# MINUTES

OF

# THE FOURTH SESSION

OF

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OF THE

# CANADA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,

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- WILLIAM FRASER,

## COMMITTEES APPOINTED OR RE-APPOINTED.

#### JUNE, 1864.

SUBJECTS.	CONVENERS.	POST OFFICES.
Knox College Board	The Rev. John McTavish.	Woodville.
" " Senate	Principal Willis	Toronto.
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Model Trust Deed	Rev. A. F. Kemp	Montreal.
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*Walter Coulthart Nov.
*John EadieMay
*John Irvine John McDoneld
John McDonaldFeb.
*David BlackSept.,
*P. D. Muir; B ASept.,
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William Aitken....Oct. 1,

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John McKinnon ... Feb. 4, 1

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Joseph White... Aug. 7, 18

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# THE CANADA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

(The names of those present are marked with an asterisk.)

# PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.

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S. C. FRASER, Presbytery Clerk.

#### PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE.

MINISTER	Q	TE OF NATION.	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
*Wm. Lochead	D.D Feb. 8, Dec., n May 12, ille Feb. 26, Sep., A.M Feb.,	1821	C. Rutherford Chomas Duucan Ceter Ewing Valter Ker Pr. R. Edmondson	Without charge Gloucester and N. Gowe waddington, N.Y Westport Kemptwille Brockville Brockville South Gower & Mountal	r KarsWaddington, N.YSpencervilleKemptvilleBrockville
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#### PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.

Wm. Smart Apr. 11.	1811Gananoque
*James MacintoshJuly 30,	1828 Amherst Island Amherst Island
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*Patrick GraySep.,	1846 Robert Matthews Chalmers Ch., KingstonKingston
*Robert C. SwintonAug.,	1850 A. Langmuir Picton and Demorestville Picton
*Andrew WilsonJan. 29.	1851 *Samuel Gaw Brock St. Ch., Kingston Kingston
*Wm. McLarenJune 1,	1853*Dr. HoldenBellevilleBelleville
*John Scott	1853NapaneeNapanee
*T. S. Chambers May 23,	1855*James Stenson Storrington & Pittsburgh.Sunbury
*David Wishart Apr. 6,	1857MadocMadoc
*James HanranJuly 4,	1861Camden and SheffieldCentreville
*John TurnbullJune24.	1862 Melrose and Lonsdale
*Thomas Kellough May,	1863Trenton and ConseconTrenton
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# JAMES BOWIE, Presbytery Clerk.

PRESBITERI OF ONTARIO.
*R.H. Thornton, D.D.April, 1833*Alex. BurnetOshawa
*George LawrenceApr. 28, 1837 James BrownClarkeOrono.
*Robert MonteathApr. 29, 1841 John McGillPrince AlbertPrince Albert *John Baird, M.AJune18, 1843*Wm. YoungPickering
*John McTavish
*William C. Windell.Nov. 2, 1847*Wm. StewartCartwright, &cBallyduff.  *John SmithSept. 2, 1851* BighamBowmanvilleBowmanville
*Robert McArthur Nov. 29, 1854 John Michie Brock and Reach Wick.
*George RiddellOct. 2, 1858*James FranceyNewton and NewcastleClarke.  Vacant*John RatcliffColumbus, &c
"*Wm. HeronAshburn

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ROBERT MONTEATH, Presbytery Clerk.

*Robert Burns, D.D., *M. Willis, D.D. LL.D.
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*David Coutts
*Alex. Topp. A M
John Jennings, D.D.
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*Thos. Wightman 'p
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*John Gray
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*James MitchellFe  *John M King, A.M.Oc
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# PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

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MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION.			
*Robert Burns, D.D.  *M. Willis. D.D. LL.D.  *James Harris  *Wm. Fraser	July 10, 1811 July 10, 1821		CONGREGATIONS.  Prof. Knox College Prin. Knox College (Without charge) W. Gwillimbury and Esses 1st & 2 of Chinguageness	POST OFFICES. Toronto. Toronto.
*John Jennings, D.D. *Peter Glassford	Jan'y, 1838*  July, 1838*  Oct. 10, 1838*	Ion. J McMurrich	1st & 2od Chinguacousy Knox's Church, Toronto Bay-st. Church, Toronto	Mayfield. Torento.
*Thos. Wightman *Wm Gregg, A.M	Dec. 28, 1842*J Feb'y, 1844*H Jan'y, 1847*W	ohn Hamilton lugh Freeman	Agent of Church Richmondhill & Thornhill Innisfil and Barrie	Toronto. Richmondhill.
*Robert RodgersI  *Jos. Alexander, A.M.I  *John Grav	Dec. 4, 1850 May, 1851*D	avid Henderson	st Brampton Missionary, Red River Collingwood	Brampton. Red River.
*James AdamsJ Robert JamiesonJ	uly 13, 1851*Do uly, 1852*W an. 29, 1854	onald McLellan m. Hall	Orillia and Oro	Norval. Orillia. Red River.
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Robert ScottNo	ov. 23, 1860*Joh ov. 23, 1860*Ale	in LowrySc	arkham	uttonville.
John K. HislopNo Walter Wright Wacant Vacant	v. 24, 1859*Jan v. 17, 1862*Eph n. 27, 1864	nes Speers Al raim Steen Str	ikville Or.  Gwillimbury, Bradford, Bing and Laskey Leavener, &c.  Stilston, &c.  Getsville Monetarille Monetarille Stilston, &c.  set Church, Toronto Store	skey.
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WILLIAM GREGG, Presbytery Clerk.

# PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.

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Thomas Christia
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Thomas Christie.  George Cheyne Jan. 12, 1831 *John Ptolemy. Saltfleet and Binbrook. "Tapleytown."  M. Y. Stark. Sep. 21, 1833 (Without charge). Dundas.  R. Irvine. D.D. Nov. 13, 1840 *Hector Davidson. Knox's Ch., Hamilton. Hamilton.  John Porteous. Dec. 7, 1842 *John Malcolm. Beverley. Kirkwall.  Javid Inglis. Feb. 14, 1842 *James Sanderson. Nairu Church. Freetton.  R. F. Burns. July 1, 1847 *James Dougan. St. Catharines. Hamilton. Hamilton. Hamilton.  Robert Wallace.  Wm. Ormiston, D.D.Oct. 23, 1849 *James Henderson. Central Ch., Hamilton. Hamilton.  James Black. Nov. 9, 1853. *Alex. Mitchell Knox's Ch. Caledonia. E. Sarcher.  July 10, 1855. *July 10, 1855. *July 1855. *July 1855. *July 1855. *John Lees. July 10, 1855. *John Lees. July
*James Black
*John Lees July 10, 1855*Alex. MitchellKnox's Ch., Caledonia, &c. Seneca.  *Wm. Craigle June 5, 1856*John ScottPort Dover and Street Published Company Comp
*Wm. Craigie June 5, 1856 *James Young Ancaster VII. and E. & W. Ancaster.  *John Rennie April 22, 1857 *Salmon Minor Dound like & W. Ancaster.  *John McRobie Oct. 21, 1857 *Salmon Minor Dunnylle, &c.
John MatterApril 22, 1857 *Salmon M:Port Dover and Simcoe Port Dover
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*Thomas Wilson April 28, 1860 *John Fulton Port Dalhousie & Niagara. Port Dalhousie.  *Alex. Grant Jan. 27, 1864 Sutherland St., Caledonia. Seneca.  Vacant Oneida. Indiana.
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**Hugh Thompson. Waterdown & Welling.Sq.
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MINISTERS.

George Smellie .....Ms

\*Thomas McGuire .... Mar.

#### PRESBYTERY OF PARIS.

MINISTERS.		ELDERS,		POST OFFICES.
"John Gillespie "Archibald Cross., "Archibald Cross., "Duncan McDiarn "John Dunbar "Wm. T. McMullet "John Straith "W. Robertson, M. "W. Cochrane "W. Peattie "Robert Hume, M. "W. Donald "George Irving "Jas. Robertson, M "W. Richardson "Vacant "4"	Dec. 15, 1830 *J  June 19, 1845 *V  Dec. 23, 1847 G  Aug. 17, 1848 *T  Nov. 25, 1851 *A  id. May 26, 1852 J  May 18, 1853  1. Nov. 5, 1856 *A  Jan. 30, 1857 *W  A. Jan. 26, 1859 *D  June 7, 1859 *D  June 3, 1860 *G  A. May 22, 1860 *G  A. May 22, 1860 *G  A. May 21, 1860 *G  July 17, 1861 *R  A. July 23, 1862 *D  Mar. 3, 1863 *J  Mar. 3, 1863 *J	William Waldie   White   No.   White   No.   Wathleson   No.   Wathleson   No.   Wathleson   No.   No	eachville	Paris Princeton Woodstock Ingersoll Ayr Kwoodstock Glenmorris Woodstock Ingersoll Chesterfield Brantford Mohawk St. George Norwichville Ayr Paris Tilsonburg
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*Donald McKenzleMay, *John Fraser	1.834	
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*Wm Fletcher Feb 1	St. Ann's, Kankakee, Ill St. Ann's, Ill. 7, 1859 John Bell	
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Peter McDiarmid Mar. 6	, 1860	
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"	Vienna and Port Burwell	
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JOHN J. A. PROUDFOOT, Presbytery Clerk.

Vacant ..... ..... " .. \*\*\* \*\*\* \*\*\* \*\*\* \*\* ..... ..... ...... Thomas Lowry .....Sep. 2
Thomas McPherson.Oct 10
Daniel Allan .....Oct. 2
Wm. Meldrum .....Mar. \*James Boyd.....July 7
\*A. A. Drummond ...Oct. 20 "A. A. Drummond ... Oct. 20

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"David Beattle ... Apr. 23

"Robert Hamilton ... June 3 \*Robert Hall......Apr. 17
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## PRESBYTERY OF STRATFORD

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Thomas LowrySep. 24, 1833*Jos. BrydenMorningtonWest's Corners Thomas McPherson.Oct 10, 1836*Wm. DunnStratford
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a. a. Drummond Oct. 20. 1847
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*Wm. Doak         Oct. 7         1852         *Andrew Leith         St. Mary's         Shakespeare           *John Fotheringbam.Feb. 26, 1856         *M. Ballantyne         Downie         St. Mary's B.           *David Beattle         Apr. 23 1857         Avonton
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Thos. Stevenson. June 2, 1840. L. Ormiston Owen Sound Owen Sound Andrew Tolmie Jan. 2, 1853. *Thomas Burgess. Southampton Saugeen Robert Dewar. Oct. 17, 1855. John Cooper Lake Shore Leith John Gauld. June 3, 1856. James Bole. Thornbury. &c. Griersville Alex. Grant. Aug. 4, 1858. Walkerton. Walkerton James Cameron. Feb. 16, 1859. David Hastle Sullvan, &c. Chatsworth. George Bremner. Feb. 16, 1859. James Dodds. Durham George Bremner. Feb. 16, 1859. James Dodds. Durham George Bremner. Feb. 16, 1859.
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Charles Cameron May 1, 1861. David Porter Paisley Bentinck  Alex. Fraser Oct. 22, 1861. Shelton Knight Rocky Saugeen Priceville  James McDowall Bec. 31, 1889.
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#### PRESBYTERY OF HURON.

MINISTER	ORDINA	TION. ELDERS.	COMUNEGATIONS.	
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The Moderator a uniform respect and charging the duties highly honoured him now come for appostead.

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# FOURTH SESSION OF THE SYNOD

# THE CANADA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,

Held at Toronto, June 14-24, 1864.

# FIRST SEDERUNT.

June 14, 1864, 7 o'clock, P.M.

At the City of Toronto, and within Cooke's Church there, Tuesday, the fourteenth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, the Synod of the Canada Presbyterian Church met, and, after sermon by the Moderator, Mr. James Dick, from 2 Cor. iv. 1, 2—"Therefore, seeing we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we faint not; but have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the word of God deceitfully; but by manifestation of the truth, commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God"-was constituted

The Roll of Synod, compiled from the Rolls of the several Roll called. Presbyteries, was called, and the attendance of members marked.

The Moderator addressed the Synod, thanking them for the Retiring Moderauniform respect and kindness which he had received while dis-tor's Address. charging the duties of the office which they had, last year, so highly honoured him by conferring, and stating that the time had now come for appointing another to occupy the chair in his

The Synod proceeded to the election of a Moderator, when Moderator, electhere was read from the table a list of Ministers, nominated, tion of according to the standing orders, by Presbyteries, for the office of Moderator, containing the following names:—Mr. John McTavish, of Woodville; Dr. Willis, principal of Knox College; Mr. Donald McKenzie, of Zorra; Mr. Alexander Topp, of Knox's Church, Toronto; Mr. John Scott, of London; Mr. John Baird, of Pickering.

There was read, also, in connexion with the list of names fore-Mr. D. McKenzie going, a letter from Mr. Donald McKenzie, expressing his high declines nomina-appreciation of the honour intended to be conferred upon him tion. appreciation of the honour intended to be conferred upon him, hy the Fathers and Brethren of the several Presbyteries by whom be had been put in nomination for the office of Moderator, yet,

at the same time, respectfully requesting, for several reasons which he assigned, that his name should be withdrawn from the list of persons proposed for that office.

Mr. McKenzie withdrawn. On motion made and duly seconded, it was agreed that the request of Mr. McKenzie, in the foregoing letter, be complied with. His name was accordingly withdrawn.

Mr. Scott withdrawn. It was stated by Mr. Proudfoot, of the Presbytery of London, that the health of Mr. John Scott was such that he could not discharge the duties of the chair if elected; and that he did not intend to be present at this meeting of Synod. The name of Mr. Scott was thereupon dropped from the list of those in nomination.

Mr. McTavish elected Moderator.

The Synod then proceeded to take a vote between the several Ministers remaining on the list, when Mr. John McTavish, of Woodville, was elected to the office of Moderator, by a large majority. Mr. McTavish then took the chair, and briefly addressed the Synod.

Loyal Addresses, Replies to.

The retiring Moderator now submitted a copy of a dispatch from the Duke of Newcastle, Secretary of State for the Colonies, transmitted through His Excellency the Governor General of Canada, stating that the address of this Synod, last year, to Her Majesty the Queen, had been duly laid before Her Majesty, who had been pleased to receive it very graciously, and to say that she was much gratified by the expressions which it contained of loyalty and attachment to Her Throne and person: as also, a letter from Lt.-General Knollys, by direction of the Prince and Princess of Wales, acknowledging the receipt of the address of this Synod to their Royal Highnesses, last year, on the occasion of their marriage, and thanking the Synod very cordially for their congratulations; and that His Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales, reverted with the greatest satisfaction to the period of his visit to Canada, which the Synod alluded to in terms so gratifying to his feelings.

Rev. W. Johnston, Belfast, invited to correspond and give Address.

Mr. Thomas Lowry introduced to the Synod, the Rev. William Johnston, of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, deputed by that Church on a special mission to Congregations in this country—who was now present, and requested that he be invited to take his seat in Synod; that he should be requested to address the Synod, and that a time should be fixed at which he should be heard. The Synod agreed cordially to invite Mr. Johnston to sit with them, and to receive any communication which he might wish to make to the Synod, at the Evening Sederunt, to-morrow.

Mr. Ferrie invited to correspond.

The Rev. William Ferrie, being present, was invited to sit with the Synod during this Session.

Business Committee's Report.

The Committee on Business gave in a Report, which was received, and with certain amendments was adopted.

Bills and Overtures, Members appointed to. In accordance with the forementioned Report, the Synod made the following appointments of Members of the Committee of Bills and Overtures, namely, for the Presbytery of Toronto, the Hon. Mr. McMurrich; for the Presbytery of Hamilton, Mr. James Young; it to make the Orders.

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It was agreed to adopt the following arrangement, as regards piets for the diets for business:—To meet to-morrow morning at 11 Business. O'clock, and on succeeding days at 10 o'clock, and continue in resume at half-past 7, and close at 10 o'clock.

In accordance with the recommendation of the Business Compunctual attendmittee, the Moderator called the special attention of Members of ance of members Synod to the propriety and duty of being present punctually at invited. the commencement of each Sederunt, not only when business is entered upon, but during the opening devotional exercises.

It was agreed that the consideration of Judicial Causes be con-causes to be fined to the Forenoon Sederunt; that the Reports of Standing confined to Committees be, in general, taken up in the evening, and that morning. precedence be given to those of the Mission Committees.

It was agreed also, that a Committee on Causes should be Causes Comappointed, as at last Synod, to whom should be referred for mittee to be consideration such Causes as the Synod after hearing papers read appointed.

The Synod appointed a Committee to examine the Commissions Commissions of Elders appointed by their respective Sessions, to represent Elders, Cormitthem in Synod, and which had not been previously forwarded to their Presbyteries, with a view to the placing on the Synod Roll of the names of Elders found to be regularly appointed; the Committee to consist of Dr. Ormiston, Convener; Mr. J.\* K.

It was moved by Mr. William Doak, and duly seconded, That Presbyteries, as formerly, leave be granted to the several Presbyteries to meet, leave to meet, for competent business, on the call of their respective Moderators, in the intervals of the Sederunts, during this meeting of Synod.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. Kemp, seconded by Mr. Amendment Topp, That only such Presbyteries as make written application moved. for leave, under the hand of their Clerk, and stating the object of the meeting, shall, if the Synod deem it to be necessary, be permitted to meet during this Session.

A vote being taken, the motion of Mr. Doak was carried by a Motion carried large majority, and the Synod decided in accordance therewith.

The Synod adjourned, to meet again in the morning at 11 o'clock. Closed with the benediction

#### SECOND SEDERUNT.

Cooke's Church, Toronto, WEDNESDAY, June 15th, 1864, 11 o'clock A.M.

The Synod met, and was opened with devotional exercises and reading of the Scriptures, conducted under the direction of the Moderator,—Principal Willis, Mr. James Dick and Mr. David Inglis successively offering prayer, alternating with praise. The Moderator then constituted the Synod with prayer.

The Minutes of the first Sederunt were read and sustained.

Thanks to Mr. ator, for his sermon.

On motion of Principal Willis, seconded by Mr. Topp, the Synod Dick late Moder-agreed to record their thanks to Mr. Dick, the late Moderator, for the able and appropriate sermon delivered by him at the opening of the Synod last evening.

Correspondents invited to sit.

Messrs. George Murray, Hugh Campbell and James Ferguson, ministers of this Church without charge, who were present, were, on the motion severally of Messrs. Cross, Dunean Cameron and Skinner, invited to sit with the Synod at this meeting.

Bills, Report of Committee.

The Committee of Bills and Overtures handed in their first Report, which was read by Mr. Gregg, the Chairman.

The Report was received, and the order of business for the day therein recommended, approved.

Prince and Princess of Wales, Address to.

It was moved by Mr. Topp, seconded by Principal Willis, and unanimously agreed, That the Synod present an address to their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales, congratulating them on the birth of a son and heir apparent to the throne, and that a Committee be appointed to prepare a draft of such address, to be submitted for the consideration and adoption of the Synod at another Sederunt.

Committee on Address.

The Committee was then appointed, consisting of the Moderator of Synod, Principal Willis and Mr. Topp, Convener.

Reports of Presbyteries in respect to Deaths of Ministers, &c.

The Reports of the several Presbyteries, after named, in relation to Ordinations, Inductions, Licensure, Deaths, Demissions and Depositions which had taken place within their respective bounds during the last year, were handed in and read, namely: of the Presbyteries of Montreal, Ottawa, Brockville, Cobourg, Toronto, Guelph, Paris, London and Huron.

After several propositions had been submitted, with a view to the disposal of those Reports, and some time spent in reasoning thereanent, and no decision come to, the hour of adjournment arrived, and the Moderator closed the diet by pronouncing the benediction.

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## THIRD SEDERUNT.

COOKE'S CHURCH, TORONTO,

WEDNESDAY, June 15, 1864, 3 o'clock, P.M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with reading the Scriptures, praise and prayer,-Mr. James Skinner, at the request of the Moderator, offering prayer.

The Committee on the Commissions of Elders, appointed last commissions of night, handed in a Report. The Report was read and adopted, Elders Commit-and the names of Elders contained therein reported as bearing tee's Report on. regular commissions as representatives of their several sessions, were ordered to be added to the Synod Roll.

In reference to the disposal of the Reports of Presbyteries read Presbytery Reat the morning Sederunt, a motion was submitted by Mr. R. F. ports, Committee Burns, which was unanimously adopted to the effect following:—to draft Minute. Burns, which was unanimously adopted to the effect following: That the Reports be printed in the Appendix to the Synod's Minutes; but that, in consideration of the references made in them to several beloved brethren as having been removed by death during the past year, the Synod, devoutly recognizing the hand of God in these solemn dispensations, appoint a Committee to draw up an appropriate Minute on this subject, said Committee to consist of Principal Willis, Messrs. Middlemiss and Burns, ministers; Dr. Holden and Mr. James Dougan, elders-Principal

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It was moved by Mr. Kemp, seconded by Mr. Gregg, That the Committee be appointed to consider and report on the applications sent up through Presbyteries for the admission of ministers from other Churches, and for leave to take students on trials for

It was moved in amendment by Mr. Topp, and duly seconded, Amendment. That a Committee be appointed to consider the applications from Presbyteries for the reception of ministers from other Churches, and also for leave to take students on trials for license, and, if they see cause, to confer with the applicants from other Churches,

A vote being taken, the amendment of Mr. Topp was carried Decision, Amendby a large majority, and the Synod decided in terms thereof.

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Standing Com-

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Causes Committee, principle of selection.

The Synod having, at the morning Sederunt, agreed that a Committee on Causes should be appointed, a question arose as to the principle by which the selection of the members of such Committee should be governed, when it was-

Moved by Mr. McRuer, seconded by Mr. Cochrane, and agreed to, That each Presbytery of the Church be represented on this Committee by one member of such Presbytery, the appointment being left with the Moderator.

Mr. J. R. Scott to correspond.

On the request of Mr. Waters, Mr. J. R. Scott, late of Perrytown, was invited to take his seat in Synod during this meeting.

Preaching before

Mr. Gregg, from the Committee appointed last year, to make Synod Report of the requisite arrangements for preaching before the Synod at this meeting, read a Report, recommending that Mr. J. K. Smith, of Brockville, be appointed to preach in the morning of next Lord's day, and Mr. W. T. McMullen, of Woodstock, in the evening. The Synod received the Report, and sanctioned the recommendation which it contained.

Home Mission Regulations, Report of Special Committee. Returns of Presbyteries on.

The Synod called for the Report of the Special Committee, appointed last year, to mature a plan for prosecuting Home Missionary operations. The Report was given in and read by Mr. Topp, the Convener. There were given in, at the same time, the Returns of Presbyteries on the Regulations drawn up by the aforenamed Committee, and which had been remitted according to the order of Synod.

Report received.

The Report was received.

Whole House

On motion of Mr. D. Inglis, duly seconded, it was agreed, That on H. M. Regula- immediately after the Synod is constituted to-morrow afternoon, tions, resolved on. the Synod shall resolve itself into a Committee of the whole house, for the consideration of the whole subject of Home Missionary operations.

Home Mission Regulations to be Printed.

The Synod ordered that two hundred and fifty copies of the Regulations drawn up by the aforenamed Special Committee be forthwith printed for the use of members, and to facilitate that intelligent and careful consideration of the subject to which they relate, requisite to safe and satisfactory conclusions.

Jamieson and Nisbet, Messrs. their relation to Presbytery of Toronto.

The Synod took up a reference from the Presbytery of Toronto anent the relation of Mr. Robert Jamieson, of New Westminster, British Columbia, and of Mr. James Nisbet, of Red River, to the said Presbytery, on the Roll of which, the names of these ministers had been spheres of Mi On motion

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On motion of Mr. Proudfoot, seconded by Principal Willis, the Reference sus-Synod agreed to sustain the reference, and ordered that the names tained, Messrs. of Messrs. Jamieson and Nisbet be continued on the Roll of the Nisbet to remain on Roll.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Moderator pronounced the benediction, and the diet was closed.

#### FOURTH SEDERUNT.

COOKE'S CHURCH, TORONTO,

WEDNESDAY, June 15, 1864, 71 o'clock, P.M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with the reading of the Scriptures, praise and prayer—Mr. Gregg, at the request of the Moderator, engaging in prayer.

The minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Mr. Thomas Lowry, of Mornington, in very cordial terms, introduced to the Synod the Rev. William Johnston, of Belfast, who, last night, had been requested to address the Synod.

There was read from the table a Commission to Mr. Johnston Rev. W. Johnston from the Mission Board of the General Assembly of the Presby-introduced, and terian Church in Ireland, under the hands of the Rev. John Synod. Rogers, Moderator of the General Assembly, and the Rev. William McClure, Convener of the Board of Colonial Missions, appointing Mr. Johston's him to proceed to New Brunswick and Canada, to visit the brethren of the Presbyterian Churches of those provinces, and report, especially upon the state of the congregations and stations receiving aid from the Colonial Mission Fund of that Church, and regarding the mission field generally, and affectionately recommending him to the kindness and attention of the brethren and friends in those lands.

Mr. Johnston, on the call of the Moderator, then came to the Address by Mr. platform and addressed the Synod at length, conveying much Johnston. interesting information, in regard as well to the increased material prosperity of Ireland, as to the state of education, religion and morality generally in that land, and especially in regard to the revived condition, the active agencies for the spreading of religious truth, and the great success, which, under the divine blessing, by means of their Home and Foreign Missions, had attended the efforts of that Church for the promotion of the cause of Christ at home and abroad.

It was moved by Mr. Kemp, seconded by Dr. Ormiston, and Thanks to Mr. carried by acclamation, That the Synod having heard the Rev. Johnston. Mr. Johnston, deputy of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland,

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would express their sincere pleasure at having the opportunity of being informed, by his statements, of the prosperity of the Church which he represents, convey to him through the Moderator, the assurance of our affection for the Church in Ireland, our gratitude for the deep interest she has ever taken in the welfare of our Church in this Province, and our desire that God may continue to crown with success her labours for the advancement of the Gospel, both at home and abroad; trusting, also, that Mr. Johnston may experience the divine protection in returning to his home and his flock. The Moderator conveyed to Mr. Johnston the sense which the Synod expressed of its satisfaction and good

Calvin, Tercente-

The Synod took up an Overture bearing the signatures of Dr. nary of his death, Burns and Principal Willis, suggesting that, in common with other Churches in Europe and America, the Synod should adopt such measures as might best manifest its interest in the memory of the great Calvin, whose signal services to the cause of Scriptural truth have been brought into special remembrance in connection with the end of the third century since his death, which occurred in the summer (May) of 1564.

Calvin, Resolu-tion on, and Committee appointed.

It was then moved by Principal Willis, seconded by Dr. Burns, and unanimously agreed to, That a Committee be appointed to consider in what way this Synod may best evince its respect for the memory of the illustrious Calvin, and its attachment to the Scriptural principles with which his name is identified.

The Committee was appointed as follows:—Principal Willis, Convener; Dr. Burns, Mr. Clark, of Quebec; Dr. Taylor, Dr. Irvine, Mr. Baird, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Dick, ministers; Dr. Edmond. son, Mr. Cattanach, Mr. Young, of Sarnia, Mr. R. Christie, elders

Records of Presbyteries, Committee on.

The Synod appointed the following Committees to examine the Records of Presbyteries, namely:-

Hamilton.

Of the Presbytery of Hamilton, Mr. James Mitchell, Mr. George Riddell and Mr. John Ratcliff.

Toronto.

Of the Presbytery of Toronto, Mr. John Baird, Mr. Thomas Wardrope and Mr. Robert Kennedy.

Ottawa.

Of the Presbytery of Ottawa, Mr. D. H. McVicar, Mr. W. C. Windell and Mr. Donald McLellan.

Ontario.

Of the Presbytery of Ontario, Mr. Wm. J. McKenzie, Mr. George Cuthbertson and Mr. Alex. Smith.

Cobourg.

Of the Presbytery of Cobourg, Mr. Wm. King, Mr. Andrew Melville and Dr. R. Edmondson.

London.

Of the Presbytery of London, Mr. J. K. Smith, Mr. John Scott and Mr. James Stenson.

Brockville.

Of the Presbytery of Brockville, Mr. Andrew Wilson, Mr. John Fotheringham, and Mr. John Parker.

Kingston.

Of the Presbytery of Kingston, Mr. W. Caven, Mr. A. D. McDonald, and Mr. John Hamilton.

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Of the Presbytery of Huron, Mr. W. S. Ball, Mr. R. Hume, Huron. and Mr. James Henderson.

Of the Presbytery of Guelph, Mr. Andrew Tolmie, Mr. W. Guelph. Cochrane, and Mr. A. Matheson.

Of the Presbytery of Paris, Mr. Thomas Stevenson, Dr. Irvine, Paris. and Mr. W. Heron.

Of the Presbytery of Grey, Mr. John Porteous, Mr. N. Paterson, Grey. and Mr. David Brodie.

Of the Presbytery of Montreal, Mr. R. F. Burns, Mr. R. Montreal. Monteath, and Mr. Alex. Duff.

The Committee to examine the Records of the Synod, was Synod's Records, appointed as follows: -Mr. Simon C. Fraser, Mr. John Lees, and Committee on.

A motion was made that the Synod should meet to-morrow Hour of Meeting morning at 11 o'clock, which being put to vote was lost, and the not changed. Synod adjourned, to meet at the stated hour in the morning, and the Moderator closed the diet by pronouncing the benediction.

## FIFTH SEDERUNT.

COOKE'S CHURCH, TORONTO,

THURSDAY, June 16, 1864, 10 o'clock, A. M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with devotional exercises, Dr. Ormiston, at the request of the Moderator, leading in prayer'

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Mr. James Stewart and Mr. Thomas Sharp, Ministers of this Mr. J. Stewart & Church, being present, were invited to take their seats in the Mr. T. Sharp to Synod.

Dr. Ormiston, from the Committee on Elders' Commissions, Commission of handed in a Report, which was read, and adopted, and the names Elders, Report of therein contained were ordered to be added to the Synod Roll.

The Committee of Bills and Overtures gave in their Second Bills and Report, which was read by Mr. Gregg, the Chairman of the Com-Overtures, Report.

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The Committee on the Returns from Presbyteries to Remits, Standing Orders, sent down from the Synod last year, gave in a Report, in regard Returns to to the Returns on Standing Orders, which was read by Mr. Kemp, to the effect, that the Presbyteries of Brockville, Kingston, Cobourg, Huron, approved, simpliciter, of the Standing Orders

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remitted for their consideration; that the Presbyteries of Ottawa, Toronto, Guelph, and Hamilton, approved, simpliciter, of Order No. 3; that the Presbytery of Ottawa disapproved of Nos. 2 and 4; that the Presbyteries of Guelph and Hamilton disapproved of Nos. 1 and 2; and the Presbytery of Toronto of Nos. 1 and 2; that the Presbytery of Toronto approved of No. 4, with alterations; and that no Returns had been received from the Presbyteries of Stratford, Montreal, London, Paris, Grey, and Ontario.

Standing Order, No. 3, adopted. On motion of Mr. Kemp, seconded by Mr. Andrew Wilson, the Synod received the Report, and in accordance therewith, adopted Standing Order No. 3 in the Remit above referred to, as approved by a majority of the Presbyteries to the effect following, that is to say:—"3. That the previous question may be moved, and when moved, no further discussion shall be allowed until it shall have been decided. The previous question shall be, whether the vote on the resolution or resolutions before the house, be now taken. Should it be carried, the vote shall be immediately taken, but should it be lost, the discussion may proceed."

Standing Orders to be printed.

The Synod further ordered that the Standing Orders, with this addition, be forthwith printed for the use of the Synod.

#### CAUSES COMMITTEE.

Causes Committee appointed.

The Moderator, in accordance with the resolution on the subject adopted yesterday, now appointed the Committee on Causes as follows:—Dr. Taylor, Messrs. J. K. Smith, T. Wardrope, J. Laing, W. Gregg, J. Middlemiss, W. Caven, J. Gillespie, J. Ross, J. J. A. Proudfoot, A. Tolmie, Ministers; Dr. Holden, Mr. J. Parker, Mr. A. Mitchell, Elders; Dr. Taylor, Convener.

DISSENT AND COMPLAINT-MESSRS. EWING AND ANDREWS.

Dissent and Complaint. Messrs. Ewing and Andrews; Cobourg Presbytery.

The Synod took up a case of dissent and complaint—Messrs. Ewing and Andrews, against a decision of the Presbytery of Cobourg, in the matter of a petition of certain parties, Members of the Congregation of Port Hope, refusing to organize them into a separate Congregation.

Presby. Minutes read.

The Minutes of the Presbytery of Cobourg, in the case, were read.

Motion on Case.

It was moved by Mr. Kemp, seconded by Mr. Topp, That the dissent and complaint against the decision of the Presbytery of Cobourg, in the Port Hope case, be sent back to the Presbytery, inasmuch as the parties to the petition, in the matter on which the dissent and complaint are taken, were not cited to appear for their interest, in the case, with instruction to the Presbytery to cite, if possible, said parties to appear, before the rising of the Synod.

1. Amendment.

It was moved, in amendment, by Mr. Baird, seconded by Mr. Cross, That, having read the Minutes in the complaint against the decision of the Presbytery of Cobourg, proceed to hear papers and parties, namely, the Presbytery, and the individuals complaining against their decision, and give judgment.

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It was moved, in further amendment, by Mr. D. Inglis, seconded 2. Amendment. by Mr. Dick, That, having read the Minutes of the Presbytery of Cobourg, anent the appeal of Messrs. Andrews and Ewing, in which it appears that the Presbytery have failed to intimate to certain petitioners, who were before the Presbytery, to appear before the Synod, for their interests, yet notwithstanding this informality, the Synod agree to hear papers and the parties now present, guarding any rights of parties who are absent, in case such rights should hereafter appear.

It was moved in further amendment by Mr. McLaren, seconded 3. Amendment. by Mr. Millican, That the Synod having heard the Minutes of the Presbytery of Cobourg, in the case of complaint, Messrs. Ewing and Andrews, against the deliverance of the said Presbytery in the Port Hope case, and finding that all the parties interested in the case have not been cited to appear for their interests, decline

Votes were called, when the amendment of Mr. Inglis was votes. preferred to that of Mr. McLaren; that of Mr. Baird to that of Mr. Inglis, and the motion of Mr. Kemp was carried by a large majority against the amendment of Mr. Baird, and the Synod decided in terms thereof. That the dissent and complaint against Decision: the decision of the Presbytery of Cobourg, in the Port Hope case, Case sent back to the Presbytery inasmuch as the parties to the Presbytery with be sent back to the Presbytery, inasmuch as the parties to the presbytery petition in the matter on which the dissent and complaint were taken, were not cited to appear for their interest in the case, with instruction to the Presbytery to cite, if possible, said parties to appear before the rising of the Synod.

DISSENT AND COMPLAINT-MR. ANDREWS ET AL.

The Synod took up a Dissent and Complaint,—Mr. Francis Dissent and Complaint, Andrews and others, against a decision of the Presbytery of Complaint-Mr. Cebourg, in the case of a Call from the Consecution of F. Audrews and Cebourg, in the case of a Call from the Congregation of Port others, Cobourg Hope to the Rev. Mr. Fitzpatrick. Presbytery.

Parties were called and appeared.

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The Minutes of the Presbytery in the case were read. The Papers read. reasons of dissent, and also the answers to those reasons were

Mr. John Ewing was heard for the complainants.

Mr. Roger was heard on the part of the Presbytery of Cobourg. Mr. Roger for Presbytery.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the diet was closed, the Moderator pronouncing the benediction.

Mr. Ewing heard for complainants.

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#### SIXTH SEDERUNT.

COOKE'S CHURCH, TORONTO,

THURSDAY, June 16, 1864, 3 o'clock P.M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with devotional exercises, Mr. William B. Clark, of Quebec, at the request of the Moderator, leading in prayer.

The Minutes of last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Bills Committee Report.

The Committee of Bills and Overtures gave in a Report, transmitting an Overture from the Presbytery of Montreal, in regard to Theological Education in Eastern Canada, and recommending that the Overture be taken up in connection with the Report of the Board of Management of Knox College.

Report received and sanctioned. Home Missions. The Report was received and its recommendation sanctioned.

In accordance with a resolution adopted yesterday, the Synod Whole House, Committee of, on resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the whole subject of Home Missionary operations -Mr. Thomas Wardrope in the chair.

Committee of Whole rose and reported.

After sitting for some time the Committee of the whole House rose-the A oderator took the chair and the Synod resumed. The Chairman of the Committee of the whole House reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

The Synod adjourned. Closed with the benediction.

#### SEVENTH SEDERUNT.

Cooke's Church, Toronto,

THURSDAY, June 16, 1864, 71 o'clock P.M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with devotional exercises, Mr. John Lees, of Ancaster, at the request of the Moderator, leading in prayer.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Home Missions, when to be considered.

A question was asked as to the time when the subject which had occupied the Synod in Committee of the whole House in the afternoon, namely, that of Home Mission operations, should again be taken up for consideration. It was agreed to proceed to the consideration of this subject to-morrow afternoon.

Death of Ministers, Minute on.

The Committee appointed to draw up a Minute in reference to the names, that, by reason of death, disappear from the Roll of Synod, at this meeting, submitted a Minute on the subject remitted to them. The Minute was read by Principal Willis, the Convener, and was adopted by the Synod in the following terms:-

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The Synod feels called upon, while observing the greater than usual number of Fathers and Brethren who are thus reported as having been removed by death, since last Synod, to recognize the sovereignty of the All-wise Disposer, in withdrawing from the field of their earthly labours, not only some of the more aged and infirm, but some also whose bow was yet in its strength. The Synod records its gratitude to God for the good services which He permitted their lamented Fathers and Brethren to render while spared to the Church; some of them having in no small degree distinguished themselves by their zeal, in the public defence, as well as the promulgation of evangelic truth; and all of them having, in their congregational spheres, diligently prosecuted the work of evangelists, commending themselves to men's consciences by declaring both publicly, and from house to house, the testimony of God; exemplifying also, and some of them under circumstances of difficulty, and amid many tribulations, the patience as well as the faith of the saints. The Synod desires to hear, for itself, the voice of God, admonishing each spiritual labourer to watch and work while it is day; and deeply feeling for the bereaved flocks and families, appoint an Extract of this Minute to be sent to the respective Widows, or Children, or nearest relatives of the deceased, with assurance of our prayerful

#### COLLEGE BOARD REPORT.

The Synod called for the Report of the Board of Management Knox College, of Knox College. The Report was handed in by Mr. Dick, the Report of Board. Chairman of the Board, and was read. The Report embodied the Report of the Senate of the College; as also a statement of the amounts contributed by the several Presbyteries in support of the Institution; the contributions to and disbursements from the Bursary Fund; notice of a liberal donation from Mrs. Gibb, of Woodfield, Quebec (widow of the late James Gibb, Esq.), for encouraging the study of elocution, as also a statement of the management of the College Boarding House.

There was read, in connexion with the Report, a letter from Prof. Young's Mr. George Paxton Young, informing the Synod that the office of resignation. Inspector of Grammar Schools had been offered to him, and that he had signified to the Council of Public Instruction his willingness to accept the same, and tendering the resignation of his office of Professor of Theology in Knox College; at the same time thanking the Synod for the kind support which he had uniformly received as well from the Synod, as from individual members thereof, in the discharge of his Professorial duties, and warmly expressing his hope and prayer that the divice blessing might continue to rest abundantly on the Institution with which he had been so long connected.

There was read also a letter from Dr. Burns, Professor of Dr. Burns, Letter Church History and the Evidences of Religion, addressed to from. Principal Willis, with the view of its being submitted to the College Board, expressing his earnest wish to have some help in

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Prin. Willis, Letter from. There was read also a letter from Principal Willis, addressed to the Chairman of the College Board, with a view to its being laid before the Synod, and submitting certain considerations which should lead the Synod to grant him an increase of salary.

Theological Education, C. E., Overture, Montreal Presbytery There was read, further, an Overture, transmitted by the Presbytery of Montreal, setting forth the expediency of establishing a Theological College, in connection with this Church, and under the direction and control of this Synod, in the City of Montreal, and containing suggestions in regard to the organization and constitution of such College, and the necessity for its erection.

College Board Report received.

On motion made and seconded, the Report of the College Board was received.

Prof. Young, Committee to confer with. It was moved by Mr. Topp, duly seconded and agreed to, That a Committee be appointed to confer with Professor Young, in regard to his tender of resignation, with a view, if possible, to retain his services.

The Committee was appointed as follows:—Mr. Topp, Convener; Mr. Mitchell, Dr. Taylor, Mr. Skinner, Mr. McKenzie, of Zorra, Mr. McRuer, ministers; Mr. D. McLellan, Mr. Calder, Mr. Warden King, elders.

STATE OF RELIGION.

State of Religion, Report on.

On motion of Mr. R. F. Burns, seconded by Mr. Doak, the Synod agreed to proceed now to take up the Report on the State of Religion, and that the consideration of the College Report, and the overture from the Presbytery of Montreal, be reserved for a future Sederunt.

The Report on the State of Religion was read by Mr. Torrance, the Convener of the Committee, on that subject.

Resolution, State of Religion.

On motion of Mr. McVicar, seconded by the Moderator, who left the chair for that purpose, and which was temporarily occupied by Principal Willis, the Synod agreed to receive and adopt the Report, and to record their thanks to the Committee on the State of Religion for their diligence in the discharge of the duties with which they had been intrusted.

Pastoral address, Moderator's explanation.

The Moderator here gave an explanation as to the reasons for the omission to issue a Pastoral Address to the members of the Church, which, by a resolution of the Synod last year it had been remitted to the Committee on the State of Religion to prepare. The Synod accepted the explanation.

The hour of ten o'clock having arrived, the Synod adjourned, the Moderator pronouncing the benediction.

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#### EIGHTH SEDERUNT.

COOKE'S CHURCH, TORONTO, FRIDAY, June 17, 1864, 10 o'clock, A.M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with devotional exercises, Mr. Joseph Alexander, of Union and Norval, leading in prayer.

The Minutes of last Sederunt were read and sustained.

The Committee of Bills and Overtures gave in a Report, which Bills Committee was read by Mr. Gregg, the Chairman. The Synod received the Report. Report, and sanctioned the order of business therein recommended.

### DISSENT-MR. ANDREWS ET AL.

The Synod resumed consideration of the case from Port Hope, Dissent Port relation to the Dissent of Mr. Francis Andrews and others and others in relation to the Dissent of Mr. Francis Andrews and others resumed. against a decision of the Presbytery of Cobourg, in the matter of a Call to Mr. Fitzpatrick, interrupted by the adjournment yesterday

Mr. Laing, as a party interested in the matter of Dissent was Mr. Laing heard. heard.

Mr. Ewing, one of the Dissentients, by permission of the House, Mr. Ewing heard gave explanations in reference to alleged new matter introduced in explanation. in the address of Mr. Laing.

Parties were removed.

Parties removed.

It was moved by Mr. John Ross, seconded by Mr. Thomas Motion, Port McPherson, That the Synod dismiss the Dissent and Complaint, Hope case. and confirm the finding of the Presbytery of Cobourg.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. Clark, of Quebec, seconded Amendment. by Mr. J. M. King, That the Synod dismiss the Dissent and Complaint as groundless, and confirm the finding of the Presbytery.

A vote was called, when the motion was declared to be carried Motion carried, by a majority, and the Synod decided in terms thereof. The parties were recalled, and the decision of the Synod was parties recalled, announced to them.

Messrs. Ewing and Andrews, and Mr. Nugent asked and Dissent, Messrs. obtained leave to have their dissent from the decision in this case kwing Andrews, marked in the Synod's Minutes.

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The Presbytery of Cobourg craved extracts.

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### REFERENCE-HAMILTON PRESBYTERY.

The Synod took up a Reference from the Presbytery of Hamilton, Reference, in a case of Appeal by Dr. Irvine, and the Kirk Session and Congregation of Knox's Church, Hamilton, against the action of the Presbytery of Hamilton in the matter of the Memorial of Mr.

The Synod proceeded to read the Reference and relative Papers. After proceeding for some time, and the reading of the Papers not being finished, the hour of one o'clock arrived, and the Synod adjourned. Closed with the benediction.

#### NINTH SEDERUNT.

COOKE'S CHURCH, TORONTO, FRIDAY, June 17, 1864, 3 o'clock P.M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with devotional exercises, prayer being offered, at the request of the Moderator, by Mr. J. Crombie.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

PROFESSOR YOUNG'S RESIGNATION-ROPORT OF COMMITTEE.

Prof. Young, Report of Committee to confer

The Committee appointed last night to confer with Mr. Young respecting his tender of resignation of the office of Professor of Theology, gave in a Report, which was read by Mr. Topp, the Convener, to the effect that, having met with Mr. Young, and having signified to him the object of their appointment, namely, to retain, if possible, his services to the Church, as hitherto, Mr. Young stated that he had carefully and deliberately weighed the matter, and that for reasons which still were to his mind satisfactory, while expressing thanks for all the kindness and support which he had received from the Synod, he yet adhered to his resignation. The Committee also recommended that the resigna-tion of Mr. Young be accepted, and reported a deliverance for the adoption of the Synod.

Report received and adopted.

The Report of the Committee was received, and the deliverance therein contained adopted, and was ordered to be engrossed in the Synod's Minutes to the following purport:

Deliverance. Resignation of Prof. Young.

The Synod in accepting, as they now do, with reluctance, the resignation by Mr. Young of his chair as Professor of Theology in Knox College, resolve to record their deep sense of the ability and faithfulness, and zeal, with which he has discharged the duties of his office-their high appreciation of his eminent qualifications and important services in the College—their sincere regret that he has felt it his duty to withdraw from the Chair which he has so efficiently filled—their best wishes for his future welfare, and their earnest prayer that in whatever sphere of labour he may, in the Providence of God, be placed, he may be largely honoured in promoting the interests of the cause of Christ.

Resignation to take effect at close of Synod Meeting.

The Synod resolved that, in accepting the resignation of Professor Young, it is to be understood that the resignation shall not take effect till the close of this meeting of Synod.

WHOLE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Home Missions.

On motion made and seconded, the Synod resolved itself into a Committee of the Committee of the whole house on the Regulations for conducting the Home Missions of the Church—Mr. Lawrence in the chair.

Whole house, Committee rose, rose.

After sitting for some time, the Committee of the whole house The Moderator took the chair, and the Synod resumed.

The Chairman of the Committee of the whole house reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

The Synod then adjourned, the Moderator pronouncing the benediction.

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## TENTH SEDERUNT.

COOKE'S CHURCH, TORONTO,

FRIDAY, June 17, 1864, 71 o'clock P.M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with devotional exercises, prayer being offered, at the request of the Moderator, by Mr. Roger, of Peterboro'.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

COLLEGE REPORT AND MONTREAL OVERTURE.

The Synod resumed consideration of the Report of the Board College Report of Management of Knox College, in connection with the Overture and Montreal in volution to establishing a Overture from the Presbytery of Montreal, in relation to establishing a resumed. Theological College in the City of Montreal, deferred from yester-

The Overture from the Presbytery of Montreal was read.

Overture read.

Dr. Taylor and Mr. McVicar were heard in support of the Dr. Taylor and Overture.

Mr. McVicar support Overture.

It was moved by Mr. Gregg, seconded by Mr. David Inglis, Motion. That the Report of the College Board, together with the verture on the establishment of a Theological College in Montreal be referred to a Special Committee, to report on Monday evening.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. J. Ross, seconded by Mr. Amendment. J. Laing, That the Synod considers the erection of a Theological Institute in Montreal as premature; at the same time, appoint a Special Committee to consider this Overture and the College Report, said Committee to Report on Monday evening.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Synod, on motion, agreed to sit for half an hour longer.

The hour of half-past ten o'clock having arrived, and no decision on the question before the house being come to, the Synod adjourned. Closed with the benediction.

## ELEVENTH SEDERUNT.

COOKE'S CHURCH, TORONTO, SATURDAY, June 18, 1864, 10 o'clock A.M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with devotional exercises, The Synod met, and was constituted with devotional exercises, Mr. W. Craigie, at the request of the Moderator, leading in prayer. Bills' Committee Report.

The Minutes of last Sederunt were read and sustained.

The Committee of Bills and Overture gave in a Report, which was read by Mr. Gregg, the Chairman. The Report was received

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#### COLLEGE REPORT.

College Report to be sent to Committee.

In accordance with a recommendation of the foregoing Report on Bills, the Synod agreed that the Report of the Board of Management of Knox College be referred to a Committee, now to be appointed, leaving the Overture from the Presbytery of Montreal, in relation to the establishing of a Theological College, to be disposed of as the Synod may afterwards determine.

Records, Guelph Presbytery, Mr. J. Whyte to examine.

The Moderator, with the permission of Synod, appointed Mr. James Whyte, a member of the Committee to examine the Minutes of the Presbytery of Guelph, instead of Mr. W. Cochrane, who was absent.

#### REFERENCE-HAMILTON PRESBYTERY.

Reference, Hamilton case.

The Synod took up again the Reference from the Presbytery of Hamilton, in the matter of Appeal, Dr. Irvine and the Kirk Session and Congregation of Knox's Church, Hamilton, against action of the Presbytery of Hamilton, interrupted by the adjournment yesterday morning.

Remaining papers read. The remaining Papers in the case were read.

Parties not cited, bytery to cite.

The Synod found that parties in the case had not been cited. remitted to Pres- and therefore agreed to send back the case to the Presbytery, with instructions to cite all the parties to appear before the Synod, at a future Sederunt, during this meeting.

Presbytery ordered to meet.

The Presbytery of Hamilton were thereupon summoned to meet immediately, for the purpose of issuing the requisite citations.

#### ST. MARY'S CASE.

Complaint Mr. D. Mary's.

The Synod took up a Dissent and Complaint of Mr. D. Beattie, mer's Church, St. against action of the Presbytery of Stratford, in granting Certificates of Church-membership to Members of Chalmer's Church Congregation, St. Mary's.

Papers and parties.

The papers in the case were read. The parties were present.

Causes Committtee, sent to.

The Synod agreed to send, as they do hereby send, the papers and parties in this case, to the Committee on Causes.

Memorial of Mr. McPherson, read and referred.

At the request of Mr. Thomas McPherson, a memorial which he had addressed to the Synod, on the same case (the St. Mary's case), and which he wished to be taken up along with Mr. The Synod ordered that Mr. Beattie's complaint, was read. McPherson's memorial be sent along with the papers relating to Mr. Beattie's complaint, to the Committee on Causes.

#### COLLEGE REPORT-COMMITTEE ON.

College Report, Committee on.

The Moderator now appointed the Committee to whom should be referred the Report of the Board of Management of Knox College, as ordered at the commencement of this Sederuut, as follows:-Mr. Kemp, Dr. Thornton, Messrs. J. Laing, D. McKenzie, J. K. Smith, A. Wilson, W. Caven, R. Ure, J. Duff, D. McRuer,

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## NEXT MEETING OF SYNOD.

The Synod proceeded to fix the time and place for the next synod next ordinary meeting, and it was agreed that next meeting of Synod meeting. be held in McNab Street Church, in the City of Hamilton, on the second Tuesday of June, 1865, at seven o'clock, in the evening.

# REEVE, W .- REFERENCE, PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.

The Synod took up a reference from the Presbytery of Kingston, Reeve, Mr. referespecting the position of William Reeve, a Student of Divinity, ence anent, Presunder their inspection, who had not attended any Theological School, and asking for the decision of the Synod as to the propriety and duty of taking him on trial for License.

Mr. W. McLaren supported the reference on behalf of the Reference supported by Mr. On motion of Mr. Green seconded by Nr. McLaren.

On motion of Mr. Gregg, seconded by Mr. R. F. Burns, the Mr. Reeve, Synod agreed, That the case of Mr. Reeve be remitted to a small Committee on. Committee, consisting of Principal Willis, Convener, Messrs. J. M. King, Prof. Young, J. Ross, J. Baird, for the purpose of examining him (Mr. Reeve), with a view to his being licensed; the Committee to report at an early Session of the Synod.

# SYNOD-NEXT MEETING-NOTICE OF RECONSIDERATION.

Mr. Warden King gave notice, that, at the meeting of Synod, Next meeting of on Monday afternoon, he should move the reconsideration of the Synod notices of resolution, passed this morning, appointing the next meeting of motion to reconSynod at Hamilton, with a view to propose that the next ordinary meeting be held in Montreal.

Mr. Waters gave notice that in case of the question as to the Mr. Waters' place of holding the next meeting of Synod being reconsidered, notice. he should move that the next meeting be held in London.

The Moderator, with permission of the Synod, added Mr. D. H. Momination Com-McVicar to the Committee for nominating Standing Committees. Mr. McVicar

The Synod adjourned, to meet again, at 11 o'clock, on Monday morning. Closed with the benediction.

#### TWELFTH SEDERUNT.

COOKE'S CHURCH, TORONTO,

Monday, June 20, 1864, 11 o'clock, A. M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with devotional exercises. Mr. Topp, at the request of the Moderator, offering prayer.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Bills' Committee Report.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures gave in a Report, which was read by Mr. Gregg, the Chairman, and was received and adopted.

ST. MARY'S CASE.

Paper in addition, memorial.

In accordance with the first recommendation of the Report of Mr. McPherson's the Committee on Bills, an additional paper, in the matter of the memorial of Thomas McPherson, in regard to the action of the Presbytery of Stratford in granting certificates to John Adair and others, members of Chalmer's Church, St. Mary's, was read.

Sent to Causes Committee.

The Synod ordered that the paper relating to Mr. McPherson's memorial be sent, along with the other papers, in the St. Mary's case, to the Committee on Causes.

MR. M. Y. STARK-APPLICATION, PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.

Mr. M. Y. Stark, to retain his name ou Roll.

The Synod took up and read an application from the Presbytery application Press of Hamilton, requesting leave to retain the name of Mr. Stark, of Duudas, on the Roll of the said Presbytery.

Application granted.

On motion of Mr. Dick, seconded by Mr. McPherson, it was agreed, That, considering the special circumstances of the case, the request of the Presbytery of Montreal in regard to retaining Mr. Stark's name be granted.

#### GAELIC CONGREGATION-ILLINOIS.

Petition from Elmira, Illinois, postponed.

The Synod took up a petition from certain Gaelic speaking people at Elmira, Illinois, U.S., praying, for very special reasons, to be organized and received as a congregation of the Church, under the inspection of the Synod.

In the absence of parties who were said to have been intrusted with the support of the Petition, the Synod agreed to delay consideration thereof.

#### MONTREAL COLLEGE-OVERTURE.

Theological College, Montreal, Overture resumed.

The Synod took up again the Overture from the Presbytery of Montreal, in regard to establishing a Theological College, in the City of Montreal, the consideration of which was interrupted by the adjournment on Friday night.

Motions read.

The motions then proposed, for the disposal of said Overture, in connexion with the Report of the Board of Knox College, were read.

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It was then moved by Mr. McPherson, seconded by Mr. Smith, Motion. of Brockville, That this Overture be sent to a Committee.

It was moved, in amendment, by Mr. Baird, seconded by Mr. Amendment. Warden King, That an Overture on behalf of the establishment of a Theological Institute in Montreal, having been read, and supported by parties appointed, the Synod express their satisfaction with its object, and remit to the Presbytery of Montreal to arrange the details necessary to the establishment of such an Institute, and to report to next meeting of Synod, so that the object may be accomplished with as little delay as may be.

Mr. Ross, with the leave of Synod, withdrew the motion which Motions withhe had submitted on this matter, on Friday evening. Mr. David drawn. Inglis, the seconder of the motion, on the same subject, by Mr. Gregg, for h mself, and on behalf of Mr. Gregg, who was not at the moment in the house, asked leave to withdraw that motion. Leave was granted, and the motion was withdrawn.

A vote was then taken between the motion of Mr. McPherson vote, motion and the amendment of Mr. Baird, when the motion was carried carried. by a large majority, and the Synod decided in terms thereof, That Overture to Committee.

It was then moved by Mr. Kemp, seconded by Mr. J. M. King, Overture to Com-That the Overture on the Theological College, at Montreal, be mittee on College committed to the Committee appointed to consider the Report of additions. the College Board, with the addition of Dr. Taylor, Mr. McVicar, Mr. Gregg, Hon. Mr. McMurrich, Mr. John Redpath.

It was moved, in amendment, by Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. J. 1. Amendment. K. Smith, That the Overture be sent to the Committee a!ready appointed to consider the College Report.

It was moved, in further amendment, by Mr. Gregg, seconded 2. Amendment. Mr. McRuer, That the Montreal Overture be referred to the Committee on the College Board Report, with the names of Principal Willis, Mr. McVicar, Mr. Redpath, Hon. Mr. McMurrich, added.

Votes being called for, the amendment of Mr. Gregg was, by Decision, large majorities, successively, preferred to that of Mr. Ross, and Mr. Gregg's to the motion of Mr. Kemp, and the Synod agreed to add the amendment. names therein contained to the Committee on the Report of College Board, and to refer to said Committee the Overture from Montreal.

The Synod adjourned; the Moderator pronouncing the benediction.

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#### THIRTEENTH SEDERUNT.

COOKE'S CHURCH, TORONTO,

Monday, June 20, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with devotional exercises; Mr. Caw, at the request of the Moderator, leading in prayer.

The Minutes of last Sederunt were read and sustained.

#### GENERAL ASSEMBLY-DRAFT FOR.

General Assembly, draft for.

The Synod took up the Draft of Act for the constituting of a General Assembly and District Synods, remitted, last year, for the consideration of Presbyteries, in terms of the Barrier Act.

Five Presbyteries approve simpticiter.

The Committee on the Returns to Remits to Presbyteries and Returns to The Committee on the Returns to Remits. General Sessions, gave in a Report on the Draft aforementioned, which was read by Mr. Kemp, to the effect, That five Presbyteries, namely, those of Ontario, Brockville, Ottawa, Montreal, and Grey, approve, simpliciter, of establishing a General Assembly.

Three approve generally, suggest alterations. One disapproved

That three Presbyteries, those of Kingston, London, and Paris, approve generally, with suggested alterations and additions:

That one, that of Toronto, disapproved:

Four judge immediate action inexpedient.

That four, those of Hamilton, Cobourg, Huron, and Guelph, affirmed the propriety of keeping in view the formation of a General Assembly, at some future period, yet judged immediate action to be inexpedient: and

One motion to approve not carried.

That in one Presbytery, that of Stratford, the motion to approve was not carried.

Returns, Paris Kingston, and London, read.

The Returns to the Remit from the Presbyteries of Paris, Kingston, and London, were read at length.

Motion by Mr. McLaren.

It was moved by Mr. McLaren, seconded by Dr. Holden, That inasmuch as a majority of Presbyteries have approved of the immediate establishment of a General Assembly, this Synod do now resolve to take steps to constitute a General Assembly, and for this end, appoint a Committee to take into consideration the Returns of Presbyteries, and prepare an amended Act, and send down the same to Presbyteries, with instructions to report thereon to next Synod.

Amendment, Mr. Topp.

It was moved, in amendment, by Mr. Topp, seconded by Mr. Monteath, That the Synod receive the Report of the Committee on Remits on this subject, affirm the principle of a General Assembly, and remit the whole matter to a Committee to frame an Amended Overture, to be sent down to Presbyteries, in terms of the Barrier Act.

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The Moderator then appointed the Committee on Amended Committee on Act for General Assembly as follows:—Mr. Topp, Mr. McLaren, bly Act. (Convener), Dr. Ormiston, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Warden King, and Dr. Holden.

# NEXT MEETING OF SYNOD RECONSIDERED.

Mr. Warden King, in accordance with the notice which he had synod, next given, on Saturday, now moved, seconded by Mr. James Whyte, meeting reconthen next Meeting of Synod should be held in Hamilton, be now reconsidered. The motion was agreed to, and the question was entered upon anew.

It was moved by Mr. Warden King, seconded by Mr. Duncan Next meeting at Cameron, That the next Meeting of Synod be held in the City of Montreal.

It was moved, in amendment, by Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Mr. Smith, That the Synod adhere to its Resolution of Saturday, appointing the next Meeting in the City of Hamilton.

On a vote being taken, it was carried by a large majority, That the next Meeting of the Synod be held in the City of Montreal. By another vote, it was resolved, That the next Meeting be held in Coté Street Church, on the first Tuesday of June, 1865, at seven o'clock in the evening.

On motion, made and seconded, it was agreed that the Com-Accommodation mittee at Montreal, who shall make arrangements for the accom-Committee to modation of Members of Synod attending the next Meeting, shall draw for \$300. be authorized to draw upon the Synod Fund to the amount of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300], for the purpose of defraying expenses which may be incurred in providing such accommodation.

The Synod appointed Dr. Taylor, Mr. Kemp, and Mr. McVicar, Committee on a Committee to arrange for preaching before the Synod next year. preaching before Synod.

## HOME MISSION REGULATIONS.

The Synod took up again the proposed Regulations for conduct- Home Mission, ing the Home Missions of the Church, and resolved itself into a regulations Committee of the Whole House, to consider said Regulations.

Mr. Kemp in the chair.

After sitting for some time, the Committee of the Whole House committee rose. The Moderator took the chair, and the Synod resumed. Synod resumed, The Chairman of the Committee of the Whole reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the diet was closed, the Moderator pronouncing the benediction.

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#### FOURTEENTH SEDERUNT.

COOKE'S CHURCH, TORONTO,

Monday, June 20, 1864, 71 o'clock, P. M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with devotional exercises; Mr. Middlemiss, at the request of the Moderator, engaging in prayer.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

General Assembly, Mr. Clark on Clark, of Quebec, to be a member of the Committee to prepare an Act on a General Assembly.

Causes Committee to sit. The Causes Committee asked and obtained leave to sit for some time during this Sederunt.

College Board, Leave was also granted to the Committee on the College Board Committee to sit. Report, to sit for some time.

Dr. Lillie and Mr. At the request of Mr. Skinner, the Rev. Dr. Lillie, and the Rev. Marling invited to sit.

Mr. Marling, who were present, were invited to sit with the Synod.

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Unit n. Dr. Lillie, had been appointed a Delegate to this Synod, on behalf of the Congregational Union of Canada, and that the Rev. John Climie, of Belleville, was appointed as his alternate.

Dr. Lillie to be heard to morrow any communication which Dr. Lillie, or his co-delegate, should be pleased to make from the respected Body of which they are the representatives.

#### ELMIRA, ILLINOIS-PETITION.

The Synod took up again the Petition from Elmira, Illinois, the consideration of which was deferred at the morning Sederunt.

The Petition was supported by Mr. Lachlin Cameron, who also answered several questions in relation thereto.

Petition granted. On motion of Mr. Skinner, seconded by Mr. D. Cattanach, and supported by Mr. John Fraser, of Thamesford, the Petition was received, and the prayer thereof complied with.

Elmira placed in Charge of London it is hereby placed, under the inspection and care of the Presbytery.

The Synod further agreed that this Congregation be placed, as it is hereby placed, under the inspection and care of the Presbytery of London, with instructions to that Presbytery to attend to the interests thereof.

#### FOREIGN MISSIONS-REPORT.

Foreign Missions,
Report of Committee on Foreign
Missions. The Report was read by Mr. Robert F. Burns, the
Convener.

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It was moved by Mr. Lowry, seconded by Mr. James Whyte, deliverance. and agreed to, That a Committee be appointed to prepare a Deliverance on the Report of the Committee on Foreign Missions, to be submitted for the adoption of Synod, to-morrow evening.

The Committee was appointed as follows:—Mr. Clark, of Quebec, Convener; Messrs. Burns, McVicar, A. Young, Lowry, McMullen, Lawrence, Dick, Monteath, D. Inglis, McLaren, Ministers; Hon. Mr. McMurrich, Mr. Cattanach, Dr. Holden, Mr. Handen, Mr. McKarie, Mr. A. Young, Elden, Mr. Handen, Mr. McKarie, Mr. A. Young, Elden, Mr. McKarie, Mr. McKarie Mr. Henderson, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. A. Young, Elders.

RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES AND OF SYNOD.

The Synod called for Reports of Committees on the Records of Records of Pres Presbyteries, and the Report of the Committee on the Records of byteries Reports on. Records to be attested.

Reports were given in on the Records of the Presbyteries of Brockville, Ontario, and Guelph, setting forth that the Minutes of those Presbyteries were correctly kept. The Synod ordered the Records of the several Presbyteries named to be attested, in terms of the Reports.

The Committe appointed to examine the Records of the Synod, Records of Synod, reported that those Records were correctly kept.

The Synod received and adopted the Report, and ordered that the Records be attested in the usual form.

COLLEGE BOARD.

The Synod called for the Report of the Committee on the Knox College, Report of the Board of Management of Knox College, and the heport of Com Report of the Board of Management of Knox College, and the report of College on Board Overture from Montreal. It was stated on behalf of the ComReport, called for. mittee, that they had not yet finished the business intrusted to Further time them. The Committee were permitted again to retire during the granted. remaining portion of the present Sederunt.

## CALVIN TERCENTENARY.

The Committee, appointed at the fourth Sederunt, on Wed-Calvin Tercennesday last, to consider in what way the Synod might best evince teamy, Report of its respect for the memory of the illustrious Calvin, on the recur- Committee, rence of the third century after his death, and its attachment to the scriptural principles with which his name is identified, gave in a Report, embodying a Deliverance for the adoption of Synod. The Report was read by Principal Willis, the Convener of the

On motion of Principal Willis, seconded by Dr. Taylor, the Report adopted: Report was received and adopted, and the deliverance contained D liverance to be therein, of the tenor following, was ordered to be engrossed in the engrossed.

The Synod having had its attention called to the recent demonstrations of respect for the memory of the illustrious Calvin, both on the part of those residing at the immediate seat of the labours

for attestation.

Report and order

of that Reformer, and of many Churches, or members of Churches, in Europe and America, embraces willingly the opportunity of evincing its sympathy with the feeling of veneration thus called forth in connexion with the memory of so distinguished a servant of God, and one who was instrumental, in so important a degree, in the great religious Reformation of the sixteenth century.

The Synod, without committing itself to an opinion on the propriety of observing Anniversary or Centenary celebrations of illustrious names, rejoices to declare its belief that the centuries that have revolved since the time of Calvin, have proven, as they have rolled on, the wonderful measure of spiritual understanding, as well as holy zeal, divinely imparted to the great Reformer and Theologian: not the least of whose services was the transmission to posterity of such learned and accurate interpretations of Holy Scripture, and such correct definitions of doctrine as have eminently aided students of the Sacred Writings, in all countries, in the exposition and defence of evangelic truth.

While claiming for no mere man infallibility of judgment, nor identifying our own, or any other Church popularly called Calvinistic, with every conclusion, doctrinal and ethical, even of that honoured individual, the Synod heartily acknowledges the distinguishing features of the systems of doctrine and church government so much associated with his name; believing that whether as tried by Scripture, or by the test of its fruits in the enlightened piety, practical godliness and morality of individuals and communities, it has well vindicated its claim to the unabated attachment of all who would uphold a banner for truth, in the cause of the Gospel of God generally, or in the maintenance at once of the freedom and necessary order in Church organizations.

That while it has been a cause of pain to the friends of the Reformation to have seen its great doctrines so much lost sight of or maintaining a doubtful struggle with various forms of antichritian error, in countries once so distinguished for attachment to Protestant and Evangelic doctrine as Switzerland, France, Holland and Germany, the Synod recognises with much interest the various symptoms from time to time developed, of a remaining of reviving zeal for the true faith.

In this view they contemplate with cordial favour the appal made to the members of this and other churches for some cooperation in the proposed erection, in the city of Geneva, of a Mountain Edifice commemorative of the name and labours of Calrin—including a select library, which shall comprehend especially the works of the Reformers, Luther, Calvin, Zwingle, Fard Melancthon, Knox, Cranmer, and others, the same to be accessible on the most liberal plan to all denominations of Christians.

And, observing that the Council of Administration at General immediately connected with this undertaking, including such names as Merle D'Aubigné and many evangelical pastors, have addressing this appeal to the Churches asked, "Is it General addressing this appeal to the Churches asked, "Is it General addressing this appeal to the Churches asked, "Is it General addressing this appeal to the Churches asked, "Is it General addressing this appeal to the Churches asked, "Is it General addressing this appeal to the Churches asked, "Is it General addressing this appeal to the Churches asked, "Is it General addressing this appeal to the Churches asked, "Is it General addressing this appeal to the Churches asked, "Is it General addressing this appeal to the Churches asked," Is it General addressing this appeal to the Churches asked, "Is it General addressing this appeal to the Churches asked," Is it General addressing this appeal to the Churches asked, "Is it General addressing this appeal to the Churches asked," Is it General addressing this appeal to the Churches asked, "Is it General addressing this appeal to the Churches asked," Is it General addressing this appeal to the Churches asked, "Is it General addressing this appeal to the Churches asked," Is it General addressing the Churches asked, "Is it General addressing the Churches asked," Is it General addressing the Churches asked, "Is it General addressing the Churches asked," Is it General addressing the Churches asked, "Is it General addressing the Churches asked," Is it General addressing the Churches asked, "Is it General addressing the Churches asked," Is it General addressing the Churches asked, "Is it General addressing the Churches asked," Is it General addressing the Churches asked and the Churches asked as

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# CAUSES COMMITTEE-ST. MARY'S CASE.

The Committee on Causes gave in a Report on the complaint st. Mary's case of Mr. David Beattie against the action of the Presbytery of Strat-appeal of Mr. David Beattie against the action of the Presbytery of Strat-appeal of Mr. David Beattie Report ford, in granting certificates to members of Chalmers' Church, Beattle: Report Report Was read by Dr. Taylor, the Convence of Causes Com-St. Mary's. The Report was read by Dr. Taylor, the Convener, mittee. to the effect, That after some conference, Mr. Beattie expressed his willingness to withdraw his claims against the congregation of Chalmers' Church, and suffer the whole matter to drop, on condition that the Synod reaffirmed its former findings in the case; that the representatives of the Presbytery had acquiesced in this proposal, and that the Committee recommended to the Synod to reaffirm its former findings in this case, and to afford to Mr. Beattie an opportunity of withdrawing his claims on the floor of The Report was received.

The parties in the case were called, and were present. The Parties present Moderator inquired if the parties, namely, Mr. Beattie and the and acquiesced in the deliverance recom-Presbytery of Stratford, acquiesced in the deliverance recommended by the Committee. The parties severally signified their acquiescence.

The former findings of the Synod, in the St. Mary's case, Former Findings recorded in the printed Minutes for 1862, page 43, and in those read. for 1863, page 33, were read.

It was then moved by Dr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Gillespie, Motton, St. Ma-That the Report of the Committee on Causes in this case be 'y's case. adopted: that the Synod reaffirm its former findings in the case, above referred to, and that Mr. Beattie be furnished an opportunity of withdrawing his claims as recommended in the Report.

After reasoning for some time, the previous question was moved, Previous queswhich being carried in the affirmative, the Synod proceeded to the carried. take the vote on the main motion. The motion of Dr. Taylor was Decision, St. Macarried by a considerable majority, and the Synod decided in ry's case.

The following Ministers and one Elder craved leave to have Dissents. their dissent from this decision marked in the Minutes, namely, Mr. Straith, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Skinner, Mr. Alex. Young, Ministers; Mr. Young, Sarnia, Elder. tery's answers the 117 or ther with the polition sail den of Mr. Mel'herson be subdissen, and that the record of

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Mr. Beattle with- Mr. Beattle addressed the Synod, and withdrew his claims on the congregation of Chalmers' Church, St. Mary's. drew claims.

Mr. Doak, the Clerk of the Presbytery of Stratford, on behalf Extracts craved for Preshytery of of the Preshytery of Stratford, craved extracts, which were ordered to be given him.

The Synod adjourned. Closed with the benediction.

#### FIFTEENTH SEDERUNT.

COOKE'S CHURCH, TORONTO,

TUESDAY, June 21, 1864, 10 o'clock, A. M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with devotional exercises, Mr. Robert F. Burns, at the request of the Moderator, offering prayer.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Dissent withdrawn.

Mr. Skinner asked and obtained leave to withdraw his dissent from the decision of the Synod last night in the case of Mr. D. Beattie and the Presbstery of Stratford.

Bills Report, motion to adopt.

The Committee of Bills and Overtures gave in a Report, which was read by Mr. Gregg, the Chairman. A motion was made for the adoption of the report.

Amendment.

It was moved by Dr. Jennings, seconded by Mr. T. Alexander, That the Report be adopted, with the amendment, that the Chiniquy Committee be ordered to submit their Report early in the afternoon, to-day.

Motion carried.

A vote was taken, when the Report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures was adopted without amendment.

Chiniquy Com geport.

It was moved by Mr. John Smith, seconded by Mr. D. Cameron, mittee ordered to That the Chiniquy Committee be ordered to bring up their Report to-morrow morning. A vote being taken, the motion of Mr. Smith was agreed to, and the Synod ordered in accordance there-

#### CAUSES COMMITTEE-SECOND REPORT.

Causes Commit- The Committee on Causes gave in a Report on the matter of the report memorial of Mr. Thomas McPherson, in regard to the action of the Presbytery of Stratford, in the St. Mary's case, setting forth in effect that papers were read and parties heard, and that it was agreed, with consent of parties, to recommend for the

adoption of Synod the following Deliverance:-

That the reasons of dissent by Mr. McPherson, and the Presby. tery's answers thereto, together with the petition and complaint of Mr. McPherson be withdrawn, and that the record of these

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Mr. Doak, on the part of the Presbytery of Stratford, craved extracts. Mr. McPherson also craved extracts.

In both cases extracts were ordered to be granted.

COMPLAINT-MESSRS. EWING AND ANDREWS.

The Synod took up again the case of dissent and complaint-Mesers. Ewing Messrs. Ewing and Andrews against action of the Presbytery of and Andrews to Cobourg, in refusing to organize certain petitioners of the congre-petitioners.

Thursday, inasmuch as all parties in the case had not then been cited, to appear for their interests.

The Presbytery of Cobourg stated that the citation ordered by Citations issued. the Synod had been given.

There was read a resolution of the Congregation of Port Hope, Commissioners, appointing Mr. D. McLeod and Mr. James Craik to appear on gregation.

Messrs. Hooey and Delamere were recognized as Commissioners C mmissioners of in this case on behalf of the petitioners aforenamed.

Parties were called and appeared.

All the papers in the case were read.

Parties present

On motion made and seconded, the Synod agreed that the case case remitted to from the Presbytery of Cobourg, in the matter of Messrs. Ewing Causes Commitand Andrews' complaint, be sent down for the consideration of tee.

### FORMS - REPORT ON.

The Committee to consider the subject of Forms of Procedure, Forms. Report of and of Process in cases of discipling, gave in a Report which was Committee. and of Process in cases of discipline, gave in a Report, which was read, setting forth that the Committee had agreed upon a draft of such Forms, and recommending that the Committee be reappointed, with instructions to mature said draft, print and circulate the same among the members of Synod, with instructions to Sessions and Presbyteries to report opinions and suggestions to said Committee, in order that the said matured draft may be reported to next Synod.

It was moved by Mr. James Thom, seconded by Mr. Thomas Motion to adopt. Wardrope, That the Report be received and adopted.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. Doak, seconded by Mr. 1st amendment. Gregg; Receive the Report and order that the Book on Forms of Procedure be printed, and sent to Ministers and Elders for their suggestions thereon, and reappoint the Committee, with instructions to report at next meeting of Synod.

It was moved in further amendment by Mr. Kemp, seconded 2nd amendment by Mr. J. K. Smith, that the Report of the Committee be received, and that said Committee be reappointed, and instructed to prepare

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what is technically known as the Form of Process, and send it down to Presbyteries, instructing them to report to said Committee, that they may present a mature Report to the next Synod,

ard amendment.

It was moved in further amendment by Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mr. Lowry, that the Report be received, the diligence of the Committee approved, and the Committee reappointed and instructed still further to mature a Book of Forms and Process, and send it down to Presbyteries, instructing them to report thereon,

Votes. Decision. Mr. Thom's motion.

Votes were then called, when the amendment of Mr. Kemp was carried against that of Mr. McLaren, that of Mr. Kemp against that of Mr. Doak, and the motion of Mr. Thom was carried against Report adopted. the amendment of Mr. Kemp, and the Synod decided in terms of the said motion, to receive and adopt the Report.

Mr. Dick requested to be relieved from being Convener of the Mr. Dick permit Mr. Dick requested to be reduced was granted.

Mr. Kemp to be Conven r.

The Synod agreed to appoint Mr. Kemp to be Convener of the Forms Committee, in place of Mr. Dick.

Dr. Jennings elieved from Committee.

Dr. Jennings requested that his name should be withdrawn from the Committee on Forms, and the request was granted.

Mr. Topp and Mr. Gregg to be members,

Mr. Topp and Mr. Gregg were then appointed members of the Committee.

Forms Commit-

The Committee on Forms, as reappointed with alterations and additions, is composed as follows :- Mr. Kemp, Convener; Messrs, J. Dick, G. Smellie, J. Middlemiss, J. Gillespie, J. Baird, A. Topp, W. Gregg, and the two clerks of Synod.

WIDOWS' FUND REPORT.

Widows' Fund. Report on.

The Report of the Committee on the Widows' Fund was handed in and read.

On motion of Mr. Dick, seconded by Mr. Drummond, the Report was received, and with the exception of the suggestions contained therein, was adopted.

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND-REPORT.

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Notice of motion n Hamilton

Mr. Gillespie gave notice of motion that when the Synod reassembled at three o'clock, he should propose to take up the Hamilton case, instead of proceeding with the order of business recommended by the Committee on Bills for the afternoon.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the diet was closed with the benediction.

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### SIXTEENTH SEDERUNT.

COOKE'S CHURCH, TORONTO,

TUESDAY, June 21, 1864, 3 o'clock P.M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with devotional exercises, Dr. Taylor, at the request of the Moderator, offering prayer, and making especial reference to the death of Mrs. Roger, the wife of Mr. J. M. Roger, of Peterboro', a member of this Synod, the demise of whom was announced by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

In accordance with notice of motion in the morning, it was RIIIs. Report moved by Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Mr. Dick, and agreed to, modified. that the resolution of Synod adopting the Report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures be rescinded so far as to admit of taking up at this time the reference from the Presbytery of Hamilton.

### REFERENCE-PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.

The Synod took up again the reference from the Presbytery of Reference. Ham-Hamilton, deferred from Saturday morning, as it then appeared ilton Presbytery, that all the parties interested in the said Reference had not been cited to be present, and were not in attendance.

It was intimated, on behalf of the Presbytery of Hamilton, that Citations issued, the citations necessary in this case had been given.

Parties present.

Parties were called and appeared.

The Reference from the Presbytery of Hamilton, and relative Papers read.

It was moved by Mr. Meldrum, seconded by Mr. Dick, That The reference the Reference and papers relative, and all parties, be sent to the Committee.

Committee on Causes.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. Young, elder, Sarnia, Amendment. seconded by Dr. Irvine, That the parties in the case be now

On a vote being taken, the motion was carried, and the Synod Vote: motion agreed to send the Reference and papers and parties to the Committee on Causes.

Dr. Irvine craved leave to have his dissent from this decision Dissent.

There was read next a Protest and Complaint, with Petition Protest, Kirk and Memorial of the Kirk Session of Knox's Church, Hamilton, Church, Hamilton, Church, Hamilton.

The Synod agreed to send this paper also along with the papers Sent to Causes relative to the Reference, aforesaid, to the Committee on Causes. Committee.

At the request of Mr. Lowry, the Rev. Dr. Wilkes, of Montreal, Dr. Wilkes invitwho was present, was invited to take his seat in the Synod. ed to correspond.

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There was read next a Protest of Mr. Bethune and Dr. Irvine against action of the Presbytery of Hamilton for the reception of a Report of a Committee respecting Mr. Walker's Memorial.

There were read, also, the Reasons of Protest and the answers of the Presbytery thereto.

Protest, Dr.

There was read, also, a Protest of Dr. Irvine against action of the Presbytery of Hamilton in receiving Mr. Walker's Complaint against the Session of Knox's Church, Hamilton.

Complaint, James Walker. There was read, further, a Complaint and Appeal of Mr. James Walker against action of the Kirk Session of the Congregation of Knox's Church, Hamilton, in striking off his name from the Communion Roll, together with Mr. Walker's Reasons of Complaint, and the answers thereto.

All papers sent to Causes Committee. The Synod agreed to send all those papers along with the Reference from the Presbytery of Hamilton to the Committee on Causes.

COLLEGE BOARD-DELIVERANCE ON REPORT.

College Report

The Synod returned to the business recommended by the Committee of Bills and Overtures to be taken up in the afternoon, and called for the Report of the Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Board of Management of Knox College, and the Overture on a Theological College from the Presbytery of Montreal.

College Board Report, Com. on Report received. The Report was handed in and read by Dr. Ormiston, the Convener. On motion made and duly seconded, it was agreed that the Report be received, that the thanks of the Synod be given to the Committee for their diligence in the important business intrusted to them, and that the recommendations of the Report be taken up and disposed of seriatim.

Dr. Burns, resig-

On motion of Mr. McRuer, seconded by Mr. W. T. McMullen, it was unanimously agreed, That the Synod adopt the first recommendation of the Report of the Committee, and receive the resignation of the Rev. Robert Burns, D.D., as Professor in Knox College, as therein intimated; accord to him the position of Emeritus Professor, and request him to deliver occasional lectures to the students, on such subjects as may be agreed on by the Senate; continue his present salary till the opening of the next Session of 1864-5; grant him a retiring allowance of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per annum, to be paid out of the ordinary College Fund, and appoint a Committee to draft an appropriate minute on the retirement of Dr. Burns, for the subsequent consideration and adoption of the Synod.

Dr. Burns. Committee to draft Minute on resignation.

The Committee to draft such minute was then appointed as follows:—Mr. McKenzie, of Zorra, Convener; Dr. Ormiston, Principal Willis, Mr. D. Inglis, Mr. McRuer, Hon. Mr. McMurrich.

Principal Willis' letter as to salary.

The second specification of the Report was taken up in relation to the letter of Principal Willis, requesting an increase of salary, and stating that the Committee did not feel at liberty to recommend compliance with that request.

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It was moved in amendment by Mr. Cross, seconded by Mr. T. Amendment. Mair, That the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

A vote being taken, the amendment was carried by a large Amendment carmajority, and the Synod decided a terms thereof.

The third general division of the Report was entered upon, and Knox's College, it was agreed that the first sub-section be adopted to the effect, exclusively The That the Classes in Knox College shall be exclusively Theological. ological.

It was moved by Mr. J. K. Smith, seconded by Mr. W. Clark, Professor, Report of Quebec, That the second sub-section, namely, that only one recommended appointing one Professor of Theology be now appointed be adopted.

A motion in amendment was read by Mr. McDowall, and while Amendment by he was supporting such amendment the hour of adjournment Mr. McDowall. arrived. The diet was closed—the moderator pronouncing the

### SEVENTEENTH SEDERUNT.

COOKE'S CHURCH, TORONTO,

TUESDAY, June 21, 1864, 71 o'clock P.M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with devotional exercises Mr. James Black, at the request of the Moderator, offering prayer.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

The Committee on Causes had leave to retire for the transaction Causes Commitof business during this Sederunt.

Reports were given in on the Records of the several Presby-Records of Presmittee had leave teries following, namely: Hamilton, Toronto, Montreal, Paris, Grey by teries, Report and Ottawa, setting forth that the Records of those Presbyteries ou. were correctly kept. The Synod received the Reports and ordered the Records of the said Presbyteries to be attested in the usual

### REMITS-RETURNS TO.

Mr. Kemp, from the Committee to whom it was referred to Remits, returns examine and collate the Returns from the several Presbyters on w. subjects remitted for their consideration by last Synod, gave in Reports as follows :-

I. On the Right of Voting, the proposition submitted being, on right of "That none but members in full Communion with the Church voting. have the right to vote in the election of ministers and officebearers and at Congregational meetings," the Report stated that

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three Presbyteries, namely, those of Stratford, Toronto, and Brockville, approved simpliciter, that six Presbyteries-Ottawa, Guelph, Cobourg, Ontario, Hamilton, and Paris, approved with alterations; that five-Huron, London, Kingston, Montreal, and Grey, disapproved, averring that legislation was unnecessary.

Disapproved, set

The proposition of the Synod of last year, on this subject, being thus disapproved of by a majoriey of Presbyteries, was set aside.

7th Section. Act

II. On the 7th Section of the Act of Parliament, commonly of Palliament. . called the Union Act, proposing that the said section should be altered, the Report set forth, that two Presbyteries, viz., Brockville and Cobourg, approved of the amendment, simpliciter; that one, Ontario, approved of the amendment, with alterations; that nine, Huron, Toronto, Guelph, Ottawa, Grey, Paris, Montreal, Hamilton, and Kingston, disapproved of the amendment, and that no returns had been received from the Presbyteries of London and

A large majority of the Presbyteries having thus disapproved Proposed amendment set aside. of the amendment proposed, the same was set aside.

Overture set aside.

III. On the Overture requiring the Printing of Papers by Parties in Causes, the Report stated that five Presbyteries, viz., Hamilton, Grey, Guelph, Toronto, and London, approved with emendations; that four, Kingston, Paris, Huron, and Cobourg, disapproved; that two, Ottawa and Brockville, approved simpliciter; and that three Presbyteries, Montreal, Stratford, and Ontario, had made no return. A majority of the Presbyteries having disapproved of the Overture, it was set aside.

The Rev. William F. Clarke, of the Congregational Church, Rev W. F Clarke invited to corres being in the house, was, on the request of Mr. Skinner, invited to pond. take his seat in the Synod.

CONGREGATIONAL UNION-DR. LILLIE'S ADDRESS.

Congregational Union Dr. Lilie delegate from.

There was read from the table a Commission appointing the Rev. Dr. Lillie primary delegate of the Congregational Union of Canada to this Synod, and the Rev. John Climie, of Belleville, Dr. Lillie then came upon the platform and his alternate. addressed the Synod, expressing in cordial terms the fraternal salutations of the Body which he represented.

Motion on Dr. Lillie's address.

It was moved by Mr. R. F. Burns, and unanimously agreed to, That the Synod have listened with deep interest to the admirable address of Dr. Lillie. They cordially reciprocate the generous sentiments to which he has given expression, while they would request him to tender to the respected body which he represents their fraternal greetings, and their sincere desire that the beauty of the Lord may continue to be upon them, and that He would establish the work of their hands.

Deputation to Omgregational Union.

The Synod appointed a deputation to wait upon the Congregational Union, to meet in Toronto next year, as follows: Mr. Topp, Mr. J. M. King, Dr. Burns, Hon. Mr. McMurrich.

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### COLLEGE BOARD REPORT-DELIVERANCE.

The Synod resumed consideration of the Report of the Com- College Board, remittee to whom had been referred the Report of the College sum-d considera-tion of the Report under review being the second sub-tion of Report of Committee on. section of the third general division, namely, that recommending that only one Professor be at present appointed in Knox College.

Mr. McDowall, who had the floor at the close of the last Sede-Amendment, runt, continued his address, and, seconded by Mr. Ross, submitted Mr. McDowall. the following amendment:

That the Synod feel the great importance of having at least one well equipped Theological Hall, and resolve that the staff of Theological Professors in Knox College shall consist of not fewer than three Theological Professors.

A vote was then taken between the amendment of Mr. McDowall One Prof. sa r and the motion of Mr. J. K. Smith, submitted at the last Sederunt, only to be apof the purport following, viz.: That the recommendation of the pointed. Committee, that only one Theological Professor be appointed, be adopted by this Synod, when the motion of Mr. Smith was carried by a very large majority, and the Synod decided and declared in terms thereof.

In regard to the fourth sub-section, under the third division of Examination of the Report, recommending that the Synod express satisfaction students satisfaction with the results of the examination of Students, as detailed in the Report of the Committee, and that the Synod should appoint Examiners to be associated with the Professors in examining the classes. The Synod agreed, on motion made and seconded, That the recommendation be adopted; the last clause in reference to the appointment of Examiners being dropped.

The recommendation under the fifth sub-section of the third Bearding House, division of the Report was adopted by the Synod of the following remitted to constenor: That it be remitted to the Board of Manuscemen; to contenor: That it be remitted to the Board of Managemen: to consider whether the Boarding House may not be dispensed with, and the vacant rooms be profitably used for other purposes.

The sixth sub-section was adopted of the following purport: Finance, special That with the view of meeting the financial difficulties of Knox effort to be made. College a special effort be made throughout the Church to raise a sum of money during the present financial year sufficient to cover the ordinary expenses of said College, together with the present floating debt, and such other sum as may be requisite to pay off the debt on the College Buildings, in the course of two or three years; a sum of \$9,000 being requisite for these purposes; and that the College Board be instructed to commit the matter of this recommendation to a small Committee to carry it into immediate

The hour of adjournment having arrived the Synod agreed to sit for half an hour longer.

The Synod proceeded to the consideration of the question of Professor, constappointing a Professor of Theology. deration of appointment.

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ongregar. Topp, Motion, Mr W. T. McMullen. It was moved by Mr. W. T. McMullen, seconded by Mr. T. McPherson, That no permanent appointment of a Professor be made at the present meeting of Synod, but that the College Committee be instructed to make provision for the ensuing Session by securing the services of a minister or ministers of the Church, and that the expenses involved be defrayed out of the College Fund.

Amendment, Mr. A. F. Kemp.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. Kemp, seconded by Mr. Ross, That a small Committee be appointed to consider and report on the method of procedure in the appointment of a Professor to Knox College.

2nd amendment, Mr. Topp.

It was moved in further amendment by Mr. Topp, seconded by Mr. J. K. Smith, That the Synod delay the appointment of a Professor at the present Session, and remit the matter to the consideration of Presbyteries; that a Special meeting of Synod be held in September to receive the nominations of Presbyteries, and in the event of the Synod at such special meeting not feeling itself in a position to proceed with the election of a Professor, to make temporary provision for the conducting of the classes for the ensuing session.

Votes. Mr. Kemp's smendment carried.

Votes being called, the amendment of Mr. Kemp was preferred to that of Mr. Topp, and was carried over the motion of Mr. McMullen by a large majority, and the Synod decided in terms of Mr. Kemp's amendment.

Committee appointed.

The Moderator then named as the Committee agreed upon in the decision come to, the movers and seconders of the several motions, namely: Messrs. McMullen, McPherson, Kemp, Ross, Topp, and J. K. Smith, to report to-morrow morning—Mr. Popp, Convener.

The Synod adjourned. Closed with the benediction.

### EIGHTEENTH SEDERUNT.

COOKE'S CHURCH, TORONTO,

WEDNESDAY, June 22, 1864, 10 o'clock A.M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with devotional exercises, Mr. John M. King, at the request of the Moderator, leading in prayer.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Bills Report

Mr. Gregg, the Chairman of the Committee on Bills and Overtures, read a Report from that Committee, which, with some modifications, was adopted.

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PROFESSOR-REPORT AS TO APPOINTMENT.

The Committee appointed last night, at the close of the Sederunt, to consider and report on the method of procedure in the [226]

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It was moved by Mr. Lowry, seconded by Mr. McRuer, That Professor, the recommendation of the majority of the Committee be adopted, "ppointment of namely, that the Synod remit to Presbyteries to nominate persons to Presbyteries. to report to next meeting of Synod, and in the meantime temporary provision be made by the Board of Management for conducting the Classes in the College.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. Drummond, seconded by Amendment for Mr. Hall, That this Synod, believing that we have men among us appointment of who are well qualified both by gifts and graces to discharge the Professor. to commend the Professor to commend the College to the confidence of the Church, Resolve to proceed at once to the nomination of a Professor to fill the vacant chair.

It was moved in further amendment by Mr. D. Inglis, seconded Amendment to by Mr. Clark, of Quebec, That the subject of the election of a remit to Presby-Professor be sent down to Presbyteries for their consideration, Meeting of and to report at a meeting of Synod to be held on the first Wed. Synod.

Votes being taken, the amendment of Mr. Inglis was carried Mr. Lowry's against that of Mr. Drummond, and the motion of Mr. Lowry was motion carried by a large majority, and the Synod decided and declared in terms of said motion.

### MONTREAL COLLEGE.

The Synod took up again the Report of the Committee on the Montreal College Board Report, and the Overture from Montreal in regard Overture to a Theological College, as far as the same related to said Overture.

It was moved by Mr. Drummond, seconded by Mr. Chambers, Motion to adopt That the recommendation of the Committee be adopted, of the recommendation tenor following: That the Synod sanction the formation of a Theological College, as craved by the Presbytery of Montreal, and that for this purpose that Presbytery be authorized to prepare and obtain a Charter, mutatis mutandis, similar to that of Knox College, and to report to next Synod.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. J. Ross, seconded by Mr. Amendment, Thomas McPherson, That the Synod express approval of the Mr. Ross. object contemplated by the Overture; at the same time holding in view the important interests involved, and desiring to obtain full expression of the mind of the Church thereon, remit the Overture to Presbyteries for consideration, instructing them to report to next Synod.

A vote being taken, the motion of Mr. Drummond, adopting the Motion carried. recommendation of the Committee, was carried by a majority, and the Synod decided and declared in terms thereof.

The Synod adjourned, and the diet was closed with the benediction.

### NINETEENTH SEDERUNT.

COOKE'S CHURCH, TORONTO,

WEDNESDAY, June 22, 1864, 3 o'clock, P.M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with devotional services—Mr. James A. Thomson, at the request of the Moderator, offering prayer.

The minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Causes Committee to retire. The Committee on Causes were, on the request of the Convener, permitted to retire for the transaction of business, during the present Sederunt.

### KNOX COLLEGE.

Knox College, Senate to arrange preliminary studies.

The Synod having, at a former Sederunt, resolved that the Classes in Knox College shall be exclusively Theological, it was agreed that it be remitted, as it is hereby remitted to the Senate of the College, to make arrangements for conducting the preliminary studies, formerly a part of the College Course.

CAUSES COMMITTEE-THIRD REPORT-PORT HOPE CASE.

Complaint, Messrs. Ewing and Audrews. The Committee on Causes gave in a Report in relation to the Dissent and Complaint of Messrs. Ewing and Andrews, against action of the Presbytery of Cobourg, refusing to organize certain petitioners at Port Hope into a congregation, to the effect, that after hearing Papers and Parties they recommend to the Synod to dismiss the Dissent and Complaint, and affirm the decision of the Presbytery of Cobourg.

Complaint dismissed.

On motion made and seconded, the Synod agreed to receive and adopt the report, and in accordance with its recommendation, did and do hereby dismiss the Dissent and Complaint, and affirm the decision of the Presbytery.

Dissent.

Mr. Ewing and Mr. Andrews craved leave to have their dissent from this finding marked in the Synod's minutes.

Reception and Licensure Committee. The Committee for examining papers connected with applications from Presbyteries for the reception of Ministers and the Licensure of Students, gave in a report through the Convener, Mr. Ure. The Report was read and received.

### LICENSURE OF STUDENTS.

Licensure of Students. In accordance with the recommendations of the Report, the Synod granted leave, as sought, to the Presbyteries following to take the Students under named on probationary trials for licensa, namely:—

To the Presbytery of Kingston. . Mr. William Caven.

Ontario...Mr. Hubbert.

Ottawa...Mr. Stephen Young.

" London ...Mr. J. M. Gibson.
" Brockville Mr. Burton.

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On motion made and seconded, the Synod agreed that the consideration of Mr. Lumsden's admission be delayed until next

The Report of the Committee appointed at the Eleventh Sede Mr. Reeve, runt for the purpose of conversing with and examining Mr. Wil. Committee to liam Reeve, with a view to his being taken on trial for license, examine. was given in and read by Mr. John M. King, and recommended that leave should be granted to the Presbytery of Kingston to take r. Reeve on trials for license.

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### GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Mr. A. F. Kemp, from the Committee appointed at the Thir-General Assembly A teenth Sederunt, to prepare an Amendment Act on a General bly Amended Assembly, gave in and read a Report, embodying a draft of the Act which the Committee were instructed to prepare.

The Synod received the Report and agreed to send down the Remitted to draft Act on a General Assembly, as amended, for the considera- Presbyteries. tion of Presbyteries, in terms of the Barrier Act, to report at next

### CHINIQUY COMMITTEE-REPORT.

Mr. Alex. F. Kemp, Convener of the Committee, appointed last we Chinique, year to advise with Mr. Chiniquy, in all matters which might be Report of of general interest to the cause of religion among the people Committee. associated with him in Illinois, gave in and read a Report.

It was moved by Mr. McVicar, seconded by Dr. Ormiston, That Motion of Mr. the Synod receive the Report, and adopt the recommendation of McVier. the Convener, to leave the whole affairs of Mr. Chiniquy in the hands of the Presbytery of London with which he is connected.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. Skinner, seconded by Mr. 1. Amendment John Fraser, That the Synod appoint a Committee to endeavour to investigate thoroughly, as far as practicable, the monetary affairs of the Kankakee colony, connected with Mr. Chiniquy, and report to Synod.

It was moved in further amendment, by Dr. Jennings, seconded 2 Amendment. by Mr. Walter Wright, That the Report on Mr. Chiniquy be sent back to the Committee, and that they include in it a full statement of their dealings with Mr. Chiniquy.

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Votes, decision, Mr McVicar's motion.

Votes were called, when the amendment of Mr. Skinner was carried over that of Dr. Jennings; and the motion of Mr. McVicar was carried, by a large majority, over the amendment of Mr. Skinner, and the Synod decided and declared in terms of the

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the diet was closed with the benediction.

### TWENTIETH SEDERUNT.

COOKE'S CHURCH, TORONTO,

WEDNESDAY, June 22, 1864, 71 o'clock, P.M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with devotional services. Mr. Thomas Alexander leading in prayer.

The minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

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The Committee on Causes, on leave asked, were were permitted to retire for the transaction of business.

E. Bauld, application Presby tery Guelph granted.

Mr. W. S. Ball, of the Presbytery of Guelph, stated that E. Bauld had been examined by the said Presbytery, with a view to his licensure, but that, by some oversight, the application to the Synod for leave had not been forwarded, and requesting on behalf of the Presbytery, that the Synod would now grant leave to take Mr. Bauld on trials for license. The Synod granted leave to the Presbytery of Guelph, as requested.

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The Committee on Mr. Chiniquy's affairs were ordered to hand over all papers in their possession, relating to that gentleman and handover papers. his mission in Kankakee, to the Presbytery of London.

### STATISTICS.

Statistics, Report on.

The Synod called for the Report of the Committee on Statistics. The Report was given in and read by Mr. John Gray, the Convener.

Statistics adopted.

It was then moved by Mr. N. Paterson, seconded by Mr. Ball, and agreed to, That the Report of the Comittee on Statistics be received and adopted, and the thanks of the Synod be given to the Convener, for the great care and accuracy which he has evinced, in the discharge of his important duties.

Rev. J. T. Byrne invited to sit.

The Rev. J. T. Byrne, general agent of the French Canadian Missionary Society, being in the house, was, at the request of Mr. McRuer, invited to take his seat in the Synod.

### STIPEND COMMITTEE.

Stipend, Resolution on.

Moved by Mr. Stevenson, seconded by Mr. J. Gray, and agreed to, That the following members of Synod be appointed a Committee to take into immediate consideration the large amount of Arrears due on the Salaries of Ministers of this Church, and the

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A communication was received from Dr. Taylor, stating that he causes Commitwas unable any longer to act as Convener of the Committee on tee. Dr. Taylor Causes, and requesting that another Convener should be appointed venerally.

The Synod granted the request of Dr. Taylor, relieved him from Mr. Proudfoot the Convenership of the Committee on Causes, and from being a Convener. member thereof, and appointed Mr. Proudfoot Convener of the The Synod also appointed Mr. Alexander Mr. A. Young on Young, of the Presbytery of Montreal, a member of the Commit-Commitee.

### MODEL DEED.

It was moved by Mr. Kemp, duly seconded, and agreed to, Model Deed Com-That the Committee for preparing a Model Trust Deed be mittee reap-pointed. reappointed, with instructions to consult Counsel, and to trans- Pinted. mit a Draft Deed to Presbyteries, who shall make early returns to said Committee, that they may report to next Synod.

The Committee, as reappointed, is composed as follows: Messrs. A. F. Kemp, A. Topp, A. Wilson, W. Fraser, J. Dick, the Hon. Mr. McMurrich, Sheriff Davidson, Mr. J. Dalgleish, Mr. J.

### HOME MISSIONS.

The Synod proceeded to consider the Regulations for conduct-Home Mission ing the Home Missions of the Church.

After reasoning for some time, the hour of adjournment arrived, and the Synod agreed not to adjourn, but to sit for half an hour

It was then moved by Mr. McVicar, seconded by Mr. D. H. Motion on Regu-Fletcher, 1. That a Committee be appointed to receive grants from lations. Foreign Bodies, and from Presbyteries who may have a surplus, and distribute the same, together with Probationers, according to the requirements of Presbyteries.

2. That Presbyteries be authorized to carry on their Home Mission work by themselves, or in conjunction with neighbouring Presbyteries, and to report annually to the above Committee, which report shall be transmitted to Synod.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. J. M. King, seconded by 1st amendment. Mr. A. D. McDonald, That, as it seems impossible to mature, during the present meeting of Synod, a plan for the efficient working of the Mission Field of the Church, that will be satisfactory to all parties, the Synod constitute the Conveners of Home Missions in the several Presbyteries, together with Mr. W. Clark (London),

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Thomas Mair, Donald McLellan, Hon. John McMurrich, Dr. Holden, and Warden King, elders, its Committee on Home Missions for the ensuing year, to carry on its Missionary operations in the Church, in whatever manner shall prove to be most effective, and be at the same time consistent with the full control which the Constitution of the Church gives to Presbyteries over the Congregations and Stations within their bounds, and that this Committee shall draw up such a plan for the working of the Mission Field as the experience of the year may suggest, to be submitted for the approval of the Synod at its next meeting, and that the present Regulations be reënacted for another year, with the exception of the regulation referring to the remuneration of preachers.

2nd amendment.

It was moved in further amendment, by Mr. Wm. McKenzie, of Ramsay, seconded by the Hon. Mr. McMurrich, as follows: Reaffirm the principle of a Central Fund; re-enact the ad interim Regulations; re-appoint the Special Committee on Home Missions, remitting to them the scheme which they have presented to Synod, in order to modify and mature it, in the light of the suggestions for its improvement made by the several Presbyteries.

Decision.

Votes being taken, the amendment of Mr. McKenzie was, successively, preferred to that of Mr. King and to the motion of Mr. McVicar, and the Synod decided and declared in terms of the said amendment.

Dissents.

The following ministers craved leave to record their dissent from this resolution, namely: Mr. McVicar, Mr. McRuer, Dr. Taylor, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Ball, Mr. Crombie.

Home Mission Special Commt-

The Special Committee, as re-appointed by the foregoing resolution, is composed as follows: Mr. Topp, Convener; Mr. Dick, Mr. Reid, Clerk of Synod; Dr. Thornton, Messrs. A. F. Kemp, D. Inglis, J. J. A. Proudfoot, A. Wilson, J. Laing, W. Caven, J. Ross, W. Gregg, Wm. Inglis, ministers; Hon. J. McMurrich, Messrs. W. Clark (London), J. Ratcliff, T. Mair, W. Hunter,

The Synod adjourned, the Moderator pronouncing the benediction.

### TWENTY-FIRST SEDERUNT.

COOKE'S CHURCH, TORONTO,

THURSDAY, June 23, 1864, 10 o'clock, A.M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with devotional services-Mr. Patrick Gray, at the request of the Moderator, offering prayer.

The minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Statistics to be printed.

The Synod ordered that the Report on Statistics, together with the Tabular Statements, be printed in the Record, and also in the Appendix to the Minutes of Synod.

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The Synod called for Reports of Committee on the Records of Records of Pres Presbyteries. Reports were given in on the Records of the byteries, Reports. Presbyteries of Huron and Cobourg. The Synod received the Reports, and ordered that the Records of the said Presbyteries be attested in the usual form.

### STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Committee to nominate Sianding Committees gave in a Standing Committee Barret Report, which was read by Mr. Gregg, the Convener. The Synod mittee, Report received and adopted the Report, and appointed the Standing Committees therein named as follows:-

### KNOX COLLEGE-BOARD OF MANAGEMENT.

Messrs. J. Ross, J. J. A. Proudfoot, T. Lowry, R. Hamilton, Knox College Messrs. J. Ross, J. J. A. Frounoot, I. Lowry, R. Hamilton, Knox A. F. Kemp, Dr. Taylor; Messrs. A. Kennedy, J. B. Duncan, A. Board Matheson, D. McRuer, W. T. McMullen, W. Cochrane, W. McLaren, W. J. Mackenzie, R. F. Burns, J. M. King, W. Reid, Dr. Burns, Dr. Voung, Massrs, W. S. Rall, G. Prin. Willis, Dr. Burns, Prof. Young; Messrs. W. S. Ball, G. Cuthbertson, T. Stevenson, J. McTavish, ministers; Messrs. A. J. McKenzie, W. Clark, J. Redpath, J. Parker, W. Shaw, Dr. Edmondson, Dr. Holden; Messrs. Maitland, Young, Hon. J. McMariek, G. Lute, D. Welle, aldere, Mr. McTavish, Granes, P. McMariek, G. Lute, D. Welle, aldere, Mr. McTavish, aldere, McMurrich, M. C. Lutz, D. Wylie, elders; Mr. McTavish, Convener

### KNOX COLLEGE-SENATE,

Principal Willis; Messrs. D. H. McVicar, J. Baird, W. Caven, Knox College W. Reid, Dr. Jennings, Mr. Gregg, Dr. Burns, Dr. Ormiston.

### WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

Messrs. G. Smellie, D. Inglis, W. Reid, T. McPherson, Dr. Widows' Fund. Ormiston; Messrs. R. Torrance, J. Osborne, M. Young, J. Redpath, Honorable J. McMurrich, James Brown, M. C. Lutz, Dr. McQuesten, Donald McLellan; J. Osborne, Convener.

### WIDOWS' FUND-SPECIAL.

Messrs. J. Scott, Napanee; R. Torrance, W. Walker, W. Caven, Widows' Fund Dr. Ormiston; Messrs. J. M. King, Wm. Inglis, J. Logie, T. Special. Stevenson, J. C. Becket, W. Kerr, T. Sandilands; Mr. Torrance,

Messrs. John Gray, A, Topp, W. Gregg, Dr. Jennings, Mr. J. Finance. M. King, Hon. J. McMurrich, J. L. Blaikie, Esq.; Convener-Hon. J. McMurrich.

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### STATE OF RELIGION.

State of Religion. Messrs. R. Torrance, W. B. Clark, G. Lawrence, J. L. Gourlay, Alex. Matheson, James Robertson, W. McLaren, J. Laing, J. Porteous, J. Gray, J. Skinner, J. Ross, J. Fotheringham, P. Greig; Mr. Torrance, Convener.

### TEMPERANCE.

Messrs. J. Smith, T. S. Chambers, Dr. Thornton, Mr. A. Kennedy, Dr. Holden; Messrs. J. B. Duncan, T. Wardrope. J. C. Becket, D. Robertson: Mr. Wardrope, Convener.

### PREACHING BEFORE SYNOD.

Preaching before Mr. McVicar, Convener; Dr. Taylor, Mr. Kemp. Synod.

### AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

Aged and Infirm Messrs. J. Baird, J. McTavish, W. Reid, Dr. Thornton, Dr. Jennings; Mr. Baird, Convener.

### BUXTON MISSION FINANCE.

Buxton Finance. Messrs. J. Scott, London; W. Doak, J. J. A Proudfoot, W. Reid, J. A. Thomson, W. King, ministers; Messrs. Clark (London), A. McKellar, Alex. Smith, elders; Mr. Scott, Convener.

### FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Foreign Missions. Messrs. J. McTavish, R. F. Burns, D. H. McVicar, W. B. Clark, Dr. Taylor; Messrs. T. Wardrope, T. Lowry, D. Inglis, R. Ure, W. Reid, J. Gray, W. Caven, J. Smith, J. Laing, J. J. A. Proudfoot, W. S. Ball, T. Stevenson, W. Inglis, James Black, J. Morrison, J. Scott (N.), Dr. Holden, Mr. Wylie, Mr. D. McLellan, Dr. McQuesten, Messrs. J. Dougan, W. Clark (L.), G. Rogers, Mr. R. F. Burns, Convener.

### HOME MISSIONS.

Home Missions.

Messrs. T. McPherson, A. Wilson, J. Baird, G. Cuthbertson, D. H. Fletcher, W. Doak, D. Waters, J. B. Duncan, J. K. Smith, A. F. Kemp, W. Reid, J. Gillespie, W. Fraser, T. Stevenson, A. D. McDonald, Dr. Ormiston, Messrs. J. Middlemiss, R. Ure, W. Clark (L.), G. Smith, J. Parker, W. Johnston, Dr. Edmondson, Mr. Ure, Convener.

### SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Sabbath Schools. Mr. W. Gregg, Convener, Dr. Ormiston, Mr. J. Gray, Messrs. W. Johnston, W. Kerr, J. L. Blaikie.

### HOME AND FOREIGN RECORD.

Home and Messrs. J. M. King, A. Topp, W. Gregg, J. Dick, W. Fraser, R. F. Burns, G. Smith, J. L. Blaikie; Mr. King, Convener.

### SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Sabbath Observance. Messrs. P. Gray, A. Wilson, H. Gordon, W. McLaren, J. Laing, Dr. Taylor; Mr. Gray, Convener.

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### STATISTICS.

Messrs. J. Gray, W. Gregg, R. Torrance, A. Wilson, W. Reid, Statistics. J. M. King, Mr. Dallas, Mr. W. Kerr; Mr. Gray, Convener.

### STANDING COMMITTEE'S TRAVELLING EXPENSES.

On motion of Mr. Waters, the Synod agreed that a small Committee of five members be appointed by the Moderator to prepare Expenses Committee and mature a scheme, to be presented to the next meeting of mittee. Synod, for the payment of the travelling expenses of the members

### FOREIGN MISSIONS-DELIVERANCE.

The Committee to draft a Deliverance on the Report of the Foreign Missions, Committee on Foreign Missions, gave in a Report, which was deliverance on read by Mr. R. F. Burns. On motion of Mr. McVicar, the Report was received, and the Deliverance contained therein was adopted,

- 1. That the Synod instruct the Foreign Mission Committee to take steps to establish a Mission among the American Indians, in the event of the Committee feeling that the funds warrant such
- 2. That the Presbytery of Toronto with which Mr. Jamieson, of New Westminster, British Columbia, is connected, be directed to take steps to organize a Kirk Session in the congregation of New Westminster, and that so soon as three Kirk Sessions are constituted in British Columbia and Vancouver's Island, they be authorized to form a Presbytery.
- 3. That the Synod cordially approve the appointment of Mr. Duff as Missionary to British Columbia, and express its approbation of the liberal grant for the payment of his salary of £100 sterling, guaranteed by the Church of Scotland, and its deep sense of the valuable services to the mission rendered by the late Dr.
- 4. That the success of the Red River Mission, and British Columbia Mission, as exhibited in the Report, calls for gratitude to Almighty God, and for continued prayer and liberality on the

### DR. BURNS' RESIGNATION.

The Committee appointed at a former Sederunt to draft a suit-Dr. Burns' resigable minute on the retirement of Dr. Burns from the office of nation. Professor in Knox College, gave in a Report, which was read by Mr. D. Inglis. The Synod received the Report, and adopted the Deliverance therein contained, of the tenor following:

The Synod, in view of the retirement of their venerable father, Dr. Burns, from the duties of Professor in Knox College, agree to record the sentiments of esteem and affection with which they continue to regard him.

It is with a lively sense of gratitude to the great Head of the Church they acknowledge the eminent and rare abilities with

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which it has pleased Him to endow their much-beloved friend and father. The Synod would recognize the care and wisdom of God on behalf of His Church in having sent Dr. Burns to Canada, about twenty years ago, at a period of our history when his varied talents and the force of his character were so much needed, and His goodness to their much-respected father, in enabling him to labour so abundantly and efficiently, as a pastor in the Church, and as a Professor in the College, while at the same time he displayed such indomitable energy and zeal in preaching the unsearchable riches of Christ in the extensive Mission Field of the Church.

Although Dr. Burns has retired from the ordinary duties of the Professorial Chair, by reason of the infirmities of a good old age, yet the Synod rejoice that they still enjoy his presence among them as Emeritus Professor, and the benefit of his counsel and

The Synod would hereby give utterance to their earnest prayer that God would be pleased to prolong the life of His honoured servant in the Church, and crown the evening of his days with health, unclouded serenity, and usefulness.

Mr. J. T. Byrne, agent F. C. Miss. Soc. to address Synod.

The Synod agreed to request Mr. Byrne, Agent of the French Canadian Missionary Society, to address the Synod at the commencement of the next Sederunt, on behalf of the Society which he represents.

The Synod adjourned. Closed with the benediction.

### TWENTY-SECOND SEDERUNT.

COOKE'S CHURCH, TORONTO, THURSDAY, June 23, 1864, 3 o'clock, P.M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with devotional services, Mr. Hall leading in prayer.

The Minutes of the first Sederunt were read and sustained.

### PRINCE AND PRINCESS OF WALES-ADDRESS.

Prince and Prin-cess of Wales, Draft Address.

The Committee appointed at the early Sederunt to draft an Address to their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales, congratulating them on the birth of a son-and-heir to the British Throne, gave in a Report, which was read by Mr. Topp, the Convener. The Synod received the Report, adopted the Draft Address, and ordered the same to be engrossed, and transmitted through the usual channel.

### TRAVELLING EXPENSES-COMMITTEES.

Travelling expen-

The Committee which the Synod agreed, at the morning Sedesee of Commitrunt, to appoint, for the purpose of drawing up a scheme for the payment of the travelling expenses of General Committees, was named as follows: Mr. Ure, Convener; Messrs. Waters, Burns, McMullen, McPherson, Hon. Mr. McMurrich.

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REFERENCE--PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON-DR. IRVINE. The Synod received a Reference from the Presbytery of Hamil- Dr. Irvine, referton, asking leave to loose Dr. Irvine from his pastoral relation ence of Presby-with the congregation of Knox's Church Hamilton forthwish in tery of Hamilton with the congregation of Knox's Church, Hamilton, forthwith, in order to his being transferred to the Presbytery of Philadelphia, of the Presbyterian Church (O. S.) of the United States, with a view to his being inducted into the charge of Westminster Church congregation, Philadelphia, with as little delay as may be.

The Synod agreed to grant, as they do hereby grant, leave to the Presbytery in the matter of said Reference, as craved.

FRENCH-CANADIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY-MR. BYRNE'S ADDRESS.

The Rev. J. T. Byrne, Agent of the French-Canadian Missionary Mr. Byrne Society, addressed the Synod, recommending the claims of that addressed the Society to the favourable consideration and support of the Synod. Synod for F. C. Society to the favourable consideration and support of the Synod, Synod for Miss. Soc. and of the congregations of this Church.

On motion of Mr. R. F. Burns, seconded by Mr. Proudfoot, the Motion. Synod agreed to record the deep interest with which they have listened to the able address of the Rev. J. T. Byrne, Agent of the French-Canadian Missionary Society, their continued confidence in this excellent Society which he represents, and which they hereby commend to the continued liberality and prayers of the congregations of this Church.

### SANDWICH MISSION.

There was read, by Mr. Proudfoot, a Report of the Sandwich Sandwich Mis-Mission, giving details of the action of the Presbytery of London ston, Presbytery in regard to their management of that mission making several of London. in regard to their management of that mission, making several suggestions, and requesting the advice and support of the Synod.

On motion of Principal Willis, duly seconded, it was agreed, Resolution on That the Synod receive the Report of the Presbytery of London; ston. look most favourably on the interesting object of ameliorating the moral and religious condition of the French-Canadians in the Western District; and, without giving any opinion on the details of the contemplated plan, recommend the case to the congregations of the Church, as the Presbytery, on mature consideration, may see fit to present the same to them.

### STIPEND REPORT.

The Committee appointed last night to take into consideration Selaries of Ministhe large amount of arrears due on the salaries of Ministers, and ters, Report of the inadequacy of the support promised and to device means for Committee on. the inadequacy of the support promised, and to devise means for the better support of the Ministry amongst us, gave in a Report, which was read by Mr. Stevenson, the Convener.

On the motion of Mr. Ure, seconded by Mr. J. Scott (N.), the Synod agreed to receive the Report and adopt the recommendations therein contained, and at the same time ordered that the Report be printed in the Appendix to the Synod's Minutes.

### HOME MISSIONS.

The Synod called for the Report of the Committee on Home Home Missions Missions. The Report was given in and read by Mr. R. Ure, the Report.

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Report received, thanks to Committee, &c. On motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Caven, the Synod agreed, That the Report be received; the thanks of Synod given to the Convener for his interesting Report; express satisfaction with the increased measure of energy and liberality shown by the Presbyteries and congregations of the Church, in reference to Home Missions; and that the Report be printed in the Record, and in the Appendix to the Minutes of Synod.

### PROBATIONERS' SALARIES.

Probationers'

It was moved by Mr. Laing, seconded by Mr. McPherson, That the salaries of Probationers, employed in Home Mission work, be three hundred dollars (\$300) and board.

Amendment.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. Proudfoot, seconded by Mr. Hamilton, That the salaries of Preachers be three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350) per annum and board.

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A vote being taken, the motion of Mr. Laing was carried, and the Synod did and do decide and declare that the salaries of Probationers employed in Home Mission work, be three hundred dollars and board.

### CAUSES-REPORT OF HAMILTON CASES.

Causes Committee, Hamilton cases, Report. The Committee on Causes handed in a Report on the Reference from the Presbytery of Hamilton, embracing the several cases included in that Reference, of the tenor following:

June 23.—The Committee on Causes met, and was constituted.

The dissent and complaint of Dr. Irvine and others against the action of the Presbytery of Hamilton in the case of Jas. Walker, was taken up.

I. It was decided to consider first the reference by the Presbytery of Hamilton, by which the case is referred *simpliciter* to the Synod.

Papers were read, and parties were heard.

After lengthened conference, the Committee agreed to note, that important documents had not been put in by the Presbytery, viz.: copy of a letter addressed to Dr. Irvine by Mr. Starke, as convener of a Committee appointed by Presbytery to confer with parties interested; and Dr. Irvine's reply thereto. By the kindness of Dr. Irvine, however, and the use of the Records of Presbytery, the Committee were enabled to obtain a perusal of these documents.

The Committee regard the first action of the Presbytery, in seeking an amicable conference, as deserving of approval, inasmuch as it appeared to be an effort to carry out the decision of Synod of last year, and regret that Dr. Irvine and the congregation did not meet the Committee in conference.

The Committee cannot approve of the subsequent action of the Presbytery, inasmuch as it is not in harmony with the spirit of the decision of last Synod; charges being therein brought against the congregation which had not been substantiated in the Presby-

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The Committee further regret that the Presbytery took the unusual mode indicated in the papers, of serving the citation on the congregation, although the declinature of Dr. Irvine to do so may have rendered some such mode of procedure necessary, if the congregation were to be cited at all. Notwithstanding these peculiar features in the case, however, and keeping in view the important interests involved, the Committee resolved to recommend to the Synod that the Reference of the Presbytery be sus-

II. The Dissent and Complaint of Dr. Irvine and others against the action of the Presbytery of Hamilton, in receiving the Memorial of James Walker, anent the removal of his name from the Communion Roll of Knox's Church, Hamilton, was then taken

With consent of parties, the complaint was fallen from. The Committee agreed to recommend that the Synod consent to the withdrawal of this case, at the same time expressing their disapproval of proceedings which tend to impede the action of Presbyteries by Protests which are afterwards fallen from, when the matter comes up for adjudication.

III. The Committee proceeded to take up the Protest and Complaint, with Petition and Memorial of the Kirk Session of Knox's Church, Hamilton, against the action of the Presbytery of Hamilton. The papers were read, and it was unanimously agreed to recommend to the Synod that the complaint be received.

Parties were heard, and the Committee agreed to the following deliverance:-That under the 1st and 2nd heads of Complaint there is no ground for complaint, and in regard to the 3rd and 4th heads, that although the intentions of the Presbytery seem to have been to carry out the Deliverance of the Synod, as understood by them, and merely to ascertain the facts in the case, the Committee are nevertheless of the opinion that the character of the citation, and mode of serving it, afford ground for complaint. The Committee further recommend the Synod to declare that the status of Mr. Walker, as a member and office-bearer of the Church, cannot be affected by any action of the Session, until the matter in which he is a party shall have been adjudicated.

IV. The Protest and Appeal of Mr. Bethune and Dr. Irvine, against the decision of the Presbytery of Hamilton, in receiving the Report of the Committee appointed to confer with the congregation of Knox's Church, was taken up. Papers were read and parties heard. It was agreed to recommend to the Synod that the Dissent and Complaint be dismissed.

V. The Memorial of James Walker was then taken up. Parties being called for, there appeared James Walker for himself, and was heard at length. The congregation, though regularly cited,

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The Committee regret that in the absence of the party and papers above referred to, they find themselves precluded from entering on the merits of the case, declare that the right of appeal has been unjustly denied to Mr. Walker at the congregational meeting, referred to in the Memorial, although he is lying under a heavy pecuniary obligation, owing to his former position as Deacon of the Church, and recommend in the circumstances that the Synod appoint a Commission with power to dispose of the whole matter.

All which is respectfully submitted by

(Signed)

JOHN J. A. PROUDFOOT,

Convener of Committee.

Causes Committee Report adopted.

On motion made and seconded, the Synod agreed to receive the Report, and to adopt its recommendations, like as the Synod did, and do hereby receive and adopt the same.

Extracts craved.

Dr. Ormiston, on behalf of the Presbytery of Hamilton, craved extracts, which were granted.

Mr. Wilson Kennedy, on behalf of the congregation of Knox's Church, Hamilton, craved extracts, and these were granted.

The Synod adjourned, the diet being closed with the benediction.

### TWENTY-THIRD SEDERUNT.

COOKE'S CHURCH, TORONTO,

THURSDAY, June 23, 71 o'clock, P.M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with devotional exercises, Mr. Proudfoot, at the request of the Moderator, engaging in prayer.

The minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Record, Report

The Committee on the Home and Foreign Record gave in a Report, which was read by Mr. Gregg, the Convener. The Report was on motion received.

Ontario Presbytery, reference from Utica. There was received a Reference from the Presbytery of Ontario, in regard to the congregation of Utica.

The Synod, on account of the vague and informal nature of the Reference, agreed to dismiss the same.

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The Report recommended that the time for making up the full sum required, in order to secure an interest in the Fund, should be still further extended to the 1st of March, or, if preferable, the 1st of June, next year; and requested that the Synod should take into its own hands, and under favourable consideration, the application of the Presbytery of Huron, that Mr. Chas. Fletcher should be admitted to an interest in the Fund for Widows and

On motion made and seconded, the Report was received, and its Report received, recommendations adopted, with the exception of that relating to and adopted with the Rev. C. Fletcher, of Goderich, which it was agreed to deal exception.

### MR. FLETCHER'S CASE.

It was moved by Mr. McPherson, seconded by Mr. McRuer, Mr. Fletcher, That Mr. Fletcher be admitted to the benefit of this Fund, on application for, condition that he pay into the Fund the amount which an Actuary motion. may say he is in justice entitled to pay, either in one sum or in annual instalments, and remit to the Committee to deal with the

It was moved in amendment by Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Mr. 1. Amendment. Ure, That upon the payment of £20, Mr. Fletcher be admitted to the privileges of the Widows' Fund.

It was moved by Mr. Waters, seconded by Mr. Hamilton, Tha t 2. Amendment. in consideration of the services of the Rev. Chas. Fletcher, while a minister of the late United Presbyterian Church, he be admitted to the benefit of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund, upon the payment of an amount equal to that required from each of the congregations of the late United Presbyterian Church, the amount to be paid in four annual instalments.

Votes were taken, when the amendment of Mr. Waters was Decision, carried against the amendment of Mr. Gillespie and the motion of Mr. Waters' Mr. McPherson, and the Synod decided in terms of the motion of amendment. Mr. McPherson, and the Synod decided in terms of the said

Messrs. McPherson and McRuer craved leave to have their dis-Dissents. sent, with reasons, entered in the Synod's Minutes.

The Dissent and Reasons are of the tenor following:

I dissent from the decision of the Synod in regard to the conditions on which it was agreed to admit Mr. Fletcher to the benefit reasons for. of the Widows' Fund for the following reasons:

1. Thereby fundamental rules of the Fund have been violated.

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- 2. Injustice is done to those who have claims upon it, and an . interest in it.
- 3. The contributions in our congregations to the Fund will consequently be influenced injuriously to the Fund.

THOMAS MCPHERSON.

I join in the above reasons of Dissent with Mr. McPherson against the decision referred to.

(Signed)

D. McRuer.

Dissent, reasons

The Synod appointed the following Committee to answer the of Committee to Reasons of Dissent by Messrs. McPherson and McRuer, namely: Dr. Ormiston, Convener, Mr. Ure, Mr. Waters.

APPLICATION-MR. D. M'LEAN-PRESBYTERY OF GREY.

Mr. D. McLean, application on behalf of.

The Synod took up and read an application from the Presbytery of Grey, on behalf of Mr. Donald McLean, of Mount Forest, who has been prostrated by seemingly incurable disease, praying that, notwithstanding the comparatively short term of Mr. McLean's ministerial service, he be admitted to a participation in the Fund for Aged and Infirm Ministers.

Mr. McLean, application granted.

On motion of Mr. Gillespie, seconded by the Hon. Mr. McMurrich, the Synod agreed to entertain the application on behalf of Mr. McLean to be admitted to the benefit of the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund, and remit to the Committee on said Fund to deal with this case as liberally as the means at their disposal will admit.

### DR. CAIRNS-APPLICATION OF.

Dr. Cairns, Memorial.

There was taken up and read a Memorial from Dr. Cairns, praying for an addition of fifty dollars (\$50) to the allowance which he already received from the Fund for Aged and Infirm Ministers.

Motion.

It was moved by Laing, seconded by the Hon. Mr. McMurrich, That the prayer of the Memorial of Dr. Cairns be not granted.

Amendment.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. T. Wardrope, seconded by Principal Willis, That, in consideration of Dr. Cairns' long services and growing infirmities, his application be remitted to the Committee, with the recommendation that the grant to him be increased, should the Fund admit of it.

Amendment carried.

The amendment and the motion being put to vote, the amendment was carried, and the Synod decided in terms thereof.

### HAMILTON CASE-COMMISSION.

Hamilton case, Commission.

The Moderator now appointed the Commission recommended in the Report of the Committee on Causes, and agreed upon at the afternoon Sederunt, to deal with, and finally dispose of the Hamilton case, as set forth in the aforesaid Report, as follows: Mr. Topp, Mr. Mitchell, Convener, Messrs. Gregg, Gillespie, Caven, J. M. King, ministers; Messrs. J. Parker, Wm. Johnston, and M. C. Lutz, elders.

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### WIDOWS' FUND-MEMORIAL.

The Synod took up and read a Memorial from Chalmers' Church, Widows' Fund. Elora, in relation to the Widows' Fund, setting forth that the sum Elora Memorial. taken from the said Fund for the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund endangered the first-mentioned Fund, and representing the necessity of relieving the Widows' Fund from the charge aforesaid, and that a separate Fund be established for the support of Aged and Infirm Ministers.

The Synod agreed to give a general approval of the object of General apthe memorial, and to put it into the hands of the Committee on proval, referred to Committee. the Widows' Fund, with instructions to give it careful considera-

### DISSENT, ANSWERS.

The Committe appointed to answer the Reasons of Dissent Dissent, answers handed in by Messrs. McPherson and McRuer, in the matter of to reasons of. Mr. Charles Fletcher, brought in a Report embodying such answers, which were adopted, of the tenor following:

First.—That though from the peculiarities of the application, the rules could not be literally applied to the case, their spirit has not been violated by the finding of the Synod.

Second.-In reply to the second Reason of Dissent, it is answered, that from the conditions attached to Mr. Fletcher's admission, no injustice is done to those interested in the Fund.

Third.—The third Reason of Dissent, being a mere expression of individual opinion, does not appear to call for any reply.

The Synod adjourned, to meet to-morrow morning at nine o'clock. Closed with the benediction.

### TWENTY-FOURTH SEDERUNT.

COOKE'S CHURCH, TORONTO,

FRIDAY, June 24, 1864, 9 o'clock A. M.

The Synod met and was constituted with devotional exercises, Mr. Meldrum, at the request of the Moderator, leading in prayer.

The minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

### CHURCH MUSIC.

The Report of the Committee on Church Music, appointed last Church Music, year, was given in and read.

It was moved by Mr. J. K. Smith, seconded by Dr. Holden, Motion. That the Report be received, and that the Synod express general approval of its recommendations.

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It was moved, in amendment, by Mr. McPherson, seconded by Mr. McDonald, That the Report be received.

Amendment carried.

A vote was taken, the amendment was carried, and the Synod decided accordingly.

### FINANCE.

The Report of the Committee on Finance was handed in and

Finance, Report on.

On motion made and seconded, the Synod agreed, That the Report be received, and thanks be given to the Committee for the great care exercised by them, and that satisfaction be expressed with the results exhibited in the Report.

### BUXTON FINANCE.

**Buxton Mission** Finance.

The Synod took up and read the Report of the Finance Com. mittee of the Buxton Mission.

On motion made and seconded, the Report was received.

### BEQUESTS, INSTRUCTION ON.

Bequests,

On motion of Mr. Gauld, seconded by Mr. Gregg, it was agreed, resolution as to. That the Record Committee be instructed to procure from a competent party, a legal Form, for the guidance of all who may be disposed to leave bequests to the Church, and that the same be printed on the cover of the Record.

The Synod called for the Report of the Committee on Sabbath Sabbath Schools. Schools. No report was given in.

### PRAYER FOR KNOX COLLEGE.

Knox College, prayer for.

On motion made and seconded, it was agreed to recommend as the Synod did, and do hereby recommend that on the second Sabbath in October, special prayer be offered in all the congregations of the Church, on behalf of Knox College.

### THANKSGIVING DAY.

Thanksgiving Day.

The Synod agreed to empower the Moderator to call on the congregations of the Church, when it shall appear to him to be seasonable, to engage in such religious exercises, or to aid by correspondence with others concerned, in securing a general recognition by the community at large, of the hand of God, in such a way as may be suitable to the circumstances of the country towards the close of the year.

### TEMPERANCE.

Temperance, no Report.

The Synod called for the Report of the Committee on Temperance. The Convener of the Committee being absent, no report was presented.

### SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

The Synod called for the Report of the Committee on Sabbath The Convener stated verbally that they had no special information to form a Report, but that it would be well

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There was read, in connection with this subject, a letter from Dr. Mair, Secretary of the Sabbath Observance Association of Dr. Mair's letter.

It was agreed to refer this whole subject, together with the sabbath letter of Dr. Mair, to the Sabbath Observance Committee, with Committee instructions to take such steps as to them may seem right, to instruction to. promote the important object intrusted to them.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. McMurrich, the following resolution sabbath and was unanimously adopted: The Synod would express its satisfac Railways. tion that Railway Companies generally have evinced a desire to avoid unnecessry traffic on the Lord's day, and hope that they will continue to guard the sacredness of the Sabbath in every posoible way; at the same time would instruct the Committee to use all means in their power to promote this most important object.

### THANKS TO RAILROAD AND STEAMBOAT COMPANIES.

It was, on motion, resolved, That the thanks of the Synod are Thanks to due, and are hereby tendered to the several Railway and Steam-Railway and boat Companies for the ready and generous manner in which they Steamboat boat Companies for the ready and generous manner in which they Companies. acceded to the request to permit the members of the Synod, attending this session, to pass at half fares, or at reduced rates over the routes of travel under the control of such Companies.

### STATED COLLECTIONS.

The Synod ordered that the stated collections for the schemes collections. of the Church be made at the times undermentioned, namely:

For the Synod Fund, on the third Sabbath of July.

For the Widows' and Orphans' Fund, and for the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund, on the third Sabbath of October.

For the Home Mission Fund, on the third Sabbath of January.

For the Foreign Mission Fund, on the third Sabbath of April.

The Synod also recommended that a collection be taken up for French Canadian the French-Canadian Missionary Society, on the third Sabbath of Missionary September, or on such other day as may be most convenient to Society.

On motion of Mr. J. K. Smith, seconded by Mr. J. M. King, it special Collectives unanimously agreed, That the Synod recommend to congretors, Home gations, that instead of simply taking up a collection on the Mission Fund. Sabbath day for Home Missionary purposes, they employ special collectors, so as to draw forth larger contributions for this impor-

### KNOX COLLEGE.

In regard to contributions for the support of Knox College, the Knox College, Synod resolved, That the instructions of last Synod, in regard to Ordinary Fund, apportioning the contributions to be raised by the several Pres- order on.

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byteries and Congregations, be again acted on by the Board of Management, and that the last week of February be appointed as the time at which all contributions shall be remitted, and that congregations who can do so be urged to remit the money as much earlier as possible.

### . THANKS.

Thanks recorded. On motion made and duly seconded, the Synod agreed to record their thanks,

- 1. To the Accommodation Committee, for the faithful and efficient performance of the onerous duties with which they were charged.
- 2. To the Trustees and Congregation of Cooke's Church, Toronto, for the use of their Church during this meeting of Synod.
- 3. To the members of the Church, and other friends in the city of Toronto, for the hospitality extended to the Members of Synod.

### PRINTING-ORDER.

Printing, order for. The Synod ordered that 2,500 copies of the Minutes of this Session be printed, for the use of ministers and elders.

Synod closed.

The business being finished, the Moderator addressed the Synod. Devotional exercises were then engaged in, Psalm exxii. 6-9, being sung, and the Moderator offering prayer.

The Moderator then declared the Session of Synod closed, announced that the next ordinary meeting was appointed to be held in the city of Montreal, and within Coté Street Church, there, on the first Tuesday of June, 1865, at 7 o'clock in the evening, and closed the Session by pronouncing the Apostolic Benediction.

JOHN McTavish, Moderator.

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ACCOUNTS OF THE CHURCH FROM 1st MAY, 1863, TO 30th APRIL, 1864, AS AUDITED FOR PRESENTATION TO SYNOD.

### KNOX COLLEGE-ORDINARY FUND.

	KNOX COLLEGE—ORDINARI TO				
1864.	RECEIPTS.				
	Amount received during year	\$5,966	67		
April 30.	Balance at Dr	2,314	66	\$8,281	99
1863.	EXPENDITURE.			ф0,201	00
		\$2,904	39		
May 1.	Balance at Dr	4,348			
	Mr. McColl, Tutor	50			
	Mr. Willing, on account	350			
	Sundry repairs, &c	153	46		
	Printing and Advertising	62	51		
	Books for Library, &c	21	13		
	Interest on unpaid bal. purchase money.	146			
	Interest for sundry advances	93	59		
	Insurance		62		
	Corporation for Sewerage rate		13		
	Discount an silver, &c	27	30		
			-	8,281	33
	BURSARY FUND.				
1863.	RECEIPTS.				
May 1.	Balance on Cr	\$307			
	Hon. I. Buchanan, M.P.P.		00		
	Mrs. Esson and Mrs. Sparks, for H. Esson Bur.	20	00		
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	Interest	68	00		
	Mrs. Gibb, Woodfield, Quebec, for "Gibb Scholarship"	800	00	7.	
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	EXPENDITURE,				
	Paid A. B. Simpson, Prince of Wales Prize	\$60	00		
	J. Baikie, John Knox Bursary		00		
	F. W. Farries, G. Buchanan Bursary		00		
	J. Aull, Henry Esson Bursary		00		
	D. Davidson, 1st Gaelic Bursary		00		
	H. Currie, 2nd Gaelic Bursary		00		
	John McColl, Prize for Pulpit Reading		00		
	Sundry sums granted to Students	125			
	Balance in hand	940	21	41 005	01
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Special Widows' Fund.—The total amount received, up to 30th April, for Special Widows' Fund, including Interest, was \$3,897 02. There has been received up to June 24th, in all the sum of \$5,100.

### FUND FOR AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS.

1863.	RECEIPTS.				
	Balance at beginning of year	\$974	51		
may 1.	Sundry receipts	227	62		
	One-half Cong. collections for Widows' Fund.	820	00		
	Proportion of Interest	25	00		
			-	2,047	13
	EXPENDITURE.				
	Annuities to Ministers	\$660	00		
\$0 BC05	Amount invested	700	00		
	Proportion of General Expenses	25	00		
	" Salary	30	00		
	" Discount on silver, &c	8	00		
	Balance in hand	624	13	Libbe n	
			-	\$2,047	13
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	FOREIGN MISSION FUND.				
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1863.	RECEIPTS.				
May 1.	Balance at beginning of year	\$3,484	55		
	Received during the year	3,475	59		
	Amount in hands of J. Redpath, Esq. at be-				
	ginning of year	2,106			
	Total Interest received	184	34		
	na eres		_	\$9,250	92
	EXPENDITURE.				
	Paid Rev. R. Jamieson, on account	\$1,550			
	Rev. J. Nisbet	1,005	-		
	Rev. D. Duff, for Outfit	200			
	" Passage	210			
	Quarter's salary	250			
	For Church at New Westminster	300			
	" Assiniboine	200			
	Advertising, &c	14	10		
	Sundry expenses incurred by Rev. R. F.	00	10		
	Burns, Convener	A LOUIS AND A SECTION	19		
	Proportion of General Expenses		50		
	" Salary		00		
	Discount on silver, worre	5,381	- 3 22		
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	EXPENDITURE. \$2,561	
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	Proportion of general expenses \$376 10	
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Rev. W. Fraser, salary	100	00		
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Printing Statements, &c., for Synod	87			
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Engrossing Addresses to Queen, &c	156			
Printing Synod Minutes	_			
Stamps, and Express charges for Synod Minutes.	23			
Account, Globe Office, for advertising		79		
W. Oliver, account for Printing	15	00		
Sundry accounts for printing	44	95		
For general expenses	85	00		
Discount on silver, &c., &c	15	00		
On account of salary of general agent	900	00		
	169			
Balance	100	00	1,672	09
			1,012	32
FRENCH-CANADIAN MISSIONARY SOC	IETY.			
RECEIPTS.				
Balance from last year	\$135	75		
Congregational collections, &c	1198			
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EXPENDITURE.	i note			
Amount paid	\$1,050	35		
Proportion of general expenses	25	00		
" Salary	25			
" Discount on silver	-	00		
	228			
Balance	220		1,334	43
on el				
BUXTON MISSION.				
RECEIPTS.				
Balance at beginning of year	\$11	28		
Balance of grant from Home Mission Fund	200			
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Sundry receipts				
Balance at Dr	501	02	AHOO	00
EXPENDITURE.			\$760	32
Rev. W. King, balance of salary for last year,	450	00		
1862-3	\$50			
Rev. W. King, on account of 1863-4	393			
For Teachers	317	00		
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RECEIPTS.				
Balance at beginning of year	\$1,628	01		
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### THIRD REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS.

Your Committee were this year prepared to submit the Statistical Return and Financial Statement along with this Report, at the opening Sederunt of the Synod, but they have, as usual, been prevented by the neglect of several congregations in not transmitting their returns. At first numbering upwards of twenty settled charges, they have since been reduced to thirteen, with about an equal number of vacant congregations.

They are as follows:
Verulara, in the Cobourg Presbytery; Erskine Church and Claremont, in the Ontario Presbytery; First Church, Guelph, in the Guelph Presbytery; Walker'on, and West Brant and Carrick, in the Grey Presbytery; Winchester, in the Brockville Presbytery; Smith's Falls, in the Ottawa Presbytery; Napier and Mandawmin, in the London Presbytery; Stayner, &c., Mono, and Bradford, and West Gwillimbury, in the Toronto Presbytery. To these are to be added the vacant congregations of Ashburn and Utica, Chippawa, Cumberland, Georgetown, Kilbride, Mount Forest, Morrisburgh, Pembroke, Perry-

town and Oakhills, 2nd Church Southampton and Dumblane, Pakenham and Tarbolton, Renfrew, and Yonge, and Lyn.

Your Committee have pleasure in stating that the following Presbyteries have sent in returns, which may be regarded as complete, viz.: Montreal, Kingston, Stratford, Huron, Paris and Hamilton, and six other Presbyteries

have complete returns, so far as the settled charges are concerned, with the

exception of one congregation in each.

When, however, the two elements of completeness in the filling up of each blank column, and the duly ascertained correctness of the figures which comprise the various items are taken into account, much yet requires to be accomplished, and the careful superintendence of the whole matter is again earnestly urged upon Presbyteries, with the view of not menely a few, but the whole of the fourteen, into which our Church is divided, taking a deeper interest in the subject than they have hitherto done.

The usual table, exhibiting in a small compass the general results derived

from a comparison of the Returns, is next submitted:

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Presbytert.	Communicants	Addition.	Diminution.	Baptisms.	Sab'th Schools	Bible Classes.	Weekly Meetings.	Elders.	Other Office- bearers.	Ministers.	Preaching Stations.	Average Attendance.
Montreal	4.588	578	195	401	1,887	960	721	. 52	269	29	66	8,562
Brockville	1,335	125	82	104	852	260	12	53	70	10	35	2.200
Ottawa	1.931	162	70	171	858	212	20	62	96	11	36	3.09
Kingston	1 352	145	62	157	849	215	10	66	58	12	33	2,600
Cobourg	2.598	251	204	312	865	357	19	84	125	14	31	4.500
Ontario	1.656	128	107	160	1.142	299	28	60	116	11	28	3,500
Toronto	4 248	484	284	531	2.023	849	30	163	204	30	66	8,000
Guelph	3,810	366	234	427	1,389	.379	204	116	180	16	32	6,860
Hamilton	3.436	413	233	368	1.863	467	33	101	154	17	41	4,36
Paris	2.800	254	173	301	1.392	407	20	108	175	17	27	8.00
London	3.334	314	148	388	2,140	856	40	129	214	25	66 35	4.00
Huron	2,446	245	76	445	1,261	321	23	90	110	14	27	4,11
Stratford	2.056	261	90	265	889	425		68	152	13		2,40
Grey	1.477	247	85	195	869	148	18	59	108	14	36	2,20
Total	37.067	3.973	2,041	4,225	18.279	6,155	380	1,301	2 031	233	559	68,18
Approximate estimate	40,000	4.100	2,100	4 500	21,000	6,400		1,450	2,200		600	73,00
Do. of last year	38,000			4.100	20,000	6,000	440	1,400	2,100	232	550	67,00
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Until the Returns from every congregation are complete, it is impossible to get more than approximate results based upon a careful comparison made with great labour of the various returns sent in; and this investigation exhibits cheering proofs of growth and progress, except in two important particularsministers and weekly meetings. So far as the former are concerned, the past Synodical year has been marked by unusually numerous changes. Five have been removed by the hand of death, two superannuated, one obliged to retire from ill health, and another declared to be no longer a minister of our Church, making in all a diminution of nine. To these are to be added several who, for various reasons, have demitted their respective charges. stances are taken into account, the wonder is that there has been no actual decrease, instead of an increase of one. These facts, however, call for more earnest prayer to the Lord of the vineyard that He may raise up a more numerous body of labourers to replace those who have fallen, bearing the heat and burden of the day. Looking, moreover, at the failing health of so many ministers, and the advancing years of others, the number of those disabled in the Lord's work must continue to increase, and the attention of the Synod is, therefore, called to their cases, with the view of legislating respecting their

The decrease in the number of weekly meetings is also deserving of serious consideration, though it is fondly hoped that it indicates no decay of vital god-liness, and no diminution of the spirit of reaver.

Attention is again directed to the ascertained discrepancy between the number of sittings and of worshippers in many of the Churches, and to the consequent necessity of increased efforts being put forth to augment the attendance on the means of grace.

The numbers present at the meeting of the Supreme Court exhibit year by year a gratitying increase, and shew, not only the deep interest taken in its proceedings, but also the growth of our beloved Zion.

This year there are present, of ministers, 175, and of elders 98, in all, 283. Last year there were present, of ministers, 170, and of elders 90, in all, 260. Increase of ministers, 15, and of elders 8: in all, 23.

The total number of ministers on the roll of Synod, including professors, &c., are 243.

With these explanatory remarks, the Committee next submit the usual Tabular Financial Statement:—

PRESBYTERY.	Stipend paid.	Arrears due.	All other Congress'l Contribs.	College Fund.	Home Mission Fund.	Foreign Mission Fund.	W. & O. & A. M. Fund.	Synod Fund.	F Can. Mission Fund.	Отрет ревечојев орјесtв.	Total Congreg1 Coutrib'ns	Cong's in Arrest.	Ministers reporting.
Vontrea	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c. 245 74	\$ c.	\$ c.	12	8
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,	5,775 88	654 35	2,984 00	182 12	281 24	119 87	101 74	69 88	145 70	334 71	8,909 55	40	10
Kingston	6,629 52	629 65	2,692 55	254 67	621 06	54 72	74 58	66 41	25 40	54 02	10,472 94	4	12
Cobourg	7,048 84	1,549 91	9,866 61	284 73	407 35	207 87	121 19	84 12	178 16	405 50	19,461 84	-	13
Ontario	5,459 17	1,261 47	1,244 76	196 83	255 48	213 77	120 15	61 20	160 87	209 10	8,973 58	9	10
Toronto	12,689 81	528 07	10,828 09	1,009 56	523 71	422 12	294 51	144 41	295 24	530 25	29,267 36	4	22
Guelph	10,887 30	1,664 67	7,413 03	513 40	1,188 36	270 25	282 52	175 95	202 28	861 02	21,413 61	9	15
Hamilton	12 752 68	242 39	11,771 68	654 27	586 97	458 70	345 06	169 89	309 22	1,038 77	28,087 37	60	18
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Many of the facts elicited from an examination of this table call for the gravest thought. Notwithstanding the agricultural and commercial depression which has characterized the past year, the gross contributions to the Stipend Fund amount to \$122,035, as compared with \$112,500 reported to last Synod. The arrears due are, moreover, scarcely so large as formerly, being about \$15,000, or one-eighth of the Stipend Fund, instead of the proportion of one-ontario, Toronto, Hamilton, London, and Stratford, the arrears have been re-Brockville, Guelph, Cobourg, Huron, and Grey. The Presbytery of Paris occurres the enviable position of being, as respects ministerial support, the model Presbytery of our Church, by shewing no arrears due to any of its ministers.

A small improvement is evinced in the right direction in the number of congregations indebted to their pastors. Last year, 83 out of 216, who gave in a Financial Report, were thus unhappily situated, while this year they number 78 out of 220. Of these, 40 are in arrears for more than \$100, rising up from that sum to upwards of \$500. Without giving the names, your Committee call the earnest attention of Presbyteries to the fact that five are found in this undesirable position in the Montreal, four in the Brockville, two in the Ottawa, two in the Kingston, four in the Cobourg, two in the Ontario, two in the Toronto, three in the Guelph, one in the London, four in the Stratford, five in the Huron, and six in the Grey Presbytery. It is recommended that the cases in which these large accumulations of arrears have occurred, be at once dealt with by the Church Court, for it is impossible that either pastors or people can enjoy any real comfort, prosperity, or increase, so long as they are kept down by such heavy pecuniary burdens. Various remedies might be suggested, but perhaps the most ready and efficacious is judicious and faithful dealing on the part of Presbyteries with ministers and congregations, accompanied by an investigation on the spot, into the origin of the arrears in question, and the proposal of such an arrangement between the parties concerned as the circumstances of the case may demand.

In contrast with this dark picture of the financial state of so many congregations, there are others, becoming every year more numerous, who are giving their ministers a larger stipend than they promised, either by way of special donations, or stated increase of salary.

The financial state of the College has, for the two past Synodlcal years, been such as to excite the grave alarm of its best friends; but this year the increase in the fund is encouraging to every true friend of the noble institution, though not by any means so great as might reasonably have been expected. This increase only amounts to about \$600, or at the rate of between fifteen and sixteen cents for each communicant. It is still to be deplored that so many as thirty three congregations have contributed nothing to the College Fund during the year. These your Committee will not specify further than by stating that twelve are in the Montreal, four in the Brockville, two in the Ottawa, two in the Kingston, one in the Cobourg, two in the Ontario, three in the Toronto, three in the Hamilton, two in the Huron, and two in the Grey Presbytery. In the Presbyteries of Paris, Guelph, Stratford, and London, every reporting contharges is left to their respective Presbyteries, and the attention of the Montreal Presbytery is directed to the large number within its bounds that occupy this unfavourable position.

The Home Mission Fund continues to hold its place as the most popular and best supported of the Synodical schemes. This year, owing partly to a special effort of the Montreal Presbytery, the increase, as compared with last year, amounts to \$3,342, raising the Fund to nearly \$9,000. Were it possible to get a complete statement from the numerous Mission Stations, this large sum would be considerably augmented.

All the other schemes shew an increased income, and prove that they are

benefitted as the cause makes progress.

A comparison of the Returns shews a small increase in the average contribution of each communicant to the Stipend Fund from \$3.15 last year to \$3.20

this year, and in the total contributions from \$6.25 to \$6.39.

Last year it was recommended that a Pastoral Letter be issued, setting forth the privilege and duty of Christian I iberality, but, as no one was specially charged with the duty, no practical steps could be taken to carry out the recommendation. Your Committee now leave the whole matter in the hands of your reverend Court, with the hope that such a course as in its wisdom may be deemed best may be pursued for the purpose of removing the painfully oppressive load of arrears which burdens the Stipend Fund, and of infusing into our people a spirit of more self-denying liberality.

JOHN GRAY, Convener.

Toronto, June, 1864.

### HOME MISSION REPORT.

The following is a summary of the Home Mission operations in the several Presbyteries during the past year:—

PRESENTERY OF GREY.—This large and important Presbytery has, in all, seven groups of stations, viz.: Collingwood Mountain, and Craigleith, Proton, Egremont, Brant, North and South Sullivan, Tara and Derby, Keppel and Sarawak. Were there the necessary means, other stations might be occupied. The stations are mostly self-sustaining, except Proton and Collingwood Mountain. The amount raised for missions during the year was \$1,045.

PRESBYTERY OF HURON.—In this Presbytery we have one vacant congregation and nine groups of stations, viz.: Kincardine, Knox's Church, with 8th Line, with about 300 families and 70 members; Ashfield and Huron, with 150 families and about 70 members; South Kinloss, 100 families and 40 members; St. Helens, 55 families, 70 members; Ainleysville. Cranbrook, and Walton, 120 fam lies and 86 members; Thames Road and Kirkton, about 100 and 146 members; Wingham and Bluevale, with associated stations, 100 families and 130 members. Stations could be opened also in Stephen and Hay. The amount raised and expended for missionary operations was \$1,255,

PRESBYTERY OF STRATFORD,—In the bounds of this Presbytery there is one vacant congregation (Mitchell), and one mission station, the station being Burns' Church, East Zorra, where there are 34 families and 17 communicants, The total amount raised for Home Mission purposes was \$521 27, the additional sum of \$368 having been paid by Mitchell, for their supplies.

PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.—In this extensive Presbytery there are, in all, eight vacant congregations and nine mission stations; the number of families connected with them being about 956. Of the vacancies and stations, four

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Preservery of Paris.—In this Presbytery there are, in all, three vacant congregations, viz.: Ratho and Innerkip, Wellington St. Brantford, and Beachville, the last mentioned being scarcely in a position to support ordinances. There is also an organized congregation in East Oxford, which is not able to sustain ordinances by itself, and has been supplied by the Rev. J. Gillespie, of Blenheim. The amount raised for Home Missions was \$308 13.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.—This Presbytery reports three vacant congregations, viz.: Waterdown and Wellington Square, Dundas, Pelham, and Iand, Chippewa, Kilbride, and Walsingham. The average attendance at all \$1,352-75.

PRESBYTERY OF GUELPH.—In this Presbytery there are four vacant congregations, viz.: Knox's Church, Galt, Nassagaweya, Woolwich, and East Puslinch; also eight mission stations, the principal being Rothsay and Wallace, Arthur and Kenilworth, Everton and Mimosa. The amount raised for Home Mission purposes was \$1,188 36.

Presbytery of Toronto.—In this Presbytery there are four vacant congregations and eight mission stations. The vacant congregations are Brampton and Temple, Tecumseth 1st and 2nd, Caledon and Mono Mills, Oro West, Streetsville, and Mono centre and west having recently obtained each a settled Muskoka and Mara, West Church, Toronto, Cedar Grove and York Town Line. In addition to these, three mission fields have just been commenced by the Presbytery, viz., Penetanguishene and Coldwater, Mulmur and Melancthon, Newmarket and Mount Albert. The state of the field is, on the whole, encouraging. The number of distinct stations supplied more or less regularly \$3,004.

PRESBYTERY OF ONTARIO.—This Presbytery has of congregations and mission stations in all fifteen, including Columbus and Brooklin, Ashburn and Utica, Whitby, Manilla, Lindsay, &c. The ordinary average attendance was about 1,250. The amount raised for Home Mission objects was \$2,992 73.

PRESBYTERY OF COBOURG.—This Presbytery, (beside the vacant congregations of Perrytown and Oakhills,) has four groups of stations, viz.: Warsaw, with 13 families and 25 members; Kinmount, 30 families and 20 members; Minden, 50 families and 20 members; and Burleigh Road. The three last mentioned groups of stations are in the newly-settled townships of the north, where the openings are most important. A detailed account of these stations appeared in the June number of the Home and Foreign Record. The amount raised by the congregations was \$407 35.

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.—In this Presbytery there are five different fields of labour, viz.: Lansdowne, Ballynahinch, Bath, Hinchinbrook, and North-Hastings. The last mentioned place embraces an extensive district, in which

there are many Presbyterians, although much scattered. It is a necessitated field, but the working of it would require a large outlay of means. The amount raised for Home Mission purposes was \$1,042.

PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE -In this Presbytery there are five groups of stations, viz : Yonge and Lyn, with 50 families; Williamsburgh, 44 families; Finch, 30 families; Merickville, 50 families; Beverley, 40 families. would require a Gaelic Missionary. The amount expended for Home Missions was \$560 25.

PRESBYTERY OF OTTAWA.—This Presbytery has, in all, ten vacancies and mission stations, viz : Pembroke, Cumberland, Dalhousie, Renfrew, Thurso, and Lochaber, Russell and E. Gloucester, Tarbolton and Pakenham, Aylwin, and Templeton. The last two mentioned places are new stations. The congregations and stations have been supplied with more or less regularity. The amount raised for Home Missions was \$700.

PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL —This Presbytery has about fifteen congregations and stations, several of them in remote and necessitous districts. The following are the vacant congregations and mission stations: Martintown and Williamstown, Farnham, Durham, Laguerre, Metis, (supplied by an ordained missionary) Alexandra, Harrirgton, Kennebec, Lake Beauport, Stoneham, Frampton, Port Neuf, Sherbrooke, Cote des Neiges, Sherbrooke. The amount raised for Home Mission purposes was \$3,113.

The following tabular statement will give, at one glance, a view of the mission field of the church:

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There were 50 labourers engaged during the year in Home Mission work, 30 being probationers, and 20 students.

SYNOD'S CENTRAL FUND. - The amount received for the Synod's Central Fund was, exclusive of balance from last year, \$1,526 44, being contributed as follows: Presbytery of Montreal, \$11 50; Ottawa, \$26 19; Brockville, \$32 60; Kingston, \$32; Cobourg. \$49 66; Ontario, \$28 55; Toronto, \$489 20; Guelph, \$51 29; Hamilton, \$216 47; Paris, \$183; London, —; Stratford, \$219 81; Huron, \$5 87; Grey, \$60: Donations, &c., \$93 16. The published accounts show the disbursement.

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### ABSTRACT OF REPORT OF COLLEGE BOARD.

I. STUDENTS.—The total number of Matriculated Students in the several classes was 55. Of these there were in the Senior Theological Class, 9, in the Second Class, 9, and in the Junior Class, 14; in the Senior Preparatory Class, 13, in the Second Class, 7, and in the Junior Class, 3. The

1. THIRD, OR SENIOR THEOLOGICAL CLASS.—E. Bauld, John Ferguson, Stephen Young, George McLennan, William Caven, James Hubbert, John Burton,

2. Second Theological Class.—W. M. Roger, K. McDonald, Allan Findlay, James Baikie, H. McQuarrie, D. Fotheringham, John McColl, R. N. Grant,

3. JUNIOR THEOLOGICAL CLASS.—W. H. Simpson, J. Hastie, J. F. Forbes, A. McLennan, Archibald McLean, J. Little, R. H. Warden, Duncan Davidson, Peter Wright, George Sutherland, Alex. Thompson, William Grant, R. Knowles, T. H. Burkitt.

4. SENIOR CLASS IN LITERARY DEPARTMENT. - John Aull, F. W. Farries, J. A. G. Calder, J. Becket, Edward Reeve, Thomas McKee, H. B. Crozier, J. Carswell, James Pritchard, John McNabb, Mungo Frazer, J. B. Edmund-

5. Second Literary Class.—W. Burns, R. M. Croll, N. Clark, J. P. Baikie, Hugh Currie, J. A. F. McBain, K. McRae.

6. JUNIOR LITERARY CLASS.—John M. Munro, James Allison, Jos. H. Paradis. II. Funds.—The Treasurer's account shews an increase of over \$1,200 as compared with the preceding year-an increase no doubt mainly owing to the special means adopted by the Board and carried out by most of the Presbyteries. The following statement shows the contributions by the several

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III. Bursaries.—The amount received on account of this fund has been \$978, including the sum of \$800 from Mrs. Gibb, of Woodfield, Quebec, for the establishment of a Scholarship or Prize for Sacred Rhetoric. For this donation the best thanks of the Synod are due to Mrs. Gibb. The Prince of Wales Prize was obtained this year by Mr. A. B. Simpson; the John Knox Bursary by Mr. J. Baikie; the George Buchanan by Mr. F. W. Farries; the first Gaelic by Mr. Duncan Davidson, and the second by Mr. Hugh Currie. Mr. John McColl obtained a prize for public reading. The whole sum paid on account of the Bursaries open to competition and to aid Students, was \$345.

IV. The Board transmit to the Synod the following communications, viz.:

 Letter from Rev. G. P. Young, intimating his resignation of his chair in the College;
 a letter from Dr. Burns, expressing his desire for aid in the discharge of the duties of his chair; and
 a letter from Principal

Willis on the subject of his salary.

JAMES DICK, Chairman.

DRAFT OF AN ACT FOR THE CONSTITUTION OF A GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AND DISTRICT SYNODS, REMITTED TO PRESBYTERIES, BY THE SYNOD.

Whereas it is of importance for the welfare and good government of the Church, that a General Assembly and certain District Synods should forthwith be instituted in the Canada Presbyterian Church:—

Be it therefore resolved and enacted, by and with the consent of the Presbyteries, in terms of the barrier act, viz.:

I.—That, in the year 1865, there shall be constituted a Supreme Court of this church, instead of the present Synod, which shall be styled and entitled the General Assembly of the Canada Presbyterian Church, and which shall possess and enjoy all the powers, privileges, and immunities which at present belong to the Synod of the said Church.

II.—The General Assembly shall consist of one-half of the whole number of the Ministers on the Roll of the several Presbyteries, with an equal number of representative Elders, or of such other proportion as may at any time be lawfully determined on; and said members shall be appointed in the manner

following, viz.:

1. At an ordinary meeting of the Presbytery, held at least thirty days before the meeting of the General Assembly, one-half of the proportional number of Ministers which any Presbytery may have to send shall be appointed by election; the other half by rotation, beginning at the top of the Presbytery Roll, and so on in rotation from year to year. The Elders shall be appointed by election from the Roll of the Presbytery, provided always that it shall be lawful to appoint one-fifth of the number from the acting Elders of any of the congregation of the Church.

2. The Presbytery shall forthwith grant to the Ministers and Elders thus elected and appointed, Commissions in due form, attested by their Clerk, which Commissions said members shall forward to the Clerk of the General Assembly at least eight days before its meeting; and said Clerk shall from such Commis-

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3. If uneven numbers should occur in the Rolls of Presbyteries, then they shall in every such case make an equitable adjustment of the representation thereto, subject always to the review of the Assembly.

III.—The General Assembly shall hold its first meeting at Toronto, C. W., on such day and in such place as may on adjournment be determined by the Synod, and thereafter as the Assembly itself shall determine; and the Moderator shall be nominated and appointed in the same manner as the Moderator of the Synod has heretofore been, or as may otherwise be hereafter determined.

IV.—There shall be constituted three District Synods, immediately subordinate to the General Assembly, but having superior and appellate jurisdiction over Presbyteries, Sessions and Congregations within their respective bounds; and which shall possess and enjoy all such other subordinate powers. and privileges as may from time to time be granted them by the General Assembly. There shall also be the right of appeal, reference, petition and overture from and to said Synods; and they shall be styled and constituted

1. The Synod of Toronto, which shall comprise all the Ministers and Elders on the Rolls of the Presbyteries of Toronto, Hamilton, Grey, Ontario, and Cobourg. The Synod shall meet at Toronto, within Knox Church, on the - day of -, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-, at - o'clock, , and thereafter by regular adjournment at such time and place as the Synod itself may determine and appoint. The first Moderator shall be the

2. The Synod of London, which shall comprise all the Ministers and Elders on the Rolls of the Presbyteries of London, Huron, Stratford, Paris, and Guelph, and small meet at London, within — Church, on the — day of —, one thousand eight hundred and sixty—, at — o'clock, and thereafter by regular adjournment at such time and place as the Synod itself may determine and appoint. The first Moderator shall be the Rev

3. The Synod of Montreal, which shall comprise all the Ministers and Elders on the Rolls of the Presbyteries of Montreal, Ottawa, Brockville, and Kingston, and shall meet at Montreal at Lagauchetiere-street Church, on the of -, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-, at - o'clock, and thereafter by regular adjournment at such time and place as the Synod itself may determine and appoint. The first Moderator shall be the Rev.

4. The Clerks of the several Presbyteries shall send certified Rolls of their Presbyteries to the Clerks of their respective Synods, at least eight days before the meetings of said Synods; and such Rolls shall be the rolls Respectively of

5. The Moderators of said Synods shall, in all meetings after the first, be nominated and appointed by open vote, or in such other manner as the Synod itself may from time to time determine. The business shall be conducted in the same manner mutatis mutandis, as is the business of the General Assembly; provided, nevertheless, that the Synods shall have power from time to time to frame, alter, and amend such other and additional standing orders as they may deem necessary for their own orderly procedure.

6. Said Synods shall meet once and not oftener than twice during the ecclesiastical year, and shall annually send up their Minute Books for exam-

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### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF RELIGION.

Your Committee have to report that, in prosecution of the solemn and important trust received from you in their appointment to be a Committee on the State of Religion, they met, on the call of the Convener, in Galt, upon the 9th February last, when there were six members present, and agreed upon a series of questions, which they thought fitted to elicit the information which the Synod, and the Church, through you, required. Owing to circumstances to which it is unnecessary here to do more than advert, it was concluded that there would not be time to communicate, through Presbyteries, with Sessions and Congregations, and obtain replies, although your Committee believe that this would have been the orderly course of procedure, while it would have saved them a large amount of labour. Printed circulars were prepared, one of which was addressed to each Minister (241 in all) whose name stands upon the Roll of Synod for 1863, and to every vacancy in which the Convener knew the Post Office address of any office-bearer or member. To these, returns from 73 congregations have been received, or fewer than one-third. While we may learn from these the state of religion in the congregations to which they refer, it must be quite manifest that we can have no correct knowledge of it throughout the Church. It is, therefore, with anything but a spirit of alacrity that they apply themselves to give a summary of the contents of the replies with which they have been furnished. A report from the Committee on the State of Religion, to be of any value, should embrace the great majority of the congregations which the Church comprises. Out of respect, however, to your Court, and to the parties who have had such a sense of courtesy as to supply us with the information sought, and in the hope that in future years there will not be the same ground of complaint that we have now stated, your Committee will proceed to give a brief view of the religious condition of the congregations that

To the first question, "Do you see any fruit as the result of your labours in the congregation, prayer meeting, Bible class, or Sabbath school, and in what form do they manifest themselves?" almost all the answers are in the affirmative, and to the effect, that although nothing striking or special has occurred during the past year, yet fruits are visible in the increased attendance upon public ordinances, in the increased attention and seriousness of those who take part in them, and in the increased number that meet in the Bible class and Sabbath school-those nurseries of the Church, or schools of divinity, in which so many of the doctrines of the gospel are communicated and may be acquired. One writer says, "Not in any extremely marked manner, except by improved attendance upon the means of grace, greater outward seriousness, more intelligent acquaintance with divine truth, a higher tone of morality, occasional striking cases of conversion, a gradual increase of communicants, and warmer interest in divine things." Another says, "It would not be right to say that we see no fruit as the result of the preaching and teaching of the word of God. Some, who were neglecting God and living in sin, have, so far as human judgment can discern, returned to him. Prayer meetings and the services of the sanctuary on the Lord's day are numerously attended, and with apparent seriousness; but, after all we can say with regard to promising appearances, decided fruit is rare indeed." A third replies, "Some; though less than we could desire. The profession of Christ's name by a considerable number, a spirit of earnest inquiry on the part of a few, manifesting itself in a desire for conversation with the pastor on the way of salvation, and a very general waiting

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The cases are comparatively few, in which an affirmative answer is given to the second question, "Do the young baptized persons of the congregation show a disposition to avail themselves of the full enjoyment of sealing ordinances?" and the impression left upon the minds of your Committee is, that in the majority, and in by far the great majority of our congregations, young persons do not evince a disposition to join themselves to the Lord in an everlasting covenant, and profess their faith in Christ over the symbols of his broken body and shed blood. Your Committee state the fact, and forbear comment. But it is one worthy of the earnest and prayerful consideration of the Church, and of every pastor and elder in particular. One writer reports, "Very many of them do, although a few come to years do not, come to the table of the Lord," Another, with two stations, says, "In the one they do, in the other they do not." A third gives an unqualified affirmative reply. A fourth says, "Only to a limited extent." On referring to the answers, we find that the minority is "Yes," that the far greater number is "No," and that the majority is qualified with such expressions as "Young females show the greater disposition," or "some do," or "considerable."

To the third question, "In the ministrations of the pulpit, and in personal dealings with them, are they urged to consider the obligations resting upon them by their baptism, to give themselves to the Saviour, and to make a full profession of the faith of Christ?" a few acknowledge that they have been deficient in this duty; others say that they have never pressed it upon the basis presented in the question; and others say that both in their pulpit ministrations and visits from house to house, they inculcate the obligation. We believe that most are faithful in the matter, while we could like to see that not only ministers but elders also urged the young both of their own districts and of the congregation at large to make a full profession of the faith of Christ.

Fourth question: "In pulpit services, is due prominence given to the exposition of the Word?" Almost all report that due or considerable prominence is given to the exposition of the word of God in pulpit services. Some appear to make merely running comments on the chapter they read; others lecture upon portions of the inspired oracles, and upon books in succession, both in their Sabbath day and prayer meeting exercises; and some characterise their

sermons as being expository.

Fifth question: "Do the members of the congregation contribute to the support and extension of the Gospel, as God has prospered them, and are they instructed in the duty of systematic benevolence?" Only a few claim for their congregations the credit of contributing to the support and extension of the Gospel, as God has prospered them. Some declare that they are unable to judge; others say that their contributions will bear a favorable comparison with other churches. Some refer us to their statistical report. Very few pastors appear to instruct their people in the nature and duty of systematic benevolence; most confine themselves to the inculcation of liberality, when

some special collection is mentioned or taken up.

Sixth question: "Do the Elders take their part in visiting the congregation? How are their meetings with the people conducted, and with what results?" Elders do not seem to take their part in visiting in the congregations. In some instances they neither attend to it as a stated duty, nor accompany the pastor in his annual or semi-annual visitation. In other instances their visits are confined to those who are in affliction; while in very few they consider it a part of the service to which they were consecrated when they were ordained to be office-bearers in the Church, and took the oversight of souls. Some of those who are faithful in the matter, sing, read the Scriptures and pray in the households they visit; others tender the words of exhortation. As might be expected, the visits of such elders are prized, and themselves respected. Your Committee humbly think, judging from the reports before them, that Ruling Elders are sadly deficient in this duty; and that were they more attentive to it, they would magnify their office, secure the esteem of the people, exert a greater influence over them, and be much more serviceable to the Church of Christ. One answer which we quote may be regarded as an example, from which to learn the purport of all: "Two or three elders visit the members of the congregation near them when sick. Generally they leave this duty to the minister. Some of the few who visit read the Scriptures and pray with the people. One result is, the people are led to a high regard of those who do so

To the seventh question, "What are the most prominent hindrances to the power of vital godliness in your bounds?" one who is characterized for penetration and shrewdness replies, "Absorbing occupation with the world; conformity to the social life of unconverted men, on the part of families and the Church; frivolity, conceit, want of reverence, of moral earnestness, of intellectual culture, on the part of the young; too lax family discipline; failure on the part of parents, and even of the more prominent members of the Church, to exhibit a suitable example of interest in the religious movements of the Another says, "It is congregation; drunkenness, gambling, licentiousness." difficult to answer this question. I may refer to the calls of the world; undue attention to things seen and temporal, to the neglect of things unseen and eternal, combined with worldliness of spirit, and spiritual deadness, as forming a powerful opposition to the progress of true godliness." Another refers to the connexion which the locality in which he labours has with the shipping trade

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But the hindrances most frequently mentioned are Sabbath desecration, love of the world, intemperance, and the want of consistency in the walk of those who profess to belong to the body of Christ.

Eighth question: "Is family worship generally practised, and do parents attend to the religious training of their children?" Family worship appears to be the rule in households in which the parents are members of the Church, but by a very great many it is neglected, and this neglect is the rule, as might be field Saviour. We quote the following answer because of the minuteness of the manner in which the writer gives himself to the work of his Master: "In the family worship?" to the heads of families visited, I am enabled to give this bers of the Church, five answerd 'No,' four 'Yes,' and two 'Occasionally.' Church, thirty answered 'Yes,' eleven 'No,' and three 'Occasionally.' Of some of the children have been received into the fellowship of the Church. With one exception, in the families of adherents I have not found the duty from being favorable.

Ninth question: "How is the Sabbath observed in your locality, and especially by those connected with your congregation?" The Sabbath is generally well observed by those in connexion with congregations. By mere adherents, and many young persons in families whose parents are members, it is profaned by walks of recreation." And some mention that there is improvement visible.

Tenth question: "Is the discipline of the Church faithfully administered?" According to the answers generally, it is. One or two report that they have had no case calling for its exercise. Another says, "There is not the strictness that is desirable." Another replies, "That it is administered with more, he thinks, than usual strictness;" and adds, "But a serious obstable against its denominations." And another remarks, generally, "For various reasons, it cannot be faithfully administered."

To the last question proposed by your Committee, "Do you observe any change in the moral and religious sentiment of the general community, resulting from the preaching of the gospel and the maintenance of Christian ordinances?" one sends the following reply: "There is much more respect shown to religious ordinances. A number who were living without any profession of religion have declared themselves believers in Christ, been received into the Church, and had their children baptised." A second says, "There is less intemperance, less profanity, less Sabbath-breaking, greater interest in ordinances, and in change in the outward observance of the Sabbath since we had the stated ministry of the gospel; also the sins of drunkenness and swearing are on the decrease; and, upon the whole, we think that a radical change has taken place in the religious sentiment of many among our community." A fourth says, improved, and by such means as the question specifies. The claims of religion are more thoroughly felt, the beauties of morality are better respected, and the leaven of Christian worth is gaining ground. But, oh! there is room for higher,

warmer, wiser, holier endeavours of minister, elders, and our church members." And, to close, one who has laboured now for many years in the vineyard of Christ, who has experienced, we may well suppose, many of the trials, and realized many of the comforts of pastoral work, says, "Judging of the zeal and of the religious feeling of the people by their willing and large attendance on the Lord's day, and occasionally on week days, on the preaching of the word, they would seem to be a very religious people; and no doubt there are some who truly fear the Lord, while others are only an imitation." Most of the answers are of the same tenor. One says, "The change is slight, if any;" another, "that he cannot say that he perceives any improvement;" but nearly all speak more favorably.

Such is the Report which your Committee crave leave to submit. They regret that they have not had the means of making it so full as they could wish, and so worthy of the subject as it deserves. May they take the liberty of saying to any brother whose path is beset with obstacles, "Trust in the Lord, and be of good courage, and he will strengthen your heart." Fear, and bless the work of your hands; for 'He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bearing his sheaves with him.'" To those whom God is prospering, we would say, "Labour, and labour with growing energy, faith and love, in endeavouring to guide souls to the cross, and to build them up in their most holy faith." And to all whose names are written in Zion, "Pray for the peace of Jerusalem; give the Lord no rest till he arise and make her a praise in the earth." O, Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years, and say unto Zion, "Arise, shine, for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is even upon thee."

Respectfully submitted.

ROBERT TORRANCE, Convener.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ARREARS OF STIPEND.

The committee appointed to take into immediate consideration the question, how to liquidate the large arrears due to ministers of this Church, and devise means for the support of the ministry, having met and seriously deliberated on the matter committed to them beg to report the following recommendations:—

1. That the Rev. W. S. Ball be relieved for some weeks of his pastoral duties, for the purpose of raising a special fund to aid and stimulate congregations in arrears, to pay such arrears in full and at once.

2. That this special fund be placed under the administration of a committee, consisting of the ministers of Toronto with their Synod Elders and the Rev. Mr. Ball, the Hon. J. McMurrich to be convener.

3. That Presbyteries be enjoined to do their utmost to stir up the defaulting congregations to pay off the arrears of salary due, without application to this special committee; and that said committee shall entertain no application for aid from any congregation without the recommendation of its Presbytery, and without ascertaining that the Presbytery has previously used such diligence; after which the committee shall take such measures as they think necessary, either by proposals of aid through the Presbytery, or by deputations appointed to visit congregations in co-operation with the Presbytery.

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5. That all existing arrears having, as is hoped will be the case, been wholly wiped away by the action of this committee, Presbyteries be enjoined to use diligence to prevent the accumulation of arrears for the future, that they make themselves acquainted with the financial state of the congregations under their charge, by calling for exact returns from them within the year, at such intervals as they think best, that when congregations are falling behind in the payment of salary, they deal with them at once, and take measures to have these arrears immediately paid up by them, or have the aid which may be required to stimulate them furnished them from the Home Mission Fund.

6. That Presbyteries be further enjoined, in the case of all defaulting congregations with which they have to deal, to satisfy themselves in the most particular manner regarding them, that they have each a regular and efficient congregational management, that their financial affairs are faithfully and diligently attended to, that the terms for payment of salary be definitely settled, and promptly attended to, and that payment be made as frequently as possible,

7. With reference to means to be devised for the better support of the ministry amongst us, the committee beyond what they have already advanced, do not consider themselves in a position to make any further recommendations. They consider that any further regulations on this subject properly belong to arrangements connected with the Home Mission Committee; and they would content themselves with urging, that the supplementing of weak congregations shall always be made a special and very prominent work of the Home Mission committee, and that this committee make the most strenuous efforts to raise every salary to at least the minimum already fixed by the Synod as the lowest that can be thought of with any tolerance, viz., \$600 per annum. All of which is respecfully submitted.

T. STEVENSON, Convener.

# ABSTRACT REPORT OF THE FOREIGN MISSION COMMITTEE.

#### BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The last year has been one of progress. The new church, a comfortable, commodious building, was opened for public worship in December last. Between two and three hundred dollars were realized in connexion with the opening services, including a soiree. The church cost \$3,500, and is \$500 in debt. Considering their numbers, the people have done well. At the first week-day meeting held in their new church, they unanimously resolved, while cordially thanking our church for the timely aid received, to endeavour, during the present year, to raise at least \$400 of the minister's salary. It is of importance that steps be taken, as soon as practicable, to have a Session formed at New Westminster. To set in order the things that are wanting, a British Columbian

Repeated testimonies have reached your Committee, of the efficiency and acceptability of Mr. Jamieson's labors. It is cause of thankfulness that the health of your missionary and of his excellent partner continues so good, and that God is evidently showing to them tokens for good.

#### ANOTHER MISSIONARY SENT FORTH.

The correspondence entered into with the Free Church of Scotland issued in a generous offer of £100 sterling a year for the support of a missionary in British Columbia. It was regarded by your Committee as providential that they had, at the time, in their hands, the offer of a volunteer, in all respects qualified, who, with a whole-souled consecration (which, of itself, is a primary pre-requisite) was ready to go forth wherever they might choose to send him. With the consent of the Committee, Mr. Duff carried out an intention previously formed of spending the winter in the old country. He was ordained and designated at London by the Presbytery of the bounds on the 19th April (a blessed meeting He was ordained and designated at long to be remembered), and set sail for his distant destination from New York on the 23rd May. Since the sessions of Synod commenced, advices have been received from him, announcing his safe arrival at Panama.\* Special thanks are due to the Colonial Committee of the Free Church for their liberal grant; nor can we lose sight, in this connexion, of the great loss which we, in common with the other sections of the Colonial field, have sustained by the death of Dr. John Bonar, the indefatigable Convener, to whose singular energy, urbanity and tact this wide-spread enterprise lies under such lasting obligations.

#### RED RIVER.

After a tedious journey, Mr. Nisbet reached Red River in September, and has been labouring (in concert with our beloved brother Black) diligently and devotedly.

The new school house at Kildonan is nearing completion, but increasing exertions will have to be made, ere it be relieved from an incubus of debt. Much importance is attached by our brethren to this object, and it is hoped the children of the Church will not lose sight of it. The people on the spot, it has been freely testified, have "done what they could."

The four Stations at Red River continue in much the same condition as when last Report was submitted. Nothing as yet has been done for the Saskatchewan. It is earnestly hoped that ere very long we shall be in a position to occupy that wide district, which forms such a leading link of connexion with our British Columbian possessions.

#### MISSION TO THE AMERICAN INDIANS.

Last Synod pledged itself to present this object before our people, as one having particular claims on their sympathies and benevolence. Mr. Black has recently issued an address, bringing this whole matter in powerfully persuasive terms before us. It lies with the present Synod, by the practical response which they give to this appeal, to say, whether or not, as a Church, we are forthwith to discharge this old debt to the poor Indian. Four thousand miles away, beyond the great Mackenzie River (2,500 miles long, and navigable 1,200 miles from its mouth), there stretches an area of two millions square miles, with the pure light of the Gospel glimmering in only two spots, 1,500 miles apart. Scattered over this vast territory are thousands of Indians, for whose souls no one statedly cares. This field, which is white already to harvest, and from which a melting Macedonian cry has reached us, we cannot enter successfully, unless our missionary contributions are considerably increased.

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Still, as a Church, we are very far from having attained to the level of our duty and destiny. We must do something among the Heathen Proper. Our "little sister" in England (not to speak of Nova Scotia) may well teach us an example. Though little among the thousands of Israel, she has thrown herself on the very Malakoff of Paganism. It is like the stripling David going forth to do battle with the vaunting giant. Let us imbibe the same heroic spirit. Time is pressing; the forces are mustering. It behoves us to get up into the high mountain, to take a wide survey, and to devise plans in some degree commensurate with the vastness of the field to be overtaken, and the magnitude of the work to be done. The children of this world, the emissaries of the enemy, our business and political men, are all wide awake. Surely it is now high time that we awake out of sleep, and respond promptly to the inspiring summons, Awake, awake! put on thy beautiful garments; lift up thy voice with strength;

R. F. Burns, Convener.

# PRESBYTERIAL REPORTS.

### PRESBYTERY OF OTTAWA.

LICENSE. -Mr. W. M. Mackey was licensed to preach the Gospel on the 5th of August, 1863. Mr. George Grant was licensed on the 4th Nov., 1863. Demission.—Mr. John McEwen was loosed from his charge of Cumberland on the 1st of September, 1853. Mr. Walter Scott was loosed from his charge

S. C. Fraser, Pres. Clerk.

### PRESBYTERY OF GREY.

TRANSLATION.—Rev. D. Waters was translated from Southampton, &c., to Port Hope, Presbytery of Cobourg, July 15th, 1863.

ORDINATION.—Rev. Wm. Hay was ordained in Carrick, September 24, 1863. RESIGNATION.—Rev. D. McLean resigned his charge in Mount Forest on

WM. PARK, Pres. Clerk.

### PRESBYTERY OF GUELPH.

1. LICENSURE.—Mr. Thomas McGuire was licensed to preach the Gospel, on

2. Ordination.—Mr. Thomas McGuire was ordained on the 8th of March, 1864, and at the same time admitted to the pastoral charge of the Congregation of Glenallan and Hollin.

3. TRANSLATION .- Dr. John Thomson was released, on the 9th of March, 1864, from the pastoral charge of Knox's Church, Galt, with a view to his being admitted to that of the Grand Street Presbyterian Church, New York.

 Deaths.—Mr. Andrew J. Macaulay, minister of Nassagaweya, died on the 10th of April, 1864. Mr. Alexander McLean, minister of East Puslinch, died on the 25th of May, 1864.

JAMES MIDDLEMISS, Pres. Clerk.

#### PRESBYTERY OF ONTARIO.

1. The Rev. Thomas Sharp ceased to minister of the congregation of Ash-

burn and Utica on the 31st of October, 1863.

2. Calls were sustained in favour of Mr. Wm. Moore Mackey from the congregations of Columbus and Brooklin on 16th February, 1864, and from the congregation of Whitby on the 8th of March, 1864.

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#### PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE.

Demissions.—The Rev. R. Boyd, D. D., demitted the pastoral charge of Prescott, on August 4th, 1863. The Rev. Hugh Campbell demitted the pastoral charge of Cornwall on May 4th, 1864.

2. INDUCTIONS.—The Rev. E. W. Garner was inducted into the pastoral charge of Spencerville and Edwardsburg, 18th November, 1863. The Rev. William Bennett was inducted into the pastoral charge of Winchester on 26th May, 1864.

J. K. SMITH, Pres. Clerk.

#### PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.

1. LICENSE.—Mr. Daniel Duff was licensed to preach the Gospel, July 8th, 1863.

2. Induotions.—Rev. William Troup was inducted into the pastoral charge of the Congregation of Napier, July 20th, 1863; Rev. J. F. A. S. Fayette was inducted into the pastoral charge of the Congregation of Warwick, April 27th, 1864; Rev. Peter McDermid was inducted into the pastoral charge of the Congregation of Moore, April 28th, 1864.

3. ORDINATION .- Mr. Daniel Duff was ordained to the Ministry of the Gospel with the view of his going as a Missionary to British Columbia, April 19th, 1864.

4. Demission.—Rev. Wm. Bennett having resigned the pastoral charge of the Congregation of Windsor, was loosed therefrom, November 3rd, 1863.

5. Death.—Rev. David Walker, Minister of Sarnia, died April 30th, 1864. JOHN J. A. PROUDFOOT, Pby. Clerk. 1. Demissions.—7 called McDou 1833; the Re Bervie was ac

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PRESBYTERY OF HURON.

1. Demissions.—The Rev. Robert Ure's demission of that part of his charge called McDougal's Mills was accepted on the 13th day of October last, 1843; the Rev. W. Inglis's demission of the part of his charge called Bervie was accepted on the 6th day of August, 1863.

2. LICENSES. — Mr. J. B. Taylor was licensed to preach the Gospel, on Wednesday the 15th day of July, 1863; Mr. John Morrison was licensed to preach the Gospel, on Wednesday the 14th day of October, 1863.

A. D. McDonald, Pres. Clerk.

### PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.

- 1. Demission.—Mr. M. Y. Stark demitted the pastoral charge of the Congregation of Knox's Church, Dundas, on October 28th, 1863; Mr. Wm. M. Christie, that of Chippawa, on February 3rd, 1864; Mr. Alexander McGlashen, that of Pelham and Gainsboro' on May 17th, 1864.
- 2. Death.—Mr. James Findlay, of Waterdown and Wellington Square, on
- 3. ORDINATION.—Mr. Alexander Grant to the charge of the Oneida, Indiana, and Eastern Seneca Congregation, on January 27th, 1864.

WM. PORTEOUS, Clerk of Pby.

### PRESBYTERY OF PARIS.

DEATH.—The Rev. Joseph Young, of Brantford, was removed by death.

JOHN GILLESPIE, Pres. Clerk,

## PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.

- l. Licenses.—5th August, 1863, Mr. John Davidson. 15th October, 1863, Mr.
- 2. PROBATIONERS RECEIVED.—14th October, 1863, Mr. John Macdonald, from the Free Church of Scotland, by Commission.
- 3. Moderations in Calls.—5th August, 1863, at Mille Isles, to Mr. J. Irvine; 25th February, 1864, at Winslow, to Mr. J. Macdonald.
- 4. TRANSLATION AND DEMISSION.—10th June, 1863, Mr. James Greenfield translated from Martintown to Stayner, Bowmore, and Osprey, in the Presbytery of Toronto; 5th August, 1863, Mr. Daniel Anderson, demitted
- 5. ORDINATION AND INDUCTION.—26th February, 1864, Mr. John Macdonald ordained at Winslow; 2nd March, 1864, Mr. John Irvine, inducted at

ALEX. F. KEMP, Pres Clerk.

#### PRESBYTERY OF COBOURG.

Induction.—The Rev. David Waters was inducted as Minister of the Congregation of Port Hope on the 26th August, 1863.

Ordination.—Mr. William McWilliam was ordained as Minister of the Congregation of Bowmanton and Alnwick, on the 23rd September, 1863.

 RESIGNATION.—The Rev. James R. Scott was loosed from the pastoral charge of the Congregation of Perrytown and Oakhills on the 19th of January, 1864.

4. License.—Mr. Alexander McNaughton, on the 10th of May, 1864.

JAMES BOWIE, Pres. Clerk.

#### TORONTO PRESBYTERY.

- LICENSED.—Mr. W. Lundy, licensed 4th August, 1863; Mr. J. Thompson, licensed 6th October, 1863; Mr. J. Mitchell, licensed 1st December, 1863.
- ORDINATION.—Mr. Archibald Brown, ordained to charge of Mono, 27th January, 1864.
- Inductions.—Mr. J. Greenfield, inducted to charge of Stayner, &c., 28th July, 1863; Mr. Walter Wright, inducted to charge of Streetsville, 24th March, 1864.
- Expunged.—Mr. John Corbett, declared no longer a minister of the Church, 4th August, 1863.

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#### ERRATA.

Attention is requested to the following errors and omissions:-

- 1. Page 3rd, in the Roll of the Presbytery of Montreal, the name of W. Wilson should have appeared as elder from Atexandria.
- 2. Page 4th, in the Roll of the Presbytery of Brockville, Thomas Henry represented the Session of Prescott, not that of Winchester.
- 4. Page 4th, in the Roll of the Presbytery of Kingston, the name of John Geddie, elder, from Napanee, is omitted.
- 5. Page 4th, in the Roll of the Presbytery of Cobourg, for "Perrytown and Oakville," read "Perrytown and Oakhills."
- 6. The Post Office Address of the Rev. J. Turnbull, Melrose and Lonsdale, is
  - 7. The Post Office Address of Rev. D. H. Fletcher, Scarboro', is Agincourt.
- 8. Page 5th, in the Roll of the Presbytery of Toronto, for "Hugh Freeman," elder, from Innisfil, read "Hugh Truman."