

make up his mind to leave his home. He showed that it was by training a native ministry that Columba evangelized Caledonia, and that Dr. Duff has left his impression on India. We should have an Endowment Fund of at least £15,000 and three Professors. The church is quite able to attain to this. Let us "go forward," and not stick like the Egyptians in the Red Sea. He appealed eloquently to the rich men to open their coffers to help this great work. The motion was adopted.

Other members of Synod spoke briefly up to the hour of adjournment.

SUBSEQUENT PROCEEDINGS ON THIS SUBJECT.

On Thursday the future of the Theological Hall was discussed with great care and fulness, an unusually large proportion of ministers and elders taking part.

Rev. E. Ross moved:

"That as a temporary arrangement, two Professors, ministers of this church, be appointed, who shall retain charge of their congregations, but who shall give such a portion of their time and labour to the Theological Hall as may be found best adapted to subserve all the interests concerned."

This motion was seconded by Rev. Dr. McCulloch.

Rev. G. WALKER moved an amendment to the effect that the Synod take immediate steps towards procuring another Professor in the Theological Hall with Professor McKnight. Every aspect of the question was earnestly and anxiously weighed, and at a few minutes before five o'clock in the afternoon the vote was taken, when there voted for Mr. WALKER's amendment 94, and for Mr. Ross's motion 7.

Presbyteries were then instructed to meet and to make up a list of ministers, from whom the Synod should select a Professor—the election to take place on Friday.

On Friday forenoon it appeared that the following nominations were made by Presbyteries:

Rev. JAMES BENNET, Rev. ISAAC MURRAY, Rev. GEORGE PATTERSON, Rev. MARCUS DODS, Dr. ISLAY BURNS, Dr. McLEOD, Dr. McCULLOCH, Rev. E. ROSS, Rev. A. ROSS, Pictou.

Rev. Dr. McCULLOCH, Rev. JAMES BENNET, and the Rev. Dr. McLEOD, requested their names to be withdrawn. Rev. A. ROSS, Pictou, was absent in Ontario.

The Synod resolved to take the vote by ballot—the lowest name to be dropped after each ballot. The final ballot was as follows: Rev. M. DODS 66; Rev. ISAAC MURRAY 59. The Moderator then announced the result of the vote, and declared Rev. MARCUS DODS of Glasgow, Scotland, duly elected Professor of this church.

Afterwards the whole Synod agreed cordially to invite Mr. DODS to accept the Professorship, fixed his salary at £300 stg., forwarded to him a Letter of Invitation, and intimated to the Free Church Presbytery of Glasgow the steps that had been taken—Mr. DODS being a member of this Presbytery.

The salary of Professor MACKNIGHT was fixed at \$1,200.

RETIREMENT OF DR. KING.

The following Minute was unanimously adopted respecting Rev. Dr. KING:

"In connection with the retirement of the Rev. Andrew King, D.D., from his work as Professor of Theology and Church History, the Synod agree to record their deep sense of the value of his services throughout a period of 22 years in training young men for the work of the ministry in these Lower Provinces. His extensive acquaintance with the literature of his department, the lucid order and fulness of methodical treatment which he brought to bear on the exposition of theological topics, the precision with which he defined the point at issue in controversy, and the incisive logic with which he exposed and refuted error, found their appropriate sphere in the divinity class room; while the grave courtesy and kindness of his manner at once maintained the dignity of his chair and secured the affection of his pupils. His thorough familiarity with the procedure of church courts, his firmness in maintaining the principles of Presbyterian government and discipline, and his wisdom in applying them to the varying circumstances of the church, gave weight to his counsel in Presbytery and Synod. And so long as strength permitted he laboured abundantly, in the pulpit, in committee, and otherwise, to promote the interests of the church and the edification of the people.—And in token of their appreciation of such services, the Synod hereby tender to him, as Emeritus Professor of Theology and Church History, a deliberative seat in the higher Courts of the Church, and instruct the Clerk to forward to him a copy of this Minute."