

3. That while this Synod consider that the clause in their designation, "in connexion with the Church of Scotland," is merely distinctive, and having been adopted without any definite meaning being attached to it, does not of itself and irrespective of the actings of the Synod, imply connection with the Established Church of Scotland, or limit their freedom of action in relation to her, or in any way identify their responsibility with that of said church, and might, therefore, after having been distinctly explained without any compromise of principle be retained; yet as it is now inappropriate, and might be used as a ground of misrepresentation, and a cause of strife, wherefore, for the sake of unity and peace they now resolve, decree and declare, that the designation of the Church shall henceforth be *the Presbyterian Church of Canada*.

But at the same time, as in the event of a party claiming to be the true Church of Canada "in connection with the Church of Scotland," the alienation of the property of the church might possibly result from the want of a civil sanction to the change of our designation, this Synod further resolve and declare that it is their purpose, should it be deemed advisable, to seek such sanction; and further, as it is alleged that by taking any action in this matter this Synod are departing from the terms on which their endowments were conferred by the State—although they are fully and conscientiously persuaded that such is not the case, they solemnly pledge themselves that should the British Legislature declare this to be their understanding of these terms, they shall at once and without further struggle, submit to their decision,—only while giving up their endowments protesting against the injustice done them, and reserving to themselves and their successors, to use all competent means for inducing the Government to acknowledge their rights.

4. That considering the vital and fundamental importance of the principles on account of which the disruption of the Established Church of Scotland has taken place, and the inseparable connection between their maintenance and the purity and efficiency of any church of Christ, this Synod also resolve and declare, that they adhere to the resolutions on the subject of those principles, which were adopted at their meeting in July, 1841; and also to other similar expressions of the mind of the Synod, embodied in their records; and

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