

Revds. Messrs. Waddell, Allan, McCulloch and Thomas Sedgwick re- Dissents.
 requested that their dissent from this resolution be marked on the minutes.
 Request granted.

The Committee was re-appointed with the addition of the Revds. J. Com. re-appointed.
 McKinnon, McCulloch and Bayne.

It was agreed that the Presbytery of Victoria shall have power to meet Presbytery of
 without their bounds at such a place as they may deem proper, in the Victoria, pwr.
 matter on which Assessors have been appointed. to meet with-
 out bounds.

The Rev. John L. Murdoch, according to notice given, moved the fol- Mr. Murdoch's
 lowing resolution, on reading

That in order to the greater efficiency of the gospel ministry, it is the opinion of this Synod, that students of divinity attending our Theological Hall should be early trained in the habit of public speaking by the delivery of their exercises. And Presbyteries are hereby instructed to require of all applicants for admission to the office of the ministry the delivery of those of their exercises of a popular character, without the use of Manuscript.

It was moved in amendment, That the subject be deferred till next Amendment to
 meeting of Synod. defer.

On a vote being taken, the amendment passed.

Adjourned to meet again this evening at 7½ o'clk. Concluded with prayer. Amendmt. pas-
 sed.

NINETEENTH SEDERUNT.

Same Day and Place, half-past 7 P. M.

Synod met, and the Moderator being absent at the commencement of the sederunt, the Rev. Geo. Christie was appointed Moderator *pro tempore*, and constituted the Synod with prayer.

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Moderator, the Rev. Jas. Bayne and Kenneth McKenzie.

The Clerk being absent at the commencement of the sederunt, Rev. William Murray was appointed Clerk *pro tempore*.

The Minutes of last sederunt were read and approved.

The Rev. James Bayne read the Report of the Committee appointed to prepare a Scheme for the support of the Widows and Orphans of Ministers. Report was received, the diligence of the Committee approved, the recommendations of the Report adopted, and it was remitted to the same Committee to carry them out.

Resumed the consideration of the Report of Board of Superintendence of Education. The Board was re-appointed.

The Rev. W. Murray read the Report on Systematic Beneficence. On motion the Report was received and adopted. The Committee was re-appointed with addition of Rev. Messrs. McCulloch and Thos. Sedgwick and Rod. McGregor, ruling elder, with instructions to carry out the scheme.

Report of the Auditing Committee was read by Mr. Roderick McGregor, shewing the following:

Abstract of Synod Accounts. June 1863.

FOREIGN MISSION.

Amount collected in the year,	-	-	-	-	-	-	£1144 13 4½
Expended,*	-	-	-	-	-	-	1227 14 1
Expenditure over receipts,	-	-	-	-	-	-	£83 0 8½
Balance in Treasurer's hand, June 1862.	-	-	-	-	-	-	574 3 7½
Balance in Treasurer's hand, June 1863.	-	-	-	-	-	-	£491 2 11

*£500 of this loaned on Mission Schooner.

Devotional ex-
 ercises.

Clerk, pro tem.

Minutes read.

Com. on widows
 fund.

Report of Com.
 on Education-
 al Institutions

Report on sys-
 tematic bene-
 ficence.

Com. report.

Rept. of Audit-
 ing Com.