

(b) That notwithstanding the peculiar constitution of this Presbytery, it was recognized by the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces, both before and after the union of 1875, as having a qualified connection with that Synod.

(c) That this Presbytery has been similarly recognized by the General Assembly also, as having connection with the Presbyterian Church in Canada, in virtue of the fact that several of its ministerial members are missionaries of this Church, whose Presbyterian connection has been sanctioned by said Synod, previous to the union of 1875.

(d) The Committee, therefore, recommends that, notwithstanding the peculiarity in the constitution of the Presbytery of Trinidad in its relation to this Church, Mr. Grant, a minister of this Church, who has been commissioned to the General Assembly by said Presbytery of Trinidad, be allowed to have his name placed on the roll of the Assembly.

(e) With respect to the future, any representative to the Assembly by the Presbytery of Trinidad (or by any Presbytery similarly constituted) must be connected with this Church, and the Presbytery shall not be entitled to representation in the General Assembly beyond what is due to the number of its members who are in full communion with this Church.

(f) The General Assembly instructs the Foreign Mission Committee to consider the whole question of the relation of composite Presbyteries in the Mission Field, such as that of Trinidad, to the Home Church, with the view of determining questions as to representation, discipline, and other important matters necessarily involved, and to report to the General Assembly.

The report, on motion, was received, and, after reasoning, was adopted, and the Assembly decreed and ordered in terms thereof.

#### PRIMARY JURISDICTION.

There was taken up and read a Reference from the Synod of Manitoba and the North-West Territories, in relation to the primary jurisdiction over Students of Divinity engaged in Mission work, whether belonging to the Presbytery in whose bounds they may be employed, or to the Session of any congregation in which such Students may be communicants, and asking for action of the General Assembly in the premises, so that in any case calling for the exercise of discipline there may be no conflict of jurisdiction.

The Assembly received the Reference and agreed to remit the same for consideration to a Special Committee, to report at an early Sederunt.

#### CHURCH AND MANSE FUND.

The Assembly called for the report of the Committee on the Fund for the building of Churches and Manses in Manitoba and the North-West. The report was presented, in printed form, by Chief Justice Taylor, the chairman of the Board, who, at the same time, directed attention to the main points of the report and to the general management of the Fund, and the uses to which moneys had been put during the year in the erection of Buildings.