

application of the late P. Melville M. Synod fund collections viz: Rev. A. to be admitted as a minister of this Church. The Presbytery transmitted the papers to the Synod *simpliciter*.

It was moved by the Clerk, seconded by Rev. J. W. Fraser and agreed "that inasmuch as the documents are so entirely satisfactory, the Synod cordially agree to admit Mr. Melville as a minister of this Church."

It was further moved by Mr. Burnet seconded by Mr. Dunn and agreed to "that Mr. Melville being present, be invited to sit and deliberate." Mr. Melville thanked the Court.

MONTHLY RECORD.

The report on the MONTHLY RECORD being called for was given in by Rev. Mr. Fraser, Convener. The report was extremely satisfactory. On motion it was agreed that "the report be adopted, and the thanks of the Synod given to Mr. Fraser for his excellent management of the Record." Mr. Fraser stated that he desired to be relieved from the responsibility of editing the RECORD, and suggested the appointment of Mr. Murray or Mr. Burnet. It being the unanimous wish of the Synod that Mr. Fraser should continue he agreed to do so.

It was then moved by Mr. Burnet, seconded by Mr. Dunn and agreed "that the balance at the end of the year be given to Mr. Fraser towards expenses incurred in connection with issuing and circulating the RECORD.

SYNOD FUND.

The following Committee was appointed to take charge of the

Synod fund collections viz: Rev. Mr. Murray, Convener, Mr. Dunn and the representative elder of New Glasgow.

HOME MISSION BOARD.

The report of the Home Mission Board being called for was given in by Rev. R. McCunn, Convener. The following correspondence between the Convener and the General Assembly's Colonial Committee was read, and ordered to be published in the RECORD (see Appendix).

Rev. A. J. MacKichan, Sec'y of the Board, read statement of accounts, shewing that the stipends of the supplemented charges had been reduced to \$800.00 for year ending August 1880, the funds not admitting of the minimum of \$850 fixed by last Synod. Consideration of the report was deferred.

YOUNG LADIES SEMINARY.

Rev. Thos. Cumming, of Stellarton appeared as one of a Delegation appointed by the Synod of the Maritime Provinces of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, in reference to a proposal to establish a Young Ladies Seminary. The other members of the delegation were unavoidably absent. Mr Cumming being invited by the Moderator, addressed the Synod on the subject. Consideration of the matter was deferred till the evening, and on motion, the thanks of the Synod were conveyed to Mr. Cumming.

WIDOW'S AND ORPHAN'S FUND.

Mr Dunn brought before the Synod the matter of the Widow's and Orphan's Fund, and it was unanimously agreed to appoint the