

36 ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE SEVENTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

FOREIGN MISSIONS—UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Assembly took up the unfinished business from the Foreign Mission Committee, interrupted by the adjournment this morning.

SALARIED SECRETARY.

Professor MacLaren presented the unanimous recommendation of the Foreign Mission Committee that Dr. J. B. Fraser be appointed as Secretary of the Western Division, at a salary of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) per annum, and expenses.

Before the Assembly entered on the consideration of the recommendation Dr. Fraser asked leave to state that he had come to understand, since the opening of the Assembly, that a diversity of opinion exists as to the advisability of making any appointment at present of a salaried Secretary, and therefore requests that the question of making such appointment be considered by the Assembly, in the first place, apart from any reference to his name.

It was moved by Mr. D. D. McLeod, seconded by Mr. John Gray :—That the question of appointing an agent for the Western Division of the Church, to act as Secretary of the Foreign Mission work of the Church—such agent to represent the Foreign Mission work among the congregations of the Church, as well as to keep the minutes and conduct the correspondence of the Committee—be sent down to Presbyteries for consideration, with instruction to nominate a suitable person for the office should they approve of such an appointment, and to report to next Assembly.

Lengthened consideration of the motion was had, during which the hour of adjournment arrived. It was agreed to sit until the motion should be disposed of. After further reasoning the motion was unanimously adopted, and the Assembly ordered accordingly.

The Assembly then adjourned, to meet again this evening at half-past seven o'clock, of which public intimation was given, and the Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

THIRTEENTH SEDERUNT.

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

The General Assembly met and was constituted with devotional exercises. Mr. George Hay, Elder, at the request of the Moderator, leading in prayer.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

FOREIGN MISSIONS—UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Assembly now agreed to dispose of the remaining business from the Foreign Mission Committee.

PRINCE ALBERT MISSION PROPERTY.

The subject of the legal conditions connected with the Mission property at Prince Albert and other points in the North-West Territories and Manitoba, was brought to the notice of the General Assembly by Professor MacLaren, and, on his motion, the following preamble and resolutions, being those adopted on the same subject last year, with additions found necessary, were adopted by the Assembly :—

Whereas, The General Assembly holds Mission property at Prince Albert and at other points in the North-West Territories and Manitoba, vested in a body of Trustees ;