

## REQUEST OF FOREIGN MISSION COMMITTEE.

Professor McLaren, on behalf of the Foreign Mission Committee, asked that they be allowed to sit to-morrow morning, in order to complete their business. The leave craved was granted.

## REPORT OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE.

The Committee to prepare business for the First Sederunt of the Assembly handed in a Report which was read by Mr. R. Torrance, the Clerk of said Committee. It was moved by Dr. McVicar, duly seconded, and agreed to, That the report be received and its several recommendations considered.

## THE CLERKSHIP OF ASSEMBLY.

The first recommendation of the Report was in terms following:—"That in view of the vacancy caused by the lamented death of Prof. J. H. Mackerras, M.A., Dr. Fraser, the other Clerk of the Assembly, supply his place." It was moved by Dr. Jenkins, duly seconded and agreed to, That this recommendation be not now adopted, and that the consideration of the question of the Clerkship of the Assembly be the first order of business for to-morrow afternoon.

The remaining recommendations of the Report were adopted, and, in accordance therewith, the following appointments were made:—

## HOURS OF MEETING.

I. That the hours of meeting for the present Session of Assembly be from ten o'clock in the morning till one in the afternoon, from three till half-past five, and from half-past seven till ten in the evening. It was also resolved that this order be so far departed from that, to-morrow morning, the Assembly shall meet at eleven o'clock, and spend the first hour in devotional exercises.

## COMMITTEE ON BILLS AND OVERTURES.

II. That the following members, in addition to the officials mentioned in Standing Order Number Two, constitute the Committee on Bills and Overtures and also on Business for the ensuing Session, viz.:—Dr. Waters, Messrs. A. McLean Sinclair, R. H. Warden, D. M. Gordon, B.D., Principal Grant, J. M. King, M.A., John Thompson (of Sarnia), Dr. James, Prof. Bryce, Ministers; Messrs. G. W. Underwood, J. K. Munnis, A. C. Hutchison, Dr. Christie, W. Adamson, Charles Davidson, W. T. Root, Archibald Matheson, James Croil, Elders. The Committee were instructed to meet at nine o'clock to-morrow morning, and thereafter on their own adjournments.

## COMMITTEE ON COMMISSIONS.

III. That the following be a Committee on Commissions:—Dr. Bell, *Convener*, Messrs. J. C. Smith, and Robert Campbell, Ministers; with Messrs. Robert Murray, and J. K. Blair, Elders.

## RECORDS, COMMITTEES ON.

IV. That the following be the Committees to revise the Records of the General Assembly, of the several Synods, and of the Presbytery of Manitoba, namely:—

1. On the Record of the General Assembly, Messrs. James Middlemiss, and J. Scrimger, with the Hon. Samuel Creelman.
2. On the Record of the Synod of the Maritime Provinces, Messrs. J. Ballantyne, F. W. Farries, and Mr. George Hay.
3. On the Record of the Synod of Montreal and Ottawa, Dr. Jardine, Mr. John McMillan (Truro), and Mr. John Montgomery, from the Presbytery of Paris.
4. On the Record of the Synod of Toronto and Kingston, Dr. Proudfoot, Mr. A. D. McDonald, and Mr. John Charlton, M.P.