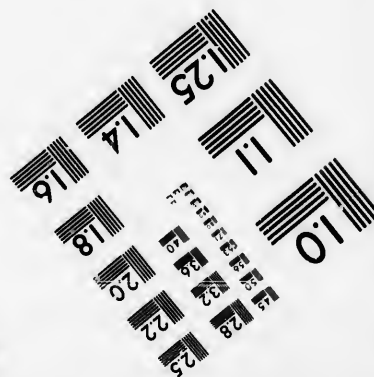
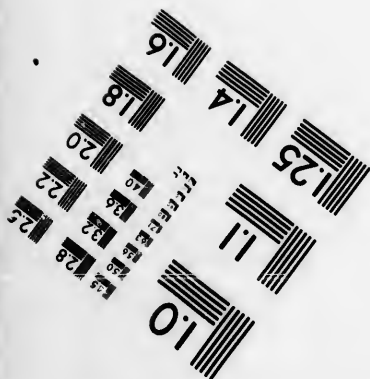
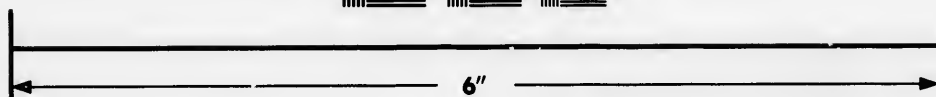
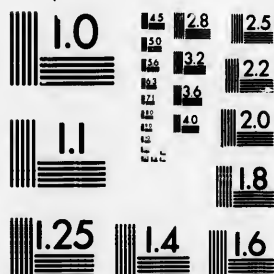


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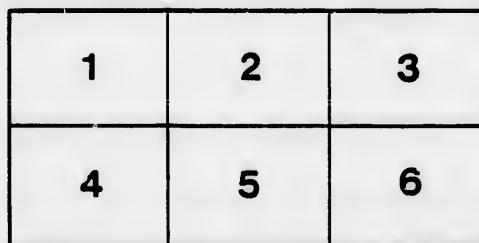
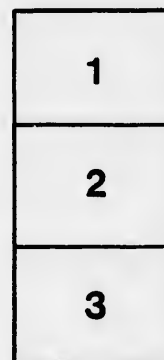
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OF THE

FOURTH AND FIFTH SESSIONS

OF THE

MISSIONARY SYNOD OF CANADA,

IN CONNEXION WITH THE

UNITED ASSOCIATE SYNOD IN SCOTLAND.

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ROLL OF THE SYNOD, 1845.

(The Figures mark the Sederunts at which the Members were present.)

PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.

<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Sederunts.</i>	<i>Elders.</i>	<i>Sederunts.</i>
WILLIAM PROUDFOOT,	1, 2, 3, 4.		
GEORGE MURRAY, -	- 1, 2, 3.		
JAMES SKINNER, -	- 1, 2, 3.		
ALEXANDER M'KENZIE,			
DAVID INGLIS, - -	- 1, 2, 3, 4.		

PRESBYTERY OF FLAMBORO'.

THOMAS CHRISTIE, - 1, 2, 3, 4.	WALTER CHISHOLM, - 1, 2, 3.
JAMES ROY, - - - 1, 2, 3, 4.	{ ROBERT CHRISTIE, - 1, 2, 3, 4.
	{ THOMAS WATSON, - 1.
ALEXANDER RITCHIE, 1, 2, 3.	
JOHN PORTEOUS, - - 1, 2, 3, 4.	
WILLIAM BARRIE, - - 2, 3, 4.	
CHARLES FLETCHER, - 1, 2, 3, 4.	JAMES PHILIP, - - - 1, 2, 3, 4.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

R. H. THORNTON, - - 1, 2, 3, 4.	
JOHN CASSIE, - - - 1, 2, 3, 4.	
WILLIAM FRASER, - - 2, 3, 4.	
GEORGE LAWRENCE, - 1, 2, 3, 4.	
JOHN JENNINGS,	
JOHN MORRISON,	
JAMES DICK, - - - 1, 2, 3.	WILLIAM BEST, - - - 1, 2, 3, 4.
DAVID COUTTS, - - - 1, 2, 3, 4.	
WALTER SCOTT, - - 1, 2, 3, 4.	

PRESBYTERY OF CANADA EAST.

ANDREW KENNEDY, - 1, 2, 3, 4.
ALEXANDER LOWDEN.

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ABSTRACT

OF THE

Minutes of the Missionary Synod of Canada.

FOURTH SESSION OF THE MISSIONARY SYNOD.

UNITED SECESSION CHURCH,
HAMILTON, 11th June, 1845.

The Missionary Synod of Canada met agreeably to adjournment, and after Sermon by the Rev. R. H. Thornton, Moderator, from 2 Tim. ii. 2, was by him constituted with prayer.

Sederunt. (See Synod Roll for 1845.)

Read the minutes of last regular meeting, and also the minutes of the *pro re nata* meeting.

The Presbytery of London reported that they had ordained Mr. David Inglis to the pastoral charge of the name added to Congregation in Detroit. His name was added to the the Roll.

The Rev. George Morris, from Silver Springs, Penn-
sylvania, being present, was requested to correspond.
Upon which he took his seat in the Court.

The Rev. Andrew Kennedy was chosen Moderator. Mr. Kennedy appointed Moderator.
Received, and read petitions, from the Congregations of
New Glasgow and Chippewa, for aid from the Fund.

The Moderator laid on the table a reference from the Presbytery of Toronto, respecting Rochester.

Mr. Dick presented a Draft of "A System of Management for the Congregations, under the inspection of the Missionary Synod of the United Secession Church in Canada." Draft of a system of management, by Mr. Dick.

Mr. Christie reported that the Committee on the Historical Account, &c., had proceeded some length in fulfilling their appointment, but that they had not finished reports concerning Historical account.

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the work. Synod sustained the excuse,—re-appointed the Committee, and enjoined them to use diligence to have the work completed.

Presbytery of Toronto to meet. Appointed the Presbytery of Toronto to meet in this place, at 4 o'clock.

Presbytery of Flamboro' to meet. Appointed the Presbytery of Flamboro' to meet after the close of the evening Sederunt.

Adjourned to meet in this place, at half an hour past 5 o'clock, P.M.

Closed with prayer.

II. SEDERUNT.

EODEM DIE ET LOCO, June 11th,
5½ o'clock, P.M.

The Missionary Synod met, and was constituted, by the Rev. Andrew Kennedy, Moderator.

Read the minutes of former Sederunt.

Report concerning Smith's Falls. Heard a satisfactory account from the petitioners in and around Smith's Falls, by Mr. Thornton, and also by the Moderator: both of whom seem to have performed the service appointed to them in a very satisfactory manner. Mr. Thornton further reported, that he had recommended it to the Petitioners to make application to the Eastern Presbytery, which they have done.

Resolved to recommend to the Presbytery of Toronto, to co-operate with the Eastern Presbytery, in supplying the Congregation of Smith's Falls with Sermon.—Appointed Mr. Kennedy to meet with the Presbytery of Toronto at their next meeting, for consultation on this matter.

Dr M'Kerrow's letter. Read a letter from Dr. McKerrow, dated 26th Feb'y, of the current year.

Reference from the Presbytery of Toronto respecting Rochester. Took up the reference from the Presbytery of Toronto, respecting the Congregation in Rochester. Read the minute of transmission. Read also a memorial from Mr. McFadyen: upon all which the Synod resolved to remit the case of the Congregation to the Presbytery of Toronto; and also that the Clerk write to Mr. McFadyen and express the sympathy of the Synod with him in the peculiar circumstances in which he is placed, and to assure

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him, that if he shall see it to be his duty to come to Canada, he will be made welcome.

Appointed the Presbytery of London to meet to-morrow morning, at 7 o'clock. Presbytery of London to meet.

Appointed the Presbytery of Toronto to meet to-morrow morning, at 8 o'clock. Presbytery of Toronto to meet.

Adjourned to meet to-morrow, at 9 o'clock, A.M., in this place.

Closed with prayer.

III. SEDERUNT.

HAMILTON, 12th June, 1845.

9 o'clock, A.M.

The Missionary Synod met, and was constituted, by the Rev. Andrew Kennedy, Moderator.

Read the minutes of last Sederunt.

Entered upon a reference from the Presbytery of Toronto, of the following purport: That the Congregation in Niagara brought out a call to the Rev. Mr. Dick of Emily, which call was sustained by the Presbytery. Mr. Dick stated his views and feelings in reference to both Congregations; but, that, regarding the matter as one of great importance, he had felt it impossible to make up his mind as to the line of duty, and therefore requested the Presbytery to aid him with their advice. The Presbytery instead of giving their advice, judged it a preferable mode to lay the whole case before the Synod: and hence the reference. The Synod agreed to take up the case in this shape.

Heard Mr. Monro, Commissioner from the Congregation in Niagara.

Heard Mr. Thomas Best, Commissioner from the Congregation in Emily.

Heard also Rev. Mr. Dick.

Synod having deliberated on the whole case, the following vote was put: "Translate Mr. Dick to Niagara, or continue him in Emily." The Roll having been called, and votes marked, it carried continue: (7 voting continue, 6 translate, and 7 did not vote,) likeas, the Synod did, Mr. Dick continue and hereby do continue him in his present charge. Upon

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which the Commissioner from Emily took instruments, and craved extracts.

Deputation
from the Pres-
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of Canada.

The Rev. Alex. Gale and Mr. William McMillan, a Deputation from the Presbyterian Synod of Canada, together with the Rev. William Smellie, were introduced; who severally addressed the Synod, and handed in a minute from the Presbyterian Synod, of the following tenor:

"At Cobourg the ninth day of June one thousand eight hundred and forty-five years—which day the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada met and was constituted."

"Inter alia."

"The Synod renewed the appointment of the Committee for attending the meeting of the Missionary Synod of the United Secession Church of Canada; the Committee to be the Moderator, Mr. Gale, Mr. Bayne, Mr. Stark, Ministers, and Mr. Wm. McMillan and Mr. Wm. Kyle, Elders. And the Synod resolved that this Committee shall not only tender to the Missionary Synod the Christian greetings of this Synod, but express to them the deep conviction which this Synod entertain of the importance and practicability of union, on a Scriptural basis, amongst all the sound and evangelical Presbyterian Churches in Canada. And the Synod authorize this Committee to confer on this subject with any corresponding Committee of the Missionary Synod.

"Extracted from the Records, by

"(Signed)

WM. RINTOUL, Synod Clerk."

"A true Copy.

"(Signed) ALEX. GALE, Conv'r, p. t."

Several members having spoken in cordial approbation of the sentiments expressed by the Deputation, Mr. Christie, on the part of the Synod, and Mr. Gale, on the part of the Deputation, engaged in prayer. After which the Court and the Deputation united in singing part of — Psalm.

Committee on
Union with the
Presbyterian
Church ap-
pointed.

The Synod then appointed William Proudfoot, Thos. Christie, R. H. Thornton, James Roy, Ministers; and Robert Christie, and Walter Chisholm, Elders; a Committee to confer with the Committee of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church, on the union of the two bodies. Mr. Proudfoot to be Convener.

Adjourned to meet in this place, at 5 o'clock, P.M.
Closed with prayer.

IV. SEDERUNT.

EODEM DIE ET LOCO, June 12th,
5 o'clock, P.M.

The Missionary Synod met, and was constituted by the
Rev. Andrew Kennedy, Moderator.

Read the minutes of former Sederunt.

Proceeded to consider in what manner the grant of the
United Associate Synod for 1844, ought to be apportioned.

Agreed to grant a donation of £20 currency, to the ^{Donation to} Chippewa.
Congregation of Chippewa.

Instructed the Treasurer to pay a draft of Mr. Jen-^{Mr. Jennings}
nings', bearing date 10th March, amounting to £7 13s. draft paid.
5d. currency.

Resolved, That the different Presbyteries be instructed
to investigate all applications for a share of the grant
within their bounds, and to grant an order upon our
Treasurer for a sum not exceeding to London, £78 7s.; ^{Synod Grant,}
to Flamboro', £93 13s. 4d.; to Toronto, £108 14s. 5d.; ^{how disposed}
it being understood, that the standard by which each of
Presbytery be regulated in judging of the claims, be the
sum of £80, stipend, with the exception of the cases of
Messrs. Kennedy and Lowden, as above stated.

In order to comply with the request of the Mission
Committee, respecting the rendering of a half-yearly
account of the disbursement, it was agreed, that the above
mode of distribution to the different Presbyteries, &c., be
adopted in reference to the next six months. The result
of which is as follows: to Mr. Kennedy, £32 10s.; to
Mr. Lowden, £34, inclusive of the sums above noted in
arrears. To the respective Presbyteries, as follows:
London, £43 4s.; Flamboro', £51 16s. 8d.; Toronto,
£60 8s. 11d.

Appointed next meeting of Synod to be held here, on ^{Next Meeting}
the Wednesday, after the first Sabbath of July. of Synod.

Appointed Rev. W. Fraser, Moderator; but in the
event of Mr. Kennedy being present, he shall preach the
Synod sermon at next Session.

Delayed all other causes.

Closed with prayer.

ANDREW KENNEDY, *Moderator.*

WM. PROUDFOOT, *Synod Clerk.*

MISSION FUND.

Charge against the Treasurer.

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		Contributions from Congregations.		Discharge.	
1843.	1844.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
July 12 Emily, per Rev. James Dick, -	Dec'r 30 Paid Mr. Scott, Preacher, for two Sabbaths at Hamilton, -	2	6 9	-	0 10 0
March 13 Eramosa, Rev. William Barrie, -	1845. Jan'y 14 Paid the Rev. Wm. Proudfoot, one Quarter's Salary as Professor, -	1	1 9	-	17 10 0
May 22 Guelph and Paisley Block, do. -	March 1 Paid Mr. Scott, Preacher, allowance for six Sabbaths, as per receipt, -	3	10 0	-	0 3 2
May 22 Bethel, per Rev. James Skinner, -	April 1 Paid the Rev. Wm. Proudfoot one Quarter's Salary as Professor, -	3	4 1	-	4 7 0
May 22 English Settlement, do. -	May 5 Paid Mr. Scott, Preacher, for one Sabbath at Hamilton, -	2	14 1	-	17 10 0
May 22 Blenheim, per Rev. George Murray, -	June 12 Paid Rev. Wm. Proudfoot, as one of Deputation, in Oct. 1844, -	8	0 0	-	0 5 0
May 22 Paris, do. -	Postages, -	1	15 0	-	-
May 22 Madrid, per Rev. John Jennings, -	Synod Clerk's Fees, due Jan. last, -	6	15 9	-	-
Oct'r 3 London, per Rev. Wm. Proudfoot, -	Board of Mr. Carruthers, and expenses in illness, -	2	5 0	-	13 9 3½
Dec'r 10 West Dumfries, per Rev. Alex. Ritchie, -	One Quarter's Salary as Professor	6	15 0	-	17 10 0
11 St. George, do. -	Paid Printing Minutes of Synod, -	3	11 10½	-	37 2 0
14 Beverly, do. -	Cash on hand, -	3	18 6	-	4 10 0
25 Eramosa, per Rev. William Barrie, -		2	5 0	-	51 9 1
1845. Jan'y 8 Flamboro' West, per Rev. Thos. Christie, -		9	6 11	-	-
Feb'y 14 Mr. Rattray, Montreal, per Rev. W. Proudfoot		3	0 0	-	-
March 21 Emily, per Rev. James Dick, -		3	17 6	-	-
March 5 Nichol, per Rev. Wm. Barrie, -		3	0 0	-	-
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5 Guelph, do. -		1	7 7½	-	-
18 St. Catharines, per Rev. John Porteous, -		2	10 0	-	-
18 Madrid, per Rev. John Jennings, -		1	3 9	-	-
18 Toronto Missionary Society, do. -		2	15 0	-	-
June 11 Mount Pleasant, per Rev. George Murray, -		8	10 0	-	-
11 Blenheim, do. -		1	5 7½	-	-
		3	3 10	-	-

11 London, per Rev. Wm. Proudfoot, -	8	13	6
11 English Settlement, per Rev. J. Skinner, -	5	5	0
11 Proof Line, do. -	1	10	0

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111 Chippewa, per Rev. Charles Fletcher,	1	0	0
12 Chingacousy, per Rev. David Coutts,	0	15	0
12 do.	1	0	0
12 Albion,	1	0	0
12 Vaughan,	5	15	6
12 Clarke, per Rev. George Lawrence,	4	0	0
12 Port Hope, per Rev. John Cassie,	2	10	0
12 Don. from Rev. G. Morris, per Rev. T. Christie	7	7	6
12 Whitby, Rev. Robert Thornton,			
Cash on hand brought down,	133	6	3
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FIFTH SESSION OF THE MISSIONARY SYNOD OF CANADA, 1846.

ROLL OF THE SYNOD.

(The Figures mark the Sederunts at which the Members were present.)

PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.

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WILLIAM PROUDFOOT,	1 2 3 4 5		
GEORGE MURRAY, -	- 1 2 3 4 5	M. FOLSETTER, (Paris),	1 2
JAMES SKINNER, -	- 1 2 3 4		
ALEXANDER M'KENZIE	1 2 3 4		
JAMES M'FADYEN, -	-		

PRESBYTERY OF FLAMBORO'.

THOMAS CHRISTIE, -	1 2 3 4 5	ADAM ELLIOTT, -	- 1 2
JAMES ROY, - - -	- 1 2 3 4 5	ROBERT CHRISTIE, -	- 1 2 3 4 5
ALEXANDER RITCHIE,		DAVID CHRISTIE, -	- 1 2 3 4 5
JOHN PORTEOUS, -	- 1 2 3 4 5	ANDREW M'KNIGHT, -	1 3
WILLIAM BARRIE, -	- 1 2 3 4 5	JAMES DUGGAN, -	- 3 4 5
CHARLES FLETCHER, -	1 2 3 4 5	JOHN A. DAVIDSON, -	1 2 3
		HUGH FRASER, -	- 1 2 3

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

R. H. THORNTON, -	- 1 2 3 4 5	ROBERT DUNBAR.	
JOHN CASSIE, -	-		
WILLIAM FRASER, -	- 1 2	ADAM GOODFELLOW.	
GEORGE LAWRENCE, -	- 1 2 3 4	HERBERT RENWICK, -	2 3
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PRESBYTERY OF CANADA EAST.

ANDREW KENNEDY, -	- 1 2 3 4 5		
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I. SEDERUNT.

UNITED SECESSION CHURCH,
HAMILTON, 11th June, 1845.

The Missionary Synod of Canada met agreeably to adjournment, and after Sermon by the Rev. Andrew Kennedy, Moderator, from Collos. i. 22, was by him constituted with prayer.

Sederunt. (See Synod Roll for 1846.)

Read the minutes of last regular meeting, which were approved of.

The Presbytery of London reported that the Rev. David Inglis had demitted the charge of the congregation of Detroit; which demission the Presbytery had accepted.

The Deputies from the United Secession Church of Scotland, consisting of the Rev. Mr. Paterson of Kirkwall, the Rev. Mr. Robertson of Portsburgh, Edinburgh, and David Anderson, Esquire, Elder, from Glasgow, being present, were introduced by the Moderator, and severally addressed the Synod.

The Deputies were invited to correspond, and they took their seats in Court.

The Rev. Messrs. Thornton, Skinner, and Barrie, were appointed a Committee of Bills and Overtures, to meet in this place this afternoon at 5 o'clock. Mr. Thornton, Convener.

The Rev. Mr. Fraser was chosen Moderator.

Agreed that the first part of the evening Sederunt be spent in devotional exercises; the Moderator to begin—to be followed by Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Christie,—after which, an opportunity be given to the Deputies to state in full, the object of their visit.

Appointed the Presbytery of Toronto to meet in this place at half-past 5 o'clock.

Adjourned to meet at half past 6 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

Minutes of the Missionary Synod of Canada.

II. SEDERUNT.

MODEM DIE ET LOCO, *July 8th,*
6½ o'clock, P.M.

The Missionary Synod met, and was constituted, by the Rev. William Fraser, Moderator.

Read the minutes of former Sederunt.

Appointed the Rev. George Murray, Clerk, pro tem. Mr. Proudfoot being indisposed.

Being now prepared to hear the Deputies,—the Rev. Messrs. Paterson and Robertson addressed the Synod at length; after whom, David Anderson, Esquire, gave much interesting information respecting the Missionary operations of the Secession Church, and also, some valuable statistical details.

Adjourned, to meet to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock. Closed with prayer.

III. SEDERUNT.

HAMILTON, 9th July, 1846.

The Missionary Synod met, and was constituted, by the Rev. Andrew Kennedy, Moderator, pro tem.

Read the Minutes of former Sederunt.

The following resolution was submitted to, and unanimously adopted by the Synod:

Resolution respecting the Deputation.

Resolved, That the Synod having heard important and gratifying statements regarding the Parent Church, and the deep interest which she takes in this Synod, do express the high sense which they entertain of the parental regards of the United Secession towards their mission in Canada;—that they are greatly encouraged by the appearance of the Deputation among them, and trust that this event will give an additional impulse to their mission; will be the commencement of a new era in this Church, and be the means of introducing untiring combined efforts in all that concerns the extension of it, and the elevation of its character in this country;—that they assure the Parent Church, through the Deputation, that

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they remain the same in doctrine; and that their attachment to the Secession Church is not diminished by their distance from their native land;—that they are determined to abide by the voluntary principle; and, by all prudent methods, to extend its influence among their congregations, in reference to all those operations which belong to a Christian Missionary Church;—and they do now express their sincere gratitude for having deputed the Rev. Messrs. Paterson and Robertson, and David Anderson, Esq.; to visit them, regarding this as a token of the Synod's kind regards.

Entered into a full and free conversation with the Deputies, regarding the state of the Mission in Canada. The Deputies gave assurances that they would use their best endeavours to procure a supply of preachers; and requested to be furnished with a full and classified statement of the more urgent wants of the Mission.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures gave in their Report.

Read a memorial from the Presbytery of Toronto, respecting the Theological Institution. After lengthened conversation, appointed the following a Committee to prepare a draft of a scheme of Theological Education, to be presented at the evening Sederunt; to wit: Mr. Proudfoot, Mr. Thornton, and Mr. Taylor, together with the Deputies from Scotland. Mr. Proudfoot, Convener.

Appointed Messrs. Jennings and Dick, a Committee to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Synod's grant.

Appointed Messrs. Fletcher and Barrie, a Committee to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Mission fund.

Both Committees to report at the evening Sederunt.

Appointed the Rev. Mr. Fraser and Robert Christie, Esq., a Committee to divide the donation of books brought by the Deputies.

Adjourned to meet at half-past at 6 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

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IV. SEDERUNT.

EODEM DIE ET LOCO, 9th July,
5½ o'clock, P.M.

The Missionary Synod met, and was constituted, by the Rev. Andrew Kennedy, Moderator, *pro tem.*

Read the minutes of last Sederunt.

The Committee appointed to prepare a draft of a scheme of Theological education, gave in the following

REPORT :

Report of committee on Theological Institute.

"According to appointment, the Committee met, in reference to the Theological Institute. *Present*—Messrs. Taylor & Thornton."

"The Committee beg to recommend—

"1st. That the object of the new arrangement for the Institute be, to furnish young men desirous of entering into the holy ministry, with a thorough education in Ethics and Theology, and that the power of recommending Candidates for admission, be left in the hands of the Presbyteries: but, that, while the power of so recommending is thus vested, that they be enjoined to take care that satisfactory evidence be given of the piety, talents, and literary acquirements of such candidates.

"2nd. That the following be the course of study through which young men shall be required to pass: to wit, Natural Theology, Systematic Theology, Pastoral Theology, Biblical Criticism, and the study of the Greek and Hebrew Languages;—Rhetoric, and Mental and Moral Philosophy, with such kindred branches as may tend to facilitate the grand object in view by the Institute.

"3rd. That in order to carry out this course of education effectually, it is essential, that there be in the meantime, at least, two Professors employed by the Synod; one of whom at least should be without any pastoral charge.

"4th. That in order to secure the requisite means for carrying out this scheme, application be made through the Deputation, to the Synod of the parent Church in Scotland, requesting them to send out some suitably qualified individual of their number, to be associated with our present Professor, and, that, in the meantime, he be dependent on the Parent Church for his salary."

"5th. That the Town of Hamilton be the site of the Institution."

The Synod having heard the Report, and having deliberated—

Resolutions of Synod thereon.

Resolved, 1st. That it is essential that there be another Professor associated with Mr. Proudfoot; and that it is expedient to solicit the kind attention of the parent Church to the subject, and request the appointment of a suitable person to fill this important office.

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2d. That as the course consists of the branches of Natural Theology, Doctrinal Theology, Pastoral Theology, Biblical Criticism, and the study of the Greek and Hebrew languages, Rhetoric, Mental and Moral Philosophy: one Professor shall take charge of Doctrinal Theology, Natural and Pastoral Theology and Ecclesiastical History; and the other, of the departments of Biblical Criticism, Greek, Hebrew, Rhetoric, Mental and Moral Philosophy.

3rd. That the course of study consist of four years, and that each year consist of a session at the Hall of ten weeks, commencing on the first day of August in each year; together with exercises and examinations under Committees of Presbytery.

4th. That the Rev. Messrs. Jennings, Taylor, and Christie be appointed a Committee to describe the course of study to be pursued by the Students during the four years of their attendance on the Theological Institute; and that the members of the Deputation be invited to give their assistance to said Committee. Further, that Presbyteries adopt, as far as possible, the present course of inspection now adopted by the Church in Scotland, over their Students during the intervals of study. Said report to be given in to-morrow.

Mr. Skinner craved that his dissent from the third resolution be entered on the minutes. Mr. Skinner dissent.

Appointed the Flamboro' Presbytery to meet to-morrow morning, at 8 o'clock, in this place.

Agreed to take up the subject of Finance, the first thing to-morrow morning.

Adjourned, to meet to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

V. SEDERUNT.

HAMILTON, 10th July, 1846.

The Missionary Synod met, and was constituted, by the Rev. David Coult's, Moderator, pro tem.

Read the Minutes of former Sederunt.

No immediate change in the Institution.

In reply to a question by Mr. Proudfoot, whether any immediate change in the Institution is contemplated, it was stated, that, until some action be taken by the Parent Church, the Institution shall be conducted as hitherto.

Mr. Christie's name taken from the visiting committee
Mr. Barrie's name substituted.

At Mr. Christie's request, his name was taken from the Visiting Committee, and Mr. Barrie's substituted in its place.

Appointed Mr. Barrie convener of the Visiting Committee; said Committee to meet in London on the third Wednesday in September, when an inaugural address will be given by the Convener.

Re-appointm t of Committee on Union.

Having heard some account from the committee appointed to confer with the committee of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, on Union, to the effect, that the business is not in such a state as to warrant the presenting of a written report;—re-appointed the Committee, and enjoined them to communicate at an early period with the Convener of the other Committee, and give him an explanation of the cause which prevented the fulfilment of their agreement in May. As the Synod is satisfied with the fidelity of the Committee, and of their earnestness to effect a union without the compromise of any Scriptural principle, they press upon them still to take care, that nothing be done to endanger the voluntary principle, (which the Synod cannot give up) or the purity of Presbyterian order, as maintained in the Secession Church.

Reports of Auditors.

The Committees appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurers of the Synod's grant, and Mission fund, reported that they had found these accounts correct.

Committee on Missionary correspondence appointed

Appointed Messrs. Proudfoot, T. Christie, Thornton, and Taylor a Mission Committee, through whom all official communications to the Secretary of the Committee on Missions of the United Synod shall be sent. Said Committee shall meet at least once a year, at the annual meeting of the Synod. Mr. Thornton, Convener.

Resolutions respecting—
1st. Surplus of Mission's fund
2d. Minimum of Stipend.

To account for the large balance remaining in the hands of the Treasurer of the Synod's grant, it was stated that if the number of Missionaries expected had arrived, the money would have been all expended. It was then agreed that no more money, for the present, be drawn from said fund. Resolved also, that it is expedient to raise the minimum of a Minister's stipend to £100 c'y. Resolved also, that Presbyteries be enjoined to make out

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an estimate every year, in the month of May or June, of 3. Annual estimate the sum that will be needed from the Synod's grant, for mates to be the aid of the congregations within their bounds,—that made by Presbyteries. this estimate be presented to the Synod, and upon receiving its sanction, the Treasurer of each Presbytery shall be authorised to draw upon the Synod's Treasurer, for the allowed amount.

Appointed the Rev. T. Christie, and James Roy, R. Committee of Finance, with whom Presbyteries shall communicate on all pecuniary matters in the intervals of Synod. The Rev. T. Christie, Convener.

The Rev. Mr. Morrison presented a petition, praying the Synod to disjoin him and his congregation in Madrid, and congregation of Toronto, and to add them to the disjoined to Presbytery of Canada East. Agreed to grant the prayer of said petition, and to disjoin Mr. Morrison and his congregation from the Presbytery of Toronto, and to add them to the Presbytery of Canada East. Likeas the Synod did, and hereby do, disjoin and add in terms aforesaid.

It was stated by the Presbytery of Canada East, that Statement by Mr. Kennedy purposes to demit the pastoral charge of Presbytery of the congregation in La Chute; and they cordially recommend him to the Presbyteries and Congregations of Canada Kennedy and West. Further, they recommended, that he receive pecuniary assistance in removing his family. Also, that the interests of Messrs. Lowden and Kennedy be attended to as usual, in the distribution of the Synod's grant. Said Presbytery further requested a supply of preachers for their vacancies.

Agreed that there be a depot at Montreal, for such publications as may be sent from Scotland for the Mission, Depot for Mission publications. or ordered for it; and that branches be formed throughout the country, in localities approved by Presbyteries. Appointed Mr. James Roy in Montreal, Depositary.

Read a memorial respecting a report circulated concerning Mr. McFadyen, to the effect that he had drawn on the Synod's fund for £50, while he was at the same time receiving a stipend of £50 from the congregation in Rochester, for the same six months. The Synod know well, and hereby certify, that Mr. McFadyen drew no such sum, and that no money was paid to him out of the Synod fund to warrant the report. The Clerk was en-

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joined to transcribe the above minute, and transmit to Mr. McFadyen.

Thanks to Mr. Jennings anent Library.

The Synod resolved, that the thanks of the Court are due to Mr. Jennings, for his zeal and diligence in procuring a valuable collection of books for the Theological Institute, on his recent visit to Scotland. And also, that the Synod's thanks are due to the individual donors.

Bal. against Magazine.

Mr. Robert Christie having stated, that there exists a balance of loan on the Synod's late Magazine—the Synod agreed that the said balance be paid by the Treasurer out of the Mission fund.

Dr. Heugh's death recorded

The attention of the Synod was called to the death of the late Rev. Dr. Heugh of Glasgow, tidings of which had been just received. Some extracts from a private letter were read, containing some of his death-bed sayings.—Whereupon the Synod agreed unanimously to place upon record, an expression of their deep sense of the loss which our Church has sustained in the removal from among them of one, who, in respect of his great attainments; his humble unfeigned piety; his unwearied labours; and his extensive usefulness as a minister of our Lord Jesus Christ, has had few equals. They look back on the course through which he has passed, in his endeavours to build up the United Secession Church, to maintain the purity of Scripture truth, and promote peace and unity amongst Christians, and awaken the missionary zeal of the Church, with admiration of his character, and with gratitude to God for the grace which enabled him to shine as clearly as a light in the world. This Synod begs to express their sympathy with his bereaved family and congregation, and their grateful sense of the deep and effectual interest which he took, especially in the Mission to Canada.

It was agreed that the above minute be transcribed by Mr. Murray, Clerk, p. t., and transmitted to the Clerk of the Glasgow Presbytery.

Minutes to be printed.

Agreed that the minutes of this meeting be immediately printed, and copies of them handed to the Deputies before they leave the country.

Resolved, That the Preachers presently in the field, shall be six weeks in each of the Presbyteries in Canada

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West, and when others arrive, that the Presbytery of Canada East shall have their share.

Agreed that next meeting of Synod be held at Hamilton, Next meeting on Wednesday, the 18th November next.

Delayed all other causes.

Closed with prayer.

DAVID COUTTS, *Mod., pro tem.*

GEORGE MURRAY, *Clerk, pro tem.*

MISSION FUND.

Charge against the Treasurer.

Discharge.

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1845.	Balance brought forward,	51	9	1	Oct'r	1	Paid the Rev. Wm. Proudfoot, one Quarter's Salary as Professor,		17 10 0
July 30	Collection - do at St. George, <i>Exempt.</i> - do. William Barrie,	1	17	4	Dec'r	10	Paid the Rev. Mr. Ritchie, for Visiting Stations on Grand River,		0 15 0
Dec'r 27	St. George Missionary Society, Western Dist.	0	10	7½	1846.				
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1846.	St. George Missionary Society, Western Dist.	1	16	3		10	Paid Rev. Charles Fletcher expenses in visiting Cayuga,		0 7 6
Jan'y 27	St. George Missionary Society, Eastern Dist.	2	7	6	March	19	Paid Rev. John Porteous expenses in visiting Cayuga,		0 7 6
	do. do. Eastern Dist.	4	5	9	May	6	Paid Rev. Mr. Proudfoot one Quarter's Salary as Professor,		17 10 0
	Collection at Presbyterial Visitation, St. George	0	12	6		6	Paid Rev. Mr. Ritchie, for Hamilton,		0 5 0
March	Congregation, Flamboro' West,	8	17	7½		6	Paid Rev. Mr. Barrie expenses to Chippewa,		2 0 0
May	Flamboro, per Rev. Wm. Barrie,	5	10	0			do.		1 10 7½
July	Goderich, for 1845,	1	5	0			Paid Rev. Mr. Christie		0 7 6
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	Stanley, for 1845,	1	15	9	July	7	Paid Rev. David Caw, for Missionary service rendered to the Congregation of Hamilton,		17 10 0
	London, for 1846,	5	0	0		9	Paid Rev. Mr. Proudfoot one Quarter's Salary as Professor,		1 10 0
	Goderich, for 1846,	1	15	0		9	Paid Mr. Torrance, for preaching at Hamilton and Cayuga,		5 0 0
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	Emily, per Rev. James Dick,	2	8	8					
	Mackillop, per Rev. Mr. McKenzie,	1	0	3½					
	Chinguacousy, per Rev. David Coultas,	1	0	1½					
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We, the undersigned, appointed by the Synod to audit the Treasurer's Accounts, have examined } WILLIAM BARRIE,
 the same, and find them to be correct, and that there is a balance due by the Treasurer of £32 7s. 4d. } CHARLES FLETCHER.

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WILLIAM BARRIE,
CHARLES FLETCHER.

