

point the Committee; and, further,—That the General Assembly hereby record their grateful sense of the generous permission of the Free Church of Scotland to this Church, to publish free of all claims for royalty, the Psalter, with music, lately prepared by the Free Church Committee on Psalmody, under the musical editorship of Dr. Hopkins.

The recommendations adopted are as follows:—

1. Request of parties wanting Tonic-Sol-Fa editions of the music for the Hymns to confer with the Committee.
2. Acknowledge the action of the Hymnal Committee of the Free Church for their generous offer of aid in carrying out the work intrusted to the Committee of this Church.
3. Re-appoint the Committee.

HYMNAL COMMITTEE.

The Committee as re-appointed is composed as follows:—Dr. Jenkins and Dr. Gregg, *Joint Conveners*; Dr. James, Dr. Macrae, Professor Mowat, D. D. McLeod, P. McF. McLeod, D. B. Cameron (Acton), D. J. Macdonnell, John Thomson (Ayr), R. Murray, and W. B. McMurrich.

MINISTERS—APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE TO RECEIVE.

Applications were received from the Presbyteries herein mentioned for leave to receive as Ministers and Probationers of this Church the Ministers and Probationers named in connection with the respective Presbyteries, severally, together with papers relative to such applications, as follows, namely:—

From the Presbytery of Montreal, on behalf of Mr. John Fraser, a Minister of the Congregational Church.

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| “ | “ | Lanark and Renfrew, on behalf of Mr. Alex. McTavish, a licentiate of the American Presbyterian Church. |
| “ | “ | Toronto, on behalf of Mr. Alex. K. Caswell, of the American Presbyterian Church. |
| “ | “ | Toronto, on behalf of Mr. Walter Reid, of the Primitive Methodist Church. |

These several applications were referred for consideration to the Committee appointed last night on Applications for the Reception of Ministers.

The next application was from the Presbytery of Toronto, on behalf of Mr. Hugh Rose, of the Presbyterian Church in England. A motion was made to refer this case at once to the Committee on the Reception of Ministers. Demands were made by some members of Assembly, that before referring this application the relative papers should be read. Exception being taken to these demands, the Moderator ruled that any member of the Court had a right to ask for the reading of any paper in such cases. All the papers in reference to this application were read. It was then moved, and agreed to, that the application be referred to the same Committee.

The next application was from the Presbytery of Halifax, on behalf of Mr. John S. Dustan, a licentiate of the Presbytery of New Brunswick, of the Presbyterian Church in the United States. The application was referred.

APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE TO RETIRE.

Applications were received from the Presbyteries following, on behalf of the Ministers named in connection with their respective Presbyteries, asking leave to retire from the active exercise of the Ministry, namely:—

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| From the Presbytery of St. John, on behalf of Mr. Lewis Jack. | | | |
| “ | “ | Glengarry, “ | “ W. A. Lang. |
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