

was that the terms in which the other committee were appointed were not sufficiently specific—their designation being a committee on co-operation with other bodies. The effect of this indefiniteness was, that the other committee hesitated for some time in taking up the matter in such a way as to arrive at a final settlement.

3rd. A third circumstance that augged ill for a settlement was the absence not only of the convener Mr. Murray, who had been the means of proposing terms of accommodation to Mr. Grant, and thereby arresting the progress of Mr. Campbell's Bill during the session of 1866, but also the very imperfect attendance of other members living in Halifax.

4th. So anxious were your committee to terminate all disputes about church property in Cape Breton, that we proposed to relinquish all other claims in Cape Breton, provided a settlement could be arrived at in the cases of Baddeck, Middle River, and Lake Ainslie, although aware that such a course would have given dissatisfaction to a large number of our own adherents.

5th. It was found as far as could be gathered from the whole course of deliberation, that as regards the Baddeck case, which might be regarded as having given birth to Mr. Campbell's Bill, it was the one upon which the other committee was determined that there should be no agreement, and consequently in as much as the Middle River case was already in the civil court, and the congregations worshipping in Lake Ainslie Church were somewhat harmonious, the other committee were willing to make arrangement where it was not urgently required, and positively refused arrangement when it was required.

6th. In proof of the equity of our proposals, we may furnish the very significant fact that when they were made, Mr. McKeegan remarked he thought they should be accepted.

7th. It is well to bear in mind that our Church is still ready to consider any proposal that may be made by the other body to settle the disputes concerning the property of our people which others hold, and of which we former have been deprived.

Lastly. We have only to add that it has been a subject of great regret that your committee have been unsuccessful in effecting an arrangement, which would have done so much to promote the peace and prosperity of Presbyterianism in the Province.

All which is respectfully submitted.  
(Signed) JAMES McDONALD,  
Convener.

REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING MEMBERS OF THE SYNOD OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

Your Committee, in reporting their pro-

ceedings, think it necessary to state that one of their members only was enabled to attend during the whole proceedings of the Synod of New Brunswick; while the other could only be present towards the close of the session. It affords them pleasure to state that they met with a cordial reception from the brethren of the sister Synod. Among many other topics of interest and importance which were brought under discussion, it may be necessary to specify that which most nearly concerns this Synod. It will be in the recollection of this Court that the subject of a union of the two Synods has frequently been under consideration, and that a deputation was formerly sent under express instructions to promote a union. After a long and careful consideration of the subject in all its bearings, Dr. Inglis moved, Mr. Keay seconded, and it was unanimously agreed to, "That the members of this Synod bring under the consideration of their Kirk Sessions and Congregations the subject of union with the Synod of Nova Scotia, and that a Committee be now appointed to make the requisite preliminary arrangements affecting the civil relations of this Synod, with the advice of Counsel, if necessary; and within six months from this date, to open a correspondence with the Synod of Nova Scotia, with a view of effecting a union of the two bodies, at next meeting of Synod, unless a majority of Kirk Sessions, within three months, make returns to the Convener of Committee, opposed to the union."

In pursuance of the foregoing resolution, your Committee have to report that they have been officially notified that the Kirk Sessions in New Brunswick are favorable to the proposed measure.

All which is respectfully submitted by  
ALLAN POLLOCK.  
ALEX. INGLIS.

Statement of Monies received and on hand belonging to the fund of the Foreign Mission Scheme.

1866.		
June 2.	Cash on hand	\$680.26
July	—Rec'd from Hon. J. Robertson from Synod of N. B.	26.03
Sept.	—Rec'd from Dr. Avery bak of Jewish Mission Fund transferred	6.57
Sept 13	—Rec'd from L. McDougall, C. Breton \$5, M. McRae 25c, J. McDougall 25c, Mrs. McPherson \$1, D. McLean 25, W. McPherson 25c	7.00
Nov 9.	—Amount col. St. Andrew's Church, Halifax,	12.00
Nov 19.	—Amt. col. at B. River, per Rev. Jas. McDougall	10.00
Nov 20.	—Amount col. at St. Paul's Truro, per Mr. McKay	8.00