

Pastor, in the present crisis commend his fidelity to his principles and professions, and now declare their resolution, to adhere to him and to the righteous cause, for which he is contending, and to maintain him by all lawful means, in the *status*, which he has so long held as minister of St. Gabriel Street Church.

The meeting was then closed by the Rev. Mr. Henry, with a most impressive prayer, and the Apostolic Benediction.

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Resolutions passed at a General Meeting of the Temporal Proprietors of St. Gabriel Street Church, held on the 2nd September, 1844:—

1st.—The Proprietors of St. Gabriel Street Presbyterian Church, considering the separation of the Rev. Henry Esson, Minister of the said Church, from the Synod of Canada, in connexion with the Established Church of Scotland, and his adherence to the recently formed Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, feel bound to declare, that in their judgment, the Constitution of the Church has in no article been violated or broken by the said action of the Minister; and that by the course he has seen fit to adopt, he has not forfeited, in the least degree, his position or his rights, as pastor of this Church. Which resolution being put from the chair, and the roll being called over by the Treasurer, there appeared for the motion, thirty-two; against the motion, three. The motion was then declared to be carried.

2nd.—That the Proprietors, recognizing no jurisdiction or authority whatever over St. Gabriel Street Church, either by the Synod of Canada, in connexion with the Established Church of Scotland, or by any of the Presbyteries constituting said Synod, regard the recent conduct of the Presbytery of Montreal, in connexion with that body, in declaring the Rev. Henry Esson no longer Minister of this Church, as an act of unwarrantable interference; and approving, as the Proprietors here distinctly do, of the consistent and conscientious conduct of their Minister, in the present crisis, resolve to continue to him, all the temporal rights and emoluments, which he has heretofore enjoyed, and to resist, by all lawful means, any attempts, by any individuals or party, who may seek to procure his ejection. Which resolution being put from the chair, was declared to be carried by the same majority as the former.