

FIFTH SEDERUNT.

*St. Matthew's Church, Halifax,
July 1, 1861.*

The Synod met after devotional exercises conducted by Mr. Tallach, and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator. Sederunt—Mr. Boyd, Moderator; Messrs. Scott, Jardine, Tallach, Christie, Duncan, Martin, ministers; and James Bremner and Philip Thomson, Esqrs., elders.

The minutes of Saturday's Sederunt were read, and after corrections, sustained.

The Conveners of Committee to adjudicate on the Synod Fund reported to the following effect:

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The Committee of the Synod Fund find the following sums on hand:

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| Jun. 28, Balance in Treas. hands, | £8 | 12 | 8½ |
| Collection from Wallace, | 0 | 18 | 4½ |
| St. Andrew's, Halifax, | 3 | 10 | 0 |
| St. Matthew's, do., | 9 | 1 | 6 |
| St. James', Charlottetown, | 1 | 13 | 4 |

Available funds in hand, £23 15 11

CLAIMS ALLOWED.

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| Dr. Macgillivray half expenses to Canada, | £8 | 0 | 0 |
| Mr. Mair balance salary as Synod Clerk, | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Mr. Duncan of last year's expenses, | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Mr. Tallach do. do. | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Mr. Boyd do. do. | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Mr. Holmes do. do. | 0 | 15 | 0 |
| Part Synod Clerk's salary, | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Sum voted to the officer of St. Matthew's, | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Records to be paid, | 3 | 0 | 0 |

Total of claims allowed, £19 15 0

Leaving a balance in hand of £4 0s. 11d.

It was moved, seconded, and unanimously agreed to, that the report be adopted, that the balance in hand be left at the disposal of the Clerk to meet contingencies. It was further moved, seconded and agreed to, that the Sessions of the several congregations within the bounds sending representatives to the Synod be enjoined to provide the necessary expenses incurred by the minister and elder, and that the Clerk be instructed to write to Sessions accordingly.

It was moved, seconded, and agreed to, that £3 be paid from the Jewish, India, and Synod Fund, for Records sent to members of Synod.

It was moved, seconded, and unanimously agreed to, that the balance in the hands of the Treasurer of the Jewish Scheme be sent to Canada.

The Committee appointed to prepare form of Financial and Statistical returns reported: it was moved, seconded, and agreed to, that

the report be adopted; that the Clerk be instructed to get forms printed and forwarded to congregations, that congregations be enjoined to have the returns made up and forwarded to the Clerk of Synod before the 1st of January in each year.

It was moved, seconded, and agreed to, that Mr. Martin be enjoined to submit his annual official report to the Presbytery of Halifax before forwarding it to the Colonial Committee.

It was moved, seconded, and unanimously agreed to, that the thanks of the Synod be conveyed to the members of St. Matthew's and St. Andrew's congregations for their hospitality to the members of Court during this Session.

Messrs. Cameron, Tallach, and the Clerk, were appointed a committee to revise the minutes of Synod, and prepare them for publication.

The Moderator then declared the business of this Session to be concluded, and in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, King and Head of the Church, appointed the next Synod to meet in St. Andrew's Church, New Glasgow, on the last Wednesday in June 1862, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, of which public intimation was given, and this Session was closed with prayer.

JAMES CHRISTIE, Synod Clerk.

The Synod appoint collections to be made for the several schemes of the Church as follows:

Home Mission, on the 2nd Sabbath in August.

Foreign Mission, on the 1st do. in Oct.

Widow's and Orphan's Scheme, on the 1st do. in January.

Synod Fund, on the 1st do. in March.

The Synod likewise appoint the following members to advocate the claims of the various schemes in the pages of the *Monthly Record*, viz.: Mr. Martin to advocate the claims of the Home Mission; Mr. Maclean those of the Foreign Mission; Mr. Grant those of the Widows' and Orphans' Scheme; Mr. Pollok those of the Synod Fund; Mr. Macgregor those of the Young Men's Scheme.

J. CHRISTIE, Synod Clerk.

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND.

FRIDAY, June 7.

The Assembly met at 11 o'clock—the Rev. Dr. Colin Smith, Moderator.

On the reading of the minutes in which the Committee on the Internal Polity of the Church, which the Assembly resolved to appoint by the Rev. Dr. Bisset's motion, were nominated,

The Rev. Dr. Pirie (Aberdeen) intimated that when that committee brought up their report on Monday, he should make a motion