

At the suggestion of the Moderator, it was unanimously agreed, that an Address of condolence be forwarded for presentation to Her Majesty, in the deep affliction with which it has pleased the Allwise Ruler to visit our revered and beloved Queen. The following draft was submitted, adopted, and ordered to be signed by the Moderator and Clerk:—

Address to Her Majesty.

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

*The Humble Address of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces of British North America.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY,—

We, your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Ministers and Elders of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces of British North America, convened in Synod, humbly beg leave to approach your Majesty with the expression of our warm attachment to your Majesty's person and loyalty to your Majesty's Throne.

We desire to express to your Majesty, the sentiment of deep solemnity and sorrow, with which we have received the death of your Majesty's illustrious Consort. We feel the pain and suddenness of the stroke, which has removed from his career of usefulness, in the very vigour of his days, in the beauty and strength of his manhood, one so conspicuous among Princes for his virtues and talents, one so eminently respected and so universally beloved.

While we thus deplore the irreparable loss which the nation has sustained, we would also express our sense of the greatness of the bereavement, which has deprived your Majesty of the presence and support of a kind husband and enlightened adviser; your Majesty's children of the counsel and training of an affectionate father; and the community at large, of a Benefactor who was peculiarly able and disposed to devote his high attainments to the best interests of his adopted country.

It is our earnest and sincere desire that He who sent the affliction, may supply to your Majesty true consolation, that He may abundantly bless your Majesty with all "spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ Jesus," that He may sanctify to your Majesty, to His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, and to the Royal Family, all His Providential dealings, that He may long spare your Majesty to reign over us, and finally receive your Majesty into His Rest.

On motion, it was unanimously agreed that the very cordial thanks of this Synod be tendered to the people of James Church, Knox Church and Primitive Church, for their great hospitality during this protracted, but most pleasant Synodical Session.

Thanks

Motions were made, that the next meeting of Synod be at Sydney, at Charlottetown, at Truro, and at Halifax, when Charlottetown was selected, and the next ordinary meeting appointed to be holden in Prince Street Church in that city, on the 4th Wednesday of June, 1863, at 11 o'clock, A. M. The Committee of Bills and Overtures were empowered to fix the sederunts, when some of the more important and interesting items of business will be taken up next year.

Next Meeting

Business arrangements

The minutes of the present sederunt were read and corrected. The Moderator addressed the Synod with deep solemnity and tender affection. The last three verses of Psalm 122nd were sung, when the Session was closed with prayer and the Apostolic Benediction.

Minutes

Closed

PETER G. MCGREGOR, *Synod Clerk.*

New Glasgow, July 2nd, 1862.