

1st. That it be an instruction to all the Sessions and Congregations within the bounds, to make earnest supplication to God, to pour out his Spirit upon the Church. That on the day on which the state of religion is brought before the people, and at such other times as may be found convenient, attention be called to the need that exists, for a larger measure of the Divine Spirit, to accompany the various efforts of the church. 2nd. That more frequent opportunity be taken in the pulpit, to expound the work of the Holy Spirit and to teach the people that it is only as the individual believer as well as the church at large, is filled with the Spirit, and seeks the glory of God in all the work that is carried on, that our labour will be instrumental in the conversion of sinners, and in building up the church in faith and holiness."

It was then moved by Mr. Burson, seconded by Mr. McMullen, that the report be adopted, and transmitted to the Convener of the Assembly's Committee on the State of Religion. The motion was carried unanimously.

#### SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

It was moved by Dr. Cochrane, seconded by Mr. Inglis, "The Synod deplore the continued prevalence of the public profanation of the Sabbath, especially on the Railways of the Province, and urge on all our people, to use their influence for the suppression of this great evil." The motion was carried.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Synod adjourned to meet again to-morrow morning at 9.30 a. m., the Moderator pronouncing the benediction!

#### FIFTH SEDERUNT.

Knox Church, St. Thomas, April eleventh, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three. The Synod again met pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted by prayer and praise, conducted by the Moderator and Rev. Mr. Laing.

#### MINUTES SUSTAINED.

The Minutes of last Sederunt were read and sustained.