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OF THE
MARITIME PROVINCES
OF THE
Presbyterian Church in Canada.

NEW GLASGOW, N. S., MAY 31 TO JUNE 3, 1881.



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NEW GLASGOW, N. S., May 31st to June 3rd, 1881.

FIRST SEDERUNT.

At New Glasgow, N. S., and within United Church there, Tuesday, the thirty-first day of May, one thousand, eight hundred and eighty-one, at half-past seven in the evening:

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces, in connection with the Presbyterian Church in Canada, met according to appointment. Rev. J. B. Logan, A.M., of Kentville, the retiring Moderator, conducted public worship, preaching from the text, "It is not for you to know the times or the seasons which the Father hath put in his own power." Acts of the Apostles, chap. 1st verse 7th.

After service he constituted the Synod with prayer.

CHANGES.

The Clerk read the following list of changes which took place since last meeting of Synod:

I.—DEATHS.

Presbytery of Halifax:—Rev. John McLean, of Kempt and Walton, Nov. 19th, 1880.

Rev. Alexander Stuart, M. A., of Lawrencetown, Cow Bay and Porter's Lake, Jan. 26th, 1881.

2.—DEMISSIONS.

Presbytery of Pictou:—Rev. W. Maxwell, Little Harbor and Fisher's Grant, July 31st, 1880.

Rev. W. T. Bruce, M.D., Vale Colliery and Sutherland's River, December 31st, 1880.

Rev. A. P. Miller, French River, March 27th, 1881.

Presbytery of Wallace:—Rev. S. Tallach, Amherst, July 1st, 1880.

Presbytery of Halifax:—Rev. John Forrest, St. John's, Halifax, Dec. 31st, 1880.

Rev. W. H. Gray, Bridgetown and Annapolis, Feb. 1st, 1880.

Presbytery of St. John:—Rev. E. Roberts, Harvey, May 9th, 1881.

Presbytery of Miramichi:—Rev. Wm. Fego, Tabusintac and Bent Church, Sept. 24th, 1880.

Presbytery of P. E. Island:—Rev. John Sutherland, Woodville and Little Sands, May 1st, 1881.

Presbytery of Newfoundland:—Rev. D. F. Creelman, Bay of Islands, 1880.

3.—TRANSLATIONS.

Presbytery of Toronto:—Rev. Wm. Aitkin, from Vaughan to St. James' Church, Newcastle, *Presbytery of Miramichi*, June 9th, 1880.

Presbytery of Pictou:—Rev. R. Cumming, from Glenelg to Westville, in the same *Presbytery*, March 1st, 1881.

Presbytery of Miramichi:—Rev. Robert Jarline, D.Sc., from St. Andrew's, Chatham, to Brockville, *Presbytery of Brockville*, April 21st, 1881.

4.—INDUCTIONS.

Presbytery of Pictou:—Rev. Robert Laird, Little Harbor and Fisher's Grant, May 3rd, 1881.

Presbytery of Truro:—Rev. J. D. McGillivray, Clifton, March 1st, 1881.
Rev. W. T. Bruce, Coldstream, May 10th, 1881.

Presbytery of Halifax:—Rev. John Wallace, Warwick, Bermuda, Aug. 31st, 1880.

Rev. Archibald Gunn, Windsor, Oct. 19th, 1880.

Presbytery of Lunenburg and Yarmouth:—Rev. D. F. Creelman, Shelburne and Lockport, Oct. 25th, 1880.

Presbytery of Miramichi:—Rev. John McCarter, Red Bank, Aug. 19th, 1880.

Rev. James Murray, Douglastown, May 3rd, 1881.

Presbytery of P. E. Island:—Rev. Alan Maclean, Tryon and Bonshaw, June 29th, 1880.

5.—ORDINATIONS.

Presbytery of Wallace:—Mr. F. W. Archibald, St. Stephen's Church, Amherst, Jan. 12th, 1881.

Presbytery of Halifax:—Mr. Richmond Logan, Sheet Harbor, June 8th, 1880.

Mr. John W. McLeod, as a missionary to Trinidad, Dec. 20th, 1880.

Presbytery of P. E. Island:—Mr. George McMillan, Princetown, June 30th, 1880.

Mr. William A. Mason, New London North and Summerfield, Feb. 9th, 1881.

6.—LICENSURE.

Presbytery of Truro:—Mr. John W. McLeod, Nov. 9th, 1880.

7.—RECEPTION.

Presbytery of Truro:—Mr. F. W. Archibald, licentiate of the Presbytery of Baltimore, U. S., as a probationer of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, July 6th, 1880.

8.—NAME OF MISSIONARY ADDED TO ROLL

Presbytery of St. John:—Rev. J. A. F. Sutherland, Kincardine and Tobique, Jan. 1st, 1881.

9.—NAMES REMOVED FROM ROLL

Presbytery of Miramichi:—Rev. Angus McMaster and Rev. James Law, Oct. 26th, 1880, on account of non residence in the Presbytery, by rule of General Assembly.

Presbytery of St. John:—Rev. M. R. Paradis, Grand Falls, May 1st, 1881, because of resigning his appointment as missionary.

10.—NEW CONGREGATIONS.

Presbytery of Victoria and Richmond:—River Dennis, Malagawatch and North Mountain, were united to form one charge, March 8th, 1881.

Presbytery of P. E. Island:—Tignish, Montrose, Cascumpec Village, Alma and Mill River, organized, March 2nd, 1881.

CALLING OF ROLL.

The Roll of Synod was called, and the names of members present marked with an asterisk, as follows:—

PRESBYTERY OF SYDNEY.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION.	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
H. McLeod, M.A., D.D.	Nov., 1833	Donald McLeod	Mira	Sydney, C. B.
Matt. Wilson, M.A.	June, 1842	John McInnis	Sydney Mines	Sydney Mines.
* Abraham McIntosh	Aug. 21, 1856	St. Ann's and N. Shore		St. Ann's.
Donald Sutherland	Jan. 6, 1860	Alex. McLeod	Gabarus	Gabarus, C. B.
A. Farquharson	Dec. 4, 1861	Sydney Mines		N. Sydney, C. B.
D. Drummond	June 14, 1864	D. McLennan	St. Andrew's, Sydney	Sydney, C. B.
* John Murray	June 18, 1872	Rod'k Grant	Boularderie	Boularderie
Peter Clarke	Nov. 12, 1873	A. D. McGillivray	Falmouth St. ch., Sydney	Sydney, C. B.
Gavin Sinclair	Apr. 25, 1877	Neil Stewart	Cape North	Loch Lomond
* G. L. Gordon	Oct. 6, 1879	D. McKay	L. Lomond & Frazar	Grand River.
VACANCIES			Grand River & St. Peter's	Grand River.
			Glacé Bay Mines	G. Bay Mines,
		Arch. McVicar,	Cow Bay Mines	Cow Bay Mines.
		Jas. Johnston	Leitch's Creek	L. Creek, C. B.

A. FARQUHARSON, *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF VICTORIA AND RICHMOND.

* M. Stewart, M.A.	Oct. 29, 1843	Neil McLean	Whycomoham, C. B.	Whycomoham.
Wm. G. Forbes	1852	John Campbell	Port Hastings	Port Hastings.
* K. Mackenzie	Dec. 2, 1857	David McCurdy	Baldeck and Forks, C. B.	Baldeck.
* Donald McDougall	Nov. 15, 1865	John Matheson	West Bay	West Bay.
* Alexander Grant	Dec. 6, 1871	Hugh Campbell	L. Ainslie and Margaree	Lake Ainslie.
* Alexander McRae	June 7, 1877	Donald McRae	Mid. Riv. & L. Narrows.	Middle River.
VACANCIES				
		Walt. McDonald	Mabou and Port Hood	Mabou, C. B.
		Allan McQuarrie	Strath Lorne (Br'd Cove)	Strath Lorne.
			River Dennis, &c.	
			Blz Intervale, &c.	
			River Inhabitants	

KENNETH MCKENZIE, *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF PICTOU.

* George Walker	1833		Pastor Emeritus U. Ch.	New Glasgow.
* D. B. Blair	Oct. 26, 1846	Don. Sutherland	Barney's River & Blue Mt.	Barney's River.
* Alexander McLean	Dec. 14, 1852	* R. McNaughton	Hopewell	Hopewell
Alex. Stirling	June, 1858	Murdoch Munro	Scotsburn & Salsapringa	Scotsburn.
* Robert Laird	June 12, 1860	Simon Fraser	L. Har. & Fisher's Grant	Little Harbour.
* Wm. Donald	Oct. 31, 1869	Adam McKean	Prince St. Church, Pictou	Pictou.
* Peter Goodfellow	Jan. 25, 1862	Robert Dickson	Antigonish & C'pe George	Antigonish.
* Thomas Cunningham	Sep. 3, 1863	James McKay	Stallarton	Stellarton.
* Wm. Stuart	May 17, 1865	Thos. Kennedy	James's Church	Green Hill.
E. A. McCurdy	June 20, 1866	Geo. Sutherland	Union Centre & Lochaber	Union Centre.
* A. McI. Sinclair	Feb. 27, 1867	D. McDonald	Est. River	New Glasgow.
* J. F. Forbes	July 25, 1866	Alex. Polson	United Church	Springville.
Robert Cumming	Feb. 16, 1869	Dan. McPherson	Westville and Mid. River	Westville.
* Ephraim Scott	Sep. 29, 1875	* Wm. McMillan	United Church	New Glasgow.
* Daniel McGregor	May 24, 1877	Robert Brown	Merigonish	Merigonish.
* James S. Carruthers	July 31, 1878	John McKenzie	Knox Church	Pictou.
VACANCIES				
		James McRae	United Congregation	West River.
		J. A. McDonald	Sherbrooke & Goldenville	Sherbrooke.
		John Munroe	Vale Colliery & S. River	Suth. River.
		Wm. Frasser	French River	French River.
MISSION STATIONS.				
			Wine Harbour, &c.	

E. A. MCCURDY, *Presbytery Clerk.*

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PRESBYTERY OF WALLACE.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION.	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
James Watson	Oct. 16, 1830	John Bell	New Annan & Wentworth	New Annan.
* Andrew Gray	May 19, 1830	R. Drummond	Spring Hill	Spring Hill.
C. G. Glass, M.A.	Nov. 12, 1850	John M. Burns	Goose River	Goose River.
W. S. Barrugh	June 22, 1855	* James Lauder	River John	River John.
H. B. Mackay	Nov., 1858	* R. Mitchel	Wallace (Knox Church).	Wallace.
* Samuel Boyd	Sep. 19, 1869	* Jas. Langille	Tatamagouche	Tatamagouche.
* Thomas Sedgwick	Jan. 12, 1881	D. Corbett	Amherst	Amherst.
* F. W. Archibald, M.A.				
VACANCIES.				
		D. McDonald	Wallace (St. Matthew's).	Wallace.
		* John Sutherland	Earlton & W. B. R. John	Earlton.
		James Munro	Shemogue & Port Egin	Shemogue, N. B.
			Pigwash and Oxford.	Pigwash.

THOMAS SEDGWICK, *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF HALIFAX.

* Robt. Sedgwick, D.D.	Sep., 1836	Wm. McCurdy ..	Middle Musquodoboit.	M. Musquodob't.
* P. G. McGregor, D.D.	Oct., 1841		Agent of the Church ..	Halifax.
Walter Thorburn ..	July 22, 1842		Warwick, Bermuda ..	Warwick.
* George Christie ..	July 18, 1847	J. C. Mcintosh ..	Bedford and Waverley.	Bedford.
R. F. Burns, D.D.	1852		Fort Massey	Halifax.
* Allan Pollok, D.D.	Aug. 12, 1852	Isaac Creighton ..	Divinity Hall	Halifax.
A. L. Wylie	Oct. 23, 1856	J. S. Macdonald ..	Richmond	Halifax.
Thomas Duncan	Feb. 26, 1857		St. Andrew's	Halifax.
Alex. McKnight, D.D.	Aug. 12, 1857		Divinity Hall	Halifax.
John Currie	June 4, 1862	J. Cruikshank	Little River, Musquodob't.	Little River.
Duncan McKinnon ..	Feb. 3, 1864	F. W. Meek	Shubenacadie & Stewke.	Shubenacadie.
M. G. Henry	Sep. 15, 1866	Robt. Murray	Chalmers' Church	Halifax.
* Chas. B. Pitblado	Sep., 1866	Wm. M. Fraser	St. James', Dartmouth.	Halifax.
Peter M. Morrison ..	Aug. 7, 1866	Alex. McDonald ..	Poplar Grove	Newport.
Allan Simpson	May 19, 1867	Judge Blanchard ..	Newport and St. Croix.	Kentville.
Ebenezer McNab	Oct. 1, 1868	Wm. Amund	Kentville	Milford.
* John B. Logan, M.A.	Dec. 22, 1869	Thomas Logan	Milford and Gay's River.	Elmsdale.
* Alfred B. Dickie	Nov. 22, 1871	* William Hesson ..	Elmsdale & Nine Mile R.	Halifax.
* Jacob Layton	July 23, 1873	* James Gardner ..	St. Matthew's	Musq. Harbor.
* Robert Laing	Feb. 17, 1875		Musquodoboit Harbor.	Bermuda.
* James Rosborough ..	Feb., 1876	Nelson Wier	Warwick, Bermuda ..	Kennetcook.
John Wallace	Aug. 26, 1879		Kennetcook	Bermuda.
Adam Gunn	Oct. 15, 1879	* Fred. Frieze	St. Andrew's, Hamilton.	Bermuda.
James A. McKeen	Oct. 21, 1879		Maitland	Maitland.
* T. Chalmers Jack	June 8, 1880	Wm. McKiel	Cornwallis, North & West	Cornwallis.
Archibald McLougall ..	Oct., 1880	M. H. Goudge	Sheet Harbor	Sheet Harbor.
* Richmond Logan			Windsor	Windsor.
Archibald Gunn				
VACANCIES.				
		James Corston	St. John's, Halifax ..	Halifax.
		Daniel Mosher	Lawrencetown & Cow Bay	Lawrencetown.
		Isaac Densmore	Noel	Noel.
		D. Cameron	Annapolis & Bridgetown	Annapolis.
		J. G. Reynolds	Upper Musquodoboit ..	U. Musquodob't.
		T. A. Malcolm	Kempt and Walton	Kempt.

ALLAN SIMPSON, *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF LUNENBURG AND YARMOUTH.

William Duff	May 25, 1843		Pas. Em. Lunenburg ..	Lunenburg.
John Cameron	Sep. 17, 1844	J. S. Calder, M.D.	Bridgewater	Bridgewater.
Archibald Brown	Oct. 6, 1865	G. M. Ewan	New Dublin	New Dublin.
Wm. Robertson	Sep. 3, 1869	Wm. Millar	St. John's, Yarmouth ..	Yarmouth.
* J. K. Beattie	July 16, 1873	Jeffrey Cook	Carlton & Cheboque ..	Carlton, Yarm.
* E. D. Millar, B. A.	Oct. 23, 1873	Jas. Eisenhaur	LaHave	L. LaHave.
* F. D. Creelman, M. A.	Nov. 30, 1877	John Downie	Lunenburg	Lunenburg.
D. Stiles Fraser, B.A.	Dec. 9, 1879	Geo. Eisenhaur	Shelburne & Lockeport.	Shelburne.
* J. A. McLean, B.A.		Gab'l Robertson	Mahone Bay	Mahone Bay.
		Solomon Haines	Clyde and Barrington ..	Clyde River.
			Riversdale	Riversdale.

D. STILES FRASER, *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF TRURO.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION.	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
John I. Baxter	May, 1832		Without charge.	Truro.
* Wm. McCulloch, D.D.	Feb. 14, 1839	Alex. Miller	Truro First Pres. Church	Truro.
* Ebenezer Ross	Oct. 31, 1849		Without charge.	Truro.
* James McLean	Nov. 13, 1854	Thomas Little	Great Village	Great Village.
* Alex. Cameron	Sep. 16, 1857	David Fulton	Riverside	Portapique.
* A. Burrows, B.A.	June 29, 1864	F. Blanchard	St. Andrew's, Truro	Truro.
* J. D. McOllivray	Feb. 7, 1865	Silas Black.	Clifton	Clifton.
* John McMillan, B.D.	Mch. 26, 1866	D. A. Fraser	St. Paul's, Truro.	Truro.
James Sinclair	Sep. 11, 1867	Rev. Fletcher	Upper Londonderry	Folly Village.
* J. H. Chase, M.A.	May 5, 1869	T. B. Chisholm	Onslow	Truro.
* Edward Grant	Oct. 16, 1869	Robert Gammel	Stewiacke	Stewiacke.
* Edwin Smith, B.A.	Oct. 3, 1871	* James McLellan	Middle Stewiacke.	M. Stewiacke.
* J. C. Meek	Dec. 20, 1872	David Fulton	Springside	U. Stewiacke.
* Alex. F. Thomson	Sept. 8, 1874	Allister Bentley	Economy	Economy.
* W. T. Bruce, M.D.	Sep. 27, 1876	Rd. Archibald	Coldstream	Valley.
* John A. Logan, B.A.	Aug. 7, 1877	C. W. Totten	Acadia	Acadia Iron M.
* A. W. McLeod, M.A.	Sep. 11, 1878	B. N. Fullerton.	Parraboro'	Parraboro'.
MISSION STATIONS.				
			Maccan	
			North River	

J. H. CHASE, *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF ST. JOHN.

J. M. Brooke	July 16, 1839	John Edwards	St. Pauls	Fredericton.
A. J. Mowatt	June 5, 1866			
A. Donald	July 25, 1842	Retired	Hampton Village.	
J. Bennet, D.D.	Mch. 30, 1843	D. Mitchell	St. John's	St. John.
L. Jack	June, 1845	Thos. Murray	Springfield	Springfield.
W. Millen	Jan., 1846		Bocabec	St. Andrew's.
D. Macleis, D.D.	Nov., 1848	A. G. Bowes	Calvin	St. John.
* J. McE. McKay	June 26, 1855	Alex. Henderson	St. Paul's	Woodstock.
D. McRae, M.A., D.D.	July 21, 1856	D. Morrison	St. Stephen's	St. John.
S. Johnson	May 24, 1856		Chipman	Chipman.
James Gray, M.A.	Mch. 6, 1857	Wm. Morrison	Sussex	Sussex.
D. Waters, M.A., LL.D.	July 16, 1861	James Manson	St. David's	St. John.
W. McCullagh	1863	Donald Clark	Greenock	St. Andrew's.
* J. D. Murray	Feb. 2, 1865	Wm. McNairn	Buctouche	Buctouche.
* J. Hoag	Oct. 1, 1868	Jonathan Weir	St. John's	Monoton.
W. Mitchell	1869	John McRobbie	St. Andrew's	St. John.
* J. C. Burgess, A.B.	May 5, 1870	R. S. Cowan	Carleton	St. John.
P. Melville, M.A., B.D.	Apr. 12, 1872		Nashwaak	Nashwaak.
K. McKay, A.B.	Feb. 22, 1872	W. Guy	Richmond	Richmond.
* J. M. Sutherland	Dec. 25, 1872	Hugh Morrison	St. James'	St. James.
W. Ross, A.B.	Nov. 14, 1876		Prince William	Prince William.
D. R. Crockett	1876	John McVey	Hammond River	Passakeag.
C. W. Bryden	May 24, 1880	James Henry	Hopewell	Hopewell.
J. A. F. Sutherland.	May 4, 1864		Kincardine & Tobique	Tobique.
VACANCIES.				
		Judge Stevens.	Harvey	
			St. Stephen	St. Stephen.
			Grand Falls	
			St. George	
		John Simpson	Glassville, &c.	Ghasville.
			Baillie, &c.	
MISSION STATIONS.				
			Quaco & Black River	Quaco.
			Campbell Settlement.	Campbell Settlt's
			Londonderry, &c.	Londonderry.
			Nerepis and Jerusalem.	Nerepis.
			Boiestown.	Boiestown.
			Houlton	Houlton.
			Pisarinco	Pisarinco.

J. C. BURGESS, *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF MIRAMICHI

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION.	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
James Murray	Nov. 3, 1852	Wm. Russell	Douglstown	Douglstown.
Peter Lindsay, B.A.	Oct. 12, 1853	John Fallow	New Richmond	N. Richmond, Q.
Thos. G. Johnstone	June 21, 1855	W. H. Grindley	Blackville & Derby, &c.	Blackville.
Wm. Murray, B.A.	Mich. 13, 1856	Peter Hamilton	New Carlisle, &c.	New Carlisle, Q.
Thomas Nicholson	1853	James Murray	Charlo, New Mills, &c.	Charlo.
Malcolm Mackenzie	Feb. 13, 1862	Joseph White	Richibucto	Kingston.
John McCarter	Aug. 31, 1862	John Johnstone	Redbank	Redbank.
William Atken	Aug. 16, 1864	K. McKnight	Newcastle	Newcastle.
John Robertson, M.A.	July 1, 1869	T. Armstrong, jr	Black River	Black River.
Samuel Houston, M.A.	Jan. 10, 1869	Robert Gordon	Bathurst	Bathurst.
Jas. A. F. McBaln	Mar. 18, 1869	R. Y. Tate	St. John's, Chatham	Chatham.
Alexander Russell	Feb. 22, 1876	D. J. Fraser	Dalhousie	Dalhousie.
J. C. Herdman, B.D.	Nov. 6, 1877		Campbelton	Campbelton.
John Boyd	Sep. 9, 1879		Bass River & Mill Branch	Bass River.
VACANCIES,		A. Loggie	St. Andrew's, Chatham	Chatham.
			Tabusintac & Burnt Ch.	Tabusintac.
MISSION STATIONS.			Kouchibouguac	Kouchibouguac.
			Carriquet, &c.	Carriquet.
			New Bandon, &c.	New Bandon.
			Metapedia, Flatlands, &c.	Metapedia, Q.
			Escuminac	Escuminac, Q.

SAMUEL HOUSTON, Presbytery Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

R. S. Patterson, A.M.	Mar. 22, 1824	Charles Craig	Bedeque	Bedeque.
James Allan	Jan. 1, 1846	Dr. Henderson	Cove Head	Cove Head.
Isaac Murray, D.D.	Jan. 16, 1850	Norman McLeod	Charlottetown	Charlottetown.
Alexander Munro	Nov. 3, 1850	Alex. McKinnon	Valleyfield & Browns Ck.	Valleyfield.
K. McLellan, A.M.	1852	John McMillan	Charlottetown	Charlottetown.
William Scot E.	1853	David Smith	St. Peter's & Br. Pt. Rds.	Charlottetown.
Henry Crawford	Oct. 18, 1853	Alex. Stronach	Richmond Bay	Port Hill.
John M. MacLeod	Nov. 9, 1853	Wm. B. Ramsay	Georgetown, Cardigan, &c.	Charlottetown.
Nell Mackay	Sep. 19, 1855	Alex. Smith	Tyron and Bonshaw	Summerside.
John Mackinnon	1858	Wm. H. Douglas	Mount Stewart, &c.	Georgetown.
Allan Maclean	June 19, 1865	John A. McLaine	Bay Fortune & Souris	Tyron.
William R. Frame	Aug. 13, 1862	Chas. McNeill	W. & C. Riv. & Brookfield	Mt. Stewart.
John G. Cameron	Mar. 14, 1867	Hon. B. Rogers	East. St. Peters	Souris.
William Grant	Sep. 27, 1869	David McLeod	W. Cape & Campbellton.	West River.
Samuel C. Gunn	Nov. 16, 1870	John McLeod	Murray Harbour	Marie Bridge.
Charles Fraser	June 7, 1871	John Simpson	Belfast	Springfield.
Arthur F. Carr, A.M.	Oct. 4, 1871	David McLeod	Dundas	Alberton.
W. P. Archibald, A.M.	Sep. 29, 1875	Wm. B. Donald	Princeton	Cavendish.
Ernest S. Bayne, A.M.	Jan. 18, 1876	Arch. Ferguson	New London, &c.	Murray Harbor.
Alex. S. Stewart	Mar. 25, 1879	Jas. Henderson	Clifton and Granville	Belfast.
John Macdonald	May 29, 1880	John McKenzie	Strathalbyn	Dundas.
Geo. McMillan, A.M.	June 30, 1880	John C. MacLeod	Woodville & Little Sands	Princeton.
Wm. A. Mason, A.M.	Feb. 9, 1881		Tignish, Montrose, &c.	New London.
VACANCIES.				
		Jas. Henderson	Clifton and Granville	Clifton.
		John McKenzie	Strathalbyn	Strathalbyn.
		John C. MacLeod	Woodville & Little Sands	Woodville.
			Tignish, Montrose, &c.	

JOHN McLEOD, Presbytery Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF NEWFOUNDLAND.

Moses Harvey, M.A.			Retired	St. John's.
Alex. Ross			Harbor Grace	Harbor Grace.
L. G. McNeill, M.A.	Nov. 12, 1872	Jas. Goodfellow	St. Andrew's, St. John's	St. John's.
W. S. Whittier, B.Sc.	May 10, 1880		Little Bay	Betts Cove.
VACANCY.		Angus Morrison	Bay of Islands	Bay of Islands.

ALEX. ROSS, Presbytery Clerk.

The retiring Moderator then briefly addressed the Synod, thanking them for the honor bestowed on him last year, and asked them to proceed to the

ELECTION OF A NEW MODERATOR.

Nominations by Presbyteries for the moderatorship of Synod were read as follows :—

-Rev. Murdoch Stewart, by the Presbyteries of Sydney, Victoria and Richmond, Halifax, and Lunenburg and Yarmouth.

Rev. Thomas Sedgwick, by the Presbyteries of Wallace and Truro.

Dr. Pollok, by the Presbytery of Picton.

Dr. I. Murray, by the Presbytery of P. E. Island.

Moved by Dr. Waters, seconded by Mr. Christie, that Dr. Pollok be appointed Moderator. After the other brethren, nominated by Presbyteries, withdrew their names, for reasons given, the motion was put and unanimously carried.

The retiring Moderator introduced Dr. Pollok, who briefly addressed the court in thanks for its confidence.

THANKS TO RETIRING MODERATOR.

Moved by Dr. Burns, seconded by Dr. Waters, and unanimously resolved, that the thanks of the Synod be tendered to the retiring Moderator for the efficient discharge of the duties of his office, and for the appropriate sermon at the opening of this meeting. In accordance therewith, the Moderator tendered to Mr. Logan the Synod's sense of the value of his services.

REPORT OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE.

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the Business Committee, gave in their report. It contained the docket for the meeting of Synod, and the order of business for to-morrow morning, with the following recommendations :—

That the hours of meeting be from 10 A. M. to half-past 12 P. M., from 3 P. M. to 6 P. M., and from half-past seven to ten in the evening.

That half an hour at the beginning of to-morrow forenoon's Sederunt be spent in devotional exercises.

That the following Committees be appointed :—

Obituary Notices.—Dr. Burns, Messrs. J. B. Logan and R. Murray.

Synod Fund.—Messrs. A. McLean Sinclair, J. Hogg, W. Grant, J. F. Blanchard and W. A. Hesson.

Records of Presbyteries—St. John and Miramichi.—Messrs. James McLean, F. W. Archibald and Joseph Gardner.

P. E. Island.—Messrs. A. L. Wyllie, A. Burrows and D. J. Fraser.

Sydney and Victoria and Richmond.—Messrs. J. McKay, E. Smith and William McCurdy.

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Truro and Lunenburg and Yarmouth.—Messrs. Kenneth McKenzie, D. McGregor and D. McDonald.

Halifax and Newfoundland.—Messrs. E. D. Millar, John McCarter and D. A. Fraser.

That Messrs. Grant and McKenzie, Foreign Missionaries present, be heard to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock.

On motion, the report was received and its recommendations adopted.

PRAYER FOR TRINIDAD.

Dr. McCulloch stated that reliable information had just been received from Trinidad, of the prevalence of Yellow Fever on the Island, and of its fatal results among the Coolies, and suggested that the Synod join in prayer for God's help. The Synod heartily assented, and at the request of the Moderator, Dr. McCulloch led in prayer for Divine protection and support for our Missionaries and the afflicted people, and for the removal of the disease.

The Synod adjourned to meet in this place to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock, of which intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

SECOND SEDERUNT.

At New Glasgow, and within United Church there, Wednesday, the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one:

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces met, pursuant to adjournment, and after half an hour spent in devotional exercises was constituted by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the first Sederunt were read and sustained.

REPORT OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE.

Mr. Houston presented the Report on Business for this afternoon, which was adopted.

DELIVERANCE OF ASSEMBLY.

Read the deliverance of the General Assembly *in re* the appeal of the Presbytery of Sydney from the Synod of the Maritime Provinces:—

At Montreal, and within Crescent Street Church there, the fifteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty; the which day the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met and was constituted. Sederunt, etc.

INTER ALIA—

In the case of appeal of the Presbytery of Sydney against a decision of the Synod of the Maritime Provinces, in the matter of reference from said Presbytery to said Synod, in the case of Mr. Donald Sutherland, of Gabarus, the Assembly, on the

recommendation of the Judicial Committee, adopted the following resolution :—That the action of the Synod be not reviewed, and that the decision appealed against be allowed to stand.

Extracted from the Records of the Presbyterian Church in Canada by

W. M. REID,

Joint Clerk of General Assembly.

NOTICE OF PRESBYTERY OF SYDNEY.

The Presbytery of Sydney gave notice that they intended to petition the General Assembly to review the decision of Synod in the Gabarus matter.

The Synod appointed Dr. McRae and Mr. McLean Sinclair to defend the action of the Synod before the General Assembly.

OVERTURE OF PRESBYTERY OF LUNENBURG AND YARMOUTH.

Read an overture of the Presbytery of Lunenburg and Yarmouth anent a new Supplementing Scheme. Before hearing parties it was agreed that the Scheme be printed and put in the hands of members.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

On motion of Mr. Pitblado, Professor Forrest, Messrs. Grant and McKenzie were invited to sit as corresponding members.

HUNTER FUND.

Dr. McGregor read the Report of the Hunter Church Building Committee, which was laid on the table till printed copies be distributed.

SEMINARY FOR YOUNG LADIES.

Read a Memorial of the Presbytery of Truro anent the establishment of a Young Ladies' Seminary. The Memorial asks for the sanction of the Synod in the formation of a company to organize such an institution under the official recognition of the Synod.

Read in connection with this Memorial, overtures from the Presbyteries of Wallace and Pictou on the same subject. Dr. McCulloch, Mr. F. W. Archibald, Mr. T. Cumming and Mr. F. Blanchard were heard in support of the Memorial and Overtures.

Moved by Mr. McLean Sinclair, seconded by Mr. McKay :

“Receive the overtures, approve of the object they aim at, namely, the establishment of a Ladies' Seminary in connection with the Presbyterian Church ; and appoint a committee to take the matter in charge. The Synod instructs said committee to procure all necessary information respecting the establishment and maintenance of such a Seminary ; to lay such information before our people as soon as possible ; and to endeavor to establish a suitable Seminary by the formation of a Joint-Stock Company.

The Synod declines to come under any pecuniary obligation for such an institution ; but the members of Synod hereby pledge themselves as individuals to encourage and help it forward as far as they shall be able.”

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It was moved by Dr. Burns, seconded by Dr. Waters, that the overtures anent the organization of a Seminary for the education of young ladies in connection with this Synod be received, and a committee be appointed to consider the subject of these overtures and Mr. Sinclair's motion, and report to the Synod to-morrow forenoon. This motion was carried, and the Moderator named the following committee:—Dr. Burns, Mr. C. B. Pitblado, Mr. Thomas Sedgwick, Mr. F. W. Archibald, Mr. T. Cumming, Mr. A. McL. Sinclair, Mr. E. Scott, Mr. Neil McKay, Dr. Waters, Mr. J. A. F. Macbain, Mr. J. B. Logan, Mr. Robert Laing, Dr. McCulloch, Mr. John McMillan and Mr. F. Blanchard.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR MR. GRANT'S ADDRESS.

The Moderator announced that a telegram from New York to Mr. Grant, made it necessary for him to leave this afternoon, and that his only opportunity of addressing the Synod would be at two o'clock. It was agreed to meet at that hour to hear Mr. Grant.

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

THIRD SEDERUNT.

In the same place, and on the same day:

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces met, pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the Second Sederunt were read and sustained.

MR. GRANT'S ADDRESS.

Mr. Grant, one of our Missionaries to Trinidad, gave a clear account of the present position of the mission in that island, when, on motion of Dr. McGregor, it was unanimously resolved:—

The Synod rejoices in the present opportunity of meeting Mr. Grant, gives thanks to God for the work done by him and his associates in Trinidad. The Synod regrets the suddenness of the notice which calls Mr. Grant away this afternoon; and commends him to God, with the member of the mission family who accompanies him, in his return to Trinidad, that they may be brought home in safety, and may meet the whole Mission Band and their associates, preserved from injury by the good hand of God upon them, and strengthened for the continued prosecution of the work of the Lord.

The Synod then joined in prayer, led by Dr. Burns, after which Mr. Grant departed.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

Mr. Murray of St. Andrew's Church, New Glasgow, Mr. Fitzpatrick of Saltsprings, and Mr. Stewart of McLellan's Mountain, were invited to sit as corresponding members.

LEAVE TO RETIRE.

The Presbytery of Wallace asked and obtained leave to retire for a short time.

APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE TO LICENSE STUDENTS.

The Presbytery of Pictou asked leave to take Mr. John George on public probationary trials for license—Mr. George having satisfied the Presbytery of his course of study and attainments.

The Presbytery of Halifax applied for a similar liberty in regard to Messrs. Angus McMillan, Anderson Rogers, Murdoch Campbell, Angus Sillars, and James A. Forbes—these gentlemen having appeared before Presbytery and satisfied it of their course of study and proficiency in the branches prescribed by the church.

On motion, the applications of both the Presbyteries were granted.

HUNTER FUND.

Resumed consideration of the report on the Hunter Fund. The report as printed and in the hands of members, presented full accounts of the year's transactions, and a condensed account of the whole receipts and expenditure from the first, amounting to over \$32,000, and bore the attestation of the Synod auditors.

On motion, the report was received and adopted, and thanks tendered to the committee for their diligent attention to the business.

SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

Mr. McCurdy read the report of the Committee on Systematic Beneficence. The report was received and its recommendations adopted. They are as follow :—

That Presbyteries be recommended to visit Presbyterially, or by Committee, during the ensuing year, all the congregations and mission stations within their bounds which have not been so visited during the past year, for the purpose of awakening a deeper interest in the Schemes of the Church, and of securing more system in the methods of carrying on their financial work.

That the Committee be instructed to endeavor to promote the practice of Systematic Beneficence by the judicious use of the press, and by such other means as they may deem advisable.

On motion of Dr. McGregor, it was resolved :—

That it is the opinion of the Synod that every Sabbath School should have frequent opportunities of contributing to missionary objects, and recommend the Dayspring and Mission Schools fund as one well entitled to support from all the children of the Church.

On motion of Mr. Laing, it was agreed :—

That the Synod recommend that a Sabbath, as near the beginning of the year as possible, be appropriated for preaching on Missions and Systematic Giving.

On motion of Mr. D. S. Fraser, it was resolved further :—

That Presbyteries be instructed to take order that congregations contribute to all schemes of the church, and to report to Synod yearly, what diligence has been used in the carrying out of this order.

On motion of Mr. Pitblado, the thanks of the Synod was given to the Committee, and especially to the Convener, for the very efficient manner in which they have done their work.

CORRESPONDING MEMBER.

The Rev. Mr. Thompson of Washington Territory being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

APPEAL.

The case of the appeal of Mr. S. G. Lawson against a decision of the Presbytery of Prince Edward Island, in the matter of a libel served on him by said Presbytery, was called, when there appeared the appellant in his own behalf, and Messrs. McKinnon and McLennan and Hon. Dr. Henderson, on behalf of the Presbytery.

Read the citation with the libel served on Mr. Lawson, and the judgment of the Presbytery on the several counts of the libel.

At this point it was found necessary to sist procedure in the case till the arrival of the reasons of appeal and the answers thereto.

APPEAL.

Read papers in the protest and appeal of Mr. D. Sutherland against the decision of the Presbytery of Sydney in refusing to transmit a petition of the Gabarus session to the Presbytery on the ground of the language being disrespectful.

On the parties being called, no representative of the Presbytery appeared. Mr. Sutherland appeared and was heard on his own behalf, and asked leave to withdraw all papers in this case, which was granted and the case dropped.

MR. LAWSON'S APPEAL.

Resumed consideration of the appeal of Mr. Lawson, the necessary papers having arrived.

Mr. Lawson's reasons of appeal, and the Presbytery's answers on the three several counts of the libel were read, when Mr. Lawson entered upon his statement.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, it was decided to continue this case to-night after the order of the day is finished. The Synod adjourned to meet in this place at half-past seven o'clock, 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 :

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces met, pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the Third Sederunt were read and sustained.

The Rev. Mr. Thomson was heard on behalf of the wants of the vast Presbyterian population moving into the Western portion of the United States. On motion of Dr. Burns it was resolved that

This Synod has listened with interest to Mr. Thomson's address, and expresses much satisfaction at the efforts of our sister Church in the United States to supply the spiritual wants of the numerous settlers in the Great West.

ADDRESS BY MR. MACKENZIE.

Mr. McKenzie, one of the Church's missionaries in the New Hebrides, addressed the Synod on the state of the Mission in that field, and gave an outline of his own labors on Efate, during the nine years of his residence there.

On motion of Mr. Hogg it was resolved,

That the Synod express their great gratification in having present at this meeting Rev. James McKenzie, after an absence of ten years as missionary of our Church in the New Hebrides, and bid him a hearty welcome home; thank God for what we have heard from our brother of the Lord's work in these islands; express our sympathy with him in his enfeebled state of health, and pray that it soon may be sufficiently restored to enable him to return to his work of faith and labor of love on the island of Efate, and that his visit may help to increase the interest and liberality of our people in the work of evangelizing these isles of the sea.

A few verses of the 72nd Psalm were sung, and the Synod united in prayer, led by Mr. Christie.

Mr. T. Sedgwick gave in the report of the Business Committee on the order of business for to-morrow, which was adopted.

MR. LAWSON'S APPEAL.

Resumed consideration of the appeal of Mr. Lawson, when the appellant continued his statement.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, it was agreed to extend the Sederunt for one hour if required by the appellant. At the close of his statement the Synod adjourned to meet in this place at ten o'clock to-morrow morning, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

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FIFTH SEDERUNT.

At New Glasgow, and within United Church there, Thursday, the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one :

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces met, pursuant to adjournment, and after half an hour spent in praise and prayer, was constituted by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the Fourth Sederunt were read and sustained.

MR. LAWSON'S APPEAL.

Resumed the consideration of the appeal of Mr. Lawson, Mr. McLennan spoke on behalf of the Presbytery.

At the close of his address, the case was deferred to take up the order of the day, namely, the appointment of the place and time of the

NEXT MEETING OF SYNOD.

It was agreed to hold the next meeting of Synod at Charlottetown, and within St. James' Church there, on the last Tuesday of May, A. D. 1882, at half-past seven o'clock in the evening.

MR. LAWSON'S APPEAL.

Resumed the case of appeal from the Presbytery of P. E. Island, when Mr. McKinnon continued the case on behalf of the Presbytery.

Before Mr. McKinnon closed, the hour of adjournment arrived, and the Synod adjourned to meet in this place at 3 o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

SIXTH SEDERUNT.

In the same place, and on the same day :

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces met, pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the Fifth Sederunt were read and sustained.

STATEMENT OF ASSEMBLY'S SUPPLEMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Dr. McGregor made a statement on behalf of the Assembly's Committee on Supplements, from which it appears that the Fund is \$2,000 in debt, and that it fell behind last year to the amount of \$1,000, owing to the withdrawal of grants from the churches in Britain.

On motion of Dr. McGregor, it was agreed to direct Presbyteries in appointing delegates to advocate the schemes of the church, to give prominence to the claims of the weaker charges, and consequently of the Supplementary Committee, to a more liberal support from our people.

MR. LAWSON'S APPEAL

Resumed the subject of Mr. Lawson's appeal.

Mr. McKinnon proceeded with the case on behalf of the Presbytery. At the close of Mr. McKinnon's address it was agreed to refer the whole case to a judicial committee to try it, and report to Synod.

The Moderator named for the purpose the following committee:—
Rev. T. Sedgwick, Convener, Dr. McCulloch, Messrs. J. Forbes, J. B. Logan, A. Simpson, K. McKenzie, D. B. Blair, A. McLean, D. McCurdy, R. Dixon, James Gardner, A. McLean Sinclair.

Leave was granted to the Committee to retire at 9 o'clock.

SYNOD FUND.

Rev. A. McL. Sinclair presented the report of the Committee on the Synod Fund, showing a balance of \$40 in favor of the Fund. The report was adopted and thanks tendered to the Committee and specially to the Convener for their satisfactory report.

MR. MUNRO'S APPEALS.

The case of appeals of Hugh Munro against certain decisions of the Presbytery of Wallace was called and the parties compared.

Papers in the case were read, and the whole case referred to the following committee:—Mr. C. B. Pitblado, convener; Messrs. John McMillan, J. C. Burgess, R. Laing, R. McNaughton, A. Campbell, G. J. Fraser, Murdoch Stewart, and Edward Grant.

OVERTURE OF PRESBYTERY OF LUNENBURG AND YARMOUTH.

Resumed the consideration of the overture of the Presbytery of Lunenburg and Yarmouth. The scheme proposed in the overture being printed and in the hands of members, Mr. Millar was heard in support of the overture. On motion the overture was referred to the following committee to consider, and report to next Synod:—Dr. Waters, Messrs. E. A. McCurdy, Wm. Donald, John Murray, D. McDougald, J. McMillan, C. B. Pitblado, M. G. Henry, Neil McKay, H. B. McKay, J. Hogg, J. McCarter, M. McKenzie, E. D. Millar, D. S. Fraser, J. S. Maclean, J. F. Blanchard, Hon. D. McCurdy, David Frieze, J. Wier, Hon. K. Henderson; Mr. McCurdy, convener.

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

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SEVENTH SEDERUNT.

In the same place, and on the same day :

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces met pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the Sixth Sederunt were read and sustained.

OBITUARY NOTICES.

Dr. Burns gave in the report of the Committee on Obituary Notices, which was read and adopted, ordered to be engrossed, and copies sent to the widows of the deceased brethren. It is as follows :—

I.—THE REV. ALEXANDER STUART, M. A.

The Rev. Alexander Stuart, M. A., was born in Aberdeen, November, 1810, and died at Porter's Lake on 26th January, 1881. For several years he laboured with fidelity and success in destitute districts amongst the lapsed population of his native city, initiating an important work of moral excavation whose results remain. Subsequently he removed to Edinburgh, where, in a similar field, he carried on with like devotedness a kindred evangelistic work.

For a quarter of a century past Mr. Stuart has made full proof of his ministry in a difficult and important section of our Church. By his devoted and self-sacrificing efforts he won the loving confidence of an attached people. By his general bearing and wise counsels he secured a warm seat in the affections of his brethren. We retain a grateful remembrance of the life and labours of our deceased father, and desire to follow his path, considering the end of his conversation.

The Synod cordially commends the bereaved widow and family to the Father of Mercies and God of all consolation, and the congregation thus deprived of an earnest ministry to Him who holdeth the stars in His right hand.

II.—THE REV. JOHN McLEAN.

Rev. John McLean, at the early age of thirty-four, departed this life at Kempt, on the 19th of November, 1880. After a short but very successful ministry at Broad Core, C. B., where, by his diligence, earnestness and loving zeal, he endeared himself to his congregation, he was called to take the pastoral oversight of the congregation of Kempt and Walton. Here, amid the weakness of failing health, he laboured much in the Lord, and the Lord blessed his labours. When unable to speak publicly for his Master, whom he so much loved, he was ever ready in his retirement to urge sinners to go to the Saviour, and to testify to all of the loving kindness of that Saviour to himself.

He was an affectionate husband, and leaves a young wife to mourn his loss; an earnest pastor whose services are much missed by an attached people; a tried friend whose loss cannot easily be supplied.

The Synod, while bowing submissively to this dispensation and saying, "even so, Father, for so it has seemed good in Thy sight," expresses its sympathy with the widow and relatives and congregation, and "commends them to God and the word of His grace, which is able to build them up and give them an inheritance among all them that are sanctified."

COLLEGE.

Dr. Burns, Chairman of the Board of Superintendence, presented to the Synod a statement concerning the Theological Hall. On his motion it was resolved that

This Synod, in view of the increased financial responsibilities imposed by the cessation of the liberal grant, generously made for several years past by the Colonial Committee of the Church of Scotland, earnestly urges on all the congregations

and mission stations within its bounds to make an annual contribution to the ordinary College fund, and instructs Presbyteries to take order that this be done.

In view, further, of the growing debt on this fund, and the delay in the gathering in of the endowment fund, that the collections for the present year be not only universal, but on a more than ordinarily liberal scale.

On motion of Dr. McGregor, seconded by Dr. McCulloch, it was resolved,

The Synod, while thankful that over \$62,000 of the Endowment Fund has been paid in, regrets that the sum of over Forty Thousand Dollars is still outstanding and past due, and remits it to the Financial Committee of the Board with instructions to take immediate steps by special deputation or otherwise, to have this large balance collected.

On motion of Dr. Barns, seconded by Mr. Murray, it was agreed that:—

The Synod having heard the Report of the Board with reference to Public Education, deems as follows:—

1. The Synod approves of the course pursued by the Board in conferring with the Government, in accordance with the Synodical Deliverance of October, 1876.
2. The Synod expresses satisfaction with the cessation of the grants to Denominational Colleges out of the Provincial Treasury, and trusts that they may not be revived.
3. The Synod, while feeling unabated interest in Dalhousie College, and rejoicing in the evidences of its growing prosperity, (and especially the munificent generosity extended to it by one of Nova Scotia's sons in New York), would very gladly be relieved as soon, and as far as practicable, of the Financial responsibilities we have for many years cheerfully borne in connection with that institution.
4. This Synod further gives expression to its gratification at the indications now being presented by the friends of Higher Education throughout the Province, favouring University Consolidation, and trusts that the ideal so long cherished by our church, of one general Teaching University, may, at no distant day, be realized.

On motion of Dr. McCulloch, it was unanimously resolved:—

That the Synod is deeply sensible of the value of the timely aid to the cause of Ministerial Education within its bounds, rendered by the Church of Scotland through its Colonial Committee, in generously undertaking the support of one of the Professors in the Theological Hall, Halifax, several years ago, and in continuing that support without abatement till the Synod is able to assume the responsibility—that in now ceasing to depend for the training of its ministry on the liberality of the mother churches, the Synod puts on record its appreciation of the thoughtful kindness which so efficiently helped us to supply our people with ministers of the word of life, and returns to the Colonial Committee its hearty thanks for assistance in time of great need.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LADIES' SEMINARY.

The Committee appointed to consider the overtures of Presbyteries and the motion of Mr. Sinclair, on the organization of a Young Ladies' Seminary, reported as follows—which report was adopted as the deliverance of the house on this subject:—

1. Approve of the object the overtures aim at, namely, the formation of a Ladies' Seminary in connection with the Presbyterian Church, and appoint a Committee to take the matter in charge.

That said Committee be instructed to procure all necessary information respecting the establishment and maintenance of such a Seminary, to lay such information before our people as soon as possible, and to endeavour to establish a suitable Seminary, by the formation of a Joint Stock Company: it being fully understood that the Synod does not come under any pecuniary obligation for such an institution, but that members of Synod pledge themselves as individuals to encourage and help it forward as far as they are able.

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2. That should the Company, when formed and ready to go into operation, agree to place the Seminary in Truro, the building and grounds there belonging to our College should be conveyed to them, and agree to apply to the General Assembly for the necessary power.

3. That the following form the Committee on Ladies' Seminary:—Rev. Dr. McCulloch, Rev. John McMillan, Mr. J. F. Blanchard, Rev. C. B. Pitblado, Mr. John S. Maclean, Mr. J. J. Bremner, Rev. A. McLean Sinclair, Mr. James D. McGregor, Mr. Howard Primrose, Rev. Thomas Sedgwick, Rev. F. W. Archibald, Mr. George Campbell, Rev. J. Hogg, Senator Boyd, Rev. J. F. McLain, Rev. Donald McMillan, Rev. Alexander Cameron, Rev. E. D. Millar, Rev. Mr. McLennan, Mr. Benjamin Rogers, Hon. Richard Hutchinson and Rev. L. G. McNeill.

REFERENCE FROM W. & O. FUND COMMITTEES.

The Committees on the two funds for the widows and orphans of ministers in this Synod, desirous of amalgamating their funds, referred to the Synod for advice on the question as to the basis on which the new fund should be formed. Dr. Patterson and the Moderator explained the reference.

Moved by Mr. J. McG. McKay, and duly seconded:—

The Synod approve of the Committees' taking steps to amalgamate the two funds, and recommend congregations to aid them by their contributions.

Moved in amendment by Mr. McCurdy, seconded by Mr. Christie:

The Synod having heard the reference from the Committees of the Ministers' Widows' & Orphans' Fund, expresses its opinion that it is inexpedient to require collections from congregations to this fund.

Moved by Mr. Houston, and seconded by Mr. McBain:—

The Synod expresses its opinion that this fund when amalgamated should be put on the basis of combined ministers' rates and congregational collections.

On the vote being taken, Mr. McCurdy's amendment was preferred successively to the other amendment and the original motion, and became the counsel of the house in reply to the reference.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, it was agreed to continue in session for fifteen minutes.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MUNRO APPEAL.

The Committee to consider the case of appeals of Hugh Munro, reported as follows:—

In the case of the appeals of Hugh Munro against the decisions of the Presbytery of Wallace your Committee beg leave to report, that after hearing read all the papers in the case, and having heard all parties, recommend the Synod to find—

1. In reference to the first appeal, that while there was an informality in calling the congregational meeting to ask for moderation in the call, it was not sufficient to invalidate its proceeding.

2. In reference to the second appeal, the Presbytery was justified in granting the moderation.

3. In reference to the third appeal, while the Committee fully recognize the strength of the opposition to the call, the Presbytery was justified in sustaining it, and therefore dismiss the appeal on all the points.

This report was adopted as the judgment of the house in this case, to which both the parties bowed, and Mr. Sedgwick, on behalf of the Presbytery, craved extracts.

REPORTS OF REVISING COMMITTEES.

The Committees to revise the Records of the Presbyteries of St. John, Miramichi, Lunenburg and Yarmouth, Truro, Halifax, Victoria and Richmond, Wallace, Pictou, Sydney, and Newfoundland, reported that the above Records except the last two were put in their hands and examined, and that they are generally well kept and show that the business for the most part has been regularly conducted. On motion the report was received, and the Records ordered to be attested, subject to the irregularities pointed out.

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.

EIGHTH SEDERUNT.

At New Glasgow, and within United Church there, Friday, the third day of June, one thousand, eight hundred and eighty one:

The Synod of the Maritime Province met pursuant to adjournment, and after devotional exercises was constituted by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the Seventh Sederunt were read and sustained.

COLLEGE.

Mr. McLean Sinclair was permitted to introduce the following motions, which on being put to the house were agreed to:—

That the Synod enjoins Presbyteries to use all diligence in collecting the subscriptions due on the College endowment fund, and in procuring new subscriptions.

Further, that the College Board be requested to appoint one of its members to assist Presbyteries in carrying out this injunction.

LADIES' SEMINARY.

On motion of Mr. Cumming, the Synod agreed to invite the sister Synod of the Church of Scotland to co-operate with us in the work of a Young Ladies' Seminary. The following committee were appointed to meet with the Synod of the Church of Scotland and carry out the purpose of the above resolution:—Messrs. D. B. Blair, T. Cumming, J. McMillan, and Howard Primrose.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE.

Mr. Houston reported from the Business Committee, which report was adopted.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MR. LAWSON'S APPEAL.

Mr. T. Sedgwick, convener of the Judicial Committee on the case of appeal from the Presbytery of Prince Edward Island, reported

That they find it utterly impossible with the time at their disposal to do anything like justice to the case. They have resolved, therefore, to sist proceedings, and to recommend the Synod to appoint a Commission with synodical powers to issue the case, which Commission shall meet at Charlottetown not earlier than the second Tuesday in August next.

On motion, it was agreed that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted, and the following Commission be appointed to meet in Zion Church, Charlottetown, on the second Tuesday of August, 1881, and at 11 o'clock, A. M., viz: the former Committee on the case and the six following in addition:—Messrs. J. McMillan, J. D. McGillivray, J. Hogg, P. Blanchard, T. Frieze, Wm. Hesson,—twelve of whom shall form a quorum. Before this Commission the parties were then cited to appear at the place and time above named, and were afterwards removed from the bar.

REPORT ON P. E. ISLAND RECORDS.

Mr. Wylie gave in the report of Committee to revise the Records of P. E. Island Presbytery. The report was received and the Records ordered to be attested,—the clerk's attention being called to certain inaccuracies.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Mr. Simpson, convener, gave in the report of the Committee on Temperance, and read an address from the Dominion Alliance on the subject.

On motion, the report was received, and the recommendation of the Committee that Presbyteries be instructed to report to this Committee was adopted.

On motion of Mr. T. Cumming, it was resolved:

That the Synod approve generally of the principles of the Canada Temperance Act and authorize the Committee to take such action as they may deem necessary, by petition to the Dominion Parliament or otherwise, to secure the faithful administration of the law.

REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION.

Rev. John Murray reported on behalf of the Committee on the State of Religion. The report was received, the thanks of the Synod tendered to the Committee, and especially to the convener, for their excellent report, and the following recommendations of the Committee adopted:

1. That Sessions be recommended to hold a special meeting soon after the receipt of the circular of the Assembly's Committee, to consider the State of Religion within their bounds; and also, to answer as fully as possible the questions submitted in reference to this subject.
2. On the next Sabbath thereafter to read the questions and also the answers which they have given in the hearing of the congregations, and make such improvement thereof as may best serve to stir up the graces of our people.
3. Inasmuch as several Presbyteries have failed to report on the subject last year to your Committee, recommend all the Presbyteries to give special attention to this matter for the current year.

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Mr. W. Donald presented the report of the Committee on Sabbath Schools, showing on the whole progress in the work.

On motion of Mr. Carruthers the report was received and its recommendations adopted, and the thanks of the Synod were tendered to the Committee and especially to the convener, for their diligence.

The recommendations are :

1. That the question of the catechism for each Sabbath lesson be published in the Record in conuention with the Scripture lesson.
2. That an authorised list of books suitable for Sabbath School libraries be prepared.
3. That each Sabbath School be recommended to take a collection every Sabbath for some of the Mission Funds of the church.

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

NINTH SEDERUNT.

In the same place, and on the same day :

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces met, pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the Eighth Sederunt were read and sustained.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Mr. Smith reported on behalf of the Committee on Sabbath Observance.

On motion the report was received, its recommendations adopted, and the thanks of the Synod tendered to the Committee and especially to the convener.

The recommendations are :

1. That members of this Synod be instructed to preach upon the subject of the Sabbath, defining its divine origin, the design of its appointment, and its proper observance.
2. That our people be affectionately urged to discountenance, in every legitimate manner, the existing forms of desecration.

COMMITTEE ON CONGREGATIONAL CONSTITUTIONS.

The Committee on Congregational Constitutions, being unable to report, were reappointed, with additions, as follows : Rev. S. Houston, convener ; Dr. Macrae, Dr. Waters, Messrs. A. J. Mowatt, M. McKeuzie, J. C. Herdman, Alexander Davidson, and Hon. J. J. Fraser.

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STANDING COMMITTEES.

On the recommendation of the Business Committee it was agreed that the Standing Committees of Synod be constituted as follow :

Sabbath Observance.—Messrs. E. Smith, D McGillivray, A. Russell, J. McG. McKay, J. K. Blair, J. F. Blanchard, Thomas Nicholson, G. Christie, W. Aitkin and J. R. Nicholson.

Temperance.—Messrs. A. Simpson, P. M. Morrison, J. Hogg, M. G. Henry, J. M. McLeod, Charles Robson, Walter McDonald and M. McKenzie.

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

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

State of Religion.—Messrs. T. Duncan, Dr. Burns, W. Donald, A. Barrows, John Murray, E. Bayne, J. A. F. McBain, Joseph Hogg, E. D. Millar, Hon. D. McCurdy, I. S. Murray and George Underwood.

Sabbath Schools.—Messrs. W. Donald, A. Barrows, A. Stalker, H. Graham, I. S. Murray, James Forrest, H. B. McKay, Kenneth McKay and J. C. Herdman.

Bills and Overtures.—Messrs. T. Sedgwick, S. Houston, Kenneth McLennan, A. McL. Sinclair, Prof. Forrest, J. C. Burgess, J. H. Chase and D. S. Fraser.

The first named in each case is 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.

VOTES OF THANKS.

On motion of Mr. Simpson, the thanks of the Synod were tendered, to the pastor and members of United Church for the accommodation afforded the Synod and its committees in the holding of their meetings ; to the friends in New Glasgow for their generous hospitality ; to the railway and steamboat companies that granted reduced fares to the members of Synod ; and to the press for its full reports of the proceedings of the Synod.

The minutes of this Sederunt were read and sustained,

CLOSING OF SESSION.

After praise and prayer, the Moderator said :—" In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, the King and only Head of His Church, and by authority of this Synod, I now dissolve this meeting, and intimate that the next annual meeting of this Synod will convene at Charlottetown, and within St. James' Church there, on Tuesday, the thirtieth day of May, one thousand, eight hundred and eighty-two, at half-past seven o'clock in the evening," and closed the Session with the Benediction.

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HUNTER CHURCH BUILDING COMMITTEE, 1880-81.

In May 1880, the Committee submitted their account for the year then terminating, with a full statement of all receipts and expenditures since the date of their appointment. The same course will now be followed.

The Report for the year is in fact contained in the account herewith submitted.

It shows:

Grants to six congregations amounting to.....	\$1550 00
Free loans to two congregations amounting to.....	900 00
An interest loan to one congregation amounting to.....	500 00
Other expenditure as per account.....	435 85
Total.....	\$3385 85

RECEIPTS.

Drawn from executors	\$1900 00
Instalments of congregations paid.....	926 13
Interest.....	403 80
Balance in fund May 1880.....	208 27
	<u>\$3438 20</u>
“ “ “ 1881.....	<u>\$ 52 35</u>

Subjoined are tabular statements connecting this year's transactions with the past; and giving full information respecting the administration of the fund from its commencement up to the present time.

The Committee has been hampered and hindered during the year past, as during the preceding one by the want of punctuality on the part of congregations holding loans, but more especially, by those holding loans free of interest, to be repaid by annual instalments, running over three and four years. Last year, the Committee reported as due \$2176. Of this sum \$926.13 have been repaid, but other instalments were maturing, so that at this date the debts due in that way have increased to \$3251.66 of which only the sum of \$632 is due from interest bearing loans. At present the Committee do not request any action by the Synod in reference to these arrears. The Committee are dealing with them with a due regard to the special difficulties of each case, and are persuaded that the instalments will be paid, with a little delay. None refuse or repudiate but say "Have patience with us" till the pressure of hard times is past and we will pay you all. The Committee, however, felt it to be their duty to notify such congregations that they will be held responsible for interest at 6 per cent. on all instalments over due from that date Nov. 1st, 1880.

The facts just referred to, however, will account to some extent, for what is quite noticeable in the business of the year that only two free loans have been made, one, the consequence of a disaster by fire, and on ample security, the other to a congregation, which has not only given ample guarantee in good names, but by

honourably fulfilling its every engagement to the Committee in the past. The Committee after a few years of experience incline to the opinion that the donation system has wrought better than the system of giving free loans both for congregations and for the fund.

The subjoined figures will show that during the year the Committee has not disregarded the rule of Synod requiring that one-half of the Bequest should be invested on interest and that free grants should be made only to the extent of the annual interest of such investments. They have voted in free gifts more than the half of the interest of capital in their possession, but something less than half of the interest of capital belonging to the fund, only part being in the hands of the Committee, the rest being still held by the executors.

The Committee as your stewards have made grants to 32 congregations, loans on interest to 8, and without interest to 14. Forty-six have thus derived from the fund a direct pecuniary benefit. In a few of these cases, it is questionable if without this aid and stimulus, any church would have been attempted. It is certain that some have been finished and fitted for occupancy, by the stimulus arising from a conditional offer; and it is equally certain, that others are free from debt, as the joint result of their own effort and the help obtained from this fund. Westville has within the year had the incubus of debt removed. Amherst has been encouraged in its church building effort. Isaac's Harbour, through the efforts of Rev. Mr. Forbes and the Committee's grant, have their new church finished and occupied. Moser River is having the incubus of debt swept away, and North River of St. Ann's and Lake Ainslie have by small grants been encouraged to push on the work of church erection.

During the year past, property has continued in great measure unsaleable, with low rents and dividends, and the Committee's fund have consequently been limited. With commercial revival, the Committee expect to have at their disposal larger funds and to be able to assist a larger number of congregations. What has been done has been a source of gratification to the Committee as they believe it will be also to the Synod to whom this Report is now respectively submitted.

P. G. McGREGOR, *Chairman.*

HUNTER CHURCH BUILDING FUND *in Account with* REV. DR. MACGREGOR,
Treasurer.

	Dr.	Loan.	Grant.
1880.			\$ 200 00
June 1. Isaac's Harbour.....		\$ 500 00	
July 20. Debert.....		400 00	
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Aug. 2. Dartmouth.....			500 00
Oct. 16. Westville.....			100 00
1881.			100 00
Apl. 30. Amherst.....			150 00
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1. Moser River.....			8 00
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Aug. 2.	Interest.....		119 00
	Dividend Bank of Nova Scotia.....		39 80
	Shediac, balance of 3rd instalment.....		200 00
	Cash from Executors.....		100 00
Sept. 8.	Falmouth St., Sydney, 2nd instalment.....		30 00
Oct. 14.	Interest from Ouslow on \$500, 1 year.....		150 00
25.	Cash from Executors.....		100 00
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1881.			
Jan. 19.	New Dublin—instalment.....		133 33
	Interest on \$133 33.....		7 99
	Poplar Grove, Halifax, interest on \$600.....		36 00
	Dividend Bank of Nova Scotia.....		119 00
Feb. 1.	Dartmouth, last instalment, first loan.....		400 00
18.	Dividend Halifax Banking Co.....		
March 2.	August 1st, 1880 and March 1st, 1881.....		72 00
	Jeddore, part last instalment.....		15 00
29.	Shediac—interest.....		13 10
30.	" part 4th instalment.....		30 00
April 8.	Spring Hill, half of 1st and half of 2nd instalment.....		200 00
30.	Cash from Executors.....		250 00
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May 1.	By Balance.....		\$52 35

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		RECEIPTS.	
1881.			
May 1.	By Balance.....		\$ 208 27
	Cash from Executors Hunter Estate.....	\$1900 00	
	Instalments from congregations.....	926 13	
	Interest and Dividends.....	403 80	
			<u>\$3229 53</u>
			<u>\$3438 20</u>

EXPENDITURE.

To Grants to congregations.....	\$1550 00	
Loans without interest.....	\$900 00	
" with interest.....	500 00	1400 00
Annuity.....		144 00
Security Box.....		15 00
Printing, Committee Room, Postage & Stationery.....		26 85
Agent's Salary.....		250 00
Balance on hand.....		52 35
		<u>3438 20</u>

PROPORTION OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST.

		RECEIPTS—PRINCIPAL.	
	Hunter payments within the year.....	\$ 80 25	
	Amount of congregation instalments as above.....	926 13	
	Balance in fund, May, 1880.....	208 27	1214 65

INTEREST.

	Hunter payments for rents and dividends, within the year.....	\$1819 75	
	Dividends and Interest for the year.....	403 80	2223 55
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PAYMENTS TO CONGREGATIONS.

EXPENDITURE SINCE MAY 1ST, 1880.

	Grant.	On Interest.	Free Loan.	Total.
Isaac's Harbour	\$ 200 00	.....	\$ 500 00	.....
Debert .....	.....	.....	400 00	.....
Dartmouth .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Westville	500 00	.....	.....	.....
Amherst	500 00	.....	.....	.....
Moser River	100 00	.....	.....	.....
North River, St. Ann's, C. B.	150 00	.....	.....	.....
Lake Ainslie	100 00	.....	.....	.....
Clifton .....	.....	\$ 500 00	.....	.....
	<u>\$1550 00</u>	<u>\$ 500 00</u>	<u>\$ 900 00</u>	<u>\$ 2950 00</u>
Reported last year	4735 00	5300 00	11550 00	21585 00
Total	<u>\$6285 00</u>	<u>\$5800 00</u>	<u>\$12450 00</u>	<u>\$24535 00</u>

CASH REPAID BY CONGREGATIONS.

	Principal.	Interest.	Total.
Shediac	\$ 77 80	\$ 13 20	.....
Dartmouth	400 00	.....	.....
Poplar Grove, Halifax	15 00	36 00	.....
Jeddore	200 00	.....	.....
Spring Hill .....	.....	30 00	.....
Onslow	100 00	.....	.....
Falmouth St., Sydney	133 33	7 99	.....
New Dublin .....	.....	.....	.....
	<u>\$ 926 13</u>	<u>\$ 87 19</u>	<u>\$1013 32</u>
Reported last year	6383 33	650 00	7033 53
Total	<u>\$7309 66</u>	<u>\$ 737 19</u>	<u>\$8046 85</u>

INTEREST FROM BANKS.

Bank of Nova Scotia	\$ 238 00
Halifax Banking Company	72 00
Interest on Deposit Receipt	6 61
	<u>\$ 316 61</u>
Reported last year	528 76
Total	<u>\$ 845 37</u>

WHOLE RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FROM THE FIRST.

Whole payments to congregations	\$24535 00
Five and a-half years' annuity to Miss Wier	792 00
Five years' salary of Agent	1250 00
Expenses of all kinds	197 42
Bank stock	5884 00
	<u>\$32658 42</u>

RECEIPTS.

Drawn from Hunter estate	\$23818 55
Returned instalments	7309 66
Interest from congregations	737 19
Dividends and other interest	845 37
	<u>\$32710 77</u>

Balance on hand

	<u>\$ 52 35</u>
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P. G. MCGREGOR, Treasurer.

Audited and found correct.

JAMES J. BREMNER,
I. S. MURRAY.