

Trustees, and the College Corporation, be and is hereby appointed, said committee to consist of Principal Snodgrass, Convener, the Synod Clerk, Dr. Barclay, Dr. Jenkins, Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, H. Allan, Esq., Alexander Morris, Esq., Hon. Donald Macdonald, and John Fraser, Esq., and that to this Committee the Synod entrust the devising and carrying out of methods for securing the end hereby to be gained ; and further appoint them to confer with the Board of Trustees in regard to the best mode of increasing the efficiency of the Institution. Of this Committee, three shall form a quorum.

It was agreed to appoint Local Committees to act in concert with the General Committee in carrying out the aforesaid resolutions and obtaining moneys in their respective districts of country, so as to ensure the accomplishment of the proposed Endowment."

The Local Committees include the names of Sir John A. MacDonald, our Premier ; the Hon. John Rose, our Finance Minister ; James Croil, the Agent of the Church ; Hon. John Hamilton, John Paton, Judge Malloch, Judge Logie, and many others whose names are well known in the Maritime Provinces. Those men can do the work if they put their shoulders to it, and if the Executive Committee keep them at it. We do not know yet the kind of spirit that animated the Synod when the resolutions were being discussed, but we hope that it was an earnest, resolute spirit. Work must be commenced at once ; and the men who have pledged themselves must take it up and put it through. We have seen in Synods men willing to talk, and move resolutions, and appoint Committees, but who always stopped there. We hope that there are no such men in Ontario and Quebec.

EXTRACTS FROM ADDRESS BY MODERATOR OF CANADIAN SYNOD.

The *Church of Scotland Home and Foreign Record* thus refers to the closing address of the Rev. R. Dobie, Moderator of the Synod of the Canadian Church :—

"We observe in the *Presbyterian* (the able organ of the Church in Canada) a reprint of the closing address of the Rev. R. Dobie, Moderator of the last Synod of the Canadian Church. It is a very interesting paper, devout and liberal in tone, and giving a gratifying review of the position and proceedings of the Church in the Dominion.

"He commends to the consideration of the members an overture proposing that the communion should be celebrated on the occasions of the Synod's annual meetings, which would be 'a becoming act of homage to the Great King and Head of the Church, in whose name we meet and whose servants we profess to be ; while its tendency on the deliberations of the court could not but be to the promotion of Christian forbearance and brotherly love.'

"We should gladly see a similar overture similarly recommended to our own Assembly.

"There are also some very useful remarks on the subjects of the inadequate remuneration of the clergy, and of the inadequate attention commonly paid to 'the preparation for the right conducting of public prayer.' 'The services of devotion have come to be considered as mere accessories and decent accompaniments to the sermon ; and so deeply has this notion got rooted in the minds of our people that it has transferred itself to our common language, so that men speak of the '*sermon*,' and of '*hearing the sermon*,' instead of '*attending public worship*.' We would not that less faithful preparation be made for the preaching of the Gospel, though we mourn the fact that the office of pastor has been wellnigh lost in that of preacher ; but that more prominence be given and more time devoted than hitherto to the other parts of the service. To raise these to the high standard of the sermon seems to be both our interest and our duty." The whole address is well worth perusal.