

SEVENTH SESSION.

*St. David's Church, St. John,
30th June, 1866, 10 o'clock, A. M.*

Synod met according to adjournment and was constituted, minutes were read and sustained, when Mr. McKay gave in report on union, viz. :—

That your committee have given their careful attention to the important matter entrusted to them. They held a joint meeting with the Committee on Union of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces in the month of July last in the city of Halifax, and finding that all things seemed to warrant the belief that Union might be consummated at the then next meetings of the respective synods, your committee suggested to the committee of the sister church, the desirableness of consummating the union in this city. The synod of the sister church entertained and adopted this suggestion, and are consequently now in session in this city. Several meetings have been held by the respective committees jointly and separately, and your committee have great pleasure in being able to report that all things are now arranged, and that it only remains to carry out this most desirable object. All which is respectfully submitted.

N. MCKAY, *Con.*

Report on union having been read Rev. J. Bennet presented the following motion which was seconded by Rev. William Salmon, viz. :—

That the Synod of the church of the Lower Provinces having by their vote of last night relative to instrumental music in the public worship of God, adopted a new term of communion in their church not warranted by the Word of God or the standards of this church, and designed to suppress the exercise of a legitimate christian liberty. Therefore *Resolved*, that the consummation of the proposed union between the Synod of the church of New Brunswick and the Synod of the church of the Lower Provinces be not proceeded with at present.

To the motion Mr. Alves moved, and Mr. McKay seconded the previous question as an amendment.

The vote being called, sixteen were found to have voted for the amendment and four for the motion.

It was then moved and unanimously carried :—

That the report be received and approved, and that the committee be instructed in conjunction with the committee of the other Synod, to take what steps may be necessary to the consummation of the union of the two Synods.

Synod adjourned to meet on Monday at 10 o'clock, a. m.

EIGHTH SESSION.

*St. David's Church, St. John,
June 2nd, 1866, 10 o'clock, A. M.*

Synod met and was constituted, when Mr. Bennet gave in a verbal report on Education. It was then agreed to re-appoint the committee and remit the matter of Woodstock seminary to them, with instructions to act under the best legal advice with regard to the whole case.

Woodstock Seminary.

Committee on Education now consists of Messrs. Bennet, (Convener) McKay, Alves, Salmon, and I. G. Stevens, Esq.

It was then moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted :—

That inasmuch as Mr. Glass has now ceased to fulfil the duties on the ground of which the Synod permitted the Presbytery of York to retain his name on their roll as a member, his name be now erased from the roll of Presbytery, and also from the roll of Synod.

The clerk requested that Mr. Alves be appointed as clerk of the afternoon sederunt. The request was acceded to, and Mr. Alves appointed clerk, *pro tem.*

It was then agreed that the conveners of the various committees of