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MINUTES OF SYNOD, KINGSTON, TUESDAY, JULY 19, 1853. 31

Presbyteries were again enjoined, in terms of the minute of last year, without delay, to take such steps for securing the public property of the Church, within their bounds, as may be considered necessary.

Several of the Clergy Reserve Commissioners being present, the thanks of the Synod were publicly given to them, by the Moderator, for the ability, faithfulness, and diligence with which they have managed their important trust, for the benefit of the Church.

The Synod called for the Report of the Finance Committee, which was given in, and read, showing the amount paid in, towards the expenses of the Synod, and by what congregations. Accounts were directed to be paid; and all arrears due to the Fund, were ordered to be remitted to the Treasurer, without delay. On the suggestion of the Committee, the Synod agreed to recommend "that in all cases, the contribution from a congregation, with a settled Minister, be not less than One Pound, Currency; and that the sum of One Pound, Currency, be added to the amount assessed, on each Presbytery, for every congregation with a settled Minister, additional to the number of such congregations, when the present rate of minimum assessment was made." And, further, the Synod, finding from the Report of the Committee, that but few of the Ministers have paid the separate contribution, towards the expense of printing the older Records of the Synod, agreed to call their attention again to this important matter.

The Synod, having had their attention called to the circumstance, in connection with the Report of their Deputation to Scotland, to procure an additional number of Preachers, that several Ministers and Licentiates had been sent out to this country, from Scotland, during the past year, agreed to embrace the present opportunity, to express the feelings of deep gratitude they entertain towards the Church of Scotland, for the affectionate interest she has always taken in the well-being of the Church, in this Province,—for the exertions made by the Colonial Committee of the General Assembly, in regard to procuring and sending out Preachers,—and for their liberality in pecuniary grants for various purposes connected with the Church;—and at the same time, earnestly to request that there may be a continuance of the same.

The Synod appointed Mr. Alexander Spence, Moderator, and Mr. Andrew Bell, Clerk of Synod;—and from the Presbytery of Kingston, Dr. John Machar, Mr. Robert Neill, Professor Williamson, Professor Smith, Ministers; Mr. William Ferguson, Mr. George Davidson, Elders. From the Presbytery of Toronto, Mr. Peter Ferguson, Mr. James George, Mr. John Barclay, Mr. John Campbell, Ministers; Mr. Robert Hamilton, Mr. John Cameron, Elders;—from the Presbytery of Montreal, Dr. Alexander Mathieson, Mr. James C. Muir, Dr. John Cook, Mr. William Simpson, Mr. Robert McGill, Mr. Thomas Haig, Ministers; Mr. John Smith, Mr. John Thompson, Mr. Thomas A. Gibson, Elders;—from the Presbytery of Glengary, Mr. John McKenzie, Mr. Hugh Ur-