

the Rev. J. F. Forbes, Convener, Rev. Donald McDonald, and Mr. Robert Murray, Elder, be appointed as a deputation from the General Assembly to meet with the Presbytery of Sydney and the congregation of Mira, with a view to carry out the recommendation made by the Synod of the Maritime Provinces in 1888, and to deal with the other financial matters related thereto contained in the reference.

“PRESBYTERIAN RECORD.”

Dr. Warden, on behalf of the Committee on the *Presbyterian Record*, submitted the Report of the Committee, which stated that there has been a most gratifying increase in the circulation of the *Record*, that the financial condition of the enterprise is satisfactory, and that the Committee has been enabled to supply the *Record* at a reduced rate to the Mission Stations; Also, that the circulation of the *Illustrated Magazine and Children's Record* had now reached a total of eighteen thousand (18,000) copies. The report further expresses the deep regret felt in view of the proposed retirement of Mr. Croil from the editorship, and recognizes the high value to the Church of the services of Mr. Croil and his co-editor, Mr. R. Murray. Mr. Warden also made explanations as to the proposed arrangements for the future conduct of the *Record* and *Children's Record*.

It was moved by Dr. Cochrane, seconded by Mr. Dickson, and agreed:—That the Report be received and adopted; and that the recommendation of the Committee be approved to present Mr. James Croil, the Editor, with the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) out of the balance now in hand, as a slight token of the high esteem in which his long and faithful labours are held by the General Assembly.

On motion of Dr. Warden, seconded by Professor Gregg, it was further agreed,—That the Rev. Robert Murray, of Halifax, be appointed Editor and Business Manager, as successor to Mr. James Croil, at Montreal, of the *Presbyterian Record*, and also of the *Illustrated Magazine and Children's Record*, on and after the first of January next, the salary, etc., to be arranged by the Committee on the *Record*.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The Assembly called for the Report of the Committee on Temperance. The report was submitted by Mr. D. Stiles Fraser, who dwelt at some length on the encouraging features of the temperance movement, and the steps taken to petition Parliament in favour of the enactment of a prohibitory law for the whole Dominion. On motion of Mr. E. Cockburn, seconded by Mr. Walter Paul, the report of the Committee was received, the thanks of the Assembly tendered to the Committee, especially to the Convener, and it was agreed to consider the resolutions contained in the report *seriatim*.

COMMITTEE ON LOYAL ADDRESSES TO RETIRE.

At the request of the Convener, Mr. Herridge, the Committee on Loyal Addresses was permitted to retire for business.

EXTENSION OF TIME.

The hour appointed for the consideration of the unfinished business from the Foreign Mission Committee having arrived, it was agreed to extend the time for the consideration of the Report on Temperance fifteen minutes.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE RESUMED.

The Deputation representing the Dominion Alliance, which the Assembly had appointed to hear in connection with the Report on Temperance, not being present, the Assembly proceeded to consider the resolutions of the report.