

Synod agree to transmit the petition and recommend it to the favorable consideration of the General Assembly. After a spirited discussion the previous question was moved and carried. The vote was then taken, when the main motion, simply to transmit, was carried over the amendment to transmit and recommend by 42 to 28.

The Committee appointed to examine the Treasurer's book reported that it was correctly and carefully kept, that many of the congregations had not contributed the amount required from them, and that the amount of contribution required from congregations for the first year of the Synod's existence would be sufficient for all purposes for the time to come, provided it be punctually paid.

On motion of Mr. Thos. Macpherson the report was received and adopted.

It was then agreed that the thanks of the Synod be given to the treasurer, the Hon. A. Vidal, for the faithful and sufficient manner in which he had discharged his duties.

The next meeting of the Synod was appointed to be held in London, in the first Presbyterian Church, on the first Tuesday in May, at 7:30 p.m.

Reports of Presbyteries on the State of Religion were received and ordered to be transmitted to the Assembly's Committee on the State of Religion.

An overture on Sabbath School Libraries was received, adopted, and ordered to be transmitted. Messrs. Thomas Macpherson and John Fotheringham were appointed to support the overture at the General Assembly.

The following votes of thanks were then passed:

1. To the friends in London for their hospitality.
2. To the minister and managers of St. Andrew's Church, London, for the use of their building.
3. To the Grand Trunk Railway Company for their courtesy to the members of Synod.

The business being finished, the Moderator, after addressing the Synod, closed the meeting with prayer.

There were sixty-five ministers and thirty-one elders present at the meeting of Synod.

D. WATERS, *Synod Clerk*.

Proceedings of Presbyteries.

PRESBYTERY OF STRATFORD.—This Presbytery met for ordinary business on April 18th, at Stratford. Out of fourteen ministers, eleven were present, together with eight elders. Messrs. McPherson and Geo. McIntyre and Dr. Waters, were appointed assessors with the Session of South Nissouri in a case of discipline. Dr. Waters reported that the Presbytery of Montreal had agreed to loose Mr. Gordon from the Congregation of Indian Lands, and this Presbytery agreed to meet for his induction at Harrington on the 4th July. It was reported that the Home Mission Committee had agreed to grant \$2 each, per Sabbath, to Burns' Church, New Hamburg, and Watburgh, and had designated Mr. Angus Sinclair, Student, to labor in this Presbytery during the summer. It was also reported that Mr. Hartley had been laboring with acceptance and zeal at Burns' Church during last quarter. Mr. McPherson, on behalf of the Committee appointed to prepare a minute respecting Mr. Meldrum's resignation, read a draft, which was adopted, in the terms following:—In accepting Mr. Meldrum's resignation of his pastoral charge, in which he has long faithfully labored, the Presbytery have great pleasure in recording their high appreciation of his uprightness and integrity as a man, his zeal as a Minister of the Gospel, and of his regular attendance at Presbyterian meetings and his interest in the affairs of the Church. The Presbytery would also express their sympathy with him and his family in the circumstances, and pray that the Lord of the harvest may soon direct him to another