

largely blessing, by increasing their liberality for that scheme; and we would desire to present our most earnest prayer to God for our beloved missionary and his partner in life, that they may be long spared, and abundantly blessed in their persons, in and in doing the work of the Lord in their sphere of labour."

The Rev. J. B. Logan, led the Synod in a prayer of thanksgiving to God for past success in the work of Foreign Missions.

The following recommendations of the Board were adopted:—

1. "That the terms of Mr. Morton's return be, that his salary be reduced during his absence, from £250 to £150—expenses to and from San Fernando to Nova Scotia, to be borne by the Board, and all contributions from congregations visited by Mr. Morton, to be paid into the funds of the Board."

2. "That the Synod approve of the action of the Board, in sanctioning the appointment of native agents, and assuming the pecuniary responsibility."

3. "That with the concurrence of the other missionaries, the Synod sanction the removal of Mr. Morton to Petit Morne, and the payment of house-rent with such expenses as this movement may render inevitable."

The following resolution moved by Rev. G. Patterson, and seconded by Rev. N. McKay, was adopted:—

"That the Synod having at its meeting in 1868, approved of Mr. Morton connecting himself with the Presbytery of Trinidad, find no occasion in the Revised Constitution of that Presbytery to reverse its former action."

Donation.

A letter was read, stating that the heirs of the late Archibald Smith, Esq., Newport, Hants County, had in accordance with a wish expressed shortly before his death, placed \$200 at the disposal of the Synod, for the schemes of the Church, to be divided as they see fit. Agreed that the thanks of the Synod be tendered to the heirs of Mr. Smith, and that a Committee, consisting of Dr. Bayne, and Rev. G. Patterson, with the Agent of the Church be appointed to appropriate the amount, and report to Synod. This Committee reported, and the report was adopted.

Ministerial Support.

Overtures for the Presbyteries of Truro and St. John on this subject were read and

ably supported. After a spirited discussion the following resolution, moved by Rev. E. Ross, was unanimously adopted:—

"That the Synod approve the object of the overtures, and appoint a Committee to consider the whole subject, with a view of determining how far the principle of the Sustentation Fund can be made available in this Church, and to prepare a scheme for its application to the circumstances of this country, (if it should be thought practicable at all), and report at the adjourned meeting of Synod."

The following Committee was appointed in terms of the above resolution:—

Rev. Messrs. E. Ross, A. L. Wyllie, R. Wilson, J. Bennett, Prof. McKnight, Geo. Patterson, J. K. Smith, T. Sedgwick, ministers, and Messrs. C. Robson, J. S. McLean, and J. F. Blanchard, elders.

Conference.

A delightful conference on the state of Religion was held in St. Matthew's Church on Saturday evening, by the two Synods. Mr. Pitblado presided, and addresses were delivered by Rev. Thomas Duncan, S. Gunn, N. McKay, P. Melville, and others.

Union.

This was one of the principal subjects before the Synod. Indeed, it seemed to overshadow all others. It was found that eight Presbyteries reported in favour of Union last year, and none against. On motion of Rev. J. K. Smith, seconded by Rev. James Sinclair, the following resolution passed unanimously:—

"That this Synod rejoices in the approval of the Remit on Union by all the Presbyteries of this Church which have reported, waive further consideration of it at present, and proceed to hear the delegates appointed by the General Assembly of the Canada Presbyterian Church, to inform us of the action of that Assembly on the subject of Union."

Commissions were then read in favour of the Revs. Dr. Topp and John McTavish, instructing these brethren to lay before this Synod the changes which had been made in the Basis of Union and the accompanying resolutions, and respectfully ask its concurrence in the same.

Extract minutes were also read from the Assembly of the Canada Presbyterian Church, and the Synod of the Presbyterian