

the Head of the Church, for the extension and success of their missionary operations at home, and while they lament the difficulties which have occurred in their foreign field, rejoice with them in the favourable aspects, in many respects, presented by their mission to the island of Aneiteum: and lastly, they desire most cordially to reciprocate the sympathies and fraternal regards of the Church in Nova Scotia.

Instructed the Clerk to furnish a copy of the said letter to the Editor of the *Canadian Presbyterian Magazine*, with the request of Synod that it be published in that periodical.

The Committee formerly appointed to correspond with the Churches in Jamaica and Nova Scotia, consisting of Messrs. Thornton, Jennings, and Dick, were re-appointed, and were instructed to prepare letters to be transmitted to copies of the communications to the Synod at its next meeting.—Mr. Fraser was added to the Committee.

Called for the Reports of Presbyteries on the inspection of Students of Theology under their care.

The Presbytery of Toronto reported as follows, viz:—

In compliance with the Resolution of Synod respecting the inspection of Students, the Toronto Presbytery report that at their regular meeting in August last, they agreed "that part of the business at each regular meeting shall be the examination of, and hearing exercises from, those Students that may be under their inspection." In accordance with this resolution they had at three meetings examined and heard exercises from Messrs. McDonald and Dunbar. Also they had at the same meeting in August, appointed a Committee to meet with the Students at least once during the intervals of meetings of Presbytery, to examine the Students on part of the exercises prescribed by the Presbytery; this committee had also met three times with the students, and had examined them as directed.

JAMES DICK, P. C.

In consequence of the absence of the Clerk of the Presbytery of Flamboro', their report was not in readiness to be presented.

The Presbytery of Durham reported that they had under their charge during the past year, the three following students: Gilbert Tweedie, John G. Carruthers, and John Fotheringhame, and that they had frequently met with them at regular intervals, and examined them both extensively and thoroughly in the subjects assigned, and that their proficiency had been alike creditable to themselves and gratifying to the Presbytery.

R. H. THORNTON, P. C.

The Presbyteries of London, Canada East, Lanark, and Wellington, had not had any Students under their inspection.

Read and received an Overture from the Presbytery of Wellington of the following tenor, viz:—

ERANOSA, 9th March, 1852.

The Presbytery of Wellington met and was constituted, *inter alia*. Came up for consideration the propriety and present duty of drawing up