

Clerk, Dr. Donald, Dr. Henderson with James Miller, and Roderick M'Leod, Esqs., a Committee on Bills and Overtures, instructing them to meet to-morrow at half past 9 o'clock, A. M.; and all Papers intended to come before the Synod, were ordered to be given in to the said Committee.

It was agreed that, during the present Session, the Synod should meet daily at 10 o'clock, A. M.; and that there should be an interval each day, from half past one to three o'clock.

The Synod authorized Presbyteries to meet on the summons of their respective Moderators, at any time while the Synod is assembled, when it is not actually in Session.

The Synod called for the Records of Presbyteries, which were produced; and Committees appointed to examine the same.

The Synod resolved that, in accordance with their usual practice, some portion of time each day during the Session, before commencing business, should be spent in devotional exercises, and appointed Mr. Wells, Mr. James A. Murray, Mr. Mackie, and Mr. Keay, to conduct the same.

The Synod then adjourned till to-morrow.—Closed with the Benediction.

DIET II.

At St. James's Church, Newcastle, 14th August, 1862 :

Which day the Synod met, pursuant to adjournment. Sederunt as yesterday, with the addition of Mr. James Miller.

Some time was spent in devotional exercises, consisting of praise, reading of the Scriptures, and prayer; which services were conducted by the Rev. John Wells, A. M.

The Synod was then constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and sustained.

The Clerk, in name of the Committee on Bills and Overtures, reported that they had met this morning, according to instructions, and that two Overtures had been laid before them, brought up from the Presbytery of Restigouche, the titles of which were read, and which the Synod resolved to take up in due course.

Mr. M'Lardy handed in a communication from John Paton, Esq., of Kingston, Canada on the subject of the Orphanage Scheme; and another from the Rev. Geo. M. Grant, of Nova Scotia, on the subject of the Monthly Record; both of which the Synod resolved to take up at a subsequent time.

Dr. Donald proposed that the thanks of the Synod should be given to Mr. M'Lardy, the retiring Moderator, for the very excellent and appropriate Sermon delivered by him yesterday, at the opening of the Synod, and that Mr. M'Lardy be requested to prepare the same, to be printed in the Monthly Record. The thanks of the Synod were then conveyed

to Mr. M'Lardy, from the Chair, and he consented to prepare his Sermon for appearing in the Record, as desired.

Mr. Keay moved that the Synod congratulate Dr. Henderson on his having the Degree of Doctor in Divinity conferred on him by the Senatus of Queen's College, Canada. The congratulations of the Synod were conveyed to Dr. Henderson from the Chair, and he duly acknowledged the same.

Dr. Henderson proposed that, as Mr. Donald M'Naughton, an Elder in connexion with St. Stephen's Church, Glenelg, was now present, though not holding a Commission, he should be admitted *ex gratia*, as a Member of Synod, and invited to take his seat, and to deliberate and vote accordingly. Unanimously agreed to.

Apologies were received on behalf of Mr. Ross, Mr. W. Murray, and Mr. Kidd, for their absence from Synod on this occasion,—

Whereupon the Synod, while deeply regretting that they have been deprived of the counsel and assistance of the Members now named, and expressing their earnest desire that all Ministers should consider themselves under a very solemn obligation to attend the Church Courts, agreed to sustain the reasons assigned.

The Synod then made the following appointments for preaching on Sabbath:—

St. James's Church, Newcastle—Morning : Rev. John Wells; Evening : Rev. H. J. M'Lardy.

St. Andrew's Church, Chatham—Morning : Rev. James A. Murray; Afternoon : Rev. John Wells.

Douglastown—Evening : Rev. Peter Keay. Redbank—Morning : Rev. Dr. Brooke.

Whitney Settlement—Afternoon ; Rev. Dr. Brooke.

St. Stephen's Black River—Rev. James Mackie.

On motion of Dr. Donald, the Moderator, Dr. Henderson, and Mr. M'Lardy, were appointed a Committee to revise the Minutes of Synod before they are engrossed.

At this stage of the proceedings the Rev. James Steven, and William Napier, Esq., entered and took their seats.

Dr. Donald, Convener of the Committee on the Jewish and Foreign Missions, gave in the Report for last year, which was received, ordered to be kept *in retentis*, and to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes.

Dr. Donald moved that 1,000 copies of the Minutes of Synod, and other papers connected with the business thereof, be printed this year, to be sent to the different Ministers, for circulation among the people of their respective Congregations.

The Moderator requested permission to leave the Chair, which was taken by Mr. M'Lardy, whereupon he moved as an amendment, that, instead of the Minutes being printed in a separate form, the Clerk should