

during the first week in May next and reduce all the claims of Presbyteries for Supplemented Congregations and Mission Stations for the half-year ending 31st March next by such a per centage as will equalize the expenditure and income for the year."

It was moved, in amendment, by Mr. J. M. King, seconded by Mr. D. M. Gordon :

"In view of the fact that, according to present appearances, the expenditure of the Home Mission Committee will be found to have exceeded the income by about \$7,000, it is agreed, with great reluctance, to deduct 25 per cent. from the amounts due to Presbyteries, including the Manitoba and other Mission fields, at this date, for the labour of the past six months, making a sum of about \$3,500, and to appeal to the Ministers of the Church for a similar amount."

A vote being taken, the amendment was carried, the vote being 10 for the motion and 11 for the amendment.

At a later stage of the proceedings the members of the Committee subscribed about \$500, and agreed to carry out the latter part of the resolution by making application to the Ministers in their respective Presbyteries, and the following were appointed a Sub-Committee to take charge of the matter :—Dr. Cochrane, Messrs. Macdonnell and King,—Mr. King to be Treasurer.

It was further resolved, on motion of Mr. Macdonnell, seconded by Mr. Black, "That 25 per cent. be deducted from the grants to all Supplemented Congregations and Mission Stations for the next six months, and that leave be asked of the General Assembly to reduce proportionately the amounts paid by the Committee to the Missionaries in the Presbytery of Manitoba, with the understanding that this resolution does not affect the salary of the Missionary to Prince Albert, as settled at this meeting of the Committee.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Grants from British Churches.—The Convener reported that he had received, and suitably acknowledged, a grant of £300 sterling from the Free Church of Scotland, and £110 from the Irish Presbyterian Church.

Sub-Committee.—The following are the Sub-Committee to attend to all matters requiring action before the meeting of the General Assembly : Dr. Cochrane, Messrs. Laing, Macdonnell, King and T. W. Taylor.

Expenses Noted.—The travelling expenses of members of Committee were noted and paid.

Close.—The Committee adjourned at two o'clock p.m., on Thursday, 27th March, and the meeting was closed with the Benediction.

WM. COCHRANE, D.D.,

Convener.

ROBT. H. WARDEN,

Secretary.