

United Presbyterian Church in Canada.

9

shall render dutiful? Dr. Taylor then said that while he was not to be understood as pledging himself definitely, yet he would not object to the Committee's sending out his name for the consideration of the Synod in Canada. The Committee felt specially gratified by this intimation, and instructed the Secretary to make known the nomination of Dr. Taylor to the Synod in Canada, and to request an answer as soon as practicable.

(Signed)

ANDREW SOMERVILLE, *Secretary.*

The conduct of Dr. Taylor, the Moderator, in calling this special Meeting of Synod, was then cordially approved.

On motion of Mr. Barrie, seconded by Mr. Thomas Christie, it was

Resolved—That the Moderator and Clerk be appointed, and they are hereby appointed, a Committee to draw up resolutions cordially accepting the proposal of the Mission Board in Scotland, and most earnestly request and entreat the Rev. John Taylor, M. D., of Auchtermuchty, to accept the call and invitation of this Synod to assume the office of Professor of Theology to the Church in this country. The resolutions to be submitted to the Synod at its next Sederunt.

At the request of the Moderator, the Rev. Thos. Christie was added to the Committee.

Adjourned, to meet in this place at 4 o'clock, P. M.

Closed with prayer.

HAMILTON, 7th April, 1852.

4 o'clock, P. M.

The Synod of the United Presbyterian Church in Canada, met according to adjournment, and was constituted by the Rev. R. H. Thornton, Moderator.

Sederunt as before.

The Clerk reported from the committee appointed at the former Sederunt, to prepare resolutions upon the communications respecting a Professor, as follows, viz.:

Resolved—1. That this Synod feel greatly encouraged and cheered by the evidences before them of the deep interest which the Synod and Board of Missions in Scotland, have manifested in regard to the Canadian Church, and do further, most cordially render thanks for the activity, persevering diligence, and judgment evinced in the matter of the Professorship; and especially in now bringing it, as they hope, to so desirable an issue. Resolutions regarding Professor.

2. That the nomination by the Board of the Rev. Dr. John Taylor, of Auchtermuchty, as Professor, being most cordially approved of by this Synod, they do forthwith unanimously call and invite him to Canada in that capacity.

3. That in the sentiments of the Board on this important matter, as embodied in the communications of the Secretary, this Synod perfectly concur.

4. That the Board of Missions be respectfully requested kindly to aid this Synod in carrying out this matter, by presenting to Dr. Taylor the unanimous and hearty call of this Synod to be their Professor of Theology, their urgent request that he will accept of the said call, and their