

in connexion with the Church of Scotland, met pursuant to adjournment.

Some portion of time was spent in devotional exercises, conducted by the Rev. James Murray.

The Synod was then constituted with prayer by the Moderator. *Sederunt* as yesterday.

Mr. Mackie being again present, though not a member, was invited to take his seat along with the brethren, and to aid them with his advice in their deliberations.

Mr. Mackie applied to the Synod for advice as to his future proceedings; whereupon Mr. Murray moved—

That Mr. Mackie having announced his determination to return to Scotland about the end of September; in consideration of the faithfulness of his labours in this Province, and believing that his services would be appreciated in some sphere of usefulness at home, the Synod strongly recommend him to the favorable consideration of the General Assembly's Committee on Home Missions.

Which was unanimously agreed to; and the Clerk was instructed to furnish Mr. Mackie with an Extract of this Resolution.

The Committee appointed to examine the Records of Presbyteries, reported they had attended to that duty, and had found them, in all cases, regularly and accurately kept. Whereupon the Synod ordered them to be attested, which was accordingly done.

The Committee appointed to prepare a tribute to the memory of the late Rev. James Steven, submitted what they had drawn up, for the approbation of the Synod, which, after some slight alteration, was approved, ordered to be engrossed in the Minutes, and a copy of the same to be sent to his widow. It is as follows:—

"The Synod, in removing from their Roll the name of their late lamented father, the Rev. James Steven, for many years Minister of Restigouche, embrace this occasion of recording their high esteem for his departed worth.

"They believe that his uniform urbanity, kindness, and hospitality; his devoted attachment to the Church of his fathers; his works of faith, labour of love, and self-denying efforts for her advancement, protracted through many years of trial peculiar to the pioneer of the Gospel in a new country; his liberality to the poor, sympathy with the afflicted, and charity toward all men, will ever render his memory pleasing to those who admire what is noble in the Christ, the Minister of Christ, and the gentleman.

"The Synod feel deep sorrow at the departure of one so much beloved, and sympathise deeply with his bereaved family under the irreparable loss which they have sustained."

The Committee on the Home Mission Fund reported that they had agreed to allocate the sum at their disposal in various proportions, to pay Mr. Wilkins for his services, and to supplement the stipend of certain Ministers whose income is now inadequate.

The Synod approve the Report, and of the Allocation of the Funds proposed.

The Committee appointed to suggest a plan for printing the Minutes, after hearing the

proposals of three several printers in Fredericton, recommend that the offer of Mr. Graham, Proprietor of the *Head Quarters*, be accepted; to be paid as follows—\$10 from the Bursary Fund, \$10 from the Home Mission, and \$2 from the Synod Fund.

Mr. William Murray, Convener of the Committee on the Synod Fund, gave in the Supplementary Report proposing certain allowances to the different members of Synod, in payment of their travelling expenses. The Report and appropriations were approved, ordered to be kept *in retentis*, and to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes.

On motion, the Synod resolved that their warmest thanks are due to the sister Synod of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, for having sent the Rev. Thomas Duncan, and the Hon. John Holmes, as Corresponding Members to represent them in our Synod, on the present occasion; and, at the same time, this Synod would record the deep sense they entertain of the valuable assistance afforded them in their deliberations by their esteemed brethren. Carried by acclamation.

The Moderator then briefly addressed Mr. Duncan and the Hon. John Holmes, conveying to them the thanks of the Synod, and expressing the satisfaction derived from their assistance in the business that was transacted, and from the pleasing intercourse they have had with them in private. To which address they each made a short reply.

On motion, it was unanimously agreed that the thanks of the Synod be accorded to Mr. and Miss Ogg, and other families connected with the congregation of St. Andrew's Church, for the generous hospitality shown by them to those members who have come from a distance.

On motion, the Rev. Dr. Henderson was appointed Corresponding Member from this Synod to the Synod of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, for next year; and, in the event of Dr. Henderson not being able to attend the meeting of said Synod, it was agreed that the Rev. Charles S. Ogg be his alternate.

The business of the Synod being now concluded, the next meeting was appointed to be held in Saint Paul's Church, Fredericton, on the second Wednesday of August, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five; of which due notice was given.

The Moderator then dismissed the Synod with a suitable address, and the whole proceedings were closed with praise, prayer, and the Apostolic Benediction.

APPENDIX.

A.

Synod Bursary Fund---Report 1863-4.

The state of the Synod Bursary Fund for the year ending 1st July, is as follows:—

Balance on hand as per Treasurer's Report 1863, -	\$104 81
Repaid by Rev William Porteous, -	789 33
Col. in St. John's Church, Richmond, -	4 00