

Mr Bennett was heard in support of the overture and moved, duly seconded,—That it be received, the prayer thereof granted, and a committee appointed to consider the question of the propriety of reducing the number of the columns in the Statistical Tables, and the number of copies of Minutes of Assembly to be given to Sessions, and to report to next Assembly. The motion was adopted. The Moderator stated that he would name the committee in the afternoon.

FINANCE—EASTERN SECTION.

The Finance Report for the Eastern Section of the Church was presented and read by Mr. P. M. Morrison, the General Agent of the Church in the Maritime Provinces, containing a comparative statement of receipts for the last three years, also abstracts of the Funds of the College, Bursary, Home Missions, Aged Ministers, Geddie Memorial, Foreign Missions, Augmentation, French Evangelization, Manitoba College, General Assembly Fund, Widows' and Orphans', General Expenses, and General Balance; and the accounts certified as correct by the Auditors, Messrs. J. C. Mackintosh, George Cunningham and James Forrest. The report was received and adopted.

REFERENCE—PRESBYTERY OF ST. JOHN.

There was presented a Reference from the Presbytery of St. John *in re* the Carleton congregation and the Home Mission Fund. The Assembly held the reference with relative documents as read. On motion of Mr. Gunn the memorial and reference were remitted to the Synod of the Maritime Provinces.

NEW SCHEME—DISTRIBUTION OF PROBATIONERS.

Mr. J. H. Ratcliffe now handed in the report of the Committee appointed at the Fifth Sederunt, to which was referred the New Scheme for the Distribution of Probationers, and made explanations relating thereto. It was moved by Mr. E. Cockburn, seconded by Mr. J. H. Beatt, and agreed,—That the report be received, the scheme now in force continued for another year, and that the report of the Special Committee on Distribution of Probationers, together with the scheme submitted by the Home Mission Committee, be sent down to the Presbyteries of the Church for consideration, with instructions to report to next General Assembly. [For Remit see Appendix No. 22.]

DISTRIBUTION OF PROBATIONERS—STANDING COMMITTEE.

On motion, the Assembly now appointed the Standing Committee on the Distribution of Probationers, left over from the Twelfth Sederunt, as follows:—Dr. R. J. Laidlaw, Convener; Dr. Torrance, J. G. Murray, Dr. Cochrane, James A. Grant, Ministers, and George Rutherford, Elder.

BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

AS NOW AND PREVIOUSLY APPOINTED (SEE 12TH AND 15TH SEDERUNTS.)

I. KNOX COLLEGE.

1. Board of Management.

Mr. W. Mortimer Clark, Chairman; Principal Caven, Dr. MacLaren, James Ballantyne, Dr. Reid, Dr. Middlemiss, Dr. Fletcher, Dr. Parsons, Dr. Kellogg, Messrs. S. H. Eastman, H. Gracey, Stephen Young, J. Hay, J. Abraham, R. N. Grant, R. J. Beattie, A. D. McDonald, James F. MacLaren, A. Stewart, J. C. Tibb, R. Pettigrew, S. Lyle, J. Neil, Donald Currie, James Gourlay, H. McKellar, Ministers; and J. K. Macdonald, James A. Mather, Hon. G. W. Ross, D. Ormiston, D. D. Wilson, A. I. Mackenzie, R. Kilgour, George Rutherford, E. H. Bronson, M.P.P.

2. Senate.

Principal Caven, Chairman; the Professors and Lecturers of the College, Dr. Reid, Dr. Laing, Dr. Torrance, Dr. Gray, Dr. Wardrope, Dr. Cochran, Dr. Kellogg, Dr. McCurdy, Dr. Parsons,