

The Rev. J. H. McCollum read a petition from the Incumbent and Churchwardens of St. Thomas's Church, Toronto, praying that the declaration of Trust, executed by them and deposited in the Synod office be rescinded to enable them to borrow money and pay off their debt; and, on his motion seconded by the Rev. John Davidson, it was referred to the following committee: Alderman Canavan, Dr. L. Langstaff, and the Rev. John Langtry.

#### PRESENTING REPORTS.

The following reports were then presented:—

- A. Report of the Executive Committee: including the list of names recommended to serve on the Standing Committees (The Ven. Archdeacon Wilson, M.A.)
- B. Report of the Clergy Commutation Trust Committee (The Rev. Rural Dean Lett, D.D.)
- C. Report of the Endowment of See, Rectory Lands, and Land and Investment Committee (Rev. Canon Brent, M.A.)
- D. Report of the Mission Board (The Lord Bishop.)
- E. Report of the Widows and Orphans' Fund, and Theological Students' Fund Committee (The Rev. Rural Dean Cooper, B.A.)
- F. Report of the General Purposes Fund, Statistics and Assessment Committee (Marcellus Crombie, Esq., M.A.)
- G. Report of the Sunday School, and Book and Tract Committee (The Ven. Archdeacon Whitaker, M.A., Provost of Trinity College)
- H. Report of the Audit Committee (Rev. William Grant, M.A.)
- J. Report of the Church Music Committee (The Rev. J. D. Cayley, M.A.)
- K. Report of the Printing Committee (J. George Hodgins, Esq., LL.D.)
- L. Report of the Special Committee on Canon for enforcing Church Discipline (The Ven. Archdeacon Whitaker, Provost of Trinity College.)
- N. Report of Commissioners to divide funds with Niagara Diocese (A. H. Campbell, Esq.)
- O. Report of Deputation to Minister of Education on Religious Education in the Public Schools (Rev. J. Langtry, M.A.)
- Q. Report of Special Committee on enforcing answers to Statistical Questions (Rev. F. A. O'Meara, LL. D.)

These reports not being ready for distribution,

#### NOTICES OF MOTION.

By consent of Synod several notices of motion were handed in.

#### CONFIRMATION OF BY-LAWS.

It was then moved by Rev. Dr. Lett, seconded by Hon. Vice-Chancellor Blake,—

That the word "annually," in Article 16 of the Constitution be omitted, and that the word "triennially," be substituted therefor; and that the following words be added to said article:—"That the Delegates to the Provincial Synod do hold their office as such for three years, provided they so long continue members of this Synod, and that the number of substitutes be increased to twelve."—*Carried.*

Moved by the Ven. Archdeacon Whitaker, seconded by Mr. Crombie:

That on page 277 of the Canons (Constitution of Vestries for Free Churches) after the words "England and Ireland" the following be added: "and to have communicated at said Church at least three times during the preceding twelve months,