

A vote having been taken, the amendment was carried over the motion by 71 to 57. The Roll having been called, the main motion, thus amended, was carried by 84 to 62.

The Assembly adjourned to meet in this place this evening at half-past seven o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

TWENTIEH SEDERUNT.

In the same place and on the same day, at half-past seven o'clock in the evening:—

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted by the Moderator.

The Rev. James Ballantine led in prayer.

The Minutes of the Nineteenth Sederunt were read and sustained.

REPORT OF JUDICIAL COMMITTEE.

Dr. Topp, Convener of the Judicial Committee, presented a report in the causes:—

Dodds vs. the Presbytery of Lanark and Renfrew, Holliday vs. the Presbytery of Lanark and Renfrew. Parties were called. The report was read, bearing that by a majority of ten to seven the Committee had adopted the following finding, viz.:

"That the complaint and appeal be dismissed. At the same time the Assembly express the hope that in any further proceedings which may be taken in this matter the Presbytery will have careful regard to the maintenance of the peace of the congregation."

Messrs. Dodds and Holliday, having intimated non-acquiescence in the proposed finding, and having expressed a desire to be heard by the House, stated their case and presented their objections to the report of the Committee. Dr. Mann and Dr. Bain were heard for the Presbytery and Mr. Holliday in reply. Whereupon it was moved by Dr. Topp and seconded by Mr. J. Laing, That the report be received and adopted. It was moved in amendment by Mr. McMullen, and seconded by Mr. J. K. Blair, Find that the refusal of the Presbytery to reconsider a previous decision, in reference to which no new light had arisen, cannot be regarded a valid ground of protest and appeal, and therefore dismiss the same. At the same time, the Assembly regard the decision petitioned against as ill-advised and fitted, however unintentionally, to intensify division in the congregation, and therefore find that the appellants have so far cause of complaint. Further, the Assembly counsel all concerned to follow after the things which make for peace. A vote having been taken, the motion was carried over the amendment and the deliverance recommended in the report thus became the judgment of the Court. The decision was intimated to parties by the Moderator.

COMMUNICATION ANENT WALDENSIAN CHURCH.

The Clerk produced and read a communication from the Committee of the General Presbyterian Council appointed to provide means for increasing the salaries of the Pastors of the Waldensian Church in the valleys of Piedmont, Italy. Mr. Sprott, Delegate from the Church of Scotland, addressed the Assembly in support of the appeal made in this communication. It was moved by Dr. Topp, seconded by Dr. Burns and carried unanimously, That the Assembly express sympathy with the proposal submitted by the Continental Committee of the General Presbyterian Council as to the Waldensian Pastors, and commend the object to the favorable consideration of the members of the Church.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSION REPORTS.

Mr. R. H. Warden, Convener of the Committee appointed to prepare a deliverance