

of Toronto, with the view of obtaining more full information on the subject, and reporting to next meeting of Synod.

The Report of the Home Mission Committee was called for.— Home Mission Report.
The Report was given in and read by Rev. W. Reid, Convener. From the report it appeared that twenty-one pastoral settlements had taken place during the year now past, and that there are at present thirty-four vacant charges, and about forty stations requiring supply; and that there are now labouring as missionaries within the bounds of the several Presbyteries fifty missionaries, a considerable proportion being students of Knox's College.

The Synod unanimously agreed to receive and adopt the re- Deliverance o-
port, and that, grateful for the success which has attended their Synod.
efforts in times past, they resolve, in dependence on the continued blessing of God, on the vigorous prosecution of the work committed to them.

The Rev. Mr. King gave in a report of the Buxton Mission, Buxton Mission
from which it appeared that the mission is on the whole in a prosperous condition, there being in the settlement about two hundred families. There are two teachers in the day schools with ninety-eight scholars, while there are one hundred scholars at the sabbath school and eight teachers.

The Report was approved, and the Synod resolved to recognize with gratitude to God, the success which has attended the efforts at Buxton under Mr. King's superintendence, and continue their efforts for the support of the mission.

Mr. Reid gave in a verbal report of the Red River Mission, Red River.
and mentioned that there would appear in the statistical table when published, a full return from the Red River Congregation.

The Synod took up an Overture from the Presbytery of Mon-Overture on Sy-
treal, on the subject of a Synodical fund, for aiding congregations nodical Fund
not in circumstances to support a stated ministry.

The Synod while recognizing the importance of the subject, Sent down to
agreed that the overture be sent down to Presbyteries for their Presbyteries.
consideration.

The Synod also took up an Overture from certain members of Overture on em-
Synod on the subject of the employment of probationers. This ployment of Pro-
overture was also sent down for the consideration of Presbyteries. bationers.

The Home Mission Committee was appointed as follows, viz., Home mission
Messrs. Reid, Ure, Wightman, Nisbet, Gray, Gregg, Stark, Mc- Committee.
Ruar, Burns, Dr. Irvine, Messrs. Inglis, Black, A. McLean of Pus-
linch, Scott, McDiarmid, Ball, Tolmie, Walker, King, McMillan,
of Fingal, W. J. McKenzie, McLeod, J. W. Smith, Wilson,
Chambers, S. C. Fraser, Jas. Smith, P. Gray, D. Fraser, Kemp,
Currie, and Anderson, Ministers; and Messrs. Telfer, Bannerman,
Wallace, Archibald Young, W. Wilson, Thomson, Dougan, Mc-
Kenzie, Ross, Gordon, Beith, Turnbull, Stewart, Graham, Nicoll,
Cattanach, Court, Redpath, Webster, Ross, and Dr. Holden,
Elders—Mr. Reid, Convener.