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Church. The roll having been called and the votes marked, the tellers reported the state of the vote to be, Motion 23, Amendment 31, No vote 6. The Amendment then became the judgment of the House, and the Moderator intimated accordingly.

MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.*

The twentieth annual Report of the Board of Managers of the Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund, together with the Treasurer's Financial Statements, was called for and read. On motion to that effect, the Synod unanimously resolved to receive these documents and refer them to a Committee, consisting of Mr. George Macdonnell, *Con- vener*, Messrs. David Watson, Thomson, Carmichael, Mann; Logie, Robert Thomson, and Sheriff Macdonald, with instructions to consider the various points embraced therein, and to report at an early Diet.

PRESENTATION TO MR. CROIL.

At the opening of the evening sederunt the Moderator, in the name of the Synod, presented a silver vase, a gold watch, and Family Bible to James Croil, Esq., Agent for the Schemes, in testimony of the laborious, disinterested, and highly efficient services which he had rendered to this Church during the years 1866 and 1867. Mr. Croil replied to the Moderator's address in suitable and feeling terms.

HYMN-BOOK.†

Mr. Nicol, Convener, gave in the Report of the Committee on preparation of a Hymn-Book, which was read. Whereupon it was moved by Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Robert Campbell, and unanimously agreed to, That the Synod receive the report; thank the Committee for their diligence; adopt the recommendations contained in the report; and commend the subject of the introduction of Hymns as well as Psalms to the attention of the Ministers and Sessions of our congregations.

THE SCHOLARSHIP AND BURSARY SCHEME.‡

The Report of the Committee on the Scholarship and Bursary Scheme, having been called for, was presented by Dr. Williamson, Convener, and read. After due deliberation on the merits of this Scheme, it was moved by Mr. George Bell, seconded by Mr. Croil, and unanimously agreed to, That the Synod receive the report; acknowledge with gratitude the increased liberality of congregations in behalf of the Scholarship and Bursary Fund, and especially the instances of munificent contribution by individual Christians which have occurred during the past year; reappoint the Committee; and record the hope that the claims of this important Scheme may continue to receive the support to which it is entitled.

*Appendix C.

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