

terms of this resolution, and attend to all competent business; and that Mr. D. McRae, of St. Paul's Church, Victoria, be and is hereby appointed first Moderator of the said Synod of British Columbia, to convene and constitute the same.

Extracted from the Records of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, by William Reid, D. D. Clerk of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

#### FIRST SEDERUNT.

The same was handed in and read at the regular meeting of the Presbytery of Columbia held on the third Wednesday of July. In terms of the deliverance, the Synod met in St. Andrew's Church, Vancouver, on the same day at half past seven o'clock in the evening. Mr. MacLaren in the unavoidable absence of Mr. McRae, detained through the quarantine regulations of Vancouver, ascended the pulpit and after the usual devotional exercises preached an excellent sermon from the words, "Where there is no vision the people perish," Proverbs, chapter twenty ninth and eighteenth verse.

At the close of the service, he intimated that he had been delegated by Mr. McRae, appointed first Moderator of the Synod of British Columbia, to act in his stead; and read the following extract from a letter received by him from Mr. McRae: "In the event of my unavoidable absence from the meeting of Synod on Wednesday evening next, I hereby delegate to you, the authority conferred upon me by the General Assembly, by my appointment as first Moderator of the Synod of British Columbia to constitute the Synod, and authorize you, as far as it is competent for me to do so, to act in my place." He also read the General Assembly's minute erecting the Synod of British Columbia. The Synod was then constituted with prayer by Mr. McLaren, Moderator. He then stated that if the Synod resolved to proceed to business, it would be necessary to elect a Clerk. Amid many expressions of regret at the detention of members of the Court, it was agreed to proceed with the business.

Mr. Walter R. Ross was then elected Clerk of Synod. The roll as provided by the extract minute of the General Assembly was then called. Mr. Jamieson called attention to the omissions from the roll among which was his own name. It was agreed on motion duly made and seconded, that the name of Mr. Jamieson and the names of other members present be put upon the roll, which was done.

It was then moved by Mr. Jamieson, seconded by Mr. J. M. McLeod, and agreed that Mr. D. McRae, of St. Paul's Church, Victoria, be appointed Moderator for the ensuing year. After which it was moved by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Maxwell and agreed, "that in the unavoidable absence of Mr. McRae, Mr. J. M. McLeod preside as Moderator during the session of Synod. It was also agreed on motion duly made and seconded, that the first names on the rolls of Presbyteries be appointed as the first Moderators of Presbyteries. The Synod then proceeded to fix the places where, and the dates upon which the Presbyteries should meet, whereupon it was moved, seconded and agreed, that the first meeting of the Presbytery of Kamloops be held in Vernon on the Second Tuesday in