

with his studies with a view to being qualified to enter the Theological Hall next Session: but that, in consideration of the peculiar circumstances of the other—William Reeves—it would be dutiful to dispense with the usual Theological Curriculum, or to make certain modifications, and referring the case to the Synod with request to give deliverance thereon.

Durham  
Presbytery  
heard.

The Rev. Dr. Thornton, Rev. Messrs. Scott and King, appeared on behalf of the Presbytery of Durham, warmly supporting the overture, and requesting Synod to authorise the Presbytery to superintend the studies of the said William Reeves, with a view of preparing him for regular employment in the ministry.

Reeves,  
Wm., case  
of.

Motion.

It was moved by Mr. Aitken, seconded by Mr. King,—That the request of the Memorial respecting William Reeves, be granted, and that besides having his studies superintended by the Durham Presbytery, he be required to appear for examination before the Committee on Theological Education; it being distinctly understood that this decision is not intended to establish a general rule of procedure in regard to such applications.

Amend-  
ment.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. Wm. Inglis, seconded by Mr. James,—That the Synod rejoice in the statements of the Durham Presbytery, decline to sanction the request of the overture, but encourage them to employ the young man in the meantime as a Catechist, to superintend his studies, and to report to a subsequent meeting of Synod.

Decision.  
Motion  
carried.

A vote being taken, the motion of Mr. Aitken was carried, and the Synod did and do decide in terms thereof.

Deputation  
report.

Mr. Ormiston reported from the Deputation appointed yesterday to lay the Basis of Union before the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, that they had discharged the duties assigned them; that they had been most cordially received; that each member of the deputation had addressed the Synod, and that they had been responded to by Mr. Inglis, Dr. Willis, and the Moderator. Mr. Ormiston also suggested the