

with the Captain of the Inter-island steamer for such deviations in the sailings of said steamer as they may find to be necessary.

A copy of this Minute to be sent to Captain Munroe.

26. At this stage of the proceedings the Synod spent an hour in Conference on the difficulties of Mission work in these islands. Agreed that Synod resume the Conference at a future sederunt and remit it to the Business Committee to make the necessary arrangements.

27. Agreed, that the maximum salary allowed

to married native teachers on their own island be £5; unmarried, £4; native teachers on other islands than their own, £6.

30. The clerk, as appointed, Minute 22, presented the following list of the members of the Mission Synod with the years of their ordination and settlement which was received and approved of as correct. Copies of the list were appointed to be forwarded to Rev. Dr. Cosh for publication in the "Dayspring" Report, and to M. L. Hutchinson for publication in the Presbyterian Calendar of Australasia:—

MISSIONARY.	Ordained.	Station.	Settled on New Hebrides.	Supported By.
Rev. H. A. Robertson.	1871	Erromonga...	1872	Presbyterian Church in Canada.
" J. W. Mackenzie.	1871	Efate.....	1872	
" J. Annand, M.A.	1872	Santo.....	1873	
" J. H. Laurie.....	1885	Aneityum.....	1879	Free Church of Scotland, P. C. of N.S.W.
Dr. W. Gunn (L.R.C.S.)	Futuna.....	1883	
Rev. J. D. Landels....	1886	Malo.....	1887	
*Rev. J. G. Paton, D.D.	1888	Aniwa.....	1889	Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
" D. Macdonald....	1872	Efate.....	1872	
" A. Morton.....	1886	Malekula....	1887	
" T. Watt Leggatt	1886	".....	1887	P. C. of New Zealand.
" J. Gillan.....	1889	".....	1889	
" A. H. Macdonald	1888	Santo.....	1890	
" W. Watt.....	1868	Tanna.....	1869	Presbyterian Church of Otago.
" Dr. Lamb, B.D....	1892	Ambrim.....	1892	
" P. Milne.....	1868	Nyuna.....	1870	
" Oscar Michelsen.	1881	Longoa.....	1879	Presbyterian Ch. of Tasmania. Presbyterian Ch. of S. Australia.
" T. Small, B.A....	1889	Epi.....	1890	
" R. M. Fraser....	1882	Epi.....	1882	
" W. Gray.....	1882	Tanna.....	1882	

* On furlough since 1894. Now employed as Mission Agent of the Federal Assembly of Australia.

31. The Committee appointed, Minute 12, to draw up a minute in answer to the message of the Presbyterian Fellowship Union of Victoria conveyed by Mr. H. W. Kersley, submitted the following which was received and adopted as the finding of the Synod:—

Mr. Henry W. Kersley, Deputy of the Presbyterian Fellowship Union of Victoria, having been introduced by Mr. Leggatt, was welcomed by the Moderator and members of Synod. At a subsequent sederunt Mr. Kersley addressed the Court, assuring the Synod of the deep sympathy of the members of the Union with the Missionaries and of their earnest prayers for the furtherance of God's work in the group.

The Synod thanks Mr. Kersley for his interesting and cheering address, and requests him to convey to the Union the great pleasure the Synod has had in receiving their delegate, reciprocates the kind wishes of the Union conveyed by Mr. Kersley, and asks him to express to the Union the feelings of satisfaction and joy the Synod has in the rapid progress of the Union.

A copy of this Minute to be forwarded to the Secretary of the Presbyterian Fellowship Union of Victoria through Mr. Kersley.

35. After taking the subject into careful con-

sideration it was agreed that a Committee be appointed to draft a protest against the labour traffic, especially its renewal by the Queensland Government, and submit it for the approval of Synod. The Moderator and Dr. Gunn as the Committee.

36. Read communication from Mr. Mackenzie stating that he had found it necessary owing to the state of his health and the requirements of his family to proceed to Sydney in February last, and asking Synod to approve of his action. The request was granted.

38. The Synod appointed Mr. Leggatt to prepare the Annual "Dayspring" Report, also the Native Teachers' Report. The Synod enjoined brethren to supply full reports of the work on their stations and forward them to Dr. Cosh by the last mail for this year. The Synod further enjoined brethren to supply Mr. Leggatt with information and statistics regarding native teachers.

40. The following requests for furlough and passages in the steamers during the work of the mission were granted.

Mr. A. H. Macdonald and his wife for six months, beginning in October or November, subject to the approval of his church.