

RULES FOR GUIDANCE OF HOME
MISSION BOARD.

The Moderator, having left the chair, which was taken by Rev. R. Burnet, complained of some of the rules passed at meeting of Synod in June last. After discussion it was moved by the Clerk, seconded by Rev. D. McKenzie, that rule III be altered so as to read: "That in computing the number of families in a Congregation, the non-contributing families be not reckoned until they shall contribute such amount as shall be deemed necessary by the Kirk Session."

It was moved in amendment, and seconded, that the rule be not altered.

The vote being taken, 4 voted for the motion, and 8 for the amendment, the finding of the Synod, therefore, being that the rule remain as before.

STATISTICS.

It was moved by Mr. Burnet, seconded by Mr. Murray, and unanimously agreed "that every Minister within the bounds, annually lay before the Synod the Statistics of his Congregation, stating the number of families contributing and non-contributing—the number of Communicants added and dismissed—the amount of stipend promised and paid—the number of families added and left—as far as known, the state and condition, temporal and spiritual, of the Congregation, and that such Statistics be first annually submitted to the different Kirk Sessions, before presentation to the Court."

Resolved that Mr. Burnet's name be added to the Committee on Statistics.

The following committee was appointed to confer with the committee of the sister Synod in the matter of the proposed Young Ladies' Seminary, viz:—Messrs. Burnet, (Convener) Murray, Dunn, and McMillan.

Rev. Dr. Paterson, being invited by the Moderator, addressed the Court giving information regarding the several widows' and orphans' funds.

The following Committee was appointed to prepare the minutes of the Synod for publication. viz:—The Clerk, Rev's. R. Burnet, and J. W. Fraser.

NEXT MEETING OF SYNOD.

It was moved and seconded, that next meeting take place in St. George's Church, R. John, on the last Tuesday of June, 1882, at 7.30, P. M.

It was moved in amendment, and seconded, that next meeting take place in St. Andrew's Church, Pictou, on the last Tuesday of June, 1882, at 7.30 P. M.

The vote being taken, the amendment was carried by a majority of one.

VOTE OF THANKS.

On motion, a hearty and unanimous vote of thanks was passed to the Minister and members of St. Andrew's Church, N. Glasgow, for their hospitality and attention to the comfort of the members of Synod.

The Moderator then declared the business of this session to be concluded, and in the name of Lord Jesus Christ, the alone King and head of the Church, appointed the next Synod to meet in St. Andrews'