

The Synod having expressed gratitude at the reception of this letter, the Rev. Professors King and Ross were appointed to prepare a reply, to be signed by the Moderator and Clerk.

Report of Com. on Widows The report of the committee to prepare a scheme of support for the widows and orphans of Ministers, was read by the Rev. J. Stewart, from which it appeared that owing to want of information and the local separation of the committee, nothing of consequence had been done. The committee was discharged, and it was agreed that another be appointed, with instructions to report during the present Synodical Session. Rev. Messrs. Bayne, Stewart, Blair, A. Sutherland, G. Sutherland, G. Patterson and Dr. Murray, were appointed. Mr. Bayne, Convener.

Report of Com. on forms of procedure The Rev. G. Patterson then read the report of the Committee on rules and forms of procedure. The report gave an outline of the course pursued in preparing a work for publication, adapted to the wants of this Church, and recommended the appointment of a second committee, to review their work prior to the publication of a small edition to be used as *ad interim* rules, until sanctioned finally by Synod. The report was received and the diligence of the committee approved. The Synod re-appointed the Board, approved of their proposals for prosecuting the work, and direct the different Boards to prepare, as requested, a written statement of their rules and modes of doing business. Closed with prayer.

NINTH SEDERUNT.

Same Day and Place, half-past 7 o'clock, P. M.

The Synod met, and was constituted by prayer by the Moderator, after which one half hour was spent in devotional exercises, the Moderator having been followed in prayer by Rev. Dr. Smith, with praise and the reading of the Word. Read and corrected the minutes of last sederunt.

Dr. Forrester's address Rev. Dr. Forrester then addressed the Synod on the subject of Common School Education.

Thanks It was moved by the Rev. James Bayne, seconded by the Rev. Wm. Duff, and agreed, "That the thanks of this Synod be tendered to the Rev. Dr. Forrester for his able and eloquent address," which was done accordingly.

Com. on Common School Education A committee consisting of the Rev. Dr. Smith, Rev. Messrs. Bayne, McKnight, Ross, (Pictou) William Murray, and Dr. Murray were appointed to consider the suggestions made by Dr. Forrester, and report in reference to them at a future sederunt. Closed with prayer.

TENTH SEDERUNT.

Same Place, June 28th, 10 o'clock, A. M.

The Synod met, and was constituted by the Moderator, when the minutes of last sederunt were read and approved.

Com. on expenses of travelling The Rev. Messrs. Duff, Walker, J. Stewart, and Mr. Robert Robertson, ruling elder, were appointed a committee to ascertain travelling ex-