

The report was received and the diligence of the Board approved. Report received
The attention of Synod having been called to the expression of the Board's strong disapproval of the conduct of the missionaries in asking the interference of British power to punish offences of natives of Tana and Erromanga, the following resolution, moved by Rev. T. Downie, and seconded by Rev. D. McMillan, was agreed to:—"That in reviewing the report, the Synod do not, in the meantime, express concurrence in the opinions contained in it, regarding the conduct of the missionaries, in invoking the interference of the civil power, as the Synod are not in possession of all the facts of the case, so as to enable them to pronounce a deliverance upon it."

It was agreed that the thanks of Synod be expressed to the British and Foreign Bible Society, for their liberality and kindness in defraying the expense of the publication of the book of Psalms, as well as for other acts of a similar kind. Thanks to Bible Society.

On motion it was agreed that the Board be authorized to bear one-fourth of the expense incurred in the maintenance of the *Dayspring*, the money to be drawn from the special fund raised in support of that vessel, and any balance required to be drawn from the general fund. Support of Dayspring.

Took up the question of engaging other missionaries, when it was agreed that the Board be authorized to engage other missionaries, regard being had to the resolution of Synod of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces last year, as to the care and caution to be exercised in the selection of agents. Rev. A. Ross of Pictou, and Rev. J. Waddell, asked to be relieved from their position as members of the Board. Their request was granted. The Board was re-appointed, with the addition of Rev. Neil McKay, and Rev. Mr. Stirling, with power to add to their numbers. Additional Missionaries.
The sederunt closed with prayer.

THIRD SEDERUNT.

Same Day and Place, 3 o'clock, P.M.

The synod met and was constituted by the moderator, when the minutes of last sederunt were read and corrected.

Moved by Rev. G. Christie and seconded by Rev. Wm. Murray and agreed, "That the synod are of opinion that an agent for the schemes of the church is desirable, and that steps should be taken to secure the services of such an agent." General agency

It was also agreed—"That a committee be appointed to define the duties of such an agent, and to ascertain the practicability of obtaining the services of the Rev. P. G. McGregor for this purpose, and on what terms."

Rev. Messrs. Christie, J. Cameron, W. Murray, Alves, Dr. Hattie and H. B. Webster, Esq., were appointed said committee.

Moved by Rev. Wm. Murray and seconded by Rev. Donald McKenzie,—"That the synod appoint a committee to correspond and co-operate with a committee of the synod of Nova Scotia in connection with the church of Scotland on matters of common interest; and that they be also authorized to correspond with any committee of a similar character, which may be appointed by the synod of New Brunswick in connexion with the same body." Committee of Correspondence.