

It is humbly overtured by the Presbytery of Tatamagouche to the synod of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces of British North America, that they take the whole matter of the sustentation of the ministry into their very serious consideration, and adopt such measures with reference thereto as their wisdom may deem most expedient.

After Mr. Sedgewick had been heard on the subject briefly, it was agreed that the matter be deferred till next synod, to come up at an early sederunt.

Division of C.
B. Presbytery

The petition of the Presbytery of Cape Breton for division into two was next read. It was after due consideration agreed that the prayer of the petition be granted, and that the Presbytery be divided into two, the Presbytery of Cape Breton, and the Presbytery of Victoria and Richmond; the Presbytery of Cape Breton to consist of the congregations of Cape North, St. Ann's, Boularderie, Sydney Mines, Leitch's Creech, Sydney, Gabarus, and Grand River, with all the stations appertaining to these, which is hereby appointed to meet in St. Andrew's Church, Sydney, on the 26th day of July 1865, at 11 o'clock, a. m., to be constituted by the senior minister present.

The Presbytery of Victoria and Richmond to include all the other congregations on the island connected with this body, and which is hereby appointed to meet at the Presbyterian Church at Lake Ainslie on the 24th day of July at 4 o'clock, p. m., to be constituted by the senior minister present.

Tribute to Prof.
McCulloch's
memory.

The committee appointed to prepare a minute in reference to the late Professor McCulloch, submitted the following statement which the synod approved and ordered to be recorded:—

"The synod would record their deep sense of the loss which the church has sustained by the removal in God's Providence of the late amiable and accomplished Professor McCulloch. For many years Mr. McCulloch was occupied in training the students of this church in Literature and Philosophy, and his qualifications for this high and responsible position which he occupied were of the highest order. With great diligence and exemplary fidelity he gave himself to the work to which he was called; and while he proved himself an efficient and successful instructor of youth he retained throughout the full confidence of the church in whose services he labored. His memory will be affectionately cherished by all who enjoyed his valuable preaching, and most deeply venerated by those who were best acquainted with his character."

Agents for Widows' fund.

The convener of the committee on the widows' fund reported that they had not been able from the pressure of synodical business to meet, and that no agents to prosecute the scheme had been secured. Agreed that the synod authorize the trustees to procure the services of suitable agents, and they were directed to give early attention to this matter.

Thanks.

On motion it was agreed that the thanks of the synod be given to the ministers, sessions, and people of our congregations in the city and Dalrymple, for their hospitality and kindness to the members of this congregation, and to the congregation of Poplar Grove for the use of their church.

Close.

The moderator addressed the synod in an appropriate closing address when the minutes of this sederunt were read and corrected, and the proceedings closed by singing four verses of the 122nd Psalm, prayer, and the Apostolic Benediction. The synod adjourned to meet in St. John's Church in the city of St. John, New Brunswick, on the fourth Wednesday of June at 11 o'clock, a. m.

PETER G. MCGREGOR,
Synod Clerk