

SESSION VI.

KINGSTON, FRIDAY, *June 11th*, 1852.
Ten o'clock, a. m.

The Synod met and was constituted.

After devotional exercises, the minutes of last diet were read and sustained.

On motion made and seconded, it was unanimously resolved, that the Synod having reason to believe that Dr. Willis, Professor of Theology, in Knox's College, will be in Britain during the next month, do unite in cordially requesting him, that, if in accordance with his arrangements and convenience, he would attend the Annual Meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, and that if he can comply with this request, the Synod, through its Moderator and Clerks, furnish him with a commission, authorizing him to represent this Synod before that Assembly, and to communicate to the Church in Ireland, such information respecting the religious state of Canada, and the want of ministerial laborers, as he may think best calculated to promote her co-operation with this Church, in extending the blessings and privileges of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ throughout the Province.

The Synod took up an Overture from the Presbytery of Montreal, on the subject of a Book of Discipline. At the same time the Synod called for the Report of the Committee appointed to prepare such book. No report was given.

The Synod, impressed with a sense of the importance of having such a Directory, appointed Dr. Willis, in connection with Mr. Smellie, to prepare such a book, to be submitted to the Synod at its next meeting.

Application was made to the Synod by the Presbytery of Hamilton, for leave to take on trials for license, Mr. W. McLaren, Student of Divinity. The Synod granted leave.

Application was made to the Synod by the Presbytery of London, for leave to take on trials for license, Mr. Andrew Tolmie, Student of Divinity. The Synod granted leave.

Application was made to the Synod by the Presbytery of Perth, to take on trials for license, Mr. George Wardrope, Student of Divinity. The Synod granted leave.

Application was made to the Synod by the Presbytery of Cobourg, for leave to receive, as a minister of this Church, Mr. D. McAleese, formerly connected with the Reformed Presbyterian Church in the United States.

The Synod, in an orderly manner, received Mr. M.

Dr. Burns, in the presence of Mr. Clark and others, had conferred with the Synod, and had referred to them his resignation of the office of Moderator of the Synod.

The Synod sustained the resignation of the Presbytery of Montreal.

Dr. Burns gave notice of the resignation of Mr. Rintoul.

Synod :—

The members of the Synod, in the sudden and lamentable death of Mr. Rintoul, desire to record their grief, and commend them to the grace of God, so painful the sovereign will be to spare the life of the faithful; and now the responsibility, and now the larger measure to be discharged his duties.

The members of the Synod, in the period of their intercourse, been set on his character, their high estimate of his worth, and the soundness of his judgment, was sound, and endeared him unto all, and in this colony, he was a man of high character, and biblical department, for the benefit of the Synod, his assiduity, and his fidelity, he was ever ready to serve, and Christian brother, and they were ever more.

The Synod authorized the members to give notice to the family of Mr. Rintoul, of St. Gabriel Street.

The Synod then proceeded to the consideration of the report of the Widows' and Orphanage Committee, and read by Mr. Rintoul.

On motion made, the Synod adopted the report, and tendered the thanks of the Synod and Committee, for the important matter entrusted to them.

It was also agreed, that Mr. Burns and others, who