

of this mission, and pressing upon them the urgent necessity for sending out more missionaries.

11. That this Synod, after due consultation, being unanimously of opinion that a medical missionary is much needed in this group, and having learned that a young man in Nova Scotia connected with the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces of British North America, possessing the required qualifications, and desirous of being engaged in the foreign field, is near the close of his course of study, resolves to make an urgent appeal to said Church, to secure, if possible, and as soon as possible the services of that young man for this mission. And failing in this, that in accordance with the suggestion of Rev. Dr. Steel, Sydney, this Synod authorizes Mr. Inglis, who is about to return to Scotland to apply to the Edinburgh Medical Missionary Society for a missionary for this group, and that Mr. Inglis fully make known the character of the field and work, and the duties expected of such a missionary.

12. That the Dayspring take her departure from Anelgahat on the 7th of June, call at every mission station on her way north as far as Nguna, do whatever business is required to be done, take on board a teacher and his wife at Nguna, land them at Mare, and proceed to Aneityum.

That as soon thereafter as practicable the Dayspring shall proceed on her second voyage, calling at all the mission stations as far as Santo, both in going and returning; and take her departure from Aneityum for Sydney, say about the 13th of August.

That on her return from Sydney, say about the 25th of September, as soon as practicable, she proceed north as far as Nguna, calling at every station, landing passengers, goods, and mails; afterwards, she shall spend from one to two weeks visiting islands to the north of Efate, under the direction of Messrs Milne and McKenzie, and the same length of time on her return voyage, visiting round Erromanga, under the direction of Mr. Robertson, and a similar length of time visiting round Tanna, under the direction of Messrs. Neilson and Watt. She shall call at the other stations on her way south, and reach Aneityum, say about the 25th November. On her last voyage she shall call at Mare for two teachers; thence she shall proceed direct to Nguna, and leave that island not sooner than the 1st December, and on her return voyage call at every mission station for mails and passengers, making no delays and take her departure from Anelgahat for the colonies, not sooner than the 15th of December.

13. Mr. Inglis asked permission for him-

self and Mrs. Inglis to accompany the Dayspring in her second voyage round the Islands, and that he may be allowed to detain the vessel twenty-four hours at each mission station, either in going or returning, as he may find it to be most suitable for his purpose, so that in his leaving the mission this year he may return home with as full and accurate knowledge of the state mission as he can possibly obtain.

14. It was recommended to the mission ship Board in Sydney, that the Dayspring, after calling at Sydney at the end of this year, proceed thence to Melbourne, Launceston, Hobart Town, and Adelaide, for exhibition.

That from Adelaide she shall proceed to Sydney for supplies, and take her departure thence not later than the 1st of April, 1876, for Nguna, calling at Port Resolution, Tanna, to land Mr. and Mrs. Neilson.

That leaving Nguna, she call at all the stations as far as Aneityum on her way south, landing mails and supplies; thence to return to Nguna, collecting on her way the missionaries for the annual meeting of Synod.

15. The overture brought in by Mr. Inglis last year, and left over for further consideration till this year, urging that permission be granted to use the liquor of the cocoanut in the Lord's Supper, instead of the ordinary wines, as is done by many missionaries in the South Seas, was taken up and fully considered, when the Synod decided that it was in expedient to sanction any change at present.

16. Mr. Macdonald having requested permission to get printed in Sydney, at the expense of the British and Foreign Bible Society, a translation of the Gospel by Luke, which he has executed in Efatese, it was recommended to hold over and revise this translation for another year, and in the meantime to endeavor to get printed by Mr. Watt, a small book of parables, or Scripture extracts.

17. It was enjoined upon the brethren on Efate and Mr. Milne on Nguna, that they should meet at least four times during the year, for the purpose of settling matters connected with the alphabet and orthography and grammar, and consult with each other on all points necessary to translations and dialects.

13. The Synod having heard reports from all its members on the labour traffic, is gratified to learn that Commodore Goodenough has taken such efficient measures for putting a stop to the inter-island traffic, and has carried out the letter and spirit of the Kidnapping Act so thoroughly, nevertheless urges upon its members continued watchfulness as to the operation and results of this traffic, and enjoins each of them to report any irregu-