

the Rev. William Henderson, D. D., James Murray, Charles S. Ogg, A. M., James Kidd, A. M., James Murray, *ministers*, with William Scott, Elder, and the Hon. John Holmes, Corresponding Elder from the Synod of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.

Mr. Donald McNaughton, Elder from St. Stephen's Church, Glenelg, being present, though not holding a commission, it was moved that he be received *ex gratia*. The motion was unanimously agreed to, and his name was added to the Roll.

The Synod then proceeded to the election of a Moderator, for the ensuing year, when the Rev. John Wells, A. M., being nominated by the retiring Moderator, was unanimously chosen, but not being yet arrived, Mr. Murray continued to occupy the chair.

The minutes of the proceedings of Synod, during the several Diets held at St. John, in the month of August, last year, having been printed and sent to the respective members, were held as read, and were sustained.

The Synod appointed the Moderator, the Clerk, Mr. Ogg, Dr. Henderson, and Mr. Keay, a committee on Bills and Overtures, instructing them to meet to-morrow at half-past 9 A. M., and all papers intended to come before the Synod were ordered to be given in to the said committee, at that or a subsequent meeting.

It was agreed, that during the present session, the hours of meeting and daily recess should be as heretofore, and that the daily interval should be from one till half-past two o'clock.

The Synod authorised Presbyteries to meet, on the summons of their respective Moderators, at any time when the Synod is assembled, and when it is not actually in session.

The Synod called for the Records of Presbyteries, which were produced, and Mr. James Murray, Mr. Kidd, Mr. William Murray, Dr. Henderson, and the Hon. John Holmes, were appointed a committee to examine the same.

The Synod resolved that, in accordance with their usual practice, some portion of time, each day, during the session, should be spent in devotional exercises, and appointed the Rev. James Kidd to conduct the same to-morrow.

The Synod then adjourned till to-morrow at 10 o'clock, A. M., closing with the Benediction.

## SECOND DIET.

*At Chatham, and within St. Andrew's Church there, the seventh day of July, 1864.*

The which day the Synod met pursuant to adjournment. *Sederunt* as yesterday, with the addition of the Rev. Wm. Murray and Thomas Johnston, Elder.

Some portion of time was spent in devotional exercises, which services were conducted by the Rev. James Kidd.

The Synod was then constituted with prayer by the acting Moderator. The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and sustained.

The Synod having learned, with great regret, that the Rev. John Wells had met with a severe accident on his way to attend this meeting, and could not therefore be present, on motion of Dr. Henderson.

*Resolved*,—That the appointment of Mr. Wells as Moderator for the ensuing year be cancelled, and that the Rev. James Kidd be chosen to fill the chair.

The motion was unanimously agreed to, and Mr. Kidd took the chair accordingly.

On motion, the thanks of the Synod were given to Mr. James A. Murray from the chair, for the excellent sermon preached at the opening of this Synod.

The Clerk, in name of the Committee on Bills and Overtures, reported that they had met this morning according to instructions, and that one Overture had been laid before them, brought up from the Presbytery of St. John. The Overture was read, and the Synod resolved to take it up in due course.

On motion, the Moderator named Dr. Henderson, Mr. Ogg, and Mr. Wm. Murray, a Committee to revise the Minutes of Synod, before they be engrossed.

The Clerk moved that a Committee be appointed to make arrangements for printing the Minutes of Synod for this year. To which Mr. Ogg moved as an amendment,—

That an abstract of the Minutes of Synod be simply transmitted to the Editor of the *Monthly Record*, for the purpose of being printed in that periodical.

The amendment and motion were severally put from the chair, and an equal number voted for each. Whereupon the Moderator gave his casting vote in favor of the motion, and the Synod decided accordingly.

A Committee was, therefore, appointed in terms of the motion, consisting of the Clerk, Dr. Henderson, Mr. Keay, and Mr. Ogg.

Dr. Brooke moved that a Committee be appointed to prepare a tribute to the memory of the late Rev. James Steven of Restigouche to be inserted in their Minutes.

The motion was unanimously agreed to, and Dr. Brooke, Dr. Henderson, and Mr. James A. Murray were appointed accordingly.

The Synod took up the Overture from the Presbytery of St. John, which was as follows:

Whereas, by an order of Synod, all Ministers and Missionaries within their bounds are enjoined to deliver annually at the meeting of Synod, various statistics respecting the respective congregations; and whereas, compliance with this order has, of late years, been in many cases neglected:

It is, therefore, humbly overtured to the Rev. the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of New Brunswick, that they enjoin Presbyteries to call for such returns, and require