

FOURTEENTH 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. Dr. Wardrope led in prayer.

The Minutes of the Thirteenth Sederunt were read and sustained.

THE LATE DR. SPENCE'S BEQUEST.

Dr. Patterson submitted a report regarding the bequest of the late Rev. Dr. Spence to the Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund, when it was moved by Dr. Patterson, seconded by Mr. Robert Campbell (Montreal) and passed unanimously, That the Managers of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund of the late Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland be authorized and empowered to receive from the Executors and Trustees of the late Rev. Dr. Spence the proceeds of the bequest made by the said Dr. Spence in favour of the Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund of the Presbyterian Church in Canada and to grant all necessary receipts and discharges therefor; the proceeds of the said bequest to be carried to and held on a separate account in trust, until the Widows' and Orphans' Fund of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, the formation of which was resolved upon by the General Assembly on June 20th, 1878, has been fully organized, and then paid over to the credit of the said last mentioned Fund.

REPORTS ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Assembly called for the Reports on Foreign Missions. That for the Western Section of the Church was presented by Professor McLaren, Convener, and that for the Eastern Section by Dr. McGregor, Secretary. After the Assembly had joined in singing a portion of the 19th Paraphrase, the Rev. Thomas Christie, Missionary to Trinidad, in Canada on leave of absence, addressed the House, giving interesting details of Mission work among the Coolies. It was moved by Dr. Jenkins, seconded by Principal Caven and passed unanimously, That the thanks of the Assembly be accorded to Mr. Christie for his presence and address. The Moderator conveyed to Mr. Christie the thanks of the House.

It was moved by Principal McVicar, seconded by Mr. John McKinnon and carried unanimously, That the reports be received and considered in the order in which they have been read and that the thanks of the Assembly be tendered to the Committees and especially to the Conveners. The Moderator conveyed the thanks of the Assembly to the Conveners.

After consideration, it was moved by Dr. Jenkins, seconded by Hon. Alex. Morris and carried unanimously, That the report for the Western Section be adopted, and that the Committee be authorized to take steps, as soon as practicable, to send Mr. John Wilkie as a Missionary to India or China.

The Assembly unanimously adopted the following motion submitted by Prof. McLaren, The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada hereby instruct the Convener of the Foreign Mission Committee to apply to the Dominion Government for the issue of the patent or patents, for the various Foreign Mission premises belonging to or that may in future be granted to the Church in Manitoba and the North-West Territory. The General Assembly hereby appoint John Black, D.D., of Kildonan, Professor George Bryce, of Winnipeg, in the Province of Manitoba, Professor William McLaren of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario, the Rev. Donald Ross and James Jamieson Campbell, both of Prince