## MINUTES OF THE SYNOD AT KINGSTON, 1852.

matter, so intimately connected with the prosperity and progress of the Church.

The Synod then proceeded to consider, seriatim, the Regulations drawn up by the Committee, and submitted to the Synod in their report.

Regulations 1st and 2nd were unanimously adopted.

The hour of adjournment having come, the farther consideration of their Regulations was reserved for next diet, and this session was closed with prayer.

## SESSION VII.

## KINGSTON, FRIDAY, 11th June, 1852, Three o'clock, p. m.

The Synod again met, and was constituted.

The minutes of last sederunt were read and sustained.

The Synod resumed consideration of the Regulations submitted by the Committee, on the Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

After discussion, the 3rd Regulation was approved; the 4th was also adopted; the 5th was approved, with the exception of the last clause; the 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th, were also agreed to.

The Regulations, as adopted by the Synod, are as follows, viz:

1. Ministers shall forward their annual rate of  $\pounds 2$  to the Treasurer, on or before the first of November. Ministers falling into arrears, shall pay in addition-to the regular rate, 10s. for the first year, 20s. for the second year, and 30s. for the third year; but failing for four years, they shall be cut off from the Fund. Notice of failure to pay in every case, to be previously given.

2. Entrants into the ministry, shall pay their first rate on the first November next, following their ordination or induction.

3. In the event of any minister ceasing to labor as such in the capacity of Pastor, Professor, or Missionary of this Church, he shall no longer (except in the case of infirmity or old age,) have any interest in, or right to, the benefits of the Fund; always providing, that the amount paid by him into the Fund, shall be returned with legal interest.

4. Each widow or orphan family shall receive their annuity half-yearly, by equal instalments, on the 1st May and 1st November—their warrants in each case for drawing such annuity, being the certificate of the Presbytery Clerk or Minister, or Session Clerk of the congregation to which they may belong. The claim of the widow shall date from the first term following the death of her husband, and the annuity cease at the term next following her death or marriage. The claim of each orphan child shall terminate at the completion of its fourteenth year.

5. Payment of Ansuities shall be made directly into the hands of the annuitants, or of persons duly authorised to act for them, upon production of the certifi-

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6. Ministers comi shall not be admitted annual payment of £ 60, or over, be admit

7. There shall be security as the Commit ation as the Commit manage the funds of foregoing rules, and in Synod.

8. A Committee of Synod, whose duties a between the meetings of moneys, or in any ot at the close of the yea

9. Presbytery Clerk to the Treasurer of the condition, married or un all changes in their fam

10. The Synod to pularly investigated once i of an inroad on the cap same should they occur.

11. In case any different is affairs between the claiming to be connected mutually chosen.

The proposed rat agreed to, viz: that e £30 per annum; a V two children, £37 10 £40. A single Orph of two Orphans, £15 number, £25. After iten shall not be con Fund. The annuity of mil a second marria number of children, or mily, exceed £40.

The Committee for the Dr. Burns, Mr. Smeller, R. Boyd, Mr. Mcl Isher, Mr. Osborne, M. I. McLellan, Mr. Geo Murrich, Mr. James I. Morgan, Hon. J. M

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