

THIRD SEDERUNT.

At St. Thomas, and within Knox Church there, the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety three, at 2 p. m.

The Synod met pursuant to adjournment, and was duly constituted by the Moderator, who engaged in prayer.

The minutes of former Sederunt was read and sustained.

REPORT OF AUDITORS.

Mr. Archd. McLean presented the report of the committee appointed to audit the Treasurer's books—that they were correctly kept, and that there were vouchers for all the sums paid during the year.

On motion of Dr. Fletcher, the report was received and adopted.

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

Rev. Wm. Burns, agent for the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund, addressed the Synod, giving details as to the condition of the fund, and calling attention to the large number of congregations in the Synod that had not as yet sent in contributions. He also gave particulars as to the Endowment Fund.

On motion of Dr. McMullen, seconded by Mr. Robert Hamilton, the following resolution was unanimously adopted.

The Synod has heard with great satisfaction, the encouraging statements made by the Rev. Mr. Burns in regard to the Endowment now being raised for the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund, while at the same time greatly regretting that there are still many congregations within the bounds of the Synod, that have so far this year made no contributions to the Ordinary fund. They earnestly commend this important fund to the members of Synod and their congregations, and finally express their high sense of the great services rendered the church, in this department, by Mr. Burns.

NORTH WEST MISSIONS.

Dr. Robertson, Superintendent of Missions in the North West, addressed the Synod at length on the pressing claims of the North West and British Columbia, on account of the large emigration to these distant fields. He also gave an interesting *resume* of the increase of mission stations and congregations during recent years.