

Commissioners, they are requested to give a final statement to next meeting of Synod.

COMMISSION OF SYNOD.

The Synod appoint their Commission to meet in St. Andrew's Church, Kingston, on the first Wednesday of October next, at noon, and at Toronto on the third Wednesday of February, 1869, at noon, and oftener by adjournment when and where the Commissioners may choose. Nine Commissioners shall be a quorum, of whom five must be Ministers. In all their actings the Commissioners shall proceed according to the Act passed this Session ancient the nature, powers, and duties of the Commission of the Supreme Court of this Church.

COMMITTEE TO REVISE SYNOD MINUTES.

The Synod appoint Dr. Mathieson, Rev. W. Simpson, Mr. Morris, and Mr. Greenshields, to revise the minutes of this Session previous to their being engrossed and printed.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COURTESY.

Moved, seconded, and carried by acclamation, That the thanks of the Synod be conveyed to the Minister, Elders, and Members of this Church, for their courtesy to the members of Synod throughout this Session.

The minutes of this Diet were read and sustained.

CLOSING OF SESSION.

The Moderator then addressed the Synod, and after prayer and praise said,—

In the Name of the LORD JESUS CHRIST, the KING and ONLY HEAD of this Church, and in the Name of this Synod, I dissolve this Meeting, and appoint the next Annual Meeting of Synod to convene in St. Andrew's Church, Kingston, on the last Wednesday in May, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty years;—

Of which public intimation was made, and the Moderator pronounced the Apostolic Benediction.

they are attached. It might be far otherwise. With regard to the Church of Scotland, they might know much that they should know by taking, reading and properly valuing the "Presbyterian"—and about their own local church organization by attending such periodical meetings as are held in most of our congregations for the express purpose of giving such information; and, in addition, by being connected with such an association as has led to these remarks, getting the opportunity of personally helping-on some good enterprize it may have undertaken and become in a manner pledged to carry out.

Through Mr. Macdonnell's appeal originally to the Ladies of the congregation and occasional reference to the subject afterwards, seconded by Mrs. Macdonnell's cordial and active superintendence, the Association was started, and four yearly sales of ladies' work have now been held, the result of which, without descending to minute particulars, shall be mentioned. The Sale or Bazaar has been held on the 24th of May, a day universally attended by manifestations of patriotic feeling wherever our beloved Sovereign's sway is acknowledged; and, although a period of the year when money is not commonly found most plentiful, this sale has never proved a failure on that account. A small annual contribution for purchase of materials constitutes membership; the ladies meet on the first Wednesday of each month at the Manse, and engage for two or three hours in sewing together; others, unable to attend but disposed to aid, have work supplied to them, which they do at their own homes, and occasionally meet with the rest; and in this way a great many useful and ornamental articles have been made and disposed of, suited to attract all ages and classes, and at no extravagant cost. It must not be overlooked that such sales, apart from the merely financial aspect, have the happy effect of allowing an outlet for the benevolence of members of the church and others connected with it, and directing it into a channel *unmistakably* good; that is, when parties do not come to such an exhibition intent on cheapening down articles, already bearing prices fixed with great caution by

the ladies having the management, and endeavouring thus to obtain what are commonly known as "bargains." Where there is not sufficient liberality to come to a church bazaar for the purpose mainly, if not solely, of helping a good work, it may safely be said church members might be better employed elsewhere. When a right spirit exists, (and we rejoice often to witness it) the labour, of love of the females, who have so disinterestedly been engaged, will be in some measure appreciated, and will be met by a generous liberal expression as far as the ability extends.

These observations must however be brought to a close. By the four annual sales of the Association particularly alluded to, commencing with the year 1856, although the two last have been held in times of unexampled commercial depression, the handsome sum of \$300 or thereabouts has been realized, and \$50 worth of unsold articles remains on hand. Of the amount obtained \$200 were devoted to the erection of a stable connected with the manse which the Trustees had just built; and help was given to two congregations of our Church in the West, which were struggling into existence. The French Mission of our Church was also aided, and the proceeds of the last sale have not yet been appropriated. This short sketch, it is hoped, may be additional evidence to the readers of the "Presbyterian" (for many such could be furnished by other congregations) that the ladies of our Church, when shown a good field to work in, are most willing and able to cultivate it; and that much may be done, by the minister especially, either in preparing the way or helping such useful movements forwards.

Fergus, 28th May, 1859.

P. S.—We regret much that several interesting communications, owing to the necessity of inserting the entire proceedings of the late Synod in this number, have been crowded out.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

Donations in aid of the Bursary Fund.

Aberdeen Students' Missionary Association, Scotland, £7 Stg.,..... \$34 07

Stratford Congreg'n, per Rev. W. Miller, \$2 20
36 27

JOHN PATON, Secretary.
Kingston, 28th June, 1859.

JEWISH MISSION.

Received by the Treasurer since last acknowledgment:—
Collection at Melbourne, per Rev. J. S. Sieveright, \$6 50
" at Goderich, per Rev. A. McKidd, 7-00
" at Episcopal Meeting at Ottawa, less expense, 56-45
" from St. Andrew's Church, Kingston, per Rev. J. Machar, D.D., 85-00
Aggregate of collections at a series of meetings for prayer, per Rev. J. Machar, D.D.,..... 55-00

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ALEX. MORRIS, Treasurer.

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