

terian Church of Canada is about to be consummated, and that the number of Professors in the sister Church is already more than sufficient for all the wants of a Theological Institute, in the present circumstances of the country, and in view of the prospective position of the United Church in this Province, the Synod do not think it at present desirable to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of their late respected Professor.

Amendment

2. Moved, in amendment, by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Caven, That this Synod, in view of union with the Presbyterian Church of Canada, deem it due to themselves to elect one of their number as a Theological Tutor, to enter on the duties of said office, not immediately, but at such time, and at such salary, as the resources and arrangements of the United Synod shall warrant.

A vote was first taken on the amendment of Mr. Kennedy, which was lost. The motion of Mr. Inglis was then carried by a large majority.

Report adopted.

On motion made and seconded, the Synod received and adopted the report of the committee of the whole house, and decided in terms of the motion. The committee was then discharged.

Dissent.

The Rev. Dr. Thornton asked and obtained leave to dissent from the decision arrived at, for reasons stated. The dissent and reasons were in terms following :

I dissent from this decision of Synod for the following reasons :

1st. Because I consider it but due to this Synod to enter upon the union upon fair and equal principles, which, without a Professor, we will not do.

2nd. Because it was expressly stipulated that our Professor should take his position in Knox's College ; and this arrangement was held by our people of such vital importance, in agreeing to the union, that this Synod is not warranted in taking it for granted that they will sustain us in going forward to union without a Professor.

Dissents.

The Rev. Messrs. Proudfoot, Caven, Kennedy, Dunbar, Barr and Hall, also requested and obtained leave to enter their dissent