

It was then moved by Mr. Mann, seconded by Professor Smith, and unanimously agreed to, That the Report now read be received and approved of, and that the thanks of the Synod be given to the Managers of the Fund, for the faithful and admirable manner in which they have managed the Fund entrusted to their care.

The Synod then proceeded to the election of Three Trustees for the management of the Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund, in room of the Rev. James C. Muir, William Edmonstone, Esq., and W. Gordon Mack, Esq., who retire from office at this time, in conformity with the provisions of the Act of Incorporation, when the said Rev. James C. Muir, William Edmonstone, Esq., and W. Gordon Mack, Esq., were unanimously re-elected, and their names directed to be placed at the head of the lists of ministers and laymen respectively composing the Board.

The Synod had laid before them a Statement from the Clergy Reserves Commissioners, in regard to the state of the Fund. The accompanying documents were referred to a Committee consisting of Mr. Barclay, Mr. George, Judge Malloch, Mr. T. A. Gibson, and Mr. William Ferguson, who thereafter reported "That they had examined said documents, and found ample evidence that the whole business has been managed with the greatest care and prudence, and obviously with an earnest desire not only for the advancement of the temporal interests, but also for the future spiritual efficiency of the Church;" whereupon the Synod, in accordance with the recommendation of the Committee, "Agreed to express their entire confidence in the wisdom and fidelity of the Commissioners, and tender to them the hearty thanks of the Church."

The Synod appointed the following Examining Committee, in terms of the Act anent the Examination of Ministers, Preachers, and Students, coming from other Churches not in connection with this Church, viz.: the Moderator and Clerk, Dr. Machar, Professor Williamson, Professor Smith, Mr. George, Mr. Barclay, Dr. Cook, Dr. Mathieson, Mr. McGill, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Urquhart, Mr. J. B. Mowat, Dr. Mair, Mr. McNee, Mr. Mann, Mr. Bain, and Mr. McMorine.

It was intimated to the Synod, on behalf of the Presbytery of Kingston, that it was their intention, with leave of the Synod, to take Mr. Peter Lindsay, Student of Divinity, of Queen's College, on trials for license:—when, it having been ascertained that the circular letters issued by the Presbytery had been received in due time, and that no objections were offered, the Synod directed that Mr. Lindsay appear before the Examining Committee, and appointed a meeting of the Examining Committee to be held this evening at Half-past Seven o'clock.

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