

a Committee to take the matter into their consideration, and to correspond with Committees appointed by the Synods of Canada and Nova Scotia; to devise, if possible, some means of carrying out the object, and authorise them to request Alexander Balloch, Esq., of St. John, to act along with them, and to advise them as to the best mode of procedure.

In connection with this Overture Dr. Barclay gave some explanations respecting the Fund established in Canada for the support of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Ministers, and laid on the table certain papers containing Reports of the Board of Managers and of the Treasurer of said Fund, presented to the Synod of Canada at its last meeting, and printed by their order.

The Synod then took up the consideration of the fifth Overture, which is as follows:

Whereas so many of our congregations are small, and unable to maintain the ordinances of grace amongst themselves, and are, therefore, at present, to a great extent, sustained by grants from the Colonial Committee of the Parent Church;

It is, therefore, respectfully overtured to the Reverend the Synod of New-Branswick, that they appoint a Committee to consider the propriety and possibility of raising an endowment, to some extent, for each of the Churches within their bounds.

Mr. Hunter spoke in support of the Overture, and was followed by Mr. Henderson. After which, on motion of Mr. Donald, the Synod resolved that Mr. Hunter, Mr. Henderson and Dr. Brooke, be appointed a Committee with a view of devising some means for carrying out the object of the Overture. Mr. Hunter to be Convener.

Dr. Barclay brought under the notice of the Synod the facilities which Queen's College Kingston, afforded for young men pursuing their studies in the arts and in theology, requesting the Synod to use their influence both as a body and as individuals, in directing the attention of students to this Institution, as one in which they may be assured of receiving a sound and religious education.

The Synod having heard Dr. Barclay, agreed to this deliverance.

Resolved as the opinion of this Synod, that, from the acknowledged ability of its Professors and the liberal course of education therein provided, Queen's College is an Institution in which they have every reason to place confidence; and they promise to recommend it accordingly to young men desirous of prosecuting their studies, especially such as have their views directed to the Ministry, in connexion with our Church.

The Synod then adjourned till Monday, 10 o'clock, A. M. Closed with the benediction.

DIET IV.

At St. Paul's Church, Fredericton, the 27th day of July, one thousand, eight hundred and fifty-seven.

The Synod met according to adjournment, and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator. Sederunt as on Saturday, with the exception of Mr. Duncan—absent on account of indisposition.

The Ministers appointed to preach yesterday at the different Churches and Stations, being called upon, reported that they had fulfilled their several appointments.

The Synod called for the historical account

of the different churches and Congregations within their bounds, which the Ministers of the said churches respectively had been enjoined to produce, and such accounts were given in by Dr. Brooke, Mr. Keay, Mr. Henderson and Mr. Donald.

The Synod express their strong dissatisfaction and regret that so few of their number had obeyed the injunction of last year, renew the said injunction, peremptorily ordering the several Ministers who have not already complied with it, to prepare forthwith such an account, as is required, and to lay the same before the Synod at its next meeting, and sooner if possible.

Mr. Donald read letter from Mr. Forbes, apologizing for his absence from this meeting of the Synod. At the same time Mr. Forbes remitted £3 to the Synod Fund.

Dr. Brooke, as Convener of the Committee, appointed to prepare a statement in regard to our position, as said to be "in connexion with the Church of Scotland," read draft of such a statement as was conceived to be required. The Synod having had this draft submitted to them approve the same, and order it to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes.

The Clerk was instructed to get 750 copies of the Minutes printed and sent to the different Ministers, for circulation among their people.

On motion, the following were appointed a Committee to devise some means for providing the Clerk with a small sum to defray incidental expenses incurred by him in the performance of his duties during the fourteen years he has held office, viz., Dr. Barclay, Mr. Henderson, Mr. Donald and Mr. Steven, with such other members as might choose to join them. The Committee thus appointed retired to consider the subject.

On their return Mr. Donald, as Convener of said Committee, reported that they had determined to hand to the Clerk, for the present, the sum of £8 5s., and that they shall take into consideration, by the meeting of Synod next year, the means of providing for him a regular salary.

The Synod appointed the collection for the Bursary Fund to be remitted to the Treasurer, on or before the 1st day of November, 1857; and the collection for the Home Mission and Synod Fund to be remitted to the Treasurer on or before the 31st day of May, 1858, leaving the different Ministers to appoint such days for the collections as may be most suitable for their respective congregations.

The Committee on Church Property and for the Incorporation of the Synod, reported that they had, according to their instructions, procured draft of a Bill for Incorporating the Synod, and which they now submitted for consideration. The said draft of Bill being read, was generally approved of, remitted to the Committee carefully to revise the same, to cause it, after being so revised, to be printed and sent to the different Ministers and Boards of Trustees for their opinion, with as little delay as possible.

The Committee was re-appointed, consisting of the Moderator, Mr. Donald, Dr. Brooke and Mr. Hunter, the Hon. John Robertson and the Hon. John Montgomery, with the addition of George Kerr, Esq., M. P. P. Mr. Donald, Convener.

It was moved, seconded, and unanimously resolved, that the warmest thanks of the Synod are due, and that they be given accordingly, to the members of the congregation of St. Paul's Church, in this city, who have so kindly extended their hospitality to those members of Synod who have come from a distance.

The Synod then adjourned to half-past seven o'clock in the evening, then to hold a meeting for the purpose of communicating Missionary and other religious intelligence, on which occasion the public have been invited to attend. Closed with the benediction.

Monday evening, half-past seven o'clock

The Synod met according to adjournment. Sederunt as formerly. The Moderator occupied the Chair. After singing a portion of the 133rd Psalm, the Rev. James Steven, being called upon by the Moderator, offered up a very impressive prayer.

Dr. Barclay, Mr. Henderson, Mr. Macdonald, Mr. Scott, Mr. Hunter and Mr. Donald, then addressed the meeting in succession.

The business of the Synod being concluded, the next meeting was appointed to be held in St. James' Church, Newcastle, on the third Thursday of July, 1858.

The Moderator then addressed the Synod in a very earnest and impressive manner, and the whole proceedings were closed with prayer, praise, and the Apostolic benediction.

The Appointment of Missionaries.

We are glad to be able to announce that the Colonial Committee of the Church of Scotland are now directing their attention to Canada, and are acting with the same vigor and promptitude which characterize their dealings with Nova Scotia. The Montreal Presbytery, some time ago, transmitted a statement of their vacancies, and, (as elsewhere announced) in reply, the Rev. Mr. Herald was appointed as a Missionary within its bounds. This is an appropriate name, for we trust he will prove but the advantage of a strong detachment of true friends of the good tidings.

We have further great pleasure in announcing that the Rev. John Moffat and the Rev. John Rennie have since been designated as ordained Missionaries to the same Presbytery, and are expected to sail for Canada about the middle of September.

This is truly encouraging, and we would again strongly urge the various Presbyteries to transmit the list of vacancies and openings for Missionary labor within their bounds, to any member of the Committee appointed by the Synod at its recent meeting for the purpose of transmitting a statement to the Colonial Committee. Let not laxness on our part defeat the favorable intentions of the Colonial Committee.—*Montreal Presbyterian.*

Induction at Melbourne, Eastern Townships, C. E.

On Thursday the 30th July, the Presbytery of Quebec met there for the ordination of the Rev. James Sievwright, as Minister of this district in connection with the Church of Scotland. The Rev. Dr. Cook, of Quebec, conducted the services, preaching a most eloquent and appropriate discourse from 1 Cor., i. 17: "For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the Gospel." After Mr. Sievwright had answered the questions prescribed by the Church, and had been