

THE COMMITTEE ON SUPPLEMENTING.

Met in Halifax, April 22d. Present Revs. T. Sodgewick, Dr. McGregor, E. A. McCurdy, E. Smith, J. Sinclair, J. H. Chase, J. Hogg and E. Scott, Rev. Messrs. Laing and Henry being present were asked to assist.

Reports were received from deputies appointed to bring the Augmentation scheme before the presbyteries of Sydney, Victoria and Richmond, Pictou, Truro, Halifax, Lunenburg and Shelburne, Wallace, St. John and indirectly from Miramichi and P. E. I., and all were to the effect that the object was highly approved and cordially recommended, and that steps were taken to appeal to the congregations in its behalf.

The applications from several of the Presbyteries not being forwarded the committee were obliged to defer the matter of grants until their meeting in Truro on the last Wednesday of July at 11 a. m., prior to which all applications from Presbyteries for aid to congregation must be on their table.

The subject of uniting the Augmentation Funds of the Eastern and Western sections came up incidentally, and it was thought desirable before bringing any proposal before the Assembly, to have the subject fully considered in Synod, so that the mind of the church in the Maritime Provinces may be ascertained.

A letter of thanks from the congregation of Spring Hill was read, with notice that they would ask no further aid. The Committee directed their Secretary to express their gratification to the congregation.

The secretary informed the committee that the executors of the late Alex. McLeod had paid over \$2000 for Home Mission work which was now on deposit awaiting the determination of the Home and Supplementing Committee as to its application. Agreed to wait for the opinion action of the other Committee.

THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Met in the vestry of United Church on May 7th. Present Messrs. A. McLean, Dr. Macgregor, D. B. Blair, E. A. McCurdy, A. Mc. L. Sinclair, E. Scott, and J. L. George, ministers, with Dr. Patterson, corresponding; and Messrs. John Miller and Andrew Walker, elders. The first matter taken up was application for the Demerara Mission. Provision has been made for the support of two missionaries in that field, one by a large estate owner, Mr Crum Ewing, the other to be supported in part by the western section of the church. Several applications were received but the committee did not see its way clear to any appointment.

The question of uniting Funds and Committees, East and West, laid over from last meeting, was considered and the following resolution unanimously adopted.

"In regard to the management of our Foreign Mission Work under one Committee. It is the opinion of the Board that no action should be taken until the matter be fully considered by the Maritime Synod.

The Committee appointed to consider, by request of Mr. Robertson, the question of travelling expenses of missionaries from the South Seas, and the allowance to be paid to the children when sent away from home for their education, reported as follows:

1. That in addition to ten pounds paid for each child from birth, ten pounds be paid from the time the children are sent away to school.
2. That in the matter of travelling expenses, no change be made from the present arrangement, which is, the Board pay half the travelling expenses, and pay during furlough one hundred and fifty pounds per annum. The Report was received and adopted.

Letters were read from Rev. Dr. Steel stating that the land which it was reported was sold to the French in Iririki by the agent of captain