

Mr. Grant moved, seconded by Mr. D. D. McLeod, that the overture be received and adopted by the Synod and transmitted to the General Assembly.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. J. W. Mitchell, M.A., seconded by Mr. J. Gordon, M.A., that the overture be received and adopted, and that the last clause read as follows: "That the Boards of the two aforementioned Colleges, Knox and Montreal, be appointed a joint committee to suggest some method by which the grievance complained of may be remedied."

On the vote being taken the motion was carried by a very large majority over the amendment, and became the judgment of the Court.

Mr. J. W. Mitchell asked leave to enter his dissent from the finding of the Court.

The Synod then adjourned to meet again at 7.30, and was closed by the Moderator pronouncing the benediction.

### SEVENTH SEDERUNT.

Knox Church, Saint Catharines, the fifteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighty years, 7.30 p.m.

The Synod again met and was constituted by the Moderator, the Rev. J. Gordon engaging in prayer.

The minutes of previous sederunt were read and sustained.

### APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSING OF STUDENTS.

Minutes of the Presbyteries of Hamilton and Paris were read asking leave of the Synod to take on trial for license Mr. James Craigie and Mr. D. G. McKay, who have completed their theological course at Knox College.

On motion, the permission asked was granted in both cases.

### REPORT FROM AUDITORS.

The Clerk read the report of the auditors, to the effect that the books were correctly kept, that there was a balance due the Treasurer of \$11.06, and upwards of \$100 unpaid by congregations within the bounds of the Synod.

On motion duly seconded, the report was received and the cordial thanks of the Synod tendered to Mr. Walker, the Treasurer, for his long and efficient services to the Synod. The Treasurer was also requested to take such steps as he deemed necessary, to collect the monies due the Synod fund from congregations within the bounds.

### REPORT ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Mr. R. N. Grant, as Convener of the Committee on Sabbath Observance, gave in the report.

It was moved by Mr. D. D. McLeod, seconded by Mr. J. Gordon, Receive and adopt the report with its recommendations, and thank the committee, and especially the convener for their diligence; the Synod express regret that the report has still to deplore continued attempts to introduce various forms of Sabbath desecration, and approve of the efforts made by the brethren mentioned in the report on behalf of the better observance of the Lord's day.