

fideliſy and diligence in carrying out the diſcipline of the Church, againſt thoſe who continue in the liquor traffic wherever evil conſequences to morality are clearly traced to it.

The committee was then re-appointed and their expenſes ordered to be paid.

Report of Com.  
on Sabbath  
obſervance

The Rev. R. S. Patterson read the report of the Committee on Sabbath Obſervance, expoſing prevalent evils, and ſhewing that the proceedings initiated in this Synod laſt year, in reference to the military muſic in the ſtreets of Halifax, had reſulted in a united application from the Proteſtant miniſters and leading laymen of Halifax, to Major-General Sir Charles Haſtings Doyle, which had been favourably received and the practice diſcontinued.

Thanks to Sir  
C. H. Doyle

Agreed, that the Clerk of Synod convey to Major-General Doyle, the cordial thanks of this Synod, for his prompt reſponſe to the application of the Chriſtian community.

Saturday mar-  
ket at Char-  
lottetown

It was further agreed, that the committee be authorized in the name of this Synod, to make a ſtrong representation to the City Council at Charlottetown, againſt the continuance of the Saturday market in Charlottetown, as leading to much Sabbath deſecration.

£10 to Mrs.  
Blackwood

An application was made by Dr. Smith, for the ſum of ten pounds, ſtill due to Mrs. Blackwood, the widow of the late Rev. R. Blackwood, for arrears of ſtipend. Agreed that the money be paid.

Vote to Mrs.  
Miller

Agreed that £7 10s. be paid from the Board of Home Miſſions, to Mrs. Miller of Mabou, widow of the late Rev. Wm. Miller.

Systematic giv-  
ing

The Rev. Wm. Murray read the report of the Committee on Systematic giving, ſubmitting a plan for ſecuring regular monthly contributions of all office bearers, members and adherents of this Church. The report was received and the diligence of the committee approved. The committee was re-appointed and directed after reviſion to publiſh their ſcheme in the *Record*; and though the Synod, for want of time for diſcuſſion, cannot at preſent give it their formal ſanction, yet they deſire the committee to keep it before the Church during the year.

Synodical re-  
mits

Rev. G. Walker reported as Convener of committee to examine the remits of Synod, that on the Statistical Questions no reports had been received—that on the ſubject of Questions to be put at Preſbyterial Viſitation, various changes were propoſed both by Preſbyteries and Sessions. Agreed, that the Statistical Questions be adopted, with the addition of a column for expenſes in Church building, another for preaching ſtations.

On motion, agreed that the conſideration of the reports of Preſbyteries and Sessions, on queſtions for Preſbyterial Viſitation, on the mode of ordination of elders and of deacons, and on formulas for the licensing of preachers, and ordination of preachers, elders and deacons, be poſtpoſed till next meeting of Synod.

Prof. Smith's  
pulpit

Agreed, that Profeſſor Smith's pulpit be ſupplied as laſt year.

Repts. of Coms.  
on Minutes

Reports of the committees appointed to examine the minutes of the Preſbyteries of Halifax, Truro, Prince Edward Iſland, Richmond, Cape Breton, Victoria, Pictou, and Tatamagouche, were ſubmitted, from which it appeared that while there were ſome inaccuracies in nearly all the Records, yet minutes generally were kept with accuracy and buſineſs regularly conducted.

Boards

The report of the committee to examine the minutes of Boards was ſubmitted, ſhewing that minutes of proceedings are regularly kept.