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MEETING OF SYNOD.

The Synod of our Church met in Prince Street Church, Pictou, on Tuesday, 25th June, at 4 o'clock, P. M., after an appropriate sermon from the Rev. James Ross, of West River, retiring Moderator, from Daniel vi. 3, "An excellent spirit was found in him."

After the Synod was constituted, the Presbytery of Truro reported, that since last meeting, the Rev. George Christie had been loosed from the pastoral charge of the congregation of Gay's River, Shubenacadie, and lower Stevaicke, and inducted into the pastoral charge of the congregation of Yarmouth,—that the Rev. R. Sedgwick had been inducted into the pastoral charge of the congregation of Musquodoboit, and that Mr. Ebenezer E. Ross had been ordained over the congregation of upper Londonderry.

The Presbytery of Pictou reported that since last meeting of Synod, Mr. George Patterson had been ordained to the pastoral charge of the congregation of Salem Church, Greenhill.

At a subsequent sederunt the Presbytery of P. E. Island reported that Mr. Isaac Murray had been ordained to the pastoral charge of the congregation of Cavendish and New London.

The Rev. James Bayne was chosen Moderator, and having briefly addressed the Synod took the chair.

The greater part of the Sederunt was occupied in appointing Committees, and other routine business.

The Clerk read a letter from the Rev. John McCurdy of Miramichi explaining that in consequence of indisposition he had been unable to attend the pres at meeting

of Synod, and requesting ministerial assistance.

The evening sederunt was occupied with devotional exercises which were conducted by the Moderator, and the Rev. Messrs. Sedgwick, and Ebenezer E. Ross.

WEDNESDAY, June 26th.

After the opening of the Synod this morning, the Rev. James Ross, late Moderator, laid upon the table a paper received shortly after the close of the last meeting of Synod, from the Synod of the Free Church, addressed to the Moderator and members of the Synod; and also a letter addressed to him as Moderator of this Synod, signed by the Rev. Andrew King, Moderator of the Free Church Synod, covering the same. The farther consideration of these documents was deferred till the report of the committee on the union be brought up.

Mr. Ross also laid upon the table, a deeply interesting letter from the Rev. Messrs. Nisbet and Turner, from Upolu, Samoa, giving an account of the commencement of our Foreign Missionary operations at Apeitum, and of the co-operation of the brethren of the London Missionary Society. The Synod heard the letter with much interest, and referred it to the Board of Foreign Missions.

The Synod next received the reports of the Financial Secretaries of the Presbyteries of Truro and Pictou. They contained in a tabular form, answers to the questions regarding Financial affairs of congregations, agreed upon at last meeting of Synod. They were referred to a committee consisting of Rev. Messrs. Campbell, Watson and Mr. James McGrigor, with directions to examine them and to report to