

efficiency, direct the Board to correspond with other churches or societies engaged in Missionary operations in the East, or who may be likely to join in such a mission with the view of co-operating either in establishing a mission on an adequate scale or in uniting our efforts in the support of some other Mission already established."

The Synod then adjourned in order that members might accept of the Excursion in the harbor, kindly offered by gentlemen belonging to the Poplar Grove and Chalmers' Church congregations. These gentlemen enquired of the Synod if it would be agreeable to them to have the Synod of the Established Church also invited. An answer in the affirmative was given by acclamation; but the Synod had adjourned before the invitation could reach them.

TUESDAY.

The Synod met this morning at 9 o'clock. After prayer by the Moderator, the minutes were read and approved.

Rev. John McCurdy applied for an assistant to dispense the Lord's Supper. The Synod appointed Rev. Isaac Murray to do so. Mr. McCurdy asked the Synod's mind as to whether they would approve of him and his congregation joining, either of the Presbyterian bodies in New Brunswick. Rev. Mr. Christie characterized the question as absurd. Professor King showed that while there was no difference of principle between this Church and the Presbyterian Church of New Brunswick, yet there was decided difference between us and another body there—the Established Church of Scotland. It was then unanimously resolved that Mr. McCurdy's question could not be entertained.

The motion proposed with regard to the Foreign Mission in Turkey was unanimously agreed to.

Presbyteries were authorized to license students in the usual way, without previous permission from Synod.

Rev. W. McCulloch brought before the Synod a letter from Pastor Fisch of Paris, appealing for aid for the Evangelical Society of France, and representing in bright colors the prospects before Protestantism in France. On motion of Rev. G. Sutherland, the Synod agreed to express its sympathy with the Evangelical Church, and recommend that members should send contributions for the aid of that church to the Rev. Mr. McCulloch.

The Board having given an estimate of the funds, the Synod authorized the Board, to advertise for another Missionary to the South Seas. The Rev. George Patterson mentioned the efforts of his congregation, and the indications of a similar spirit in other quarters; and it was generally felt throughout the Synod that to send one other Missionary to the South Seas is the least that we should undertake.

It was agreed to allow the Board to appeal to the children of the church for a collection for the *John Williams*. With regard to the support of Mr. Geddie's children, the Board were instructed to consider the matter, and recommend the best course to be pursued by the Synod. The Board were re-appointed with the addition of the Rev. George Patterson.

The Committee on Union with other Churches reported that they had met and attended to their duties, Rev. Mr. Murdoch reported verbally. A letter had been written to the two Presbyterian Churches in New Brunswick, and also to the Established Church of Scotland in Nova Scotia. The Presbyterian Church of New Brunswick had taken up the matter in a most kindly spirit and referred it to Presbyteries. A letter in reply had also been received from the Synod Established Church of Scotland met in this city this week. A friendly letter had also been received from Rev. W. Murray, of Dalhousie, New Brunswick.

The letter of the Rev. J. Turnbull was read and received with much satisfaction. It indicated a sincere desire to promote the best interests of Presbyterianism, by drawing us all closer in the bonds of brotherly love and ecclesiastical unity.

The letter of the Established Church Synod of Nova Scotia was couched in the most friendly and respectful terms, fully recognizing the importance and desirableness of union—recommending exchange of pulpits and co-operation in educational efforts, and thus paving the way for ultimate union. In the mean-