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ST. JOHN PRESBYTERY.

Ministers.	Address.
ANDREW DONALD,.....	Campbell Settlement.
LEWIS JACK,.....	Springfield.
JAMES BENNET,.....	St. John P. Church.
JAMES BAIRD,.....	Carleton.
WILLIAM ALVES,.....	Calvin Church.
JAMES GRAY,.....	Norton, &c.
NEIL MCKAY,.....	St. David's Church.
GEORGE BROWN,.....	Nerepis, &c.

ST. STEPHEN PRESBYTERY.

JOHN TURNBULL,.....	St. James.
WILLIAM MILLEN,.....	Bocabec.
WILLIAM ELDER,.....	St. John.
R. MOODIE, Ordained Missionary,.....	St. Stephen.

YORK PRESBYTERY.

ALEXANDER SMITH,.....	Prince William.
JAMES SALMON,.....	Richmond.
ALEXANDER STIRLING,.....	Fredericton.
C. G. GLASS,.....	Woodstock.

MIRAMICHI PRESBYTERY.

A. McMASTER,.....	New Mills.
THOMAS G. JOHNSTON,.....	Blackville, &c.
THOMAS NICHOLSON,.....	Campbelton.
JAMES LAW,.....	Richibucto.
JAMES FOWLER,.....	Kouchibouguac.

MISSIONARIES.

G. BROWN,.....	St. John.
J. I. DUNLOP,.....	Albert Co.
MR. MORRISON,.....	Glassville, &c.
MR. GLENDINNING,.....	Baillie, &c.

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MINUTES OF SYNOD

HELD AT SAINT JOHN, IN JUNE, 1864.

FIRST SESSION.

CALVIN CHURCH, SAINT JOHN,
June 15th, 1864, 7½ o'clock, P. M.

At which place and time the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of New Brunswick met, according to adjournment. The Rev. Angus McMaster preached from John xiii. 34. After which Synod was constituted, when elders having handed in their commissions, after some discussion relative to the right to sit of Mr. Stevens, who had been regularly appointed, but whose commission was not forthcoming, Mr. Elder, who was not in the city, having Session-book in *retentis*; also, after discussion relative to Mr. Moodie's right to sit, roll was formed, excluding both these gentlemen in the first instance.

SAINT JOHN PRESBYTERY.

MINISTERS.

Andrew Donald,
Lewis Jack,
James Bennet,
James Baird,
William Alves,
James Gray,
Neil McKay,
George Brown (Mis.),

ELDERS.

Thomas Murray,
James Allen,

CONGREGATION.

Campbell Settlement.
Springfield.
St. John P. Church.
Carleton.
Calvin Church.
Norton, &c.
St. David's Church.

SAINT STEPHEN PRESBYTERY.

John Turnbull,
William Millen,

Peter Morrison,
J. G. Stevens,

St. James.
Bocabec, &c.
St. Stephen.

YORK PRESBYTERY.

Alexander Smith,
James Salmon,
Alexander Stirling,
O. G. Glass,

Nathaniel Scott,
Lauchlin Thos. Pender,
James Savage,

Prince William.
Salmon River.
Fredericton, Jerusalem.
Richmond.

MIRAMICHI PRESBYTERY.

A. McMaster,
Thos. G. Johnston,
Thomas Nicholson,
James Law,
James Fowler,
Rev. William Moodie (Associate Member).

New Mills.
Blackville, &c.
Campbelton.
Richibucto.
Kouchibouguac.

Moderator.

Rev. Mr. Donald was then nominated by the retiring Moderator, as his successor in office, which nomination was unanimously agreed to. Mr. Donald, on taking the chair, thanked the Synod for the appointment, and gave a succinct account of the origin of the Presbyterian Church of New Brunswick as a distinct body, and of its progress up to the present time.

It was then moved, seconded, and unanimously agreed, that the name of J. G. Stevens, Esq., be added to the roll of Synod, as representative Elder of the congregation of St. Stephen.

It was also moved by Mr. Alves, and seconded by Mr. McKay, that Mr. Moodie be asked to sit as an associate member of the court, to aid Synod in its deliberations.

Addition of names to roll.

Moved as an amendment by Mr. Nicholson, seconded by Mr. Law, that Mr. Moodie be received as a regular member of this court, and his name added to the roll.

The amendment was lost on call of the roll: eleven voting for the motion, and ten for the amendment.

Meet and adjourn.

The Synod then adopted the programme of hours of meeting and adjournment of previous year—viz: For Religious Exercises, from 9 till 10 A. M.; for Public Business, from 10 A. M. till 1 P. M., from 3 P. M. till 6 P. M., and from 7½ P. M. till 10 P. M. of each day.

Business Committee.

Business Committee and other Committees were appointed, to meet at call of Conveners, on Thursday morning, at 10 o'clock, to prepare order of business for Synod, which was appointed to open for despatch of same at 12 o'clock, noon.

The sederunt was closed with the benediction.

SECOND SESSION.

CALVIN CHURCH, SAINT JOHN,
16th June, 1864, 12 o'clock, noon.

Synod met, according to adjournment, and being constituted, minutes were read and sustained, when pro-

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gramme recommended by Committee of business was read and adopted unanimously, viz :—

Order of Business.

1. Reading of Minutes of Synod of last year.
2. Reports of Presbyteries.
3. Overtures of St. John Presbytery.
4. Reports of Conveners of Committees :
 - 1st. Home and Foreign Missions ;
 - 2d. Sustentation Fund ;
 - 3d. Grant Fund ;
 - 4th. Incidental Fund ;
 - 5th. Widows' Fund ;
 - 6th. Statistics ;
 - 7th. Education ;
 - 8th. On Books.
5. Reports of Deputations.

After some conversation relative to the position in Synod of members of the defunct Presbytery of St. Stephen, minutes of Synod of former year were read and sustained.

Reports of Presbyteries were then called for.

The Report of the Presbytery of St. John was then read, viz :—

Presbytery of St. John Report.

1. That the Presbytery held four ordinary meetings during the year, and one meeting *in hunc effectum*.

2. That an arrangement has been entered into, and has been so far carried out, by which Mr. Gray is temporarily relieved of Hammond Bridge congregation, in order to devote greater attention to the field lying at Sussex Valley and beyond.

3. The Presbytery addressed a letter to the Colonial Commissioner of the Free Church, relative to the death of Dr. Bonar.

4. The Presbytery received Mr. Johnstone, Deputy from the Irish Presbyterian Church, after his return from his missionary tour through the Province, and passed certain resolutions relative to Mr. Johnstone, and agreeing to transmitting his recommendations to the Synod with the Presbytery's general approval.

5. The following members of Committees were then appointed, viz : For

1st. Home Mission—Rev. Wm. Alves and Mr. James Allan ;

- 2d. Sustentation Fund—Rev. James Gray and Mr. Murray;
 3d. Foreign Mission—Rev. Mr. Jack and Mr. Wood;
 4th. Incidental Fund—Rev. Mr. Baird and Mr. Keadey.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. ALVES, Clerk.

The foregoing report of the Presbytery of St. John was sustained.

Reports of the other Presbyteries were called for.

Presbytery of
St. Stephen.

On call for the report of the Presbytery of St. Stephen, J. G. Stevens, Elder, as Clerk of the Presbytery of St. Stephen, stated that he would read minute of last meeting of the Presbytery which was now defunct, shewing how it became so. Minute was to the following effect:—

ST. STEPHEN, Wednesday, 4th November, 1863.

At which day the Presbytery met, and was duly constituted by Rev. Mr. Turnbull. Present—Revs. Messrs. Turnbull and Millen, and Messrs. Stevens and J. Morrison, Elders. Minutes of previous meeting were read and sustained.

How defunct.

An application having been made by the congregation of St. Stephen, through their representative Elder, Mr. Stevens, for the moderating in a call to Mr. Moodie, a majority of the Presbytery were in favor of proceeding in the matter in the usual manner; whereupon the Moderator, Mr. Turnbull, stated, that if the said application were proceeded with he would withdraw; and the members of Presbytery desiring to proceed therewith, Mr. Turnbull withdrew from the Presbytery, which thereupon became defunct for want of members.

Letter also from Mr. Turnbull, assigning reasons for his withdrawal from Presbytery, was read. Copy of which is as follows:—

ST. JAMES, Nov. 6th, 1863.

MY DEAR MR. STEVENS—In compliance with your request, I now forward the reasons of my withdrawal from the late meeting of Presbytery. I could not take any part in disposing of the application for the moderation of a call from the congregation of St. Stephen till the Melodeon is put out: Because the Synod disapproved of instrumental music in the public worship of God;

And because it appears to me that in the new and peculiar circumstances

of the congregation, it would implicate the Presbytery, the people calling, and the minister accepting the call, in the guilt of disobeying the Synod, and violating solemn vows.

Believe me,

Yours most affectionately,

JOHN TURNBULL.

Mr. Stevens commented on the proceeding of Mr. Turnbull, up till the hour of adjournment.

Closed with benediction.

THIRD SESSION.

CALVIN CHURCH, SAINT JOHN,
June 16th, 1864, 8 o'clock, P. M. }

Synod met and was constituted. Minutes were read and sustained, when objection being made to further enquiry into the reasons why St. Stephen Presbytery gave in no report, motion was made by Mr. Bennet, and seconded by Mr. Fowler, that the Synod do now enquire fully into the reasons why the Presbytery of St. Stephen became defunct, so that it could not present a report. Amendment, that Synod having heard the reasons why Presbytery of St. Stephen did not send in report, do sustain the same, and proceed to other business, was made by Mr. McMaster, and seconded by Mr. Jack. Roll having been called, motion was carried by large majority. It was agreed then to hear members of the Presbytery of St. Stephen relative to the case. Mr. Stevens made strictures upon the reasons assigned by Mr. Turnbull as quoted in his letter. Mr. Turnbull was heard in advocacy of the line of conduct pursued by him; Mr. Morrison, Elder, also, relative to the circumstances under which the Presbytery became defunct. Several members of Synod having expressed their views, the following motion was made by Mr. Bennet, and seconded by Mr. Salmon:

Whereas, it appears that the St. Stephen Presbytery became defunct through the withdrawal from its meeting of the Rev. John Turnbull, Moderator, the said Rev. John Turnbull doing so for the avowed purpose of preventing the settlement of a minister in the congregation of St. Stephen, while an instrument of music was in use in that congregation; and whereas, this Synod, at its meeting in Woodstock, and last year also, in St. John, had already dealt with the congregation of St. Stephen

Finding relative
to Mr. Turnbull.

relative to the use of said instrument, by appointing a Committee of Synod to remonstrate with the congregation relative to the same; and whereas, neither the Presbytery of St. Stephen, nor any member thereof, had, in such circumstances, any right to deal with the congregation of St. Stephen in this matter, and so override just action of Synod; and whereas, even had Presbytery of St. Stephen had the case still under their jurisdiction, it was only competent for Presbytery to deal with it according to law and order; and whereas, were such species of action permitted to the Courts of our Church it would generate confusion and disorder, and utter disorganization. Therefore

Resolved, That while this Synod entertains the highest opinion of the sincerity of the motives of Rev. John Turnbull in relation to the matter, they hold that his action was utterly unconstitutional.

There being no amendment proposed, the foregoing motion was passed by a large majority.

Synod closed with the benediction.

FOURTH SESSION.

CALVIN CHURCH, SAINT JOHN,
16th June, 1864, 7½ o'clock, P. M. }

Synod met according to adjournment, and was constituted. Minutes were read and sustained, when it was moved by Rev. Neil McKay, and seconded by Mr. Nicholson, that the Presbytery of St. Stephen be resuscitated and appointed to meet in St. Stephen on the first Thursday in July, 6 o'clock, evening; and that on account of smallness of Presbytery, two Assessors be appointed to said Presbytery during the year.

Passed unanimously.

It was then moved that Messrs. Neil McKay and Jas. Bennet be Assessors to St. Stephen Presbytery, to meet with them as often as occasion may require.

Report of commission to deal with the congregation of St. Stephen was then called for, when Rev. Mr. Donald reported that Mr. Alves and he had written to the Moderator of Session of St. Stephen, to meet with them. Mr. Alves, for reasons stated satisfactory to the Synod, did not attend, but Mr. Donald did, and read a report of what transpired. It appeared that Mr. Donald

St. Stephen
Presbytery, com-
mission to

had met with the Session of congregation of St. Stephen, who took exceptions to the call upon them, as commission of Synod was to congregation, and not to Session. Congregation was summoned; and to them Mr. Donald stated his views relative to the case for which they were summoned:

To the congregation I delivered a discourse, in which I endeavoured to shew—

1st, That there is nothing in the Scriptures either of the Old or New Testament, which could be fairly construed as requiring Christians now to use musical instruments in the praise of God. And in the

2nd place, That though we might not be able to point to any direct express prohibition; yet, that in the general teaching of Scripture, I conceived, we could find inferential reasons of very considerable weight, which might lead us to conclude that the use of such instruments is unsuitable to the genius of New Testament worship. And in the

Conclusion, I adverted to the fact, that instrumental music was contrary to the usage of this Church, and of the Parent Churches, and stated, that this appeared to me a sufficient reason why those who were satisfied that we are not required to employ musical instruments in the praise of God, should avoid the introduction of them, or lay them aside when introduced. That, even supposing they could see little or no weight in other arguments and reasons that had been, or might be adduced, a desire to preserve and promote peace and harmony in the Church, and to avoid being the occasion of unseemly and hurtful divisions, strife and contention, should prevail in this matter.

No expression of opinion was asked from the congregation.

All which is submitted.

Moved by Rev. Neil McKay, and seconded by Rev. Mr. Nicholson, that the report of the deputation be received, and their diligence approved; that the Synod regret to find that the congregation of St. Stephen have not yet been able to return to the hitherto universal practice of this Church, in the matter of praise, by dispensing with instrumental aid, and that the matter be remitted to the Session of St. Stephen, with instructions to use all diligence, without delay, to dispense with instrumental aid.

The above motion was passed unanimously.

The thanks of the Synod were then given to the Moderator for his excellent discourse at opening of Synod.

Moderator
thanked for discourse.

Mr. McKay, in the absence of the former Convener, was appointed Convener of Sustentation Fund. Messrs. Fowler and Gray (Convener) were appointed as Committee to take charge of Statistics.

Synod closed with the benediction.

FIFTH SESSION.

CALVIN CHURCH, SAINT JOHN,
17th June, 1864, 10 o'clock, A. M. }

Committee on
Books appointed.

Presbytery of
Miramichi Report.

Synod met, according to adjournment. Minutes were read and sustained, when Committee to examine books, consisting of Messrs Baird and Jack, was appointed.

The Presbytery of Miramichi report that they have held eight ordinary meetings during the past year—that the regular preaching of the Gospel, and the dispensation of ordinances, have been attended to throughout the different congregations—that a call has been presented to Mr. Nicholson from the newly erected congregation of River Charlo and Jacquet River; but that owing to certain difficulties in the way, he has not yet been inducted into the charge; and they have also to ask the advice of Synod as to how they should proceed in the matter. They have also to ask leave to license Mr. Charles Pitblado to preach the Gospel. They also agreed to nominate the following members for the different Committees:—

Sustentation Fund—Mr. Fowler;
Incidental Fund—Mr. McMaster;
Foreign Mission Fund—Mr. Nicholson;
Home Mission Fund—Mr. Johnstone.

Moved, and agreed, that the report of the Presbytery be received; and that leave be granted to the Presbytery to take Mr. Pitblado on trial for license.

Documents relative to the case, submitted for advice by the Presbytery, were read by Mr. Fowler, from which it appeared, that in obedience to former instructions of Synod, Presbytery held a meeting on 1st January last, at which meeting proposition was made that the new congregation should contribute their proportion to payment of the debt due Mr. McMaster for three years after his instalment; and that members should be responsible, separately, afterward, until such times as they left Mr. McMaster's ministrations—and which proposition was accepted by the congregation on 4th January; that a committee of both congregations was appointed to ascertain amount of debt and proportion owing from new congregation, according to foregoing proposition; that said committee could not agree, nor were they likely to agree. It also appearing that certain parties had signed

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promissory note for £116 currency, per annum, in call to Mr. McMaster, which obligation appears to be still binding on the parties whose names are appended, it was moved by Mr. Bennet, that the new congregation are morally bound to carry out engagement made to the Presbytery of Miramichi; that the parties whose names are appended to the call should give their whole influence to the settlement of the claim, as it is only, in the opinion of Synod, owing to Mr. McMaster's clemency that they are not proceeded against by him in the premises, and that it be an instruction to the Presbytery of Miramichi to proceed with the settlement referred to by them, using all their influence at the same time to bring about an amicable settlement of Mr. McMaster's claims.

It was moved also that a commission of Synod be appointed to proceed to Miramichi to settle the whole matter.

Synod proceeded with consideration of those motions till time of adjournment.

Closed with the benediction.

SIXTH SESSION.

CALVIN CHURCH, SAINT JOHN, }
17th June, 1864, 3 o'clock, P. M. }

Synod met, and was constituted. Minutes were read and sustained. Consideration of case of reference from Presbytery of Miramichi was resumed, when motion made by Mr. Bennet at previous sederunt was put to the house, and carried. Synod did not think that it was advisable to appoint a commission.

Motion on case referred by Miramichi Presbytery.

Report of the Presbytery of York was then read and sustained, viz. :—

Report of Presbytery of York.

The Presbytery of York begs respectfully to report to the Synod as follows:

The Presbytery have held six meetings during the past year. The work connected with the preaching of the Gospel has been progressing throughout the bounds of the Presbytery in the usual way. Members have been appointed to act on the Standing Committees of Synod: 1st, For the Foreign Mission, the Rev. A. Stirling and Thomas Stewart, Elder; 2d, For the Home Mission, the Rev. James Salmon and James Savage, Elder; 3d, For

the Sustentation Fund, the Rev. A. Smith and Edward Charthen, Elder.

We have also to report that the Rev. James Salmon, now Moderator of the Presbytery, demitted his charge of Richmond and Woodstock on 27th January last, and was inducted on the 10th day of June over the congregation of Chipman, Q. C.

All of which the Presbytery beg respectfully to submit.

ALEXANDER SMITH, Py. Clerk.

Ecclesiastical
Record.

Overture from Saint John Presbytery relative to establishment of an Ecclesiastical Record was read, and in connexion with some letters from Rev. Mr. McGregor and Rev. Mr. McCurdy, relative to Union, Messrs. McKay and Alves were heard in support of Overture. It was thought, however, that in prospect of Union at no distant day with the Church of the Lower Provinces, the Record of that Church might be deemed sufficient, and Synod concluded at present not to go further in the matter of establishing a periodical such as contemplated in the Overture.

Rev. Mr. Elder having come into the Court, it was moved by Mr. Alves, and unanimously agreed, that he be requested to take a seat in Synod and assist at its deliberations. Mr. Elder signified his acceptance of invitation.

Committee of Books reported that they had received the books of St. John, York and Miramichi, and examined the same, and found them substantially correct, and that they should accordingly be attested.

Synod adjourned to give time for Committees to prepare reports for its further deliberation.

Closed with the benediction.

SEVENTH SESSION.

CALVIN CHURCH, SAINT JOHN,
17th June, 1864, 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Widows' Fund
Report.

Rev. James Bennet made a verbal report on the subject of the Widows' Fund. He stated that at present it amounted to \$200, and that a Treasurer's Account would be furnished in connection with the Minutes. Attention was called to the Building Society of St. John, as affording probably a more lucrative investment than the Savings Bank, where the money is now deposited.

It was then moved, and agreed, that the report be received, and that the present office-bearers be re-appointed in connection with this fund.

Rev. Mr. McKay then made a report of the commission to the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces. He stated that he, alone, of the three members of Synod, had actually gone to the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces—that he had great pleasure in fulfilling his duty—was received most cordially and heartily—and had an opportunity of expressing the sentiments of fraternal affection which this Synod bears to the Synod of the Church of the Lower Provinces; and laid on the table a minute of that Synod of date 24th June, 1863, which was read. The Synod thereupon resolved unanimously to receive the report of Mr. McKay with much pleasure—to give Mr. McKay its thanks for the efficient manner in which he discharged his mission.

Commission to
Church of L. P.
Report.

It was then proposed and agreed to, that a public meeting be held for missionary and other purposes, in Calvin Church, on Monday evening, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., Mr. Elder to speak on the Sustentation Fund, Mr. Bennett on the Home Mission Fund, Mr. Stirling on Foreign Missions, Mr. McKay on the Manse Scheme, and that the collection be devoted to the Incidental Fund.

Missionary Meeting.

The Synod then took up the subject of Union with the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces; and Mr. McKay addressed the Court at some length, advocating that Union on various grounds, and also Messrs. Elder, Nicholson, Turnbull, McMaster, Fowler and others. Whereupon resolved, that a Committee of this Synod to confer with any Committee of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces be appointed, with instructions to make full inquiry as to the terms on which such Union may be effected, and all matters relative the subject, and have leave, on terms of Union, of a full seditant, with view to have these terms sent down to Presbyteries and Sessions, and report to meeting of Synod.

Union with
Church of Lower
Provinces.

Meeting was closed with the benediction.

WM. ALVES, P. T.

EIGHTH SESSION.

CALVIN CHURCH, SAINT JOHN, }
18th June, 1864, 10 o'clock, A. M. }

Committee, consisting of Rev. Messrs. McKay (Convener), Turnbull, Gray, Bennet, Alves and Elder, with J. G. Stevens, Esq., was appointed to carry out intention of previous resolution on the proposed Union with the Synod of the Church of the Lower Provinces.

It was also moved that the Clerk of Synod be appointed to reply to the letters of Rev. Messrs. McGregor and McCurdy in suitable terms.

Admission of
Mr. Elder.

It was moved, and carried, that the Rev. Mr. Elder be received as a member of this Synod, and that the Presbytery of St. John be authorized to receive him as a constituent member.

Rev. Mr. Alves, in his own name, and in the name of those who might adhere, dissented from and protested against this decision, for reasons to be given in. Mr. Gray joined with Mr. Alves in his dissent and protest.

H. M. Report.

The Convener of Home Missions read report of that scheme, setting forth who are our missionaries, what are our chief mission stations, and making various recommendations. Report was ordered to lie on the table for consideration.

Synod proceeded with consideration of Home Mission report up till hour of adjournment.

Synod then agreed to adjourn, to meet again on Monday, 20th June, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Closed with the benediction.

NINTH SESSION.

CALVIN CHURCH, SAINT JOHN, }
20th June, 1864, 10 o'clock, A. M. }

Mr. Alves' protest
against admission of Mr.
Elder.

Synod met, according to adjournment, and was constituted, when Minutes were read and sustained. Mr. Alves read and handed in reasons of dissent and protest against the decision of Synod relative to Mr. Elder's admission, requesting that they be recorded on the Minutes. Request granted; and a Committee, consisting of Messrs. McKay, Elder and Salmon, was appointed to answer said reasons of dissent, &c., to be given in at another sederunt.

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"Whereas, by decision of Synod, the Rev. William Elder has been alleged to be admitted as a constituent member of Synod, by a resolution proposed by the Rev. Neil McKay, and seconded by the Rev. Thomas G. Johnstone, notwithstanding the opposition and resistance of certain members of Court to such a motion, at the time it was proposed, as being unconstitutional and incompetent, which resolution was declared to be passed by a show of hands, or the answer of 'Ayes,' this 18th June, 1864, I, the Rev. William Alves, a constituent member of the Court, in my own name and that of any who may adhere to this, hereby dissent from said resolution, and protest against the same, and against the Rev. William Elder's being admitted thereunder as a constituent member of the Court, for the following reasons:—

1. According to the practice of the Presbyterian Church, motions affecting constitutional right must be preceded by due notice; and no notice of the motion in question was given.

2. According to the constitution of the Presbyterian Church, as explicitly set forth in Forbes' "Digest of Rules and Procedure of the Inferior Courts of the Free Church of Scotland," adopted by this Synod as its guide, those ministers *only* can be members of Synod who are on the rolls of the Presbyteries composing the Synod,—but the Rev. William Elder is not a member of any Presbytery of this Church. He ceased to be a member of the Presbytery of Saint Stephen on the 31st August last, when his resignation as minister of the congregation of Saint Stephen was accepted by the said Presbytery. He cannot be a member of any other Presbytery, inasmuch as he has not been inducted to any other charge, and has not been admitted as a member of any Presbytery under the authority of the Synod, which, by the constitution, is indispensable.

3. The introduction of an unqualified member into the Court, contrary to the constitution of the Church, vitiates and renders nugatory all the proceedings of the Court; and the member is bound by any of its acts or orders.

4. A departure from constitutional order gives occa-

sion for endless confusion and injustice, to the great damage of the Church and the interests of religion.

"W. M. ALVES.

"St. John, N. B., 18th June, 1864."

It was moved that a Committee, consisting of Messrs. Alves, Baird and Millen, be a Committee to examine and certify all accounts of the various Funds.

Notice of motion
on Report of
Presbyteries.

Notice of motion was then made by Mr. Alves, that Reports of Presbyteries be done away with. Also, notice of motion was given by Mr. Alves, that the Sustentation and Grants Fund be amalgamated and placed in the hands of the same Committee, the amalgamated Fund to be called the Ministerial Aid Fund.

Synod proceeded with the consideration of Home Mission Report, and with reference to recommendations as to various Stations and Missionaries,

Resolved, That the Presbytery of Saint John be instructed to treat with the Rev. James Gray, with a view to the separation of Hammond River from his charge, and the association of that Station with Golden Grove and Salt Springs, to form a separate congregation; and that providing this arrangement is carried out, the Home Mission Committee be authorized to pay thirty pounds per annum to the Rev. Mr. Gray, or such proportion as he may sustain of loss from the change; and that the Home Mission Committee be also authorized to pay ten pounds (£10) to Rev. Andrew Donald, on similar considerations, in consequence of the loss he may sustain by relinquishing Salt Springs.

And also that the Presbytery of York and the Presbytery of St. John be instructed to confer together, with a view to the separation of Jerusalem from the charge of Rev. Mr. Stirling, and the erection of Jerusalem and Nerepis into a separate charge, and that if this arrangement be carried out the Home Mission Committee be authorized to pay the sum of twenty-five pounds to Rev. Mr. Stirling in consideration of what he may lose by the change.

Also, that Woodstock and Richmond be a distinct charge, and that thirty pounds per annum be allowed towards support of Missionary there.

It was proposed also, and agreed, that the Rev. Geo. Brown be requested to take under his charge either Ne-

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repis and Jerusalem, or Woodstock and Richmond, upon the terms suggested in Home Mission report.

Appointment of Mr. McKay as Convener of Sustentation Fund was withdrawn, as Mr. Elder, the regular Convener, was present.

TENTH SESSION.

CALVIN CHURCH, SAINT JOHN,
20th June, 1864, 8 o'clock, P. M.

Synod met, and was constituted. Minutes were read and sustained, when Home Mission report was again taken up, and it was resolved, that the Rev. Mr. Elder be appointed to minister to Lancaster Mills, Prince of Wales, Lepreaux and Dipper Harbour, and that he have thirty pounds per annum beyond any sums which may be raised by the people in these places for his expenses and services.

That, with regard to Albert, the recommendation of the report be carried out: that £30 be given to the Missionary laboring there, with such sums as may be received from the people.

Moved, that Home Mission report be received and sustained, and entered on the Minutes, and that the Convener be re-appointed.

H. M. Report
sustained.

Home Mission Committee Report—

1st. Relative to Missionaries—That Rev. Mr. Brown continues to labor in his new sphere, with some changes, noted below; that the Rev. Mr. Moody accepted a call from the congregation of Saint Stephen some nine months ago, but from peculiar circumstances he has not been inducted, and labors in Saint Stephen, his salary not being chargeable to H. M. Fund; that in the month of October Mr. Dunlop resigned the Mission work in She-diac, and on 2d March, 1864, was again received as a Missionary to labor in Albert County up till time of meeting of Synod; that Rev. Mr. Elder was appointed to minister to Golden Grove and Lepreaux, and to visit Albert, and report; that Messrs. Morrison and Glendinning, students in divinity, having been applied for on the usual terms, commenced their missionary labors—the former in Glassville, Florenceville and Richmond, and the latter in Baillie and adjacent Stations, about 1st May.

2d. Of Mission Fields—Those supplied are Mr. Brown's

charge: including Nerepis, Lancaster, Prince of Wales, and Hammond River; various Stations in Albert by Mr. Dunlop; Golden Grove and Lepreaux by Mr. Elder; Glassville, Richmond and Florenceville by Mr. Morrison, and Baillie by Mr. Glendinning. Shediak, a very important place, is at present without any ministration of ordinances. Various places through the Province would require to be supplied, at least casually, that our Presbyterian people may not be lost to us.

3d. Of Funds—Account of these will be found in Appendix. It is hoped that the Committee may be in a better position to extend missionary labors than formerly from expected increase of grant from Irish Church.

4th. That the suggestions of Mr. Johnston be considered: to erect Jerusalem and Nerepis into a separate charge, under the Presbytery of St. John, and that the various Stations around St. John, including Hammond Bridge, be also erected into a separate charge; that the sum of £30 per annum be allowed to Mr. Gray, or such proportion of it as he may be at loss by demitting Hammond River, in consideration of his opening new Stations beyond Sussex; that Rev. Mr. Brown be requested to take under his charge Nerepis and Jerusalem, or Richmond and Woodstock, and that in the event of his salary from Scotland being withdrawn, he be allowed a sum from Mission Fund of £30, also with share from Free Church grant; that Mr. Dunlop be requested to continue his labours in Albert, in connexion with Albert Mines, Hopewell and Harvey, Salmon River and Salisbury, keeping in view the organization of these places, so that in due time they may be erected into a distinct ministerial charge, and that in consideration of his labours he be allowed from the Home Mission Fund £30 per annum, in addition to what the people may contribute—as by his report it appears that the sum of 384 dollars may be raised from these Stations.

Reports from Missionaries have been received.

It was then moved, and agreed, that the Synod do, at its rising, adjourn to meet in St. David's Church, Saint John, on the third Wednesday in June, 1865, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

It was resolved to remit claims of Messrs. Millen and Salmon to Home Mission Committee.

Mr. Stirling read list of subscriptions to Foreign Mis-

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sions during the year. It was moved and agreed that the report be received, and Convener re-appointed, and that the sum raised this year be forwarded to the Church of the Lower Provinces, to be applied to the support of their Foreign Mission, as per Minute of last year. Foreign Mission Report.

Mr. Alves made statement on Grants. No grant was received from Free Church last year. On representation of Rev. Mr. Bennet grant was renewed; when it was moved that expenses of deputation to Churches in Ireland and Scotland be taken from the three Funds: Scotch Grant, Irish Grant and Building Fund. Report on Grants.

Moved as amendment, that only the Irish grant and Building Fund be taxed for the expenses of deputation.

Motion was carried by considerable majority.

Meeting closed with the benediction.

ELEVENTH SESSION.

CALVIN CHURCH, SAINT JOHN,
21st June, 1864, 10 o'clock, A. M. }

Synod met, according to adjournment, and was constituted. Minutes were read and sustained. Messrs. Gray, Jack and Stirling gave in adherence to Mr. Alves' protest. Answer of committee to reasons of dissent by Rev. W. Alves, and others, was given in, and passed, and ordered to be recorded on the Minutes, viz:—

To the dissent and protest handed in by the Rev. William Alves, it is answered that;

1. The resolution dissented from having arisen out of a recurrence to the Report of the Presbytery of St. John, the matter was deemed to be sufficiently before the Court. It was complained that in that Report no notice was taken of the application of the Rev. Wm. Elder to be admitted a member of that Presbytery on tendering his credentials as an ordained Minister, and engaging to labour within the bounds; the refusal of a majority of the Presbytery to accede to that application, in accordance with the past and present usages of this Church, and the dissent of the minority. Answer to reasons of dissent.

2. While it is true, as stated in dissent, that Forbes' Digest, which is not the Law of any Church, nor intended so to be, is used as a guide by this Synod, it is not so literally and strictly so, that in the oft recurring and peculiar cases arising in this Colonial Church, its

letter or spirit may never be departed from. In proof of this allegation it is only necessary to refer to the fact that at least two ministers of this Synod have for years been members of the Court who, in strict conformity to the rules laid down in Forbes' Digest, might not be deemed to be so qualified; and it is note-worthy that the Rev. Wm. Alves has not dissented from such practice of the Synod, but apparently homologates and approves the same, and regards the proceedings of Synod as valid and obligatory notwithstanding.

3. It is now the practice of this Church, and has been ever since its origin as a Synod, to admit ministers to be constituent members of Presbytery and Synod in circumstances analogous to those in which the Rev. Wm. Elder, an ordained Missionary, labouring within the bounds of the Presbytery of St. John, and an active and useful member of this Church and its Committees, has been admitted; and while it is conceded that it is open to this Synod to adopt a more rigid constitutional practice, it is held that the gain to order is dearly purchased which singles out individual ministers of the Church for invidious treatment; and that any alterations made in this respect should be carried out by means of general rules adopted and enforced without distinction of persons.

Distribution of
Grants.

Rev. W. Alves again brought up subject of Grants, when it was moved that the grant from Free Church be considered as for the year ending 1st January, 1864; and that it be distributed according to principles of distribution of former years.

Committee on Grants were then permitted to meet to arrange the amount to be paid to each minister.

Mr. McKay then submitted the Report of the Committee on Union with other Churches; a subject which was discussed till the hour of adjournment.

Session closed with the benediction.

TWELFTH SESSION.

CALVIN CHURCH, SAINT JOHN,
21st June, 1864, 3 o'clock, P. M.

Synod met, according to adjournment, and was constituted. Minutes were read and sustained, when Report of Committee to draft principles of Union with Church of the Lower Provinces was again taken up. Several

amendments having been made Report finally was submitted as follows, viz:—

The Committee on Union with the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces met, as appointed. Present—Rev. Messrs. McKay (Convener), Bennet, Turnbull and Elder. Mr. Millen and Mr. Smith being present, were associated with the Committee. Union with
Church of L. P.

It was proposed, and agreed, that a Secretary be appointed, and a draft of the principal points be made and read for consideration. Mr. Elder was appointed Secretary, and the following conclusions were read and agreed to:

1. That the standard of the United Church, subordinate to the Word of God, shall be the Westminster Confession of Faith, with the Catechisms, Larger and Shorter, as now received by both Churches; and this Synod sees no objection to the explanations as to the power of the Civil Magistrate, as defined by the Confession of Faith attached to the bases of Union of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces.

2. That inasmuch as this Synod is a corporate body, under a certain designation, that it shall continue to meet as often as may be required for civil purposes only, inasmuch as all properties and monies which at present belong to, or may be entrusted to it, can only be dealt with by Synod under its corporate name, at least until such time as the interests involved may be placed under proper legal protection.

3. The Widows' Fund of this Church may be managed separately or united to that of the Church of the Lower Provinces, as may be found most agreeable and expedient.

4. It is assumed that the proposed Union shall not interfere with any grants from parent Churches enjoyed by the ministers of either body at present, and that St. John will be included in the list of places in which the Synod of the united body shall be held from year to year.

5. That the above propositions be submitted to the Committee on Union of the sister Church, also sent down to our several Presbyteries and Sessions for their approval.

All which is respectfully submitted this 18th day of June, 1864.

NEIL MCKAY, Convener.

WM. ELDER, Secretary.

Moved, and agreed, that the Report be received and adopted, and the Committee authorized to send small sub-Committee to confer with Nova Scotia.

Statistics Report.

Rev. Mr. Gray, Convener of Committee on Statistics gave in Report as follows:—

The Committee on Statistics beg leave to submit a schedule of the statistics submitted to them—they regret that they are not so complete as the Committee believe they ought to be—and would recommend the Synod to enjoin ministers to get the schedule of the statistics for the current year fully and accurately filled in and transmitted to the Rev. James Gray, Norton, previous to the ensuing meeting of Synod, with the view of enabling the various Committees to obtain the necessary information to enable them to make up their Reports.

JAMES GRAY, Convener.

Moved, that the Report be received, the Convener re-appointed and thanked for his diligence in the matter, and parties enjoined to attend the recommendation of Report.

Education Report.

Rev. Mr. McKay, Convener of Educational Committee, made a statement regarding the financial position of the Academy of Woodstock, which he described as very discouraging.

Moved, and agreed, to appoint a Committee to consist of Messrs. McKay, Elder, Bennet (Convener) and Alves, to visit institution to ascertain the amount of claims against the Woodstock Academy, and to take measures either to have the buildings sold and liabilities liquidated, or to find means of carrying it on as an educational institution, Mr. Glass demitting connection with the same upon being paid all his legitimate claims.

Moderator and Clerk of Synod are instructed to recede any legal instruments necessary for carrying out the determination of Committee.

Mr. McKay having stated his desire to be relieved from Convener of this Committee, he was thanked, and his demission accepted.

Committees to meet to arrange business.

It was then moved, and agreed, that all Committees are instructed to meet in St. David's Church on the 3d Wednesday in June, before meeting of Synod at 10 o'clock, A. M., to prepare all business for the Synod.

Mr. Bennet gave in Report of his mission as Deputy

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to Parent Churches, stating that he had arrived in Ireland in time to attend meeting of Irish General Assembly, where he had been very kindly received among deputations from Sister Churches; that as such he had addressed the Assembly, who expressed the great delight it gave them to hear of the wellbeing of our Church; their sympathy with us in our difficulties, and determination to aid us by all means in their power; that he afterwards proceeded to Edinburgh to attend meeting of the Colonial Committee of F. C., where he was favored with a hearing, and the result of which is known to this Church through letters of Dr. Bonar; and waited on Rev. Dr. Thompson, U. P. minister, and Rev. Dr. Somerville, by the former of whom he was advised to make our claims known to the Presbyteries of Edinburgh and Glasgow; that he went thence to Liverpool, and called on a few persons, who subscribed to Building Fund. Returned to Edinburgh to attend meeting of U. P. Presbytery, where he was most kindly received, and where minute was made sympathizing with us, and containing much encouragement; that he then proceeded to Belfast, to be present at meeting of Colonial Committee of I. A., where he made statement of claims, when the grant of £100 was renewed, question of addition to grant being resumed, and which may be supposed to be in abeyance till return of Rev. Mr. Johnson; that he then returned to Glasgow to attend meeting of U. P. Presbytery, and that similar deliverance was come to by them—that since return he addressed letter stating our claims to Rev. Dr. S. Lee, of T. M. U. P. Church, but that he has not received any reply—that finally he raised monies for Church Building Fund, principally in Glasgow, from which, after deducting all expenses, there remains about £30 sterling—and that when to this the £40 in part payment of expenses is added, from other funds, there will be £70 sterling for the Church Building Fund of this Church.

Mr. B. having given in the above Report, it was moved by Mr. McKay and unanimously agreed—that the Report be received and approved—that the thanks of the Synod be tendered to Mr. Bennet for his diligence; and that the Synod record its grateful sense of the kindness and liberality of the Parent Churches, and of private individuals who have given of their substance to

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help us on with the work of the Redeemer in this Province.

Committee on Ministerial Accommodation was then appointed, consisting of Messrs. McKay (Convener), Beard, Alves and Bennet, with instructions to see to the accommodation of ministers, in due time, prior to next meeting of Synod.

Closed with the benediction.

THIRTEENTH SESSION.

CALVIN CHURCH, SAINT JOHN,
21st June, 1864, 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Synod met, and was constituted. Minutes were read, and sustained, when Committee, consisting of Messrs. Bennet and Elder, was appointed to take charge of Building Fund, and to aid Glassville from same as soon as it appears that a responsible Local Committee has been appointed to have charge of erection of Church in that place; and that it be remitted to the B. Fund Committee to enquire whether appropriate site for Church might be obtained in Shediac on reasonable terms, and if so, to purchase same for such purpose.

Sustentation Fund Committee gave in their Report, viz:—

The Committee on the Sustentation Fund report as follows:

1. That soon after the rising of last Synod, the Convener, by circular, stated his willingness to address congregations on the subject of raising monies for this Fund by Collecting Cards, in the event of being invited to do so by Ministers and Sessions, but that he has enjoyed only very limited opportunities of doing so.

2. That he frequently, over his own signature, and otherwise, urged the claims of this Fund on congregations, which appeals have generally been liberally responded to. It has been found that collections by means of cards and books induce much larger sums than ordinary congregational collections.

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The following contributions have been reported from aid-receiving congregations :

Carleton,.....	\$4 00	New Mills,.....	\$4 00
Norton, Sussex, &c.,.....	9 05	Bocabec and Waweig,.....	31 00
Springfield,.....	14 38	Prince William, &c.,.....	82 77
Campbell Settlement,.....	8 75	Woodstock,.....	48 00
Blackville, &c.,.....	32 83		
Bass River,.....	9 74		\$244 52

From self-sustaining congregations as follows :

St. John Presbyterian Church,.....	\$40 00 due.
St. David's,.....	63 50
Richibucto,.....	79 72
Calvin Church,.....	10 00

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Taxation for Incidental Fund,..... 5 00

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The Committee again propose that the ministers of non-sustaining congregations receive 1st, the amount contributed by their respective congregations, and 2d, such additional sums as the amount received from self-sustaining congregations may enable the Committee to allocate, and that, in this allocation regard be had to the income derived by the recipient from all sources, as shown by the statistics of Committee on Grants. The following allocations have been made on this principle: the larger sums being given to ministers whose incomes were less than \$300.

1. Carleton,.....	\$11 00	Campbell Settlement,.....	\$16 70
2. Sussex, &c.,.....	11 00	Campbelltown, &c.,.....	16 70
3. Springfield,.....	11 00	New Mills,.....	16 70
4. Blackville, &c.,.....	11 00	Prince William,.....	16 70
5. Bass River,.....	11 00	Fredericton,.....	16 70
6. St. Stephen,.....	11 00	Salmon River,.....	16 70
7. St. James,.....	11 00		
8. Bocabec,.....	11 00		
		Total,.....	\$188 22

The Committee desire permission to secure the printing of a large number of the Reports of contributions, and details of distribution, with or without Reports of other Committees, as the Synod may direct. It is also proposed that the deliverances of last Synod as to the mode of raising funds, &c., be renewed for the ensuing year.

All which is respectfully submitted this 21st day of June, 1864.

WM. ELDER, Convener,
JAMES GRAY
ALEXANDER SMITH,

} Committee

Moved that Report be received and approved, Con-
 vener thanked for diligence, and re-appointed, that recom-
 mendations be complied with, and that accounts be
 submitted to Audit Committee.

Collections for the various schemes of the Church were
 appointed to be taken on the following days, viz:

Home Mission, on second Sabbath in August, 1864.

Widows' Fund, on third Sabbath in February, 1865.

Incidental Fund, on third Sabbath in May, 1865.

It was then moved to take into consideration the re-
 commendations of Rev. W. Johnston. These, as trans-
 mitted by St. John Presbytery, were as follows:

ST. JOHN, 16th June, 1864.

At a meeting of the Presbytery of St. John, held in
hunc effectum, to meet with the Rev. Wm. Johnston of
 Belfast, Deputy of the Presbyterian Church of Ireland
 to the Presbyterian Church of New Brunswick, Mr.
 Johnston made the following suggestions for the benefit
 of the Church, for the approval of the Presbytery—

1. That the raising of the salaries of all the ministers of
 the Church to the minimum of £100 a year, be aimed at.
2. That we should endeavor to organize a Manse Fund.
3. That a Committee of the ministers and some of the
 more influential lay members of the Church be appointed
 to carry out these objects.
4. That the system of Visita-
 tion Presbyteries should be adopted and carried out.
5. That steps be taken by the Synod to improve the
 state of Psalmody throughout the Church. The Presby-
 tery *inter alia* resolved to transmit to the Synod the
 suggestions made by Mr. Johnston, with the general
 approval and recommendation of the Presbytery.

WM. ALVES, Clerk.

Moved, That the recommendations be adopted in sub-
 stance; that while Presbyteries have been attending to
 the increase of salaries of ministers, they be enjoined to
 give increased diligence to that end; and that in order
 to do so Synod's previous injunction to hold Visitation
 Presbyteries be rigidly carried out in all congregations,
 and to see that they do their duty to their ministers;
 that at these visitations they also inquire into the state
 of Psalmody in each congregation with view to its im-
 provement; that Synod do now aim at raising a central
 Manse Fund of at least £2,000, payable in five yearly

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instalments, and that for this purpose a circular be addressed to all the influential and wealthy laymen of the Church, asking them to contribute to this Fund, and to use their influence with others to subscribethereto—that each subscriber of \$50 shall become a member of Committee for the management of said Fund—that no subscriber shall be asked for payment of subscription till at least £1,000 have been subscribed—that sub-committees be organized in all the congregations for the purpose of procuring subscriptions, and that the Moderator (Convener), Clerk, with Rev. Messrs. Alves, Gray, McKay and Elder, be a Committee to make draft of Circular to send to the influential laymen, and take such measures as may be necessary for the general management of the whole movement.

Synod records its grateful sense of the liberality and kindness of the Irish Presbyterian Church in sending Mr. Johnston; also, its hearty appreciation of his labours, and their belief that his mission has been instrumental in exciting additional interest in the schemes of the Church; and that a copy of this deliverance be sent to the Secretaries of the Colonial and Continental Missions.

Synod records its sense of the kindness of those families who have entertained members of Synod during its sittings. Entertainment of Members.

It was moved, and agreed, that Accounts of Incidental Fund be audited by Audit Committee, and printed in an Appendix to Minutes.

Moderator, after prayer by Mr. Stirling, addressed the Court at some length, when time and place of Assembly next year having been again announced, the Court was adjourned till that date.

Closed with the benediction.

INCIDENTAL FUND

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COMMITTEES OF SYNOD.

HOME MISSION.

REV. JAMES BENNET, CONVENER.
 " WILLIAM ALVES,
 " T. G. JOHNSTON,
 " JAMES SALMON,
 MR. JAMES ALLEN, ELDER.
 " SAVAGE,

SUSTENTATION FUND.

REV. WILLIAM ELDER, CONVENER.
 " JAMES GRAY,
 " JAMES FOWLER,
 " A. SMITH,
 MR. MURRAY, ELDER,
 " EDWARD CHARTERS, ELDER.

FOREIGN MISSION.

REV. A. STIRLING, CONVENER.
 " MR. JACK,
 " T. NICHOLSON,
 " A. STIRLING,
 MR. WOOD, ELDER,
 " THOMAS STEWART, ELDER.

INCIDENTAL FUND.

REV. WILLIAM ALVES, CONVENER.
 " MR. BAIRD,
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 MR. KEDEY, ELDER.

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APPENDIX.

Receipts on Home Mission Account from 18th June, 1863 until 21st June, 1864.

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	Balance on hand.....	\$196 41	Mr. Moody's Salary until June 1863.....	\$92 88
1863.	June 18. Prince William	4 00	Do. Expenses, fares,....	26 00
"	" Kouchibouguac	4 25	Do. Salary at £60, 4 months,...	80 00
"	" Campbell Settlement... ..	1 80	Mr. Millen, half expenses	20 00
"	" St. Stephen	5 00	Mr. Salmon, half expenses....	20 00
"	" St. James	12 72	Incidental Expenses H. M. Fund, ..	98 01
"	" St. David's	10 00	Rev. Mr. Dunlop, balance of Sa-	
"	" Springfield	7 07	lary till Nov. 1863,	\$286 75
"	" Carleton	4 00	Expenses, Golden Grove	5 00
"	" Pisarinco	4 85	Postages	2 50
June 25.	St. David's	7 04		
Sept. 9.	Rev. T. G. Johnston..	9 00		\$516 14
Sept. 8.	Grant from Ireland... ..	488 89	Balance on hand June 21, 1864,	499 05
Nov. 12.	O. Chapman, Shediac..	17 00		
Dec. 3.	Rev. W. McMaster, per			
	Rev. W. Alves	4 00		
1864.	St. John Pres. Church	28 00		
Mar. 25.	Public Meeting, in St.			
	David's Church.....	37 00		
Mar. 25.	Collection in Moncton,			
	per Mr. Ross	8 00		
June 15.	Golden Grove	6 00		
June 16.	Golden Grove	4 00		
"	Rev. Mr. Jack	4 88		
"	St. James	18 27		
"	Millbranch	13 12		
"	Dalhousie & Pt. Le Nim	4 00		
"	River Charlo & Jacquet	4 00		
"	Calvin Church	16 00		
June 20.	St. David's Church	64 80		
"	Carleton and Pisarinco	8 00		
"	Bocabec, Waweig, and			
	St. George	20 00		
"	Rev. A. Donald	2 78		
June 21.	Richibucto, per Rev.			
	W. Elder	18 96		
"	Mr. Outram, G'n. Grove	4 00		
		\$1,015 29		\$1,015 29

Widows' Fund—Statement of Receipts.

From Ministers at Synod 1863:—			From Congregations at Synod 1863:—		
Mr. Turnbull,	£1	0 0	St. James,	£0	5 0
Mr. Johnston,	1	0 0	New Mills,	1	0 0
Mr. Donald,	1	0 0	Campbell's Settlement,	0	15 0
Mr. N. McKay,	1	0 0	Carleton,	1	0 0
Mr. James Fowler,	1	0 0			
	£5	0 0		£3	0 0
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Total at Synod of 1863 £8 0 0

Widows' Fund—Statement of Receipts Continued.

From Ministers at Synod 1864:—			From Congregations at Synod 1864:—		
Mr. Turnbull,	£1	0 0	St. John Pres. Church,	£6	15 0
Mr. Donald,	1	0 0	New Mills and Point Le Nim,	1	0 0
Mr. Salmon (2 years)	2	0 0	Blackville,	0	19 9
Mr. Bennet (2 years)	2	0 0	Derby,	1	0 9
	£6	0 0	St. James,	0	7 6
			Prince William,	1	0 0
			St. David's,	6	1 6
			Campbell's Settlement,	1	8 4
				£19	12 10
				6	0 0

Total at Synod of 1864 £25 12 10

Widows' Fund—Summary.

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Monies paid prior to July 1862	£26	8 9	By Savings' Bank Receipts	£61	8 0
" " at Synod 1863	8	0 0			
" " " 1864	25	12 10			
Interest	1	6 5			
	£61	8 0			

Contributions to the Sustentation Fund.

St. John Presbyterian Church..	\$40 00	Derby	32 83
St. David's Church	88 50	Bass River	9 74
Richibucto	79 70	New Mills	4 00
Calvin Church	10 00	Bocabec, &c.	81 60
Carleton	4 00	Prince William	82 77
Norton, Sussex, &c.	9 05	Woodstock	48 00
Springfield, &c.	14 38		
Londonderry, &c.	8 75		
			<u>\$458 32.</u>

Contributions for Missionary and other objects.

Collected by Miss McKinlay, .	\$23 05	Collected by Misses Herbeson and Purves .	\$15 00
" " Mrs. G. Hawthorne	10 00	" " Miss McWilliams	7 00
BOCABEC.		ST. GEORGE.	
Collected by Miss N. McMillan .	9 60	Collected by Miss M. McGowan	15 52

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Collected by Miss Esther Cory	\$12 54	Mrs. James McGregor	\$0 20
" " Miss Hunter (P'field)	2 50	John King	0 40
		Donald P. McLachlan	0 20
	\$95 21	MISS MARGARET MENZIE, COLLECTOR.	

RICHIBUCTO—BY REV. JAMES LAW, A. M.		James Menzie	0 86
Collected by Miss Jardine	\$4 10	Colin King	0 60
" " Mr. John Robertson	12 95	Cosmo F. McLeod	0 86
" " Mr. Samuel Girvan	5 60	Thomas Murray	0 50
" " Miss Gifford	19 12	William Brown	0 50
" " Mrs. Dr. Wilson	4 80	Robert Brown	0 25
" " Mrs. M. J. Leishman	14 25	Alexander Kelso	1 00
" " Miss Isabella Main	22 25	Andrew Shanklin	0 50
" " Mr. J. Glendinning	9 35	Home Mission, by collection	1 65
" " Mr. Robert Lawson	5 60	Incidental Fund	3 00

E. SETTLEMENT.

Sustentation and Home Mission conjointly.

MISS AGNES MURRAY, COLLECTOR.

SPRINGFIELD.		Dr. Charles Murray	0 60
Sustentation and For. Miss. conjointly (by card.)		Adam Murray	0 50
MISS OGILVIE, COLLECTOR.		Edward Hamilton	0 20

Peter Ogilvie	\$1 50	William John Rutledge	0 30
Daniel McLachlan	1 50	MISS AGNES CARMICHAEL, COLLECTOR.	
Alexander Duff	1 00	Donald Carmichael	0 25
David Ogilvie	0 60	Mrs. D. Carmichael	0 25
Mary J. Ogilvie	0 50	John Murray	0 25

MISS CATHERINE CHISHOLM, COLLECTOR.

Janett Robertson	0 83	Andrew Carmichael	2 00
David Smyth	0 80	MISS JANET MURRAY, COLLECTOR.	
Charles Stewart	1 30	Charles Murray	0 25
Alexander Stewart	1 20	Janet Murray	0 25
Hugh Smith	0 80	William Lawson	0 40
Peter Chisholm	1 00	David Murray	0 22
A Friend	1 00	MISS JANE THOMSON, COLLECTOR.	
William Cromwell	0 40	William Thomson	0 25

MRS. CATHERINE KING, COLLECTOR.

Rev. Lewis Jack	1 00	Mrs. Armstrong	0 50
Mrs. Flora Jack	0 52	Barbara Armstrong	0 50
Donald McLachlan	0 64	James Thomson, Sr.	0 50
Mrs. D. McLachlan	0 20	Matthew Thomson	0 24
Mrs. C. King	0 20	James Thomson, Jr.	0 20
David McNair	0 20	Thomas Murray	0 50
Mrs. P. McGregor	0 20	Foreign Mission, by collection	0 84
Neil Stewart	1 00	Incidental Fund	4 26

St. John Presbyterian Church Mission Association for Sustenta-
tion and Home Mission not reported, about \$100.
Foreign Mission Account not forwarded.

\$15 00
7 00
15 52

0 23	1 20 Janet Milroy	1 20 Janet Milroy
0 40	0 80 William Lawson	0 80 William Lawson
0 22	1 00 David Murray	1 00 David Murray
	1 70 Miss Jane Thomson, collector	1 70 Miss Jane Thomson, collector
0 25	0 40 William Thomson	0 40 William Thomson
0 20	1 00 Mrs. Armstrong	1 00 Mrs. Armstrong
0 50	1 00 Mrs. Armstrong	1 00 Mrs. Armstrong
0 50	0 50 James Thomson, Sr.	0 50 James Thomson, Sr.
0 24	0 84 Matthew Thomson	0 84 Matthew Thomson
0 25	0 20 James Thomson, Jr.	0 20 James Thomson, Jr.

0.20 Thomas Murray
0.20 Foreign Mission, by collection
0.20

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Seal of the Presbyterian Church Mission Association for Australia

Foreign Mission Account not furnished.
In kind home mission not reported, about \$100.

NAME

Rev. James
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Rev. Geo
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STATISTICAL AB

NAME OF PASTOR.	NAME OF CONGREGATION.	Extent of Congregation.	Number of Adherents.	Number of Families.	Number of Churches.	Amount of Church accommodation.	Average attendance.	Number of Baptisms during year.	Additional during year.	Number removed by death or otherwise.
PRESBYTERY OF SAINT JOHN.		s. m.								
Rev. James Bennet,	St. John Presbyterian Church,		900	175		900	500		5	
Rev. Neil McKay,	St. David's,		850	150	1	900	500	11		1
Rev. William Alves, A. M.,	Calvin Church,		600	150	1	800	350	4		
Rev. James Baird, A. M.,	Carleton,	5	200	60	1	500	160	4		3
Rev. James Gray, A. M.	Hampton,	12	50	15	1	120	65			
	Norton,	10	40	12	1	120	40			
	Union, Norton,	8	55	17	1	120	90			
	Sussex and Studholm,	20	100	36	1	230	120	6		
Rev. Lewis Jack,	Springfield,	7	150	30	1	150	150	5		3
Rev. Andrew Donald,	English Settlement,	20	100	20	1	150	80	1		
	Londonderry,	60	145	29	1	120	90	1		1
	Campbell Settlement,	27	110	22			65			2
	Salt Springs,	24	105	21			65			
Rev. George Brown, Missionary,	Golden Grove,	12	26	8	1		30			
	Lepreaux,	25	14	5			40			
	Musquash,	15	10	3			45			
	Prince of Wales,	12	29	8			46			
	Nerepis,	26	50	20	1		70	3		3
PRESBYTERY OF MIRAMICHI.										
Rev. James Law, A. M.,	Richibucto,	150		180	2	600	350	9		
Rev. T. G. Johnston,	Blackville,	11	125	25	1	280	60	2		5
Rev. James Fowler,	Derby,	10	175	30	1	250	80			
	Kouchibouguac,	15	140	34			100	1		2
	Bass River,	75	340	85	1	340	230	4		3
Rev. Thomas Nicholson,	Campbellton,		70	10			70			
	Escuminac, &c.,	14	250	45	1	300	100			
Rev. Angus McMaster, Vacant,	Dalhousie,	20	150	30	1	150	150			
	New Mills and Point-la-nim,			56	1		90			
	River Charlo,	7	225	45	1	400	200			
	River Jacquet,	7	175	34	1	300	120			
PRESBYTERY OF SAINT STEPHEN.										
Rev. Robt. Moodie, Missionary,	St. Stephen,	2	250	50	1	350	150			
Rev. John Turnbull,	St. James,	10	324	104	3	600	400	1		6
Rev. William Millen,	Bocabec,	12	148	37	1	120	98		5	1
	Waweig,	10	156	39	1	120	90	2		1
PRESBYTERY OF YORK.										
Rev. Alexander Smith,	Prince William,	20	372	100	4	850	250	3	2	10
Vacant,	Richmond and Woodstock,	26	300	40	2	500	80	5	10	5
	Fredericton,			32	1	300	80			3
Rev. Alexander Stirling,	Tay Creek,			12	1	100	50			
Rev. James Salmond,	Jerusalem,			26	1	300	260			2
	Salmon River,	30		65	1	360	100	7		2

ICALABLE, SYNOD OF NEW BRUNSWICK, June 1864.

Amount of Church accommodation.		Average attendance.	Number of Raritime du	Additional during year.	Number removed by death or otherwise.	Number of Elders.	How often is the Lord's Supper dispensed.	Number of S. Schools.	Number of Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Number of Volumes in Library.	No. of Prayer Meetings.	Average Attendance.	No. of Bible Classes.	Average Attendance.	By what title is Church Property held.	Number of Trustees.	How often do they meet.	Do they report annually.	How is the Minister's salary raised.	End of Congregational year.	Amount of salary promised.	Amount paid.	Balance due on former years.	Amount raised for Sustentation Fund.	Home Mission Fund.	Foreign Mission Fund.	Widows' Fund.	Synod's Incidental Fund.	Woodstock College.	Miscellaneous purposes.	Total.
900	500		5			4	2	1	15	170	800	1	25	1	25	incorp.	9	occas.	no	p.rents	May 1	\$ 1200 00	\$ 1200 00									
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120	40					3	1	1	1	18						incorp.	5	half yr.	yes	subs.	Dec.31	120 00	55 15	194 72	1 68						104	
120	90					1	1	1	1	18						incorp.	5	half yr.	yes	subs.	Dec.31	80 00	74 93		2 60						56	
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