

overtake the necessary work without undue demands on its members would recommend the appointment of another Professor of Theology who should also assist in the arts work of the College, at the very earliest moment at which in the opinion of the Board the state of the funds will warrant it.

The report of the Committee on the Report of the Board of Trustees of Nisbet Academy was presented by Dr. Bryce, which was adopted as follows:—

The action of the Synod of last year as to the beginning of classes in connection with the Nisbet Academy was:—"Your Committee recommend that what the Board asks, as to the disposal of property and the employment of a teacher, be granted. But it advises that, in case the services of a teacher be secured, the arrangement be provisional and for one year, it being understood that if the experiment prove satisfactory the Synod may sanction the continuance of the arrangement." Your Committee finds this year an application from the Board "for the erection of a suitable building with conveniences for the boarding and rooming ten pupils, with suitable rooms for school purposes." Your Committee is anxious to help in any possible way this Western institution, but is of opinion that some beginning of work as proposed last year, be made before a building is begun. It is therefore recommended that the finding of last year be reaffirmed.

The report of the Melita Presbytery anent the case of Rev. John Geddes was read, to the effect that the Presbytery for lack of any information in the case, finds itself unable to prepare any overture on the subject. It was agreed to remit the report to the Committee appointed yesterday to co-operate with Melita Presbytery in the case, with instruction to prepare an overture to the General Assembly.

The Synod then adjourned to meet at eight o'clock this evening, the Moderator pronouncing the benediction.

#### SEVENTH SEDERUNT.

*At the same place as above the Synod met, pursuant to adjournment, and after praise and reading of the word by Mr. Shearer, was constituted by prayer by Mr. Scott at the request of the Moderator.*

As already agreed the sederunt was devoted to the interests of Sabbath Schools and Young People's Societies. Mr. Alex. Hamilton submitted the Sabbath School report. Mr. Archibald Matheson addressed the Synod on the same