

Bequests of Mrs McKenzie. A letter was read from Mr. Roderick McGregor, executor of the will of the late Mrs. Christy McKenzie, widow of John McKenzie, Esq., formerly of New Glasgow, informing the Synod of the following bequests:—

To the Synod's Home Mission Fund	- - - - -	£200
“ “ Foreign Mission Fund	- - - - -	200
“ “ Widow's Fund	- - - - -	100
For bursaries to encourage students preparing for the ministry	- - - - -	400

The sum last named being under control of the Pictou Presbytery.

Acknowledgement. On motion it was agreed that the receipt of this letter be acknowledged, that the report of the auditing committee be received, and their diligence approved, and that the Synod express on their minutes their sense of the liberality of our people in support of the public funds, and their gratitude to God for these results.

Reference from Presbytery of C. Breton. Read extracts from the minutes of the Presbytery of Cape Breton, asking synodical advice respecting an application from Mr. C. L. Ross, for restoration to the status of a minister in this church, when after consideration it was moved,—“That the paper laid before the Synod cannot be entertained in the present circumstances of the case; and that any farther application for restoration be made to the Presbytery of Victoria and Richmond, who are hereby authorized, should they see cause, to call in the aid of the assessors who were formerly associated with the Presbytery of Victoria in the matter, and that such application in the meantime be considered, only so far as refers to restoration to the communion of the church.”

Amendment. It was moved in amendment “That in respect to the reference to the Presbytery of Cape Breton anent the application of Mr. C. L. Ross, the Synod direct that Presbytery to proceed according to the rules of the church upon his acknowledgment and confession, and after consultation with the assessors formerly engaged, *quo ad* his restoration to the communion of the church, but reserve the question of restoration to the ministry for future consideration.”

Motion passed. The question being taken between the motion and amendment, there appeared for the amendment 37, for the motion 39, which therefore passed, and the Synod decided accordingly.

Adjourned, closing with prayer.

FOURTH SEDERUNT.

Same Day and Place, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Synod met and was constituted, when the minutes of last sederunt were read and approved.

Report of Mr. Blair. Rev. D. B. Blair read the report of his visit as a deputy of this Synod to Cape Breton in August last. The report was received and the diligence of the deputy approved, and thanks expressed to the ladies of Knox church, Pictou, for their liberality in paying Mr. Blair's expenses.

Reference from Pictou Presbytery. Rev. Mr. McKinnon not being present no report of his visit was laid before Synod, except the fact that he had fulfilled his appointment. Read a reference from the Pictou Presbytery, as embodied in a minute