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prayerful sympathy, pecuniary support and personal co-operation. Also that this custom be continued from year to year, until otherwise ordered by the Assembly.

IV. That in connection with the above-mentioned services, the work of the General Assembly's Committee be commended to the liberality of our Sabbath Schools, and contributions be invited towards the expenses of the Scheme of Higher Religious Instruction.

On motion of Mr. R. Murray, seconded by Mr. P. McF. McLeod, the thanks of the Assembly were given to the Convener of the Committee, Mr. Fotheringham, for his great diligence in the work of the Committee.

COMMITTEE—SUMMER SESSION.

The Committee on Summer Session here asked and obtained leave to retire for business.

MEMORIAL RE PRESBYTERY OF ALGOMA.

Dr. Cochrane now presented a memorial from certain ministers and elders in the District of Algoma, praying that the General Assembly organize a new Presbytery in that District, and moved, seconded by Mr. A. Telmie,—That the memorial from ministers and elders in the Algoma District, praying the General Assembly to erect a new Presbytery in that region, be referred for consideration during the year to the Presbyteries of Bruce, Barrie, Owen Sound and Maitland, with instructions to bring the matter in a more definite form before the next General Assembly, and, if necessary, confer with the Home Mission Committee, and the Synods to which these Presbyteries belong. The motion was adopted.

NOTICE OF MOTION—COMMITTEE ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Notice was given on behalf of Dr. McFavish, that he would move this afternoon, that certain names be added to the Committee on Sabbath Schools already appointed.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Assembly adjourned to meet again this afternoon at half-past two o'clock, of which public intimation was given, and the Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

FIFTEENTH SEDERUNT.

On the same day and at the same place, at half-past two o'clock in the afternoon:—

The Assembly met, pursuant to adjournment, and was duly constituted, prayer being offered at the Moderator's request, by Mr. John Kean, of Ottawa.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

COMMITTEE ON BILLS—FIFTH REPORT.

Dr. Torrance presented a report from the Committee on Bills, recommending an Order of Business for the several Sederunts to-day and to-morrow, and further, that business left unfinished at the close of one Sederunt be the first order at that following. The report was received and its recommendations were adopted.

TEMPERANCE—DEPUTATION FROM DOMINION ALLIANCE.

According to previous appointment, the Assembly proceeded to consider the unfinished business from the Committee on Temperance. In connection therewith, a deputation from the Dominion Alliance for the Suppression of the Liquor Traffic, consisting of Rev. Messrs. Kincs, Whiting, Lang and McCormack; and Messrs. Montgomery, Laidlaw,