

The motion for the reception of the Report was seconded by Mr. Ephraim Scott, who made some necessary explanations in regard to the Report, and stated interesting facts as to the progress of mission work in the New Hebrides and Trinidad. The motion was adopted.

DELIVERANCE.

The following resolution was then moved by Principal Grant, seconded by Mr. A. B. Baird, and unanimously adopted :—

The General Assembly receives the Report, and while reserving its recommendations and other matters requiring careful attention for subsequent consideration, desires to offer thanks to God for the success with which He has been pleased to bless the missions that are under the oversight of the Committee, and for the increasing liberality of the Church, especially for that which is manifested in the great development of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society—Eastern and Western Divisions. The General Assembly thanks the Committee, and more particularly the Conveners, for their diligence in prosecuting the work intrusted to them during the past year, and regrets to learn that Dr. Wardrope insists on resigning the position which he has held so long, and the duties of which he has discharged with so much faithfulness.

The Assembly has heard with sorrow of the death of Mr. Jamieson, and sympathizes with Mrs. Jamieson in her sore bereavement. It records its sorrow also for the death of Mr. John Mackay, of Mis-ta-wa-sis Reserve, and its sympathy with his bereaved family. This devoted man found the Indians of the Reserve a band of blanketed heathen, and left them a Christian community of self-sustaining people. The Assembly rejoices to learn that the Committee has secured the services of a well-qualified labourer to begin a mission among the Indians of our Pacific Coast, and commends Mr. McDonald and his work to the prayers of the Church, and it at the same time urges upon all its ministers and people the duty and privilege of engaging with heart and soul in the great work intrusted to this Church by its Great Head, and also the duty of affectionately remembering in their prayers their missionaries labouring in the foreign field.

REV. J. A. MACDONALD.

The Rev. J. A. Macdonald, recently appointed the first missionary of the Church to the Indians of British Columbia, was introduced to the Assembly by the Moderator, and in a few words related the steps which had led to his undertaking the work to which he has been called by the Church and his hopes in regard to it.

REV. HUGH MACKAY.

Rev. Hugh Mackay, of Whitewood, missionary to the Indians of Round Lake, addressed the Assembly, giving an impressive description of the cruel practices of the Pagan Indians, and of the elevating influence exercised on them by the Gospel of Salvation.

REV. W. L. McRAE.

The Moderator then introduced to the Assembly the Rev. W. L. McRae, one of the missionaries in Trinidad. Mr. McRae detailed the methods employed in the Mission, and gave many encouraging instances of success in its various departments.

REV. THOMAS BARCLAY.

The Rev. Thomas Barclay, of the Mission of the English Presbyterian Church, in South Formosa, was then called upon, and was heartily received by the Assembly. His address conveyed a vivid idea of the field in which the English Presbyterian Church is there engaged, and of the nature of their work.