

College, from which it appears that he has attended the Literary and Theological Classes of said College five full Sessions and one partial Session, and that he highly distinguished himself in all the classes. The Presbytery, after consideration, agreed to instruct the Clerk to issue the usual Circular letters informing Presbyteries that it is the intention of this Presbytery to apply to the Synod for leave to take Mr. McKerras on probationary trials for license."

Several members of the Presbyteries of Toronto and Bathurst were heard in support of the said applications, when it was moved by Mr. Mann, seconded by Mr. ———, That the Synod grant the said applications, in so far as to remit the said Students to the Examining Committee. It was also moved, in amendment, by Mr. McGill, seconded by Mr. Andrew Bell, that the length and amount of attendance on the Theological Classes of Queen's College, prescribed in the Synod's Act anent the Course of Study for the Holy Ministry, being the least that is considered by the Church as necessary, the Synod insist on the law of the Church being carried out,—and accordingly decline to grant the aforesaid applications.

After lengthened discussion upon the specialties of these cases, it was agreed that the amendment be withdrawn, and that the said Students be remitted in the meantime to the Examining Committee.

The Synod called for Returns from Presbyteries in regard to the Overture anent remodelling the Constitution of the Commission of Synod, brought before the Synod at last meeting, and sent down for the opinion of Presbyteries,—when three returns were given in disapproving the same. The said returns having been considered, the Synod agreed to stay the further consideration of the Proposed Constitution, and to abide by the present Constitution of the Commission of Synod.

The Synod had transmitted to them, by their Committee of Bills and Overtures, Memorials from the Congregation of Binbrooke, and the Congregation of Waterdown, to the Colonial Committee for aid in building and finishing their Churches, with certified copies of the Title Deeds of both Properties, together with Extract Minutes of the Presbytery of Hamilton, recommending both cases. The same having been read and maturely considered, it was moved by Mr. Urquhart, seconded by Mr. ———, That the Petitions be transmitted in accordance with the recommendation of the Presbytery. It was also moved, in amendment, by Dr. Mathieson, seconded by Mr. Mann, That the Papers before the Synod be remitted to the Presbytery of Hamilton to enquire into the whole facts of the case,—and state them clearly and truly, certifying the same, before the Memorials to the Colonial Committee be transmitted, authorizing them to transmit them without coming again

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