

## NEXT MEETING OF SYNOD.

On motion of Dr. Cochrane, it was unanimously agreed to hold the next meeting of Synod at Saint Catharines, and within Knox Church there, on the second Tuesday of April, 1880, at half past seven o'clock.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE OVERTURE ANENT THE HOME MISSION FUND.

Mr. Burson gave in the report of the Committee, on the Overture anent the Home Mission Fund. Mr. Burson moved, duly seconded, that the report be adopted. Mr. Wilkins moved an amendment, seconded by Mr. J. Thompson, that the subject be recommitted to the Committee with instructions to suggest what steps may be taken to meet present difficulties.

The motion and amendment having been put to the vote, the amendment was carried by a majority, and the report thus recommitted.

The Synod then adjourned to meet again at half-past seven o'clock, p.m., and was closed by the Moderator pronouncing the benediction.

## FOURTH Sederunt.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, LONDON,

April 9th, half-past seven o'clock, p. m.

The Synod again met pursuant to adjournment and was duly constituted, the Moderator and Mr. McQuarrie, engaging in devotional exercises.

The minutes of last Sederunt were read and sustained.

## REGISTRATION ACT.

The Clerk read the report of the Committee appointed to confer with the Premier of Ontario, in reference to the Registration Act, which is as follows:

"The Committee appointed to confer with the Premier of the Ontario Government in reference to the Registration Act, beg leave to report that in accordance with the instruction of Synod, one of the Committee, in company with a deputation from the Synod of Kingston and Toronto, waited on the Government. They were courteously received, and their representations were patiently considered. It was admitted that a grievance existed, and a promise was given, that as far as possible, a remedy would be applied.

In due course an Act was passed by the Legislature amending that of 1876. A copy of this Act is herewith submitted. By this Act any person officiating at a funeral without a certificate from the Registrar, is required to notify the Registrar that he has done so, and after such notification, he shall not be liable to prosecution under the act of 1876."

JOHN LAING,  
ROBERT HAMILTON,  
WM. COCHRANE.

London, Ont., April 9th, 1878.

It was moved, seconded, and unanimously agreed, that the report be accepted—the thanks of the Synod tendered to the Committee for their diligence, and the Committee be re-appointed with the addition of the Moderator, with