

had attended to instructions. A committee was appointed to consider the whole subject of the incorporation of the Synod. "On the attendance of lay elders," the Synod enjoined sessions to elect elders within the legal time, and order this resolution to be read at all sessions and engrossed in their minutes. Messrs. Murray and Henderson with their representative elders, were appointed a committee to correspond with the members of Synod and procure information concerning localities destitute of ordinances. The Synod adjourned to meet on Monday.

On Monday the Report of the Committee appointed to consider the best way of diffusing information respecting this Church by means of a periodical was received and approved. The Report recommended the expediency of changing the *Monthly Record* into a joint weekly publication for the two Provinces, and appointed Messrs. Henderson, McRobie and Murray, a committee to attend to the matter, and to correspond with the conductors of the *Monthly Record* and others, with the view of effecting the object desired.

Mr. Henderson, Clerk of the Synod of Miramichi, laid before the Synod a communication from the Synod of Canada in reference to the congregation of Richmond in Canada East, wherein it was proposed to transfer the said congregation from the Synod of Canada, and to annex it to the Presbytery of Miramichi, allowing the minister of said congregation to retain all the secular advantages arising from the Temporalities and Widow's Funds established in Canada.

The Synod instructed the Presbytery of Miramichi to take the necessary steps.

An Overture was brought up, the object of which was to divide the Presbytery of Miramichi, so as that henceforth, it should constitute two, the one being along the shores of the Bay des Chaleurs, the other comprehending the counties of Northumberland and Kent, to retain the name of the Presbytery of Miramichi, as before. The Synod passed the Overture, appointed the first meeting of the new-formed Presbytery of Restigouche to be held at Dalhousie, on the first Wednesday of October next, and the Rev. James Steven of Campbelltown to be the first moderator of said Presbytery.

On motion of Dr. Brooke, the thanks of the Synod were given from the chair to the Rev. Alexr. Spence of Ottawa, the Rev. Allan Pollok of New Glasgow, corresponding members from the Synods of Canada and Nova Scotia, and to the Rev. W. Snodgrass, of Montreal.

Resolution of Synod respecting a book entitled "Forms of Prayer for Social and Family Worship," prepared under the superintendence of the General Assembly. Forty copies to be ordered.

Resolution respecting Wilson's Presbyteri-

an Almanac. Clerk instructed to furnish information to the publisher.

Mr. Donald directed the attention of the Synod to a statement which appeared in the accounts of the Colonial Committee, under the head "Synod of New Brunswick and Presbytery of St. John," from which it appeared that a payment of £20 had been made to a Mr. Aeneas McDonald, catechist, whereupon the Clerk was instructed to intimate to the Convener, and to the Secretary and Treasurer of said Committee, that no such person was known to any member of Synod.

The next meeting was appointed to be held in St. Andrew's Church, Chatham, Miramichi, on the second Thursday of July, 1860.

The Moderator then dismissed the Synod with a suitable address, and the proceedings were closed with prayer, praise, and the Apostolic Benediction.

On Wednesday, 6th July, the children of the Sabbath Schools of St. Andrew's Church, Woodstock, and St. James' Church, Northampton, N. B., had a picnic under the personal direction of the Rev. Henry J. McLardy. Several of the parents, teachers and friends were present. The ground chosen for the picnic was the farm of James Rankin, Esq. The tables were laid under the shade of some fir trees, and were tastefully decorated with flowers, and plentifully covered with good things. About fifty children were present, and both before and after tea, they indulged in various games of romps, thus practically showing that religion is not at all incompatible with innocent enjoyment.

The friends took tea at Mr. Rankin's. It was a most pleasant gathering, and lasted until 7 o'clock, when the children returned home in the delicious coolness of the "gloamin," laden with flowers from Mrs. Rankin's garden. The children from Woodstock were under the care of Major Tupper and Mr. Hugh McLean.

Last autumn, the Ladies' connected with St. James' Church, Northampton, N. B., subscribed money to procure a Bell for their beautiful little Church. The Bell was procured—the first in a country church, and has been making sweet sabbath melody ever since, but so liberal were the subscriptions, swelled by £2 from Mr. William Gibson that a considerable surplus was left, with which they have now procured inside curtains for the Church.

The Sabbath School connected with St. Andrew's Church, Woodstock, N. B., has a library of 100 volumes: to this a considerable addition has lately been made.

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