

III.—That when a minimum contribution of \$300 per annum, from any field is reached, the Presbytery be recommended to take steps to have the congregation call a Pastor in regular form,—this Committee being most unwilling that the system of stated supply should, as heretofore, be any longer carried out in such cases.

There was laid on the table and read, a communication from the Rev. A. Fraser, claiming the amount of his travelling expenses in returning from Manitoba to Ontario. It was unanimously agreed to disallow the claim.

The College in Manitoba having been placed by the General Assembly under the care of a Special Committee, who were intrusted with the duty of procuring funds for carrying on the same, it was agreed to instruct the Treasurer to pay no monies towards the support of the College from the Home Mission Fund after the 1st of April last—the beginning of the ecclesiastical year.

MISCELLANEOUS.

I. GRANT FROM IRISH CHURCH.

The Convener reported the receipt of £100 stg. from the Irish Presbyterian Church, which he had duly acknowledged.

II. AID FROM EASTERN SECTION.

The Convener reported that he had corresponded with the Home Mission Committee of the Eastern Section of the Church, as to securing their co-operation and financial assistance in carrying on Mission Work in Manitoba, and that in reply, Mr. Grant promised to bring the matter before the Committee, of which he is Convener, at their first meeting.

III. BYNG INLET.

A letter was laid on the table and read from the Rev. W. S. Ball, pointing out the importance of opening a New Mission at Byng Inlet, stating that a gentleman there was prepared to contribute \$300 per annum towards the support of a Missionary. The field referred to being within the bounds of one of the Presbyteries of the Church, it was resolved to direct their attention to it and to delay further action in the meantime.

IV. REV. A. McNAUGHTON,

An application was received from the Rev. A. McNaughton, recently of Adelaide, for an appointment during the next half year in some Mission field. It was agreed to put his name on the list of Missionaries available for work during the winter months.

V. NOTICE OF MOTION.

Mr. Laing gave notice that at the April meeting he would move that the Committee recommend the General Assembly, at its next meeting, to appoint a Home Mission Superintendent.

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