

warrant, to its final accomplishment. What has already been done by the interchange of fraternal sentiments and feeling may, under the Divine blessing, contribute not a little to prepare the way for a result to which all the friends of the church of Scotland ought ever to look forward.

5th, The thanks of the Synod are due to the Rev. Alexander Mathieson, D. D., the Rev. Alexander McKid, and Professor Wier, for the manner in which they discharged their duties in carrying out the intentions of this Church, in their visit to the Lower Provinces; and the Synod instruct the clerk to have the Reports, they have given in, be printed along with the minutes of the Synod.

Further, after deliberation, the Synod did nominate, and appoint the Rev. James George, D. D., Queen's College, Kingston, their Commissioner to correspond with the Reverend Synods of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, at their ensuing meetings:—Willing him to repair in due time thereto, attend the several diets thereof, and consult, vote, and determine in all matters that shall come before the said Synods to the glory of God, and for the good of the Church, according to the word of God, and the confession of Faith, and Acts and Constitution of this Church, and at the next meeting of this Synod, he report or certify that he has fulfilled his appointment.

The Synod, further, appoint, as his alternate, the Rev. Professor Williamson of Queen's College, or the Rev. George Macdonnell, Minister of Pergus.

Tuesday, 3rd day of June.

The Synod was opened with reading the Scriptures, praise and prayer by the Rev. George McDonnell. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The addresses to the Governor and the Queen were given in and approved.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR BRITISH NORTH AMERICA.

It was moved by Dr. Mathieson, seconded by Dr. Brooke, and agreed to "that a Committee be appointed to take into consideration the subject of the formation of a General Assembly of our Church in British North America, and that the Synods of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia be requested to appoint Committees of their number for the same purpose,—said Committees, by correspondence, to mature their views on the subject, and report the result of their deliberation to the next meetings of the respective Synods." The following committee was appointed for the purpose, viz.—Dr. Mathieson, Dr. Cook, Mr. Morris, Mr. How Ramsay, and Mr. William Edmondstone.

FRENCH MISSION REPORT.

The Report of a Committee of the Montreal Presbytery on this subject was brought up and read. It suggested the opening of a station in some locality easily accessible by members of the Presbytery and the opening a school in connection with it, from which a Canadian licentiate might be obtained.

After discussion the whole subject was remitted to the Presbytery.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

Mr. Snodgrass submitted a motion with reference to the Deputation from this institution, expressive of confidence in the Trustees and Professors, and of the duty of the Church

to support it, and suggesting an appeal to the people.

The motion was adopted and Presbyteries enjoined to take an oversight of the taking-up of the collection for the building fund in the congregations within their bounds.

It was further moved by Mr. McLennan, seconded by Mr. Gordon, and agreed to, "that Presbyteries be enjoined to direct the attention of Ministers and Kirk Sessions to the collections and subscriptions, already recommended by this Synod, in aid of the Building Fund of Queen's College, and take such steps as may be necessary to secure regularity in taking up and returning the same.

JEWISH AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

An overture from the Presbytery of Hamilton in regard to the propriety of entering upon a Foreign Mission, and another from Mr. Morris suggesting the propriety of the Synod's establishing a mission to the Jews in the City of Jerusalem, came up for consideration.

Mr. Morris supported the overtures.

Mr. Burnet seconded the motion; he cordially concurred in what had been said.

Mr. G. McDonnell said, Ours must be a missionary Church. A door seems open to us in the ways of Providence; we should enter it and send if possible, a native minister, but, if not, take what we can get. There was encouragement to go on, as £300 would suffice per annum, and already Dr. Anton offers 100 guineas. He firmly believed that in Canada, if you present a good object, you will get money to sustain it.

The Synod having heard the overtures of Mr. Morris and of the Presbytery of Hamilton the first relative to a mission in Jerusalem, and the other relative to Jewish and Foreign Missions generally, renew their previous frequent declarations of interest in the Mission work, and the duty of this Church to take part therein, consider the suggestions contained in these Overtures of deep importance to the best interests of the Church, and appoint Messrs. Burnet, James Bain, Geo. Bell, G. McDonnell, McKerras, K. McLellan, Morris and J. C. Mowatt, a Committee to be called "the Jewish and Foreign Mission Committee of the Synod," with instructions to consider maturely the whole matter, to correspond with the Jewish and Foreign Mission Committees of the Parent Church in the first place,—to give their best exertions to the subject of a Mission to Jerusalem and take such measures in regard to the institution of such a Mission as they shall think necessary,—and to report to the next meeting of Synod their acting in this manner.

DELEGATION TO SCOTLAND.

An Overture from the Presbytery of Hamilton was laid on the table, suggesting the sending of delegates to Scotland to bring out Ministers.

Mr. McDonnell said there was a great lack of men, and, if stationed in that part of the country where the tide of population is pouring in, you cannot help feeling it. An attempt should be made to procure them.

The Synod agreed to request Dr. Barclay and Professor Wier, both in Scotland to do all in their power to bring out Ministers.

Wednesday, 4th day June.

The Synod was opened as usual

The minutes were read and confirmed.

TESTIMONIAL TO THE CLERK.

In consideration of the long services of the

Clerk, the Rev. A. Bell, and his feeble state of health, it was agreed that he should be presented with a befitting testimonial.

THANKSGIVING SERMON.

An appropriate Sermon was preached before the Synod and congregation at 11 o'clock in the forenoon by the Rev. Robert Burnett, from the words "He must reign."

HAMILTON.

In the afternoon the Synod agreed to meet next year at Hamilton on the last Wednesday in May.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

A Committee on Sabbath Observance was appointed, to report their action to next annual meet.

The Commission of Synod was then appointed to meet at Kingston on the first Wednesday in October, and hold a second meeting at Toronto on the 3rd Wednesday in February.

(From the Presbyterian.)

Synodical, Missionary and Devotional Meeting.

Kingston, 2nd June, 1856.

The Synod of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, in connection with the Church of Scotland, held this evening, in St Andrew Church, a Missionary meeting with a view to awaken in the hearts of the Ministers, Elders and Congregations within the jurisdiction of the Synod, an intenser zeal in the missionary enterprise, both Home and Foreign; and to improve for this purpose the presence with of the Reverend Delegates from the Sister Synods of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. Notice of the intention having been given a large number of the Presbyterian Laity of the city and neighborhood assembled to witness the proceedings, countenance the object, and share in the anticipated interest and benefit of the meeting.

The Rev. Mr. Mann, of Pakenham, Moderator of the Synod, having taken the chair at 7 o'clock, P. M. called upon the Rev. Mr. Urquhart of Cornwall, who introduced the proceedings by calling on the assembly to unite in singing the 67th Psalm, "Lord, bless and multiply us," &c. He then read the 62nd chapter of the Book of the Prophet Isaiah,—"For Zion's sake I will not hold my peace," &c. which he followed with an earnest and appropriate prayer to the God of Zion, imbued throughout with an eminently missionary spirit, and imparting at the outset a deeply solemn and devotional character to the meeting.

The Moderator then introduced the Rev. Robert Burnett, of Hamilton, who, he said, would address the Meeting on the operations of the Church of Scotland, the Parent Church in the conduct of her Home Mission and Church Extension Scheme. Mr. Burnett said:—

Moderator, my Father and Brethren—The subject to which I claim your attention for the time, viz.—"The Home Efforts of the Church of Scotland," divides itself into three branches—the Education Scheme, the Home Mission, and the Church Extension.

The Educational System of the Church of Scotland is not of yesterday or to-day. The far seeing mind of John Knox, and many of the early fathers of our Church, acutely discerned and justly estimated the importance of education, and of a learned education for the ministry of the Gospel, and so the lasting benefits of