

late Rev. James Gibson, Convener of the Finance Committee of this church, during the past year, and would record its high sense of his superior talents, diligence and piety as a minister of the gospel, and would deeply sympathise with his sorrowing and bereaved widow and family."

The report was adopted.

Report  
adopted.

Instructed the clerk to communicate this resolution to Mrs. Gibson, and to express the sincere sympathy of Synod with her and all the members of her family, under the bereavement with which divine Providence has visited them.

Instruction  
to clerk.

Read and received a communication from the Rev. Thomas Christie, of the following tenor :—The treasurer of the "Home Fund" begs leave respectfully to tender his resignation to this Synod, and would earnestly entertain the hope of its acceptance, on the ground of important changes having been made which render the continuance of the office unnecessary. Hamilton, 16th June, 1860.

Resignation  
of Treasurer  
Rev. T.  
Christie,  
delined.

The Synod declined acceptance of Mr. Christie's resignation, and respectfully request him to retain the office for another year.

*Ordered*,—That 600 copies of the Minutes of this meeting of Synod be printed for the use of ministers and sessions.

Order for  
printing.

As the committee specially appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer—Robert Christie, Esq.,—for the past year, had reported that those accounts were not ready for examination, Messrs. Porteous and James, who had been appointed at a former sederunt, to audit accounts from this date to the end of the year, were in addition, requested to examine the accounts for the past year, so that they may be prepared for publication.

Accounts to  
be audited  
and publish-  
ed.

*Ordered*,—That the accounts when audited, be published in the Magazine,—with instructions to Mr. Christie to abbreviate as much as possible the statement prepared for the Press, by