

their opinion that this United Church should maintain fraternal relations with Presbyterian Churches holding the same doctrine and government and discipline—and that ministers and probationers should be received into the Church subject to such regulations as the Church may from time to time adopt.

IV. It was also agreed that the general polity, laws and forms of procedure be settled by the United Church, and compiled from such rules as may have been in force in the respective Churches, or from other books of Presbyterian law and order—and that in the meantime, Church Courts conduct their business according to the recognized principles and forms of the Presbyterian Church.

Adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock and closed with prayer.

JOHN COOK, D. D., *Chairman.*
ALEXANDER TOPP, D.D., *Sec'y.*

At 3 o'clock, same day and place, the joint committee met and was constituted with prayer by the Rev. Dr. Bayne. Sederunt as before. The Rev. Dr. Cook, Chairman, the Rev. Dr. Topp, Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and sustained.

V. There was now submitted for the consideration of the meeting, the question of the application of the 'Temporalities' Fund in the hands of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland. The unanimous opinion was, that the vested rights of the present beneficiaries of the Fund must be conserved. The matter of a Sustentation Fund was brought up in connection with the question now under discussion. After lengthened deliberation, it was resolved that, whilst a general Sustentation Fund may not be in the meantime practicable, though highly desirable, the efforts of the United Church should be strongly directed in favor of Home Missionary or Church Extension purposes. And as to the future appropriation of the 'Temporalities' Fund, as vested rights gradually lapse, it was thought best to express no special opinion at present, inasmuch as the decision on the subject rests with the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland.

VI. With regard to Modes of Worship, it was, after some conversation on the subject, resolved, that the practice presently followed by congregations in the matter of worship should be allowed, and that further action in connection therewith, be left to the legislation of the United Church.

VII. The subject of Collegiate Education was then taken up. There was full expression of sentiment thereon; but the hour of adjournment, 5 o'clock, having ar-

rived, the meeting adjourned and closed with prayer.

JOHN COOK, D.D., *Chairman.*
ALEXANDER TOPP, D.D., *Sec'y.*

At the same place, on the 29th Sept., 1870, the joint Committee again met, and was constituted with prayer by the Rev. James Bennet.

Sederunt as before. The Rev. Dr. Cook, Chairman, the Rev. Dr. Topp, Secretary.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and sustained.

The subject of Collegiate Education was resumed, and consideration of the same continued till the hour of adjournment, 1 o'clock.

The meeting then adjourned and closed with prayer.

JOHN COOK, D.D., *Chairman.*
ALEXANDER TOPP, D.D., *Sec'y.*

Same day and place, 3 o'clock. The joint Committee met and was constituted with prayer by the Rev. Donald McRae.

Sederunt as before. The Rev. Dr. Cook, Chairman, the Rev. Dr. Topp, Secretary.

The subject of Collegiate Education was resumed.

Several motions were proposed, but the further consideration of the subject was deferred.

The meeting then adjourned at 5 o'clock, and closed with prayer.

JOHN COOK, D.D., *Chairman.*
ALEXANDER TOPP, D.D., *Sec'y.*

At same time and place, on the 30th September, 1870, the Joint Committee met and was constituted with prayer by the Rev. G. Christie.

Sederunt as before. The Rev. Dr. Cook, Chairman, the Rev. Dr. Topp, Secretary. The minutes of the two previous meetings were read and sustained.

The meeting resumed consideration of the subject of Collegiate Education, when the following motion proposed by the Hon. Alexander Morris, and seconded by the Hon. John Robertson was unanimously adopted, viz.: The Joint Committee resolve to recommend that the earnest attention of the United Church should be given at the earliest possible moment to secure the maintenance in thorough efficiency of a Presbyterian University, and of such Theological Halls as may be found requisite to provide the necessary facilities for the education of the Ministers of the Church in the various Provinces of British North America.

The matter of a Widows' and Orphans' Fund for the United Church was then taken up, when it was unanimously agreed to recommend the establishment of an efficient