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OF THE
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FIRST SEDERUNT.

At Truro, and within the First Presbyterian Church there; Tuesday, the twenty-seventh day of May, one thousand, eight-hundred and seventy-nine years, at half-past seven o'clock in the evening:

Which time, the Synod of the Maritime Provinces, in connection with the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, met, according to appointment. The Rev. A. Ross, M. A. of Pictou, the retiring moderator, conducted Divine Service. He preached from the Gospel according to Luke, the twenty fourth chapter and the forty sixth to the forty-ninth verses.

At the conclusion of the service, he constituted the Synod with prayer.

CHANGES IN PRESBYTERIES.

The following changes, reported by Presbytery Clerks as having occurred, since last meeting of Synod, in the several Presbyteries, were then read.

DEATH.

Presbytery of Truro :—The Rev. James Byers, of Clifton, May twenty-first, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine.

DEMISSIONS.

- Presbytery of Prince Edward's Island*:—Rev. Alexander Campbell, Strathalbyn, November twenty-ninth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.
- Presbytery of Wallace*:—Rev. J. M. Sutherland, Pugwash and Oxford, November thirtieth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.
- Presbytery of Halifax*:—Rev. David Neish, December tenth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.
- Presbytery of Miramichi*:—Rev. William McCullagh, Redbank, December twentieth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.
- Presbytery of Pictou*:—Rev. George Roddick, West River, December thirty-first, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.
- Presbytery of Sydney*:—Rev. Allan McLean, Little Glace Bay Mines, February twenty-sixth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine.
- Presbytery of Lunenburg and Yarmouth*:—Rev. William Duff, Lunenburg, March fourth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine.

TRANSLATIONS.

- Rev. John McLean, October twenty-ninth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight, from Broad Cove, Presbytery of Victoria and Richmond to Kempt and Walton, Presbytery of Halifax, November twentieth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.
- Rev. Isaac Murray, D. D., from New London, to third Presbyterian Church, Charlottetown, Presbytery of Prince Edward's Island, November twenty-seventh, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.
- Rev. William Robertson, from Bridgewater to Yarmouth, Presbytery of Lunenburg and Yarmouth, December tenth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.
- Rev. John C. Meek, December thirty-first, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight, from Carleton and Chebogue, Presbytery of Lunenburg and Yarmouth, to Springside, Presbytery of Truro, January fourteenth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.
- Rev. L. G. Macneill, December twentieth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight, from Maitland, Presbytery of Halifax, to St. Andrew's Church, St. John's Presbytery of Newfoundland, December twenty-seventh, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.
- Rev. A. F. Thompson, January twenty-first, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine, from Mabou, Presbytery of Victoria and Richmond to Economy, Presbytery of Truro, March eighteenth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine.
- Rev. A. B. Dickie, from Sheet Harbor to Milford, Presbytery of Halifax, April twenty-eighth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine.

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INDUCTIONS.

Presbytery of Miramichi :—Rev. Robert Jardine, Sc. D., St. Andrew's Church, Chatham, December twentieth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

Presbytery of St. John :—Rev. Edward Roberts, Harvey and Acton, November twenty-eighth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

ORDINATIONS.

Presbytery of Wallace :—Mr. James A. McKeen, to labor in Hamilton, Bermuda, October twenty-second, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

Presbytery of Prince Edward's Island :—Mr. A. S. Stewart, Belfast, March twenty-fifth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine.

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Presbytery of Halifax :—Mr. W. H. Gray, October eighth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

NAMES OF ORDAINED MISSIONARIES ADDED TO THE ROLL.

Presbytery of Halifax—Rev. George Christie, Bedford and Waverley, October eighth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

Presbytery of St. John :—Rev. S. Russell, New Kincardine, November one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

Presbytery of Pictou :—Rev. T. Brouillette, Stellarton and Vale Colliery, March fourth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine.

ROLL.

The Roll of the Synod, composed of the rolls of all its Presbyteries, was then called, and the attendance of members marked. It is as follows, viz :—

* The asterisk indicates attendance.

I.—PRESBYTERY OF SYDNEY.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION.	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
H. McLeod, M.A., D.D.	1833	Wm. McDonald,	Mira	.. Sydney, C. B.
Matt. Wilson, M.A.	1842	Wm. Gannell..	Sydney Mines	.. Sydney Mines.
Abraham McIntosh.	1856	D. McDonald ..	St. Ann's	.. St. Ann's.
Donald Sutherland ..	1860	Philip McDonald	Gabarus	.. Gabarus.
* A. Farquharson ..	1864	D. McLennan ..	St. Andrew's, Sydney	.. Sydney.
* D. McDougall ..	1865	T. P. Jones ..	Cow Bay Mines	.. Cow Bay.
D. Drummond ..	1872	D. Campbell ..	Boularderie	.. Boularderie.
* John Murray ..	1873	A. D. McGillivray	Falmouth St. Church	.. Sydney.
Peter Clarke ..	1873	.....	Cape North	.. Cape North.
* Gavin Sinclair ..	1877	Neil Stewart ..	Loch Lomond, &c.	.. Loch Lomond.
VACANCIES.		D. McKay ..	Grand River	.. Grand River.
.....		A. McPherson ..	Glace Bay Mines	.. Glace Bay.
.....		Dan. Link ..	Leitch's Creek	.. Leitch's Creek.

A. FARQUHARSON, *Presbytery Clerk*.

2.—PRESBYTERY OF VICTORIA & RICHMOND.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION.	MEMBERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
M. Stewart, M.A.	1843	H. McDonald	Whycocomagh	Whycocomagh
Wm. G. Forbes	1852	M. McLennan	Port Hastings & R. Dennis	Port Hastings.
* K. McKenzie	1857	David McCurdy	Baddeck and Forks	Baddeck.
* Alex. Grant	1871	Archibald McKay	Lake Ainslie & N. Margaree	Lake Ainslie.
Alex. McRae	1877	A. J. McIver	M. River & Little Narrows.	Middle River.
VACANCIES.		Walter McDonald	Mabou and Port Hood	
		Hugh McKinnon	Broad Cove	
			West Bay and St. Peters	
		Don. McAskill	Malagawatch & N. Mount.	
			River Inhabitants	
			N. E. Margaree P. Station.	

H. MCKENZIE, *Presbytery Clerk.*

3.—PRESBYTERY OF WALLACE.

James Watson	1830	W. Creighton	New Annan	New Annan.
C. G. Glass		R. Drummond	Spring Hill	Spring Hill.
W. S. Darragh	1850	D. Mitchell	Goose River	Goose River.
James Murray	1852	Alex. Ross	Wallace (St. Matthew's).	Wallace.
* H. B. Mackay	1855	W. Redmond	River John	River John.
Thos. Tallach	1857	J. H. Thompson	Amherst	Amherst.
Samuel Boyd	1858	N. McLeod	Wallace & Pugwash	Wallace.
Thos. Sedgwick	1860	John Ross	Tatamagonche	Tatamagonche
VACANCIES.				
		A. Conn	Pugwash & Oxford	Pugwash.
		Alex. McLean	Earltown & W. B. R. John	Earltown.
		H. D. Chisholm	Wentworth	Wentworth.
		Fred. Chapman	Shemogue, N. B.	Shemogue, N.B.

THOMAS SEDGWICK, *Presbytery Clerk.*

4.—PRESBYTERY OF HALIFAX.

R. Sedgwick, D.D.	1836	* Wm. Sedgwick	Middle Musquodoboit	Musquodoboit.
* P. G. McGregor, D.D.	1841		Halifax.	
Walter Thorburn			Warwick, Bermuda	Warwick.
George Christie	1842		Bedford & Waverley	Bedford.
* R. F. Burns, D.D.	1847	* Isaac Murray	Fort Massey	Halifax.
* Professor Pollok, D.D.	1852		Halifax.	
A. L. Wyllie	1852	* Angus McLeod	Richmond & N. W. Arm.	Richmond.
* Thomas Duncan	1856	William Pender	St. Andrew's	Halifax.
Alex. Stuart	1856	* Joseph Conrad	Lawrencetown, &c.	Porter's Lake.
* Prof. McKnight, D.D.	1857		Halifax.	
Professor Currie	1857		Halifax.	
D. McKinnon	1862	Chas. A. Spratt	Little River	Little River.
M. G. Henry	1865	James Fisher	Shubenacadie & Stewiacke	Shubenacadie.
* C. B. Pitblado	1865	* Robert Murray	Chalmers Church	Halifax.
* Peter M. Morrison	1865	* Charles Hobson	Dartmouth	Dartmouth.
Andrew J. Mowatt	1866	John Sweet	Windsor	Windsor.
Allan Simpson	1866	* A. McBean	Poplar Grove	Halifax.
John Forrest	1866	* Robt. Emerson	St. John's	Halifax.
* Samuel Bernard	1867		Noel	Noel.
E. G. McNab	1867	Hiram Smith	Newport	Newport.
* John B. Logan	1867	G. A. Davidson	Kentville	Kentville.
A. B. Dickie	1869	John Wardrope	Milford and Gay's River	Milford.
Robert Laing	1873		St. Matthew's	Halifax.
James Rossborough	1873	Wm. Anderson	Musquodoboit Harbor	Musquodoboit/Hr
Isaac Simpson	1873	John Parker	Upper Musquodoboit	U. Musquodob't
Adlan Gunn	1876	Wm. Dodds	Gore and Kennetcook	Kennetcook.
* John McLean	1877	T. A. Malcom	Kempt and Walton	Kempt.
VACANCIES.				
		Maitland	Maitland	Maitland.
		Elmsdale & Nine M. River	Elmsdale.	
		Nathan Spence	St. Croix and Eilershouse	St. Croix.
			West Cornwallis	
		D. M. Dickie	North Cornwallis	
		Daniel Cameron	Annapolis and Bridgetown	

JOHN FORREST, *Presbytery Clerk.*

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5.—PRESBYTERY OF PICTOU.

POST OFFICES.	MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION.	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
	John Stewart	1834		Deliberative member	New Glasgow.
	George Walker	1838		Pas. Em., United Ch., N. G.	
Whycocomagh	A. P. Miller	1844	Paul Grant	French River	Merigomish.
Port Hastings	D. B. Blair	1846	Jas. McDonald	Barney's River & Blue Mt.	Barney's River
Baddeck.	Geo. Patterson, D.D.	1849		Agent for Manitoba Col.	New Glasgow.
Lake Ainslie.	Alex. McLean, A.M.	1852		Hopewell	Hopewell.
Middle River.	James Thompson	1854	John Millar	Central Church	Burham.
	William Maxwell	1854	John Ferguson	Little Harbour, &c.	Little Harbor.
	John Lees	1855	W. F. Crockett	Westville and M. River	Westville.
	Alex. Stirling	1858	John Brown	Scotsburn and Salt Springs.	Scotsburn.
	Alex. Ross, A.M.	1860	J. D. McDonald.	Knox Church, Pictou	Pictou.
	William Donald	1860	James Stalker	Prince St., Pictou	"
	Peter Goodfellow	1862	Dun. Chisholm	Antigonish & Cape George	Antigonish.
	T. Cunningham	1863	Duncan McKay	Stellarton	Stellarton.
	William Stuart	1865	Robt. McLean	Green Hill	Green Hill.
	E. A. McCurdy	1866	Harvey Graham	James Church, N. G.	New Glasgow.
	A. McL. Sinclair	1866	John Grant	East River	Springville.
	J. F. Forbes	1867	Donald Sinclair	Union Centre & Lochaber	Union Centre.
	R. Cumming	1869	H. Archibald	Glenalg, Caledonia, &c.	Melrose.
	James Quin	1873	David McKeen	Sherbrooke & Goldenville.	Sherbrooke.
	Ephraim Scott	1875	G. Murray, M.D.	United Church, N. G.	New Glasgow.
	W. T. Bruce, M.D.	1876	Wm. Pickens	Vale Colliery & Suth. Riv.	Vale Colliery.
	T. Brouillette			Stellarton & Vale Colliery.	New Glasgow.
	VACANCIES.				
			John Meikle	Merigomish	
			Francis Henry	West River	

THOMAS CUMMING, *Presbytery Clerk.*

6.—PRESBYTERY OF TRURO.

	John I. Baxter	1852		Without charge	Truro.
	Wm. McCulloch, D.D.	1830	* L. McElhenry	Truro First Pres. Church.	Truro.
	Ebenezer Ross	1849		Without charge	Truro.
	James McLean	1854	Joseph Peppard	Great Village	Great Village.
	Alex. Cameron	1857	Henry Fulton	Riverside	Portapique.
	A. Burrows, B.A.	1864	John F. Crowe	Truro West	Truro.
	John McMillan, B.D.	1866	John S. Crowe	St. Paul's, Truro	Truro.
	James Sinclair	1867	Robert Morrison	Upper Londonderry	Folly Village.
	J. H. Chase, M.A.	1869	Alex. Barnhill	Onslow	Truro.
	Edward Grant	1869	Samuel Smith	Stewiacke	Stewiacke.
	Edwin Smith, B.A.	1871	Jacob Harvey	Middle Stewiacke	M. Stewiacke.
	John C. Meek	1872	S. J. Logan	Springside	Up. Stewiacke.
	Alex. F. Thomson	1874	Daniel Hill	Economy	Economy.
	John A. Logan, B.A.	1877	* A. P. Smith	Acadia	Acadia Iron Ms
	Jas. S. Carruthers	1873	Charles Christie	Coldstream	Valley.
	A. W. McLeod, M.A.	1878	Thomas McKay	Parrsboro'	Parrsboro'.
	VACANCY.		* Silas Black	Clifton	Clifton.

J. H. CHASE, *Presbytery Clerk.*

7.—PRESBYTERY OF LUNENBURG & YARMOUTH.

	Wm. Duff (retired)	1842			Lunenburg.
	Donald McMillan	1861	Edward Mosher	LaHave	LaHave.
	William Robertson	1865	St. John's		Yarmouth.
	E. D. Millar, B.A.	1873	John Bower	Shelburne and Lockeport.	Shelburne.
	T. H. Murray	1876	Abram Hobb	Riversdale	Riversdale.
	D. McGregor, B.A.	1877	Jease Romkey	New Dublin	New Dublin.
	D. Stiles Fraser, B.A.	1877	Geo. Zwicker	Mahone Bay	Mahone Bay.
	VACANCIES.				
			Jas. Eisenhauer	Lunenburg	Lunenburg.
			Andrew Gow	Bridgewater	Bridgewater.
			James Nelson	Clyde and Barrington	Clyde River.
			Sam. Richardson	Carleton and Chebogue	Carleton.

D. STILES FRASER, *Presbytery Clerk.*

8.—PRESBYTERY OF P. E. ISLAND.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION.	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
R. S. Patterson, M.A.	1826	Geo. Burns	Bedeque	North Bedeque
James Allan	1846	David Lawson	Cove Head	Cove Head
Isaac Murray, D.D.	1850	Donald McNeil	Charlottetown	Charlottetown
Alex. Munro	1850		Valleyfield	Valleyfield
K. McLeunan, A.M.	1852	Arch. Kennedy	Charlottetown	Charlottetown
Wm. Scott	1853	Alex. Martin	S. Peter's & Brack'y Pt. Rds.	Charlottetown
Henry Crawford	1853	Alex. Ramsay	Richmond Bay	Port Hill
J. M. McLeod	1853	Henry Davison	Charlottetown	Charlottetown
Neil McKay	1855	Geo. Linkletter	Summerside	Summerside
John McKinnon	1858	Duncan Fraser	Geo't'n, Card'n & Montag'e	Georgetown
Robert Laird	1860	Neil Reilly	Princetown	Princetown
Wm. R. Frame	1862	W. H. Douglas	St. Stewart & W. St. Peter's	Mount Stewart
J. G. Cameron	1867		Bay Fort'e, Souris & G. Riv.	Souris
William Grant	1869	Ewen McMillan	W. & C. Rivers & Brookfield	West River
S. C. Gunn	1870	H. D. Anderson	East St. Peter's	Marie
Charles Fraser	1871		West Cape	West Cape
A. F. Catt, M.A.	1871	David Gordon	Alberton and Tignish	Alberton
John Sutherland	1873	Hon. Red. Munn	Wood Islands	Woodville
Wm. P. Archibald	1875	John McKenzie	Cavendish & New Glasgow	Cavendish
E. S. Bayne	1876	William Bell	Murray Harbor	Murray Hr. N.
A. S. Stewart	1879	James Nicholson	Belfast	Eldon, Belfast
VACANCIES.				
			Tryon and Bonshaw	Dundas
		Jas. Hunter	Dundas	Dundas
		Jas. Henderson	N. London & Summerfield	Clifton
		John McKenzie	Strathalbyn	Strathalbyn

J. M. McLEOD, *Presbytery Clerk.*

9.—PRESBYTERY OF NEWFOUNDLAND.

Moses Harvey, M.A.			Retired	St. John's.
Alexander Ross		John Munn	Harbor Grace	Harbor Grace.
L. G. McNeil		Jas. Gosselow	St. Andrew's Ch., St. John's.	St. John's.
D. F. Creelham	1876	Angus Morrison	Bay of Islands	Bay of Islands.
VACANCY.				
			Betts' Cove	Betts' Cove.

ALEX. ROSS, *Presbytery Clerk.*

10.—PRESBYTERY OF ST. JOHN.

J. M. Brooke, D.D.	1839	Duncan Blair	St. Paul's	Fredericton.
A. Donald	1842		Retired	Campbell Set.
J. Bennett, D.D.	1843	D. Mitchell	St. John's	St. John.
L. Jack	1846	Charles Stewart	Springfield, &c.	Springfield.
W. Millen	1846		Boisbec	Bay Side, St. A's
D. Macleis, D.D.	1848	A. G. Bowes	Calvin Church	St. John.
E. Roberts	1850		Harvey and Acton	Harvey.
J. McQ. McKay	1855		Woodstock	Woodstock.
D. McKee	1856	John Hezan	St. Stephen's	St. John.
S. Johnson	1856	Thos. Elliott	Chipman	Chipman, Q. C.
J. Gray	1857	Jas. McDiarmid	Sussex	Sussex.
D. Waters, M.A., LL.D.	1861	R. Cruikshank	St. David's	St. John.
J. D. Murray	1865	O. Chipman	Buctouche, &c.	Buctouche.
J. Hogg	1868	Jonathan Wier	St. John's	Moncton.
W. Mitchell, B.A.	1869	W. Girvan	St. Andrew's	St. John.
J. C. Burgess, B.A.	1870	Geo. McKilligan	Carleton	Carleton, St. J.
P. Melville, M.A., B.D.	1870	Wm. Craigs	Nashwaak and Stanley	Nashwaak, P. O.
W. P. Begg, M.A.	1872	Judge Stevens	St. Stephen	St. Stephen.
K. McKay, B.A.	1872	Joseph Harvey	Richmond	Richmond
M. R. Paradis	1875		Grand Falls	Grand Falls.
W. Ross, B.A.	1876		Prince William	Prince William
S. Russell, Ord. Miss.		David Lowe	New Kincardine	Kincardine.
VACANCIES.				
				St. James
				St. George
				London'd'y & Campbell Set.
				Glassville and Floreenville
				Baillie and Tower Hill
				Greonock Ch., St. Andrew's
				Ham'd River & Salt Springs

D. WATERS, *Acting Presbytery Clerk.*

11.—PRESBYTERY OF MIRAMICHI.

POST OFFICES.	MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDISATION.	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
North Bedouque	Angus McMaster	1842	.....	Without charge	Arran, Scot. I.
Cove Head.	James Law	1845	.....	.....	Pt. Rush, I.P.E.
Charlottetown	Thos. G. Johnstone.	1855	W. H. Grindley.	Blackville	Blackville, N. B.
Valleyfield.	Wm Murray, A.M.	1856	.....	New Carlisle	N. Carlisle, P.Q.
Charlottetown	Thos. Nicholson	1850	.....	River Charlo	Rv. Charlo, N.B.
Port Hill.	Malcom McKenzie	1862	Robt. McLelland	Richibucto	Richibucto.
Charlottetown	James Anderson	1865	Thos. Mullin	Newcastle	Newcastle.
Summerside.	John Robertson, A.M.	1868	Rod. McKenzie	Black River	Black River.
Georgetown.	William Fogo	1869	A. Logie	Tabusintac	Tabusintac.
Princetown.	Sam'l Houston, A.M.	1869	Geo. Walls	Bathurst	Bathurst.
Mount Stewart	J. A. F. McBain	1869	A. Gilliss	St. John's Church	Chatham.
Souris.	R. Jardine, sc.d.	1870	D. Davidson	St. Andrew's	Chatham.
West River.	A. Russell	1876	Thos. Reid	Dalhousie	Dalhousie.
Marie.	J. C. Herdman, B.D.	1877	R. Busted	Campbellton	Campbellton.
West Cape.	VACANCIES.	.....	G. Sutherland	Redbank	Redbank.
Alberton.	.....	.....	.....	Bass River	Kent, N. B.
Woodville.	.....	.....	.....	New Richmond.	New Richmond
Cavendish.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Murray Hr. N.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Eldon, Belfast.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

JAMES ANDERSON, *Presbytery Clerk.*

ELECTION OF MODERATOR.

The following nominations to the moderatorship of this Synod, by Presbyteries, were read:—

Rev. Dr. McCulloch, by the Presbyteries of Truro, Prince Edward's Island and Pictou.

Rev. J. B. Logan, by the Presbyteries of Halifax and Lunenburg and Yarmouth.

Rev. Donald McRae, by the Presbytery of Miramichi.

Rev. Mr. McRae moved, and Rev. J. B. Logan seconded, that the Rev. Dr. McCulloch be Moderator. The motion was carried by acclamation. The new Moderator on being introduced by the retiring Moderator, briefly addressed the House, and thanked it, for the honor conferred.

THANKS TO THE RETIRING MODERATOR.

Rev. Dr. Burns moved, and Rev. Thomas Sedgwick, seconded, that cordial thanks be tendered to the retiring Moderator, for the faithful and efficient discharge of the duties of his office, and for the very appropriate discourse with which he has opened the present session of this Synod. The motion was carried unanimously, and the retiring Moderator thanked accordingly.

REPORT OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE.

Rev. S. Houston, on behalf of the Business Committee, reported the Docket to come before Synod, and the order of business for to-morrow morning and evening. The report was received and, with the exception that a missionary meeting be held to-morrow evening instead of the conference on the State of Religion, adopted. It was also on the recommen-

dation of the Committee, ordered to be printed for the information of members.

The Committee also made the following recommendations, which were adopted :

1. The daily Sederunts shall be, in the forenoon, from ten o'clock till one, in the afternoon, from three o'clock till six, and in the evening, from half-past seven till ten.

2. The first hour of to-morrow morning's meeting shall be spent in devotional services.

3.—COMMITTEES

To examine the Records of Presbyteries:—

St. John and Miramichi.—Revs. E. A. McCurdy and A. B. Dickie, with Mr. Emerson, elder.

Prince Edward's Island.—Revs. H. B. McKay and A. W. McLeod, with Mr. John Grant, elder.

Sydney and Victoria and Richmond.—Revs. Dr. Jardine and James S. Carruthers, with Mr. C. Sprott, elder.

Pictou and Wallace.—Revs. D. McRae and A. Gunn, with Mr. R. Cruikshank, elder.

Truro, and Lunenburg and Yarmouth.—Revs. M. G. Henry and A. F. Carr, with Mr. W. Sedgwick, elder.

Halifax and Newfoundland.—Revs. Robert Laird, Dr. Murray and Malcom McKenzie.

On Synod Finance:—Revs. A. McLean Sinclair, William Grant, Joseph Hogg, James Anderson, Ephraim Scott, with Messrs. H. Graham and W. Pender, elders.

4. That a committee be appointed on Obituary Notices.

COMMITTEE TO ARRANGE FOR MISSIONARY MEETING.

Revs. Dr. Burns, Andrew Burrows and E. A. McCurdy, were appointed a committee to arrange for the Missionary meeting, to-morrow evening.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

The Rev. A. McLean Sinclair gave notice that he will move, at a future Sederunt,

That the Synod take into consideration the state of the funds of our Church, in that portion of it within the Synod's jurisdiction.

The Synod adjourned, to meet in this place to-morrow morning at ten o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

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SECOND SEDERUNT.

At Truro, and within the First Presbyterian Church there: Wednesday, the twenty eighth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine years, at ten o'clock in the forenoon:

Which time, the Synod of the Maritime Provinces met, pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

An hour was spent in devotional services.

The minutes of the First Sederunt were read and sustained.

LETTER FROM PRINCIPAL ROSS.

A letter from the Rev. Principal Ross, D. D., in which he placed himself and his Professorship of Ethics and Political Economy at the disposal of the Synod, was read by the Moderator. The letter was referred to the Board of Superintendence.

CORRESPONDING MEMBER.

Rev. Peter Lindsay, of Three Rivers, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO PRESENT AN ADDRESS TO THE GOVERNOR GENERAL.

Dr. Burns, on behalf of the Committee, appointed at last meeting of Synod to present an address to the Governor-General, reported, that an address was prepared and presented to the Marquis of Lorne, on his arrival in Halifax, and read said address with the Governor General's Reply. The report was received.

COMMITTEE ON OBITUARY NOTICES.

The Moderator named Revs. Dr. McGregor, Dr. Sedgwick, George Christie, with Mr. Emerson, elder, as a Committee to prepare a notice of the death of the late Rev. Mr. Byers, Mr. Christie convener.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

Rev. E. A. McCurdy, Convener, read the report of the Committee on Systematic Beneficence.

The Report was received.

The Committee's recommendations were considered seriatim, when the first, second, fifth and sixth were adopted without amendment, the third was amended, and it was agreed that the fourth be taken up in connection with the motion, of which Rev. Mr. Sinclair had given notice, on the state of the funds.

The recommendations, as adopted, are as follows:

1.—This Synod records its conviction that contributions of our substance, presented to the Lord as offerings of thanksgiving, are acts of worship prescribed by the Head of the Church, and required from every hearer of the Gospel.

2.—The Synod, in view of the important doctrines of God's Proprietorship, man's stewardship, and the magnitude of the claims of the Redeemer upon our property, as well as upon our persons, urges all who are under its jurisdiction to present their gifts and offerings to the Lord regularly, frequently, gratefully, cheerfully and in proportion to their ability.

3.—This Synod recommends to all Ministers, Elders, Members and Adherents of the Church the adoption of the practice of storing in proportion to means and income, and to the Congregations, within its bounds, the adoption of the practice of weekly offering, as soon as may be judged expedient and practicable.

4.—The Synod directs its Committee to watch over the progress of the movement during the ensuing year, and to endeavor by means of the press and otherwise, as they may judge best, to contribute to its advancement.

5.—The Synod recommends all the Sessions to lay before their respective congregations, in the way that they may think most effective, the recommendations which have just been adopted.

The thanks of the Synod were tendered to the Committee and especially to the Convener, for their labor on this subject.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HUNTER FUND.

Rev. Dr. McGregor, gave in the report of the Committee on the Hunter Church Building Fund, showing a disbursement for the object of the Fund during the last six months of two thousand, two hundred and twenty-two dollars (\$2222), and since its inception of sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000.)

The report was received and adopted.

DISSENT AND COMPLAINT *in re* CERTAIN DECISIONS OF THE PRESBYTERY OF SYDNEY.

The Business Committee recommended that the papers in the case of the Dissent and Complaint of Rev. John Murray and others, in the matter of certain decisions of the Presbytery of Sydney, be referred to a Committee to bring in a finding in the case.

On motion, the recommendation was adopted, and the following Committee appointed: Revs. Thomas Sedgwick, (Convener), John Forrest, C. B. Pitblado, A. McLean Sinclair, and Dr. Burns, with Messrs. Robert Murray, Walter McDonald and Charles Robson, elders.

Dr. Burns reported the arrangements for the Missionary meeting this evening, which were approved of.

The Synod adjourned to meet in this place at three o'clock, in the afternoon, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

THIRD SEDERUNT.

At the same place, and on the same day, at three o'clock, in the afternoon:

Which time, the Synod of the Maritime Provinces met, pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted with prayer, by the Moderator.

The minutes of the Second Sederunt were read and sustained.

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HOUR OF ADJOURNMENT FOR THIS SEDERUNT CHANGED.

Dr. Patterson, on behalf of the Committee of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund, asked that the Synod adjourn to-day at five o'clock, to give the Committee time to meet with the members of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund of the late Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces, to consider matters of importance in connection with this Fund. The Synod agreed to the request.

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES.

It was agreed that the Committee of Bills and Overtures be also a Committee to nominate standing Committees.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC EDUCATION.

Rev. C. B. Pitblado, Convener, presented and read the Report of the Committee on Public Education. On motion the Report was received and laid on the table, to be considered after the report of the Board of Superintendence on Dr. Ross' letter.

LEAVE TO COMMITTEES TO ATTEND TO BUSINESS DURING SYNOD HOURS.

Rev. Thomas Sedgwick requested that the Committee on the cases from the Sydney Presbytery have leave to retire immediately. The request was complied with.

Dr. McGregor asked leave for the Board of Superintendence to meet this evening, during the time of the Synod's meeting. Leave was granted.

BOOK AND TRACT SOCIETY,

The Synod agreed to hear a statement by the Rev. A. McBean, the agent of the British American Book and Tract Society, in connection with the Society's work. Mr. McBean gave a brief exhibit of the aims and operations of the Society. It was moved by Dr. Waters, seconded by Rev. Thos. Cumming and unanimously agreed,

The Synod have heard with much satisfaction the statement of Mr. McBean, regarding the work of the British American Book and Tract Society, and cordially commend to their people, this Institution and similar Institutions, whose aim is the diffusion of a pure and sound evangelical literature.

APPEAL FROM A DECISION OF ST. JOHN PRESBYTERY.

On the parties, in the case of the Protest and Appeal of Miss Wilkins, from a deliverance of the Presbytery of St. John, being cited, the appellant, after having been duly called three times at the door by the Officer of the Synod, failed to appear. The appeal was consequently dismissed.

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS FUND.

Rev. A. McLean Sinclair, Convener of the Assembly's Committee on the Aged and Infirm Minister's Fund, made a statement of the receipts and disbursements in connection with the Fund, showing an annual deficit of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300,) for the last two years. Moved by Dr. Waters, seconded by Rev. Thomas Johnstone, and unanimously resolved:

The Synod expresses increased interest in the Aged and Infirm Ministers Fund, regrets that so few congregations have contributed to it, and urges upon sessions and congregations the necessity and duty of making annual collections for this Fund.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMPLAINT OF REV. JOHN MURRAY.

Rev. T. Sedgwick, Convener, presented and read the report of the Committee appointed to consider the case of the Complaint of Rev. John Murray and others, against certain decisions of the Sydney Presbytery. The report embodied the following finding of the Committee:

Sustain the action of the Presbytery in connecting Lingan and Victoria as preaching stations with the congregation of Glace Bay; but at the same time, taking all the facts of the case into account, allow all persons, in these mining districts, who desire to connect themselves with the congregation of Falmouth Street, to do so.

On motion, the report was received and the committee's finding adopted as the deliverance of the Synod, in which Mr. Murray, on behalf of the Complainants, and Mr. Farquharson, on behalf of the Presbytery, on being called, acquiesced.

Thanks were tendered to the Committee for their diligence in this business.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Dr. Burns gave notice of a motion for the appointment of a Committee on Sabbath Schools.

The Synod adjourned to meet in this place, at half-past seven o'clock, in the evening, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

FOURTH SEDERUNT.

In the same place, and on the same day,

At half-past seven o'clock in the evening:

Which time, the Synod of the Maritime Provinces met, pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

MISSIONARY MEETING.

Dr. McGregor addressed the House on the Home Missionary operations of the Church, within the bounds of the Synod. He pointed out

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that the Home Mission Fund has fallen largely in debt during the past year, and, in the name of the Assembly's committee, appealed to Presbyteries to co-operate with the Committee in so curtailing expenses and increasing contributions, as to wipe out the debt during the coming year.

Dr. Patterson gave a financial exhibit of the Foreign Mission Scheme. He showed that during the last few years the reserve fund to the amount of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) had been consumed, and in addition the fund is in debt to the amount of about four thousand dollars (\$4,000).

Rev. Thomas Christie, one of our Missionaries in Trinidad, gave an account of the Mission in that Island, in its methods and results.

Rev. William Donald pleaded the claims of French Evangelization.

Rev. Donald McRae spoke on our Colleges as a necessary means to an educated and efficient ministry. Praise alternated with the addresses.

NOTICE FROM BUSINESS COMMITTEE.

Rev. Thomas Sedgwick, on behalf of the Business Committee, reported that the order of the day for to-morrow morning shall be the appointment of the time and place of the next meeting of Synod. The report was adopted.

The Synod adjourned, to meet in this place to-morrow morning, at ten o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

FIFTH SEDERUNT.

At Truro, and within the First Presbyterian Church there; Thursday, the twenty-ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine years, at ten o'clock in the forenoon:

Which time, the Synod of the Maritime Provinces met, pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the Third and Fourth Sederunts were read and sustained.

NEXT MEETING OF SYNOD

It was agreed that the next meeting of this Synod be held in Chatham, N. B., and in St. Andrew's Church, there, on the last Tuesday of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty, at half-past seven o'clock, in the evening.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Rev. A. McLean Sinclair, gave notice that he will move that the Synod recommend the Board of Superintendence to give the use of the Seminary Building in Truro, to any persons who will undertake to conduct an Institution, for the higher education of young ladies.

LEAVE TO COMMITTEE OF SUPPLEMENTS TO RETIRE FOR BUSINESS.

Rev. Mr. Pitblado asked, and obtained, leave for the Committee on Supplements to retire and transact business.

REPORT OF BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENCE ON DR. ROSS' LETTER.

Dr. Burns, Chairman of the Board of Superintendence, reported that the Board having carefully considered the letter of Principal Ross, are of opinion that, in view of the whole circumstances of the case, it is advisable to defer action upon the matter submitted to them (in said letter) for the present year, and recommend that the Synod instruct the Board to confer in the meantime with the Board of Governors of Dalhousie College and also with Principal Ross, in reference to the whole matter.

On motion, the recommendation of the Board was adopted, as the Synod's deliverance on this subject.

NOMINATION OF GOVERNOR OF DALHOUSIE COLLEGE.

The Board of Superintendence reported the fact that there is a vacancy on the Board of Governors of Dalhousie College, to which this Synod has the right of nomination, and recommended the nomination of Rev. John McMillan, of Truro.

The recommendation was adopted.

CONSIDERATION OF STATE OF THE FUNDS.

Rev. A. McLean Sinclair moved the resolution, of which he had given notice at the First Sederunt, to consider the State of the Funds under the Synod's care. It was duly seconded and agreed to.

At this stage, speakers on this subject were limited to five minutes each.

The fourth recommendation, of the Committee on Systematic Benevolence, was taken up in connection with this matter. It is as follows:—

The Synod, realizing the importance of a universal effort to support the schemes of this Church, and regretting that several congregations during the past year have done nothing in this department of the Church's work, while a much larger number have failed to respond to the appeals on behalf of one or more of the schemes, directs the attention of Presbyteries to the facts, as presented in the published statement of the Agent of the Church, and instructs them to take care that the congregations under their oversight contribute to all the schemes of the Church.

Rev. A. McLean Sinclair, moved, seconded by Dr. Burns, that this recommendation be adopted, with the following addition:

The Synod further directs that Presbyteries report to Synod what diligence has been used in carrying out this order.

During the discussion on this subject the hour of adjournment arrived, and the Synod adjourned accordingly, to meet in this place at three o'clock, in the afternoon, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

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Which time, the Synod of the Maritime Provinces met, pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator. The Minutes of the Fifth Sederunt, were read and sustained.

REQUESTS TO RETIRE FOR BUSINESS GRANTED.

Leave was granted to the Presbytery of Truro and to the Committee on Supplements to retire for a short time, for business.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE SYNOD FUND.

Rev. A. McLean Sinclair gave in and read the report on the Synod Fund. It showed a small balance on hand after meeting all expenses. The Report was received and adopted; and the thanks of the Synod returned to the Committee, and especially to the Convener and Treasurer, for their labor in this matter.

STATE OF THE FUNDS.

Resumed the unfinished business of the previous Sederunt, viz., the state of the Funds. Rev. Thomas Sedgwick moved in amendment, and Rev. John Forrest, seconded,

That the Synod earnestly commend the present State of the Funds to the serious and prayerful consideration of the Ministers, Sessions, and members of the Church, and further recommend to the Boards, and Committees, to consider, at an early day, what change can be made in their administration of the important interests committed to their charge, with the view of their being, if possible, more efficiently and economically conducted.

On the vote being taken, the motion was carried and became the judgment of the House.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PRESBYTERY RECORDS.

The Committees appointed to examine the Records of the Presbyteries of St. John, Miramichi, Sydney, Victoria and Richmond, Pictou, Wallace, Truro, Lunenburg and Yarmouth and Halifax, reported that these Records are on the whole carefully kept, and the Business is regularly conducted. The Reports were received and adopted, and the Records ordered to be attested.

SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Dr. Burns, in accordance with notice previously given, moved that the Synod, cordially recognizing the importance of Sabbath school instruc-

tion and the desirableness of greater uniformity and zeal in the mode of conducting the services for the benefit of the young, recommends that a standing Committee be appointed to direct special attention to the subject of Sabbath Schools and Bible Classes, and collect and collate the Reports from Presbyteries, for transmission to the General Assembly; and that the Report on Sabbath Schools be read and discussed at the diet of Synod, devoted to the State of Religion.

The motion was seconded by Dr. Waters, and unanimously passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Committees reported, recommending that the undermentioned standing Committees be composed as follows:—

Systematic Benevolence.—Revs. E. A. McCurdy, M. G. Henry, E. Scott, E. D. Millar, Allan Simpson, Robert Laird, Joseph Hogg, J. McL. McLeod, James Murray, Kenneth McKenzie, Hector B. McKay, John McMillan, J. C. Herdman, L. G. McNeill, with, Charles Robson, Judge Blanchard, Dr. Murray, Harvey Graham and Robert Murray, elders.

Public Education.—Revs. C. B. Pitblado, Thomas Duncan, John Forrest, Principal McKnight, Dr. McCulloch, and E. A. McCurdy, with Robert Murray and George McLean, elders. Revs. Dr. Waters, D. Macrae, J. C. Burgess, S. Houston, J. McG. McKay, with Robert Cruikshank and J. R. Nicholson, elders. Revs. Dr. I. Murray, K. McLennan, J. McKinnon, R. Laird, A. F. Carr, with Alexander McKinnon and Professor Anderson, elders.

State of Religion.—Revs. T. Duncan, Dr. Burns, W. Donald, A. Burrows, John Murray, E. Payne, J. A. F. McBain, J. Hogg, E. D. Millar, with Hon. D. McCurdy, I. S. Murray and Donald Sinclair, elders.

Sabbath Schools.—Revs. W. Donald, A. Burrows and E. Scott, with Messrs. Stalker, H. Graham and I. S. Murray, elders.

Bills and Overtures.—Revs. T. Sedgwick, Samuel Houston, K. McLennan, A. McL. Sinclair, J. Forrest, J. C. Burgess and John McMillan.

The first named in each case to be Convener, and in that of the Committee on Public Education, the first named in each Province, is Convener of a sub-committee for that Province.

The recommendations of the Committee were adopted by the Synod.

OBITUARY.

The following notice of the late Rev. James Byers was reported by the Rev. George Christie, Convener of the Committee on obituary notices:

REV. JAMES BYERS.

The subject of this obituary was called hence, May 21st., 1870. He received both his Collegiate and Theological education in those "Schools of the Prophets," which then belonged to the Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia. Subsequently he took one or two terms in Princeton, New Jersey. He was a faithful and accurate student; and

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ultimately obtained reputation as one of high literary culture. Quiet and unobtrusive in his intercourse with his brethren, he also occupied a high place in their esteem.

His first field of labor was the extensive congregation of Shelburne—which at that time included all the preaching stations in the township of Barvington, as well as in Shelburne. After a laborious service in that field for seven years, he removed to Tatamagouche, where he also spent seven years, after which he accepted a call to Clifton, in the year 1861. There he laboured diligently until the time came when the Master was pleased to call him from his work on earth.

All the brethren of this Synod, who had the pleasure of a personal acquaintance, regret his removal. But they rejoice in the belief that he has entered into the enjoyment of that rest, which God gives to his faithful servants. "Blessed are the dead who died in the Lord. Yea saith the spirit, for they rest from their labours and their works do follow them."

The Synod express their deep sympathy with the bereaved widow and family—and pray that they may enjoy the comfort and support of Him who is the Father of the fatherless and husband of the widow.

The report was adopted, and a copy of the notice ordered to be sent to the widow and family of the deceased brother.

REFERENCE FROM LUNENBURG AND YARMOUTH PRESBYTERY.

The Presbytery of Lunenburg and Yarmouth, after having accepted the resignation of the Rev. William Duff, of Lunenburg, ascertained that the people of his charge desired to retain him as pastor emeritus. They therefore asked to be empowered, by this Synod, to comply with the wishes of the congregation. The requisite authority was granted.

SEMINARY BUILDING TRURO.

Rev. A. McLean Sinclair, according to previous notice, moved that the Synod recommend the Board of Superintendence to give the use of the Seminary Building in Truro, to any persons who will undertake to conduct an Institution for the higher education of young ladies.

The motion was duly seconded and agreed to.

RECOMMENDATION OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC EDUCATION.

The unfinished business in connection with the report on Public Education was taken up, when the following recommendation of the Committee was adopted:

Your Committee recommend that this Synod authorize them to take such measures as they may deem proper to aid the Governors in securing the financial efficiency of Dalhousie College.

MUSEUM.

The Rev. Dr. McGregor, on behalf of the Board of Superintendence, reported that as yet they have not been able to obtain a room for the Museum, offered by Dr. McCulloch to this Synod at its last meeting.

On motion, the report was received and the matter still left under the care of the Board.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Moved by Rev. Dr. Burns, according to previous notice, seconded by Mr. Robert Murray, and unanimously resolved:—

In respect at once to the vast importance to the spiritual and temporal welfare of the Community of Sabbath Sanctification, and the need of greatly increased exertions for promoting this object, the Synod appoints a special Committee on Sabbath Observance, with instructions to direct their attention to the various forms of Sabbath desecration, prevalent in the Provinces, and to prosecute every competent measure for the removal of these.

TEMPERANCE.

It was moved by Rev. Mr. Hogg, in accordance with notice given, duly seconded and unanimously resolved, that the Committee on Committees be instructed to nominate a Committee on Temperance.

The Synod then adjourned to meet in this place at half-past seven o'clock, in the evening, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

SEVENTH SEDERUNT.

*In the same place, and on the same day,
at half-past seven o'clock in the evening :*

Which time, the Synod of the Maritime Provinces met, pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

REPORT ON PRESBYTERY RECORDS.

The Committee, on the examination of the Records of the Prince Edward's Island Presbytery, reported that said Records are correctly kept, and that the business is regularly conducted. The report was adopted, and the Records ordered to be attested.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Committees reported the following names for the Committees on Temperance and Sabbath Observance :

Temperance.—Revs. A. Simpson, P. M. Morrison, J. Hogg, M. G. Henry, and J. M. McLeod, with Charles Robson and Walter McDonald, elders.

Sabbath Observance.—Revs. E. Smith, Dr. McCulloch, J. H. Chase, R. Laird, and J. McG, McKay, with J. K. Blair and J. F. Blanchard, elders.

The report was adopted by the Synod.

REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION.

Rev. Thomas Duncan, Convener, read the Report of the Committee on the State of Religion. Moved by Dr. Burns, seconded by Mr.

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Charles Robson, and unanimously resolved that the Report be received and adopted, and the thanks of the Synod be tendered to the Committee, and especially the Convener. It contains the following recommendation :—

That Presbyteries be requested to take order that answers be sent in, by the different sessions within their bounds, and that a Presbyterial Report be prepared from these, and forwarded to the Convener of the Synod's Committee, not later than the first of May.

CONFERENCE ON THE STATE OF RELIGION.

A conference on the State of Religion was held, when, with occasional praise, Dr. McKnight, Rev. William Donald, Rev. K. McLennan, Dr. Bennet, Rev. A. Stirling and Mr. John S. Crowe, spoke briefly on the question.

Moved by Dr. Waters, seconded by the Hon. Mr. McCurdy, and unanimously resolved :—

The Synod desires to put on record its feeling of gratitude to Almighty God for that measure of vigorous religious life which the report has disclosed, as existing within the bounds of the Synod. At the same time, it is felt that greater fidelity to the cause of Christ, and a more earnest consecration to his service, are earnestly to be desired. The Synod therefore especially commends to pastors and office bearers, parents, Sabbath School teachers and members of the Church, greater diligence in the discharge of the duties which the Master has devolved upon them ; and very earnestly commends to parents and Sabbath School Teachers the necessity of, next to instruction in God's word, the faithful teaching of the shorter Catechism, to the young of the church.

Further, the Synod commends to Presbyteries the propriety of holding, at some time during the early part of the winter, a Presbyterial conference on the State of Religion within their bounds.

Dr. Sedgwick then led in prayer.

VOTES OF THANKS.

On motion, the cordial thanks of the Synod were given :—

To the Christian friends of the town and neighborhood of Truro, for their abundant hospitality in entertaining the members ; to the Committee of arrangements and especially to the Convener, for the manner in which they discharged their duties ; and to the Minister and office bearers of this Church, for the use of the house and the several committee rooms during the session.

To the Railway and Steamboat Companies that gave reduced fares, to and from Truro.

To the Press, for their courtesy in publishing the proceedings.

To the Committee on Business, and especially to the Secretary, for the efficient manner in which they performed their work.

Agreed that the Roll be not called.

The Minutes of this and the Sixth Sessions were read and sustained.

CLOSING OF SESSION.

The Moderator addressed the Synod, after which the House engaged in singing a part of the one hundred and twenty-second Psalm, and the Moderator led in prayer. The Moderator then declared the Court adjourned, to meet in St. Andrew's Church, Chatham, on the last Tuesday of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty years, and at half-past seven o'clock, in the evening, and closed the session with the Benediction.

WILLIAM McCULLOCH, D. D.,

Moderator.

PETER M. MORRISON,

Clerk.

Truro, May 29th, 1879