

REGULATIONS, ADDITIONAL.

The Assembly proceeded further to consider additional regulations recommended by the Committee for working the Scheme for the Augmentation of Stipend. The First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth Regulations were read and adopted. The Sixth Regulation was read as follows :—"That the Committee be empowered to withhold assistance in cases where Mission Stations have been erected into pastoral charges, or where existing congregations have been divided, if in the judgment of the Committee such action has been unwise or premature." It was moved by Dr. Cochrane, seconded by Mr. D. J. Macdonnell, that this regulation be adopted. It was moved, in amendment, by Dr. MacVicar, seconded by Dr. Laing, that the following be substituted for regulation No. 6, recommended by the Committee, namely :—"That before any Mission Station be erected into a pastoral charge, or any congregations now united in one pastoral charge be divided, the Presbytery shall confer with the Home Mission Committee."

While discussion on these motions was proceeding, and no decision come to, the hour of adjournment arrived, and the Assembly adjourned, to meet to-morrow morning at ten o'clock, of which intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the singing of the Doxology :—"Praise God," etc.—and the pronouncing of the Benediction.

FIFTH SEDERUNT.

At the City of Toronto, and within St. James' Square Church there, Friday, the Sixth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four years, at ten o'clock in the forenoon :—

Which time and place the General Assembly met, pursuant to adjournment, and was duly constituted with devotional exercises, Mr. L. G. MacNeill, at the request of the Moderator, offering prayer.

The minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

PROFESSOR BEECHER INVITED TO THE PLATFORM.

Mr. H. M. Parsons here introduced to the Assembly the Rev. Dr. Willis Beecher, Professor of Theology in the Presbyterian Theological Seminary at Auburn, New York. Professor Beecher was invited to a seat on the platform, and was welcomed by the Moderator.

HOME MISSIONS RESUMED.

The Assembly resumed consideration of the subject of the recommendations of the Home Mission Committee, Western Section, interrupted by the adjournment last night ; Recommendation No. 6 and the amendment of Dr. MacVicar being before the House.

Dr. MacVicar, with the consent of his seconder and with the permission of the Assembly, withdrew the amendment submitted by him last night.

On motion of Mr. R. Campbell, of Montreal, duly seconded, it was agreed to amend regulation No. 6 as follows : That the Committee be empowered to withhold until next General Assembly, Supplement, in cases where mission stations have been erected into pastoral charges, or where existing congregations have been divided, if, in the judgment of the Committee, it be undesirable to make such grant.

Recommendation No. 7 was read and adopted.

The further recommendations of the Sub-Committee—Nos. 1, 2, 3—were read and severally adopted.