

2nd. That Ministers not making collections in their respective congregations, shall not be entitled to any part of their travelling expenses out of the said Fund; and also that Ministers who have made collections, but have not transmitted them to the Treasurer in proper time to be reported to the Synod, shall be placed in the same category—at least till the meeting of Synod next following.

The Synod re-appoint the Committee to manage this Fund, consisting of the members of the Presbytery of St. John, instructing them to meet immediately after the recess to-day, to receive collections from Ministers who have not already remitted them; also to receive claims upon the Fund, and to Report to the Synod.

On motion, the Rev. John Ross, of Saint Andrews, was appointed Corresponding Member from this Synod to the Synod of Nova Scotia, at its next meeting in Charlotte-Town, P. E. I., and, in the event of his not being able to attend, that the Rev. Wm. Murray, of Miramichi, take his place.

A reference to the recommendation of the Synod last year to all the Ministers within their bounds, to endeavor to interest the children attending their respective Sabbath-schools in the Institution for the education and support of poor orphan girls in India, Dr. Brooke, Mr. Donald, Mr. Henderson and Mr. Stewart stated that the children in their Sabbath-schools had been engaged in collecting money for the support of an orphan at one of these Institutions. The other members had taken no steps to carry out the recommendation of the Synod.

The Synod renew their recommendation, earnestly urging on all Ministers within their bounds to engage the sympathies of the young of their flocks in behalf of the destitute orphan girls in India.

Mr. Donald, Convener of the Committee on the Home Mission and Synod Fund, gave in a Supplementary Report, embracing account of certain sums received since the Annual Report was made up, amounting to £15 17s. 10d., which, with the amount already reported in the hands of the Treasurer, raised the sum total to £51 6s. 8d. The Report was received and approved of.

The Synod resolved to pay from this Fund the expenses of their Corresponding Members to Canada and Nova Scotia, in full; and one-half of the travelling expenses of members attending the Synod on this occasion.

On motion, the Synod also resolved that Mr. Stott's claim of £1 10s. for expenses incurred on a Missionary tour to the Tobique and neighborhood, be also allowed, with the distinct understanding that this shall not be considered as establishing a precedent on any future occasion, until, from the increase of the Funds beyond what is required in payment of expenses of Corresponding Members, and in part of the expenses of members attending meetings of Synod, the Committee shall be enabled to apply the said funds placed at their disposal also in support of the proper objects of a Home Mission.

Mr. Donald craved leave of absence, during the remaining sittings of Synod, on behalf of Mr. Robert Robertson, who was called to return home on urgent business; and also requested that Mr. Ross be appointed to supply the pulpit of St. Andrew's Church, in the city of St. John, on Sabbath first. Mr. Murray, on account of the state of his health, also craved leave of absence. The several applications were agreed to.

The Synod then adjourned till to-morrow, 10 o'clock, A. M. Closed with the benediction.

## DIET III.

At St. Paul's Church, Fredericton, the 25th day of July, one thousand, eight hundred and fifty-seven.

The Synod met according to adjournment. Sederunt as yesterday, with the exception of Messrs. Ross, Murray and Robertson—absent with leave.

Some time was spent in devotional exercises, which were conducted by the Rev. William Stewart.

The Synod was then constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and sustained.

Dr. Brooke, in name of the Committee appointed to prepare draft of Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, read such draft; whereupon it was moved by Mr. Donald and unanimously agreed, that the Address now read be adopted and engrossed, and that a Deputation consisting of the Moderator, Dr. Brooke, Dr. Barclay, and such other members as may find it convenient to accompany them, be appointed to present the same to His Excellency, at such time as he may be pleased to appoint.

The Synod then took up the first Overture, which is as follows:

Whereas it is the privilege as well as the duty of every Church to use all endeavors for the extension of the Redeemer's kingdom, both at home and abroad;

And whereas this Church has not hitherto been in circumstances to engage in any Foreign Mission, and at present is not yet in a position to carry on any such Mission, trusting to her own resources:

But whereas the Presbyterian Church of Canada, in connexion with the Church of Scotland, has resolved to engage in a Mission to the Jews, "Beginning at Jerusalem;"

It is hereby respectfully overtured to the Rev. the Synod of New-Brunswick, that they resolve to co-operate with the said Church in this interesting Mission, and by collections or otherwise, as may appear best, to aid the said Church in their praiseworthy exertions for the best interests of the House of Israel.

Mr. Donald and Dr. Barclay were heard in support of the Overture, and, after reasoning, it was moved by Mr. Donald, seconded by Dr. Barclay, and unanimously agreed:

That the Synod adopt the Overture, resolve in terms thereof, recommend to all Ministers and Missionaries within their bounds to make a collection annually, in aid of the Jewish and Foreign Mission of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, in connexion with the Church of Scotland; and further, appoint the Rev. Wm. Donald Treasurer, instructing all their members to remit to him, on or before the 1st day of May in each year, the collections they may have made in favor of this scheme.

The Synod instruct their Treasurer to remit to the Treasurer of the Canadian Jewish Mission Fund, during the first week of May, such sums as may be received by him, and to Report to this Synod annually the sums thus received and remitted.

The Synod then took up the second Overture, which is as follows:

Whereas there is a very valuable periodical published monthly, in Montreal, entitled "*The Juvenile Presbyterian*," which is well calculated, not only to interest the young in Mission-

ary operations, but also to be very useful in gaining their affections towards Christian truth;

It is hereby respectfully overtured to the Reverend the Synod of New-Brunswick, that they express their approval of that publication, and recommend it to the notice of all Sabbath-schools and of the young generally, connected with their congregations.

Mr. Donald explained the object of the Overture, gave some account of the periodical referred to, and stated that he had found it very useful and acceptable to his Sabbath Scholars, and other young persons in his congregation.

On motion, the Synod resolved to adopt the Overture, and recommend accordingly.

The Synod then proceeded to the consideration of the third Overture, which is as follows:

Whereas Sabbath desecration, in various forms, prevails to a great extent throughout this Province;

And whereas it is the duty of Ministers of the Gospel, as faithful watchmen on the walls of Zion, to give warning against all sinful practices;

It is hereby respectfully overtured to the Reverend the Synod of New-Brunswick, that they take this subject into their serious consideration, and devise such means as they may consider most likely to counteract this great and growing evil.

Mr. Henderson was heard in support of the Overture, and several other members testified to the correctness of the statements therein made, and expressed their strong conviction of the urgent necessity of some remedy being applied to correct the evil complained of.

After which it was moved, seconded and agreed that the Overture be adopted, and, with the view of carrying out the object contemplated, the Synod resolved to recommend to all Ministers within their bounds, to direct the attention of their several congregations to the duty of a becoming observance of the Lord's Day, by preaching on the subject at least once a year, at such time as they may deem expedient, and further, that it be recommended to the several Ministers, with their Kirk Sessions and people, to petition the Legislature to adopt some more stringent method of enforcing the outward observance of the Day of Rest.

The Synod then took up the fourth Overture, which is as follows:

Whereas it is an incumbent duty to do what in us lies to make some provision for those who, in the Providence of God, may be left in a state of widowhood and orphanage;

And as a scheme has been adopted by the Ministers of our Church in Scotland, and also in some of the Colonies, for establishing a Fund for the Widows and Children of deceased Ministers;

It is, therefore, humbly overtured to the Reverend the Synod of New-Brunswick, that they take into consideration the expediency of establishing such a scheme in this Province, or, if practicable, becoming associated with the Ministers of our Church in the adjoining Provinces, in carrying out such a measure.

Dr. Brooke was heard in support of the Overture, and after reasoning, on motion of Mr. Donald, the Synod decided as follows:

Sustain the Overture, and appoint the Moderator, Dr. Brooke. Mr. Ross and Mr. Donald,