

as possible, as there is due on the first of October (including the present debt) about thirty-two thousand dollars (\$32,000), so as to warrant the Committee's paying in full all grants, and to render unnecessary the reduction of twenty-five per cent. as contemplated by the Committee of the Western Section.

9. That a Committee be appointed, consisting of the Moderator, Dr. W. rs, Messrs. D. J. Macdonnell, Pitblado, Warden; J. L. Blaikie and W. B. McMurriel, to prepare a short appeal, to be signed by the Moderator, to the members and adherents of the Church, setting forth the condition and requirements of the Fund, and enjoin every Minister to read this appeal from the pulpit on some Lord's Day on or before the last Sabbath of September next, and to afford opportunity to every individual to contribute by subscription or in any other way that the Session or the Deacons' Court may have previously resolved upon. The Assembly further enjoin Presbyteries to take order at their first meeting thereafter that this injunction has been complied with, and report to next Assembly. The Assembly further require that a copy of the appeal be addressed to each Presbytery, together with a statement of the amount which may reasonably be expected as the fair proportion of the Presbytery's share of the total sum required.

10. The Assembly instruct the Committees, in their future administration of the Fund, to equalize the expenditure and income of each year.

11. The Assembly instruct the Committees to entertain no applications for new grants or for the continuance of old grants, for either Supplemented Congregations or Mission Stations, until there be laid on the table of the Committee an Extract Minute of the Presbytery making the application, showing that the grants have been revised since the meeting of Assembly, and that deputies have visited the Supplemented Congregations and Mission Stations within the bounds, with a view to the reduction of the grants.

12. The Assembly instruct the Committees to entertain no new applications for grants until the state of the Fund shall warrant them in so doing.

A discussion arose on the following recommendation of the Committee: "That the action of the Committee of the Western Section in reducing the grants by twenty-five per cent., for the six months ending March 31st, 1879, be sustained so far as it applies to the Presbyteries in Quebec and Ontario, with the exception of the District of Algoma, in the Presbytery of Bruce."

It was moved by Mr. Warden, seconded by Mr. McCuaig and carried, That this recommendation be amended so as to read thus: The Assembly instruct the Western Section of the Home Mission Committee to take such action as may secure the payment in full of the twenty-five per cent. which the Committee were reluctantly constrained, from lack of funds, to withhold from the several Presbyteries of the Church in April last for services rendered during the preceding half-year.

From this decision Messrs. John Laing and Straith dissented.

The Assembly agreed to print the foregoing resolutions, with instructions to forward a copy thereof to each Presbytery without delay.

MISSION TO THE LUMBERMEN.

The annual report of the Committee entrusted with the management of the Mission to the Lumbermen in the valley of the Ottawa and its tributaries was presented and read by Mr. Moore. It was moved, seconded and carried unanimously, That the report be received and adopted; that the thanks of the Assembly be given to the Convener and members of the Committee; and that they be encouraged to prosecute the work of the Mission, as they may be able, with the means contributed for this purpose. The report was ordered to be printed.

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.

A report from "The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbytery of