

tending the erection of the comfortable Church and Manse there. The closing years of his life were spent in well-earned rest and retirement in the City of Nanaimo, where, until the end, the Presbytery and Congregation of which he was a member, enjoyed the benefit of his Christian influence and wise counsel.

The Synod desires to extend to the widow and other relatives of our departed brother, its sincere condolence in their loss.

The report of the Presbytery of Calgary re Mr. Simons was presented in the form of a memorial to the General Assembly, asking permission to take Mr. W. Simons on trial for license on his present Theological Standing, he having completed his second year in Theology.

On motion of Mr. D. McRae, seconded by Mr. D. Gandier, it was agreed to transmit the memorial to the General Assembly, and also to recommend to the Presbytery of Calgary that Mr. Simons be relieved of his present Mission field, and be permitted to attend the approaching Summer Session of the College.

The Moderator appointed as a Printing Committee, the Clerk of Synod, Convener, Messrs. E. D. MacLaren and Geo. A. Wilson.

The Moderator then called for the report of the Committee on Church Life and Work, which, in the absence of the Convener, Mr. J. A. Jaffray, was presented and read by Mr. A. Forbes.

On motion of Mr. Chas. McKillop, seconded by Mr. W. L. Clay, it was agreed that the report be received and its recommendations considered *seriatim*.

The recommendations are :

1. That Synod directs its ministers and missionaries to preach special sermons at least once during the year on Sabbath Observance, Temperance and Religion in the Home, and urges that increasing effort be made to promote these great ends and to permeate business and social life with the spirit of the Gospel of Christ.

2. That ministers and missionaries give at suitable times the fullest information respecting the enterprises of our Church, and commend these warmly to the liberality of our people.

The recommendations were adopted.

The matter of the Superintendence of Home Missions was introduced by Mr. D. G. McQueen, who presented the following motion, which was seconded by Dr. Campbell and adopted :

Whereas, in view of the reduction of Dr. Robertson's labors as Superintendent of Missions, and the General Assembly has instructed the Synods of Manitoba and British Columbia to consider whether any additional work of superintendence would be indispensable or advantageous in the development of their Home Mission fields; this Synod expresses its strong conviction, that if the right man can be secured, such additional superintendence would be most advantageous to the work, and that pending the appointment of such a person, the Conveners of the Presbyteries Home Mission Committees be requested to give more time to the work of visiting Mission fields; and to enable them to do this, that suitable supply for their pulpits be provided by the General Assembly.

Regarding the first recommendation of the Sabbath School Committee's report, the following resolution moved by Mr. E. G. Perry, seconded by the Clerk was adopted :

Whereas, it is desirable that an Assistant-Superintendent be appointed to oversee Home Mission work within the bounds of this Synod,