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SECOND SEDERUNT.

At Victoria and within First Presbyterian Church there, the second day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, the Synod of British Columbia met.

The first half hour was spent in devotional exercises in which Messrs. Logan and Fraser took part. Thereafter the Synod was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The minutes of last sederunt were read and sustained.

Mr. G. R. Maxwell presented and read a report from the Committee on Business, setting forth the items to be taken up at the morning and afternoon sederunts. On motion duly made and seconded, the report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The matter of ecclesiastical legislation for the Church in British Columbia, was taken up. Dr. Campbell introduced the subject, and moved that a committee be appointed to watch such legislation; the committee to consist of the following persons, namely, Mr. Thornton Fell, Dr. Milne, Mr. J. C. Brown, Rev. G. Murray, and Rev. A. Lee; said committee to secure such legislation in the Province of British Columbia in relation to our Church, in the line of the legislation in the other Provinces of the Dominion: Mr. Thornton Fell to be Convener.

Messrs. A. C. Manson and Higgins being present were invited to sit and correspond with the Synod and took seats accordingly.

The case of St. Andrews Church, Victoria, referred to the Synod by the Presbytery of Vancouver Island, was taken up. Parties were called, and the following petitioners appeared:—Messrs. T. M. Henderson, R. B. McMicking, J. R. Robertson, A. Carmichael, J. Hutcheson, A. M. Muir, C. G. Ballantyne, Thomas A. Brydon, J. A. Thomson and Cornelius J. Soule; and for the Session:—Rev. P. McF. McLeod, Rev. A. B. Winchester, Dr. Milne, Mr. J. T. Bethune and Mr. Finlayson.

The following papers in the case were read, viz:—An extract minute of the Presbytery of Vancouver Island; 2nd—A requisition from the members of St. Andrews Church; 3rd—A minute from the Session of St. Andrews Church; 4th—A petition from the aforesaid ten members of St. Andrews Church; 5th—A petition from the Session of St. Andrews Church, and 6th—A reference from the Session of St. Andrews Church. The following par-

ties (petitioners) were heard in the case:—Messrs. J. R. Robertson, R. B. McMicking. While Mr. McMicking was addressing the Court, the hour of adjournment arrived, and the Synod adjourned to meet again in the same place at half-past two in the afternoon, and the sederunt was closed with the benediction.

THIRD SEDERUNT.

The same day and place at half-past two o'clock in the afternoon, the Synod resumed business, after prayer by the Rev. J. M. McLeod, at the call of the Moderator.

The minutes of the last sederunt were read and sustained.

The Synod resumed the case of St. Andrews Church, Victoria. Mr. McMicking took up his address at the point of his interruption by the adjournment and was heard to the close. He was followed by Messrs. C. G. Ballantyne, T. M. Henderson and J. Hutcheson. This closed the side of the ten petitioners.

Thereafter the Rev. P. McF. McLeod and Dr. Milne were heard in reply.

At this stage of the proceedings, the hour of adjournment arrived, when it was moved by Dr. Campbell, duly seconded and agreed—That the Synod, when it adjourns, meet again at 8 P. M. instead of 7:30 o'clock, and that this rule be adhered to the close. The Moderator gave public intimation of this, and the Synod adjourned to meet again at 8 P. M., and the sederunt was closed with the benediction.

FOURTH SEDERUNT.

At the same place and on the same day at eight o'clock in the evening: the Synod of British Columbia met pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted with prayer, Mr. Herdman leading.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and sustained.

It was agreed that inasmuch as other members who had been unavoidably detained, had now arrived, to call the rolls of the Presbyteries of Calgary and Kamloops; which was done, members of those Presbyteries, present, responding.

Dr. Robertson, Superintendent of Missions being present, was asked to sit and correspond. The discussion adjourned from the former sederunt was then resumed by Messrs. Winchester and Finlayson in behalf of the Kirk Session.

At this stage of the discussion, it was agreed, on motion by Mr. Maxwell and seconded by Mr. Shaw—That fifteen min-