

INVITATION, ORPHANS' HOME.

There was also read a communication from the Ladies of the Orphans' Home, through their Corresponding Secretary, extending an invitation to the members of Assembly to visit the Home.

The Assembly then adjourned, to meet again to-morrow morning at half-past nine o'clock, of which public intimation was given, and the Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

FOURTH SEDERUNT.

At the City of Kingston, and within St. Andrew's Church, there, Friday, the twelfth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, at half-past nine o'clock in the forenoon:—

The General Assembly met pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted with devotional exercises, prayer being offered, at the request of the Moderator, by Mr. Thomas Sedgwick.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

COMMITTEE ON BILLS—SECOND REPORT.

Dr. Torrance presented the Second Report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures, recommending an Order of Business for to-day and to-morrow morning. On motion, the Report was received, and the Order of Business contained therein adopted.

COMMITTEE ON APPLICATIONS FOR STUDENTS—ADDITIONS.

At the request of Mr. Thomas Sedgwick, Convener of the Committee on Applications from Presbyteries on behalf of Students, Principal McKnight, Professor Scrimger and Mr. Hugh McKenzie were added to the Committee.

HOME MISSIONS RESUMED.

The Assembly resumed consideration of the resolution of Dr. Warden, in reference to the Report of the Home Mission Committee (Western Section), interrupted by the adjournment last night.

It was agreed to divide the resolution, and the first clause was unanimously adopted.

Dr. R. Campbell moved, seconded by Mr. John Somerville, That the second clause be amended by the following addition thereto, viz.: "And in view of the serious position of their finances, instructs the Augmentation Committee to make a reduction, in October, on the following scale, viz.: In congregations in Quebec and Ontario, of twenty dollars (\$20); in congregations in the North-West, and exceptional congregations in towns and cities, of thirty dollars (\$30); with similar reductions in March, if necessary."

After lengthened discussion the amendment was put to the House, and was lost by a large majority. The second clause was then adopted, with an addition as below, moved by Principal Caven, and duly seconded: "The Assembly requests its Moderator, at as early a date as may be convenient, to prepare a brief address to be read in all the congregations of the Church, and widely circulated by the Presbyteries, setting forth the great importance of the Augmentation Fund as a necessary part of the work of the Church, and entitled to the hearty support of all its congregations."

The third clause was, on motion of Dr. Warden, agreed to.