

Christian men and women who so generously devote much of their time to the work of teaching the youth of our churches in the knowledge of the Lord. The Synod further reappointed the Committee.

Thanks were accordingly given to the Rev. Mr. Herdman, and the Committee re-appointed.

Reception of American Commissioners.

Commissioners from the Presbyterian Church of the United States of America, viz., Rev. James B. Dunn and Elder Reuben Croke, were introduced, and addressed the Synod at length, conveying the greetings of the Church which they represented, and giving interesting details as to the field of operation, and work accomplished, by that branch of the Presbyterian family.

The Rev. Mr. Wilson eloquently responded to the greetings of the Commissioners, and the Rev. Thomas Duncan, with a few appropriate remarks, moved, seconded by the Rev. Mr. McLean, (Dr. Brooke being in the Chair as Moderator) that the Synod express the gratification it experiences at the reception of this Delegation from the Presbyterian Church of the United States; the pleasure with which the members have listened to the statements of the Delegates, and the satisfaction it will afford this Synod both to reciprocate this friendly intercourse, and to receive any Delegates from the sister Church with which, in the providence of God, it may be favored in future.

This resolution was carried unanimously, after which the Synod engaged in prayer.

The Report of the Committee on

Union

was then called for, and given in by the Convener, the Rev. Allan Pollok.—(See Appendix F.)

Rev. Peter Melville moved the adoption of the Report, and, after some discussion, the debate upon the subject was adjourned until to-morrow morning.

Leave of Absence

being craved, was granted to J. J. Bremner, Esq., and Rev. Peter Melville.

The Rev. Mr. McDonnell, of Toronto, was appointed to conduct devotional exercises, and the Synod adjourned to meet to-morrow at 10.30 A.M., of which public intimation was given, and this sederunt closed with praise and prayer.

FOURTH DIET.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, *St. John, N. B.*, July 1st, 1871.

The Synod met, and, after devotional exercises conducted by the Rev. Neil Brodie, was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The Roll was then called, and the minutes of last sederunt were read and sustained.

Rev. Thomas Duncan, convener of Business Committee, reported the order of business for the day. In accordance therewith, the question of

Union

was taken up.

Rev. Mr. Pollok submitted an additional Report to be appended to the one submitted last evening.

The whole sederunt was spent in the consideration of the subject of Union. Many of the ministers, and all the elders present, spoke to the question. Marked unanimity of sentiment, favourable to the proposed Union, pervaded the Court; and the following, which was moved by the Rev. John Campbell, and seconded by the Rev. Thos. Duncan, was carried unanimously.—(Rev. Mr. Brodie, however, desiring it to be minuted that he does not wish himself committed by the action of the Synod.): That the Synod, having heard the Report of the Union Committee, approves of the same, expresses its great thankfulness