of esteem and affection, and with prayers for his usefulness and comfort in the work of the gospel wherever God in his providence may appoint him to labor."

Mr. Forbes was appointed moderator of the sessions of West Church and Pin-River. In accordance with Mr. Ferguson's request, the consideration of his motion anent a change in the meetings of Presbytery, notice of which was given at last regular meeting, was delayed till next meeting of Presbytery.

The Report of Mr. Brown anent ordaining Elders at Teeswater, was called for, but as Mr. Brown was not present, it was postponed till next meeting.

A Committee consisting of Messrs. Leask, Young, and Hastie, was appointed to make arrangements for holding missionary meetings, Mr. Leask, Convener.

The Clerk, on behalf of the Home Mission Committee, read a Report, setting forth the average attendance at each mission station, the number of days' supply given to each, the financial state of each, etc., and recommending that Langside be put on the list of mission stations. The Report was received and the recommendation adopted.

Mr. Wm. Ferguson, Catechist, read a discourse on the kingly office of Christ, and was afterwards examined on the Epistle to the Romans, with regard to its general scope, etc. The examination was sustained, and the following text prescribed to Mr. Ferguson for a popular sermon, to be delivered at next meeting, viz., 1st Epistle of John, iii. 2.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was agreed to devote two hours to a conference on the state of religion at next meeting of Presbytery.

ARCH. MACLEAN, *Presbytery Clerk.*

LONDON PRESBYTERY.—The Presbytery of London met on the 27th day of September last, in the St. Andrew's Church there.

The induction of Rev. Jas. Malcolm at English Settlement and Proof Lake was appointed to take place on the 11th October; Mr. McMillan to preside, Mr. Pritchard to preach, Mr. Simpson to address the minister, and Mr. Rennie the congregation.

Messrs. Rennie, Simpson and Cameron were appointed to visit Lucan and Biddulph in December next, with a view to having the stipend of Mr. Lees raised to at least \$500.

Arrangements were made for meeting the debt assumed by the Presbytery on the purchase of the Port Stanley church property.

The united charge of the congregations of Argyle Church, Aldboro and Wardsville were separated, at their own request, into distinct charges, Mr. McKinnon remaining in charge of Wardsville.

Mr. Peter Currie was appointed to declare Argyle Church vacant on first Sabbath of December.

A call from Dorchester to Mr. J. A. McDonald was sustained, and put into his hands. Mr. McDonald asked a few weeks to consider the matter, and the Presbytery granted the request.

The Presbytery's Home Mission Report was read by Mr. Proudfoot. After several amendments to the recommendations of the same, it was adopted, and a committee appointed for the year.

The consideration of a petition from parties in Thamesford for leave to build a church was laid over till next ordinary meeting. The Clerk was instructed to cite parties interested.

Such students as presented themselves, with a view to attend Knox College, were examined, and certificates granted them to the Board of Examiners appointed by the General Assembly.

Mr. Baikie, student of Divinity, was examined, with a view to being licensed. After a very satisfactory examination, the Presbytery licensed him to preach the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Mr. Goodfellow was appointed to moderate in a call at Forest and McKay's Settlement on the 19th October, at half-past 10 o'clock, a.m.

Mr. Goodfellow gave in the resignation of his charge of Widder and Lake-Road congregations, on account of ill health. The resignation was allowed to lie on the table till next ordinary meeting, and meantime arrangements were made to cite parties to appear for their interests.

The families in the neighborhood of Komoka were united to the congregation of Delaware, under the pastoral charge of Mr. Grant.

Mr. McKinnon was appointed the Presbytery's Corresponding Member of the Assembly's Foreign Mission Committee.

G. CUTHBERTSON, *Pres. Clerk.*

## Communications.

### THE LATE REV. THOMAS CHRISTIE.

Died at Flamboro West, on the 8th day of September last, at the ripe age of 86 years, 11 months and 22 days, the Rev. Thomas Christie, the last survivor of the three first missionaries sent out to Canada by the United Secession Church of Scotland.

Mr. Christie was born on 16th September, 1783, at Harvieston, in the parish of Tillicoultry, Clackmannanshire, Scotland. His father's name was David Christie, and his mother's Janet Kirk. His father belonged to the Church of Scotland, although *his* parents were Antiburghers. He was descended from the Christies of Durie, Leven, Fifeshire, the present representative of the elder branch of which family is Captain Charles M. Christie, of Durie, a zealous and influential elder of the Free Church of Scotland. When the subject of this notice was about twelve years of age, his father, who was a manufacturer, withdrew from his connection with the Parish Church, became a Seceder under the Rev. James McKenzie, of Alloa, and was one of the first three Elders in the Secession congregation of Tillicoultry. He died in 1817, and, six years after, he was joined in the land of spirits by his widowed partner. Her father had been the former proprietor of Harvieston, which afterwards became the country seat of Crawford Tait, Esquire, father of the present Archbishop of Canterbury.

In early life Mr. Christie was brought to feel the power of the truth in Christ, and joined the Church of his fathers. Having consecrated himself to the Lord, he was next led to devote himself to the work of the ministry, and with this object in view he prosecuted his early studies at the school of his native parish, in which he had a favorable opportunity for preparing for the higher education which was required before being admitted by the Presbytery to the Theological course. In 1807 he entered the University of Edinburgh, and passed through the classes of Greek and Latin, three sessions, under Professors Dunbar and Christison; of Metaphysics, under Professor Ritchie; of Moral Philosophy, under Dugald Stewart, in 1809, the last session, we believe, in which that eminent Professor fulfilled the duties of that chair; of Chemistry, under Professor Murray; and of Natural Philosophy, under Professor Playfair, having thus enjoyed the privilege of sitting under some of the most eminent men who have adorned that famous

seat of learning. His course of Theological study was prosecuted under the Professorship of Mr. Paxton, who had been a minister at Kilmaurs, but who, on his appointment by the Associate Synod to the charge of their students, had been loosed from his congregation that he might devote all his time to the preparation of his lectures and his other professorial duties. Having completed the prescribed course, and satisfied the Presbytery of his gifts, attainments and piety, he was licensed to preach the gospel in 1814.

At an early period of his life Mr. Christie had his thoughts turned to missionary work, and was desirous of engaging in it. During the years of his preparatory training, this desire acquired strength. He had, however, to contend with the fear that he was not called to it of God. In his straits he was frequent and earnest at the throne of grace, asking that light might be made to rise upon him in his darkness. In his father's garden there was a large tree, under the shade of which he had often poured out his heart to God; and on one occasion, when the perplexities to which we have referred were agitating his mind, he made it a place of special resort for supplication that God would give him some mark of his will in reference to his becoming a missionary. While thus engaged, he was made to realize most powerfully the gracious presence of his Master; and the command given to Paul was so strongly suggested to him as to make him imagine that it was addressed to himself in an audible voice, "Depart, for I will send thee far hence unto the Gentiles." He retired from the spot under the persuasion that it was the will of Christ he should go forth as a missionary, and ready to go wherever a door might be opened to him, assuredly gathering that God would be with him.

Carrying out the cherished desire of his heart, Mr. Christie went, shortly after he was licensed, to Orkney, which had been taken up as a mission field by the Secession Church about the year 1797. That Church was led to enter upon this field in consequence of the spiritual destitution of its people. After being there for a time, he received a unanimous and most cordial call from the "Elders and other members of the Associate Congregation of Holm, who had seceded from the Established Church of Scotland and the Judicatories thereof, and acceded to the Lord's cause and testimony, as professed, witnessed for and maintained by the General Associate Synod and the several Presbyteries in Scotland subordinate thereunto, and as the only lawful and right constitute Courts of Christ to which we can submit in the Lord," to undertake the office of Pastor among them and the charge of their souls. The call was signed by seventy-two persons, all males, fifty-five of whom, the certificate of the Moderator bears, subscribed with their own hands, and seventeen who could not write, took the pen and gave it to the Clerk, who did it for them. On being laid before the Presbytery at Edinburgh, it was sustained; and, on being put into Mr. Christie's hands, it was accepted. His ordination took place on 21st November, 1816, the Rev. M. Ramage presiding, who preached from Judges iii, 20, and addressed both the newly ordained minister and the people, and the Rev. Mr. Wylie concluding public worship by a sermon from Tim. vi, 20. For a period of sixteen years Mr. Christie labored with great zeal and acceptableness in the congregation over which he had been settled. It increased greatly under his ministry, and he had many a token besides that the Lord was with him and blessing him to the edification of his saints and the saving impression of the careless.

In September 1831 the United Associate Synod resolved to enter upon a Foreign Mission, and instructed their Mission Committee to look out for

what might be considered the most suitable field. Canada was recommended and fixed upon, and a call made for three or four men to offer themselves as missionaries for that distant part. Mr. Christie of Holm, Mr. Proudfoot of Pitrodie, and Mr. Robertson of Cupar, volunteered their services, and were accepted as in every way qualified for the work. When it became known to his congregation that Mr. Christie was accepted, great sorrow was caused among the people, and they did what they could to retain him. A petition was drawn up and lodged with the United Associate Presbytery of Orkney, stating that the petitioners could not contemplate his removal from them "without feelings of deep sorrow and regret, of the sincerity of which no one can doubt who knows the harmony, concord and happiness which have uniformly prevailed throughout the congregation, ever since Mr. Christie was settled in this place." They then speak of the fidelity, zeal and affection with which he had laboured among them, and their thankfulness to the great Head of the Church who had favoured them so highly under his ministry, and of their living in the fond expectation that they should be permitted to enjoy the benefit of his highly-esteemed and much-loved labours till death should sever the ties that bind Pastor and people together, and praying the Presbytery to aid them all they could to prevent the contemplated dissolution of the pastoral relationship. Mr. Christie, however, was not to be turned aside from the sphere of usefulness which he anticipated in Canada. He still felt the obligation of the command to go far hence. He, accordingly, with those we have named, was loosed from his charge in Scotland, and, bearing with him a Presbyterian certificate, signed not only by the Moderator and Clerk, but also by the other members of Presbytery, who had expressed their wish to be allowed to affix their signatures to the document, testifying that he carried with him their respect and affection, and their best wishes for his success in the work of the Lord, and a certificate from the Committee of Synod on Foreign Missions, signed by Drs. John Brown, Chairman, William Peddie, Secretary, James Peddie, and John Ritchie, he sailed for Canada about the end of July or beginning of August, 1832, and applied himself at once with devoted energy to the missionary work he had undertaken.

There appears to have been an arrangement between the members of this small band of Christian heroes (for they well deserve the name), that Mr. Robertson was to labour chiefly in the Eastern parts of the Province, Mr. Proudfoot in the Western, and the subject of this brief biographical sketch in the central. Mr. Robertson was not permitted to continue long at his post, having been cut down by cholera a month or so after his arrival. Mr. Proudfoot was spared for many years, and was called by the Synod to conduct the training of young men who had given themselves to the work of the ministry, an office for which he was well qualified. He, too, has gone to his rest. Mr. Christie outlived those with whom he was joined in the beginning of the work.

Working his way westward from Montreal, he preached at several places, such as Gananoque, Kingston, Hamilton, etc., and he cherished to the last recollections of incidents that befel him in these localities, of persons with whom he met, of conversations held respecting the great object upon which his heart was set. When he came as far as Flamboro', events transpired indicating that the Master had appointed this as the place of his stated labour. A congregation was formed, he received an invitation to become pastor of it, accepted it, and here he continued to officiate under tokens of the Divine blessing for a long term of thirty-eight years. The congregation

increased under his ministry, and a few years ago built a neat and commodious house of worship (stone), near to the site of the old one, which was a frame building, in which he had for so many years faithfully preached the gospel of the grace of God. It was a joyous day in his ministerial life when the new church was opened; and he preached with even more than his usual vigor and unction, while persons had come from a great distance to sympathize with him in his gladness and hear from his lips the word of life. The next evening, at a soiree which was held in honor of the church opening, he received a substantial token of the interest which his people cherished in him and of the attachment with which they continued to regard him. At this time he had been a minister for fifty years.

Aged as he was, Mr. Christie continued in the active discharge of his official duties without an assistant, till within a few days of his latter end. He was seized with the sickness which carried him to his grave, on a Saturday, after he had written out his discourse for the following day. He lay for twelve days, taking little apparent interest in what was going on in the room around him, yet evidently retaining his consciousness. His family was about him doing all that affection could dictate for his relief and comfort, under the disease which was working rapidly to a fatal termination. On Thursday, 8th September, he breathed his last, about four o'clock in the afternoon. On the Saturday following he was borne to his last resting-place, amid a large concourse of mourning friends. The spot chosen for his grave was, appropriately, the one on which the pulpit in the old church had stood.

Space will not allow us to dwell longer on the events in the life, or the features in the character, of our highly esteemed and respected father. He was an able and earnest preacher of the cross. He well knew the ruin man had brought upon himself by the Fall, and the redemption that had been purposed in Christ before the world began; and while he was bold in proclaiming the former, that the sinner might be incited to ask, "What must I do to be saved?"—he was faithful and earnest in declaring the latter, that he might be encouraged to flee for refuge to the hope set before him. He expounded the law in the force and extent of its moral obligation, and set forth the curse to which every one had rendered himself liable; but he delighted to dwell upon and commend that grace which reigns through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord. He was skilful to apply the promises to those who were heirs through faith, to comfort the mourner, to encourage the timid, and to urge to perseverance unto death in view of the crown of life and example of Christ.

He was honored of God to labor long in the Gospel vineyard. Between fifteen and sixteen years he was the stated pastor of the congregation of Holm, in Orkney, and for thirty-eight years he labored in the ministry in Canada. In these labours he was abundant. He bore the burden and heat of the day. In journeyings he was frequent, and for a long time these he made on foot. Many congregations, as Flamboro, Kirkwall, St. George. Hamilton, Dundas, Ancaster, Chippawa, Guelph, and Irvine Settlement (now Elora) were formed by his instrumentality. All these are now strong in numbers and extensive in influence. If he was spared to see the land of his adoption increase in population and wealth, to see her developing her resources, and putting forth her energies in the walks of prosperity, and to witness the promise she gives of being soon one of the great nations of the world, he was also a beholder of her ecclesiastical and religious advancement. What great things were accomplished in and for the Church of

which he was so faithful and devoted a minister! She had shot forth to almost every part of the land. The little one had become a thousand, and the small one a strong nation. How clear and full was the evidence afforded him that he had the sanction of the Lord of the vineyard in the step he took when he resigned his charge in Scotland and came out as a missionary to Canada, and His presence with him in his labours and travels, which may be well described as having been by night and by day! Having, like David, served his generation by the will of God, he has fallen asleep. The Christian public will sympathize with the family in their affliction, and with the congregation in the bereavement with which God has been pleased to visit them. Those in the ministry will hear the voice of Christ speaking to them through this dispensation, and urging them to do with all their might whatsoever their hand findeth.

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