

behalf of the widow and family. It was suggested that those present who could afford it should contribute something to aid the family. Rev. Dr. McCulloch consented to act as treasurer.

It was decided to telegraph Mrs. Christie expressing the Synod's sympathy with her in her trouble.

In the absence of Dr. MacGregor, Dr. Burns submitted the report of the committee on the

HUNTER CHURCH BUILDING FUND,

which was received and adopted.

Rev. A. McL. Nicolair introduced the next business, the

UNIFICATION OF FOREIGN MISSION WORK.

After some discussion the following resolution was adopted :

"The synod expresses its approval of the desirableness of unifying our foreign mission work, but as the general assembly has remitted the plan of unification to the presbyteries for consideration, the synod deems it unnecessary at the present stage to pronounce judgement upon it."

The afternoon was occupied by Rev. Dr. Ross in stating his complaint against the College Board.

The first part of the evening sederunt was devoted to

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

After devotional exercises, Rev. Alex. McLean, made a statement of the Foreign Mission Funds, shewing that the whole balance against the Fund at date is \$4,200.91, and urged greater liberality in this grand work.

REV. JOSEPH ANNAND

was then welcomed by the Moderator, and gave a most interesting address on the work in the New Hebrides.

At the close a resolution was passed thanking God for the work of Mr. and Mrs. Annand, commending them to the church on their visit home, and praying that on their return they may have much of the Master's presence with them in their work.

A resolution was also passed urging early and liberal contributions to the Foreign Mission work.

Rev. W. Donald submitted the report on the State of Religion, which with its recommendations was adopted.

Dr. Ross' matter was then taken up but was not concluded when the Synod adjourned.

Thursday.

The first business was the next meeting of Synod, which was appointed to be held on the first Tuesday of October, in St. Andrew's Church, Truro.

Rev. E. A. McCurdy made a statement on

AUGMENTATION

recounting the progress of the work last year and its prospects this year. Last year the Synod asked for \$12,000 for the work, and this year \$10,000 would be required.

Mr. Laing read a recommendation from the Augmentation Committee that if the \$10,000 is to be raised the following will be a fair division of the amount among the Presbyteries, being less in all cases than the amount asked for last year :

	1885.	1884.
Truro.....	\$1,000	\$1,200
Sydney.....	500	550
Victoria and Richmond	275	300
Halifax.....	2,225	2,700
Wallace.....	400	475
Pictou.....	1,600	1,750
P. E. Island.....	1,150	1,350
Lun. and Shelburne.	400	475
St. John.....	1,400	1,700
Miramichi.....	650	900
Newfoundland.....	400	500

\$10,000 \$12,000

The following recommendations were adopted :

That the Presbyteries appoint augmentation committees to apportion to congregations the amount expected of them, to make visitations to them and to have the management of the scheme within the bounds of said Presbyteries.

All additions to be made to pastors' salaries by aid receiving congregations from January, 1886, shall be deducted for the current year from the sums apportioned to these congregations by the Presbyteries and from the amounts levied upon the Presbyteries.

The Presbyteries, when they deem it desirable for the better working of the scheme, shall be urged to call upon the board for a deputation.

That all Presbyteries shall make returns before March 1st, and that no applications for supplement be considered after the April meeting of the board.

The remit of Assembly regarding

A SUMMER SESSION

at Halifax Theological College was taken up, and continued until noon.

In the afternoon by previous resolution