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OF THE

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In Moneton, N. B., and within the Presbyterian Church there, on the first Thursday of October, 1890, and at half-past seven o'clock, p. m.

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OF THE

MARITIME PROVINCES.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA.

Pietou, Nova Scotia, Oct. 3-8, 1889.

FIRST SEDERUNT.

Af Picton, and within Prince St. Church there, Thursday, the third day of October, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine years, and at half-past seven in the evening:

Which time and place the Synod of the Maritime Provinces of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met as appointed, and after divine service, conducted by the Moderator, the Reverend E. A. McCurdy, who preached a sermon from the fifteenth verse of the third chapter of the First Epistle to Timothy, and the words: "The house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth," was constituted by him with prayer.

ROLL.

The Clerk called the Roll and marked members present with an * as follows:

PRESBYTERY OF SYDNEY.

V Committee of the Comm				
MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION.	ELDERS	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
1 Hugh McLeod, p. 2 Isaac Murray, p. 3 Isaac Murray, p. 4 Donald Sutherland 5 Alex, Farquharson 6 William Grant 7 David Drummond 8 John Murray 9 Malcolm McLeod 10 James A. Forbes 11 Hector McQuarric 12 M. A. McKenzie. 13 W. R. Calder	p. Jan. 16, 1850 Jan. 6, 1860 Dec. 4, 1861 Dec. 14, 1861 Sep. 27, 1869 June 18, 1873 July 12, 1877 Oct. 18, 1881 July 11, 1885 Sep. 29, 1886	W. Campbell D. McKay W. McLeod	North Sydney Gabarus Sydney Mines St. Andrew's, Sydney Cow Bay Boulardarie Falmouth St. Sydney Loch Lomond & Framboise Little Giace Bay Leitch's Creek Grand River & St. Peter's	North Sydney, Gabarus, Sydney Mines, Sydney, Cow Bay, Big Bras d'Or, Sydney, Loth Lomond, L. Glace ray, Leitch's Creek, Grand River, Marion Bridge
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ISAAC MURRAY, D. D., Presbylery Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF VICTORIA AND RICHMOND.

1 Wannoth McKenzie	Dec 2 1857	L. McFadyen	Baddeck and Forks	Baddeck, C. B.
2 'Donald McDougan	Nov. 10, 1000	Robert IIII	West Bay	F. Lake Ainslie
t Man MaRan	June 7 1877			
5 *Angus McMillan	Jan. 29, 1862	Kellineth atemosan	Whycocomah	Whycoconiah
6 John Rose	Aug. 12, 1884	Neil McLean	whycocoman.	M. L. D. C. E.
7 L. R Gloag				
			Strath Lorne	Strath Louie, C.B.
8 Roderick McLeod	July 27, 1880	Alex. Campion	to the times a P. L. buldte	Post Hostmers
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KENNETH McKENZIE, Presbytery Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF PICTOU. .

2	New St. Andrew's Glenelg, &c. East River Merigomish Little Harbor, &c. Blue Mt. & Garden of Eden Barney's River	Barney's Ewer, Hopewell, She brooke, Pleeton, New Colagrow, Durbano, W.R. Westvil e Stellarton, Efate, New Heb, New Gasgow Thorbarn, Antigonish Scotsburn, Picton, Union Centre, New Glaergw, Glenelg, St. Mary Springville, Merigonish, Little Harbor, Bine Mountain Barney's River,
16 H. K. Martean June 7, 1887 Damiet Macener 17 Andrew Robertson July 17, 1888 Norman McKay 18 Andrew Boyd May 28, 1889 Henry Archibald 19 John Calder, B. A. May 29, 1889 Thomas Macdonald 10 W. R. Muir Aug. 6, 1889 J. W. Smith 10 VACANCIES Simon Fraser 11 12 13 14 15 15 12 13 14 15 15 13 14 15 15 15 14 15 15 15 15 16 16 16 16 17 16 16 17 17 17 18 18 18 19 19 19 10 10 10 11 10 10 12 10 10 13 10 10 14 10 10 15 10 10 16 10 10 17 10 10 18 10 10 19 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	Union Centre & Lochtber. New St. Andrew's Glenelg, &C. East River. Merigomish Little Harbor, &C. Blue Mt. & Garden of Eden	Union Centre, New Glasgow, Glenelg, St. Mary Springville, E. H Merigomish. Little Harbor, Blue Mountain
ordained missionary. *A. W. Thompson, E.A. May 30, 1880 Mission wrations.	Trenton	Trenton. Cape George. Isaac's Harbor. Port. Mulgrave.
		French River

J. R. MUNRO, Presbytery Clerk.

MINISTE

W. S. Darray 2 'H. b. McKa; 3 Samuel Boyya 4 'Thos. Sedgw 5 'D. MacGreg 6 'G. L. Gordo 7 J. A. McKe; 8 R. C. Quinn 9 'D. McLean . 10 'D. Wright

| George Chr 2 'R. F. Burne 3 'Allan Politol 4 'Alex. McKr 5 John Currib 6 '81, G. Hen 7 P. M. Morri 9 D. M. Gorn 10 'Allan Simp 11 John Forr 12 Ebenezer M 13 A. B. Dick 14 'Jacob Lay' 15 W. P. Begg 16 'Robert Le, 17 'H. H. Me!

17 'H. H. McPl 18 'E. S. Eayn 19 'Adam Gu 21 'T. I. Wars 21 'T. C. Jack 22 'L. A. Nelse 23 'L. L. Geory 42 'Anderson 1 25 'R. D. Ross 26 'S. Rostorot 27 'Wm. Praw 28 'Jas. Antel 29 'J. W. McL 30 'Mex. Can 31 'David Sur 32 J. M. Suth 33 'A. W. Lew 34 'W. M. Err 35 'John Vade

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PRESBYTERY OF WALLACE.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION:	ELDERS	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
Samuel Boyd 'Thos. Sedgwick 'D. MacGregor 'G. L. Gordon J. A. McKenzie R. C. Quion 'D. McLean	June 22, 1855 Nov. 1858, Sep. 19, 1860 May 24, 1877 Oct. 6, 1879 Sep. 19, 1882 Nov. 6, 1883 Nov. 30, 1887	John Macdonald's P. McLe n W. Kennedy F. B. Roob James (angille I. J. Hingley R. Millar 'Alex, McLe n	Wa lace, St. Matthew's Wal ace, Knox Tatamagouche	Wailace. Tatamagouche. Amherst tover John. Pugwash. New Annan. Earltown

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THOS. SERIONG K, Presultry Clerk

PRESBYTERY OF HALIFAX.

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1 George Christie July 22, 1842 Robt Emmersor	ı Bedford Bedford.
2 R. F. Burns, D. D July 18, 1847 John S. Smith	Fort Massey, Halifax, Halifax,
3 Allan Pollok, D. D 1852	Prefessor Presbyterian Col. Halifax.
4 'Alex, McKnight, p. p. Feb. 22, 1857	Principal a Dartmouth,
5 John Currie, p. p Aug. 12, 1857	Professor - Halitax
6 * d. G. Henry Feb. 3, 1864 James Maxwell	
7 P. M. Morrison Sept., 1865	Agent, Last Halifax,
8 John McMillan, B. D. Mar. 26, 1866 Robert Murray	Chatmers Church, Habfax Hadrax.
9 D. M. Gordon, B. D. Aug. 6, 1866 Donald Architell	
10 Allan Simpson Aug. 7, 1866 P. P. Archibald	Park St. Church, . Halifax
Il John Forrest, p. p. Dec., 1866	Principal - Dalhousie - Cel. Halifax.
12 Ebenezer McNab May 19, 1867 George Ross.	Newport Newport.
13 A. B. Dickie Dec. 22, 1869 George Cochran	stilford, we Milford.
14 *Jacob Layton Nov. 22, 1871 *Thomas Logan .	Elmsdale, we simulate.
15 W. P. Begg 1870 W. H. Chase	Kestville.
16 'Robert Long, M. A 1873 'Dr. Cogswell	st. Matthew's Ch., H. lifax. Halifax.
17 H. H. McPherson, M.A. Nov. 24, 1876 C. H. Robertson	r.:st. John's Churca, Halitax.
18 E. S. Bayne, M. A Jan. 18, 1876 William Archib	ald. Middle Musquodoboit Musquodoboit.
19 Adam Gunn, B. A Feb. 1876 J. A. Whittier	Gore and Kennetcook Up. Kennetcook.
20 T. H. Murray May 25, 1876	Little River Little River.
21 T. C. Jack, B.A Oct. 16, 1879 Dr. Creelman	Maitland vaitland,
22 T. A. Nelson Sept. 7, 1880 M. H. Goudge	Windsor Windsor.
23 J. L. George Dec. 20, 1881 John Chisholm	. Dartmouth Dartmouth.
24 Anderson Rogers, B.A. Oct: 15, 1882 G. M. Ewan	Yarmouth Yarmouth.
25 'R. D. Ross Aug. 2, 1883	Wo.tviile, &c Woltville.
96 S. Rosborough, M. A. Nov. 6, 1883; Wm. McKiel.	Spect Harbor Sheet Harbor.
27 'Wm. Pawson, B. D., Dec. 19, 1883 E. G. Morton	Carard, Co awadis Canard,
28 *Jas. Anderson, M. A. July 23, 1884 Isaac Greenoug	h Musquodoboit Harbor Musquodob't Har.
29 J. W. McLennan, 8, 9 1886 F. McIntosh	Waterville
30 'Alex. Campbell May 31, 1887 William O'Bric	m Noel Noel.
31 'David Sutherland July 30, 1888 'Isaac Creightor	r Richmood, Halifax
32 J. M. Sutherland	Hamilton, Bernuda Hamilton, Ber.
33 A. W. Lewis Apl. 24, 1889 S. Richardson	Carleton, &c. Carleton, Yar. Co.
34 W. M. Fraser May 29, 1889 John Ress	Anhapods, &c Bridg town.
35 John Valentine William Dean	Upper Musquo lobeit - Up .ausquodob't.
VACANCIES.	
T. A. Malcom	Kempt and Walton Kempt.
Samuel Hiltz	Lawrencetown, we Lawrencetown.
MISSION STATIONS.	
	North-West Arm, &c N. W. Arm.
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	Mt. Uniacke, &c Mt. Uniacke.
John Burgess	St. Croix, &c
	Eastern Shore Quoddy, HIX, Co
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	Labrador, &c.
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ALLAN SIMPSON, Presbytery Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF NEWFOUNDLAND.

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2	Moses Harvey, M. A. W. Graham	1887	James Goodtehow.	Retired. St. Andrew's, St. John's	St. John.
3	VACANT.		J. Jillard	Harbour Grace	Harbour Grace.

PRESBYTERY OF TRURO.

No.	MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION.	ELDERS.	congredations.	POST OFFICES.
4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 16 17 18	Ebenezer Ross 'James Maclean *Alex. Cameron *Thos. Cumming 'J. D. McGillivray 'James Sinclair 'J. H. Chase, M. A. 'Edward Grant 'Edward Grant 'Edward Grant 'W. T. Bruce, M. B. 'J. A. Logan 'D. S. Fraser, B. A. 'W. H. Ness 'J. A. Cahill 'E. M. Dill, B. D. 'A. L. Geggie	Oct. 31, 1849 Nov. 16, 1857 Sep. 23, 1863 Feb. 7, 1865 Sep. 11, 1867 May 5, 1869 Oct. 29, 1869 Oct. 3, 1871 June 6, 1875 Sep. 27, 1876 Aug. 7, 1877 Nov. 30, 1877 Oct. 31, 1883 May 4, 1886 June 23, 1883 June 23, 1883 June 23, 1884 May 7, 1888 May 7, 1888	C. B. Spencer Prin. Calkin, M. A. M. J. Davie A. B. Fletchey Leander DeArmond Robinson Cox, M. D. J. J. Breuton L. B. McElbinney Alex. S. Hingley Thomas Totten William Logan B. T. Creelman W. W. McLellan James Law Samuel Archibald W. M. Manditon		Great Village Lower Stewiacke Truro Clitton. Clitton Clitton. Folly Village. Onslow Station. Stewiacke. Middle Stewiacke Truro. Valley Station. Acadia Mines. Upper Stewiacke Portaupique. Economy. Parrsboro. Truro. Brookfield.

J. H. CHASE, Presbytery Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF ST. JOHN.

		Lulu 10 11	240		Retired	Hampton.
1	A. Donald	July 16, 18	542		Clerk of Presbytery	
2	*Jas. Bennet, D. D	Apr. 30, 13	543		Retired	Buctouche.
3		June, 1	545			Sussex.
4	*James Gray	Mar. 6, 1	857			Port Elgin.
5		June 20,1	855	*Stephen Anderson.	Shemogue St. Stephen, St. John	St John
6	D. Macrae, D. D				St. Stephen, St. John	Stanley.
7	J. S. Mullen	Dec. 31, 1	861			St. John.
8	William Stuart	May 17, 1	865			
9	A. J. Mowatt	June 5, 1	866		St. Paul's, Fredericton	rrederiction.
10		Dec., 1	869			Glassville:
11		Nov. 12. 1	872		St. Andrew's, St. John	St. John.
12				Charles Doig	St. John's Presbyterian Ch.	St. John.
13		Sept., 1	875		St David's, St. John	St. John.
14		Nov 14 1	W76		Prince William	Prince William.
15		Feb., 1	876	Geo Mowatt	Greenock Church	St. Andrews.
16		Dec 9 1	870	Andrew Coburn	Harvey and Acton	Harvey, York C
		Oct 90 1	970			St. John.
17	A. Macdougan	May, 1	071		St. Stephen	St. Stephen.
18					New Kincardine	New Kincardine
18	D. Fiske	May 5, 1	666	swilliam Massicon	Sussex	Sussex.
20	*T. Stewart	July 26, 1	380	*William Morrison	Hampton, H.Riv & Rothsay	
2	Willard Macdonald	May 4,	886			Florenceville.
25	*J. T. Blair	July 9,	1887		St. George, Pennfield, &c	St. George.
2:	James Hawley	May 10, 1	1887			Woodstock
2	*James Ross	May 4,	1886	*A. McFarlane	St. Paul's, Woodstock	Moneton.
2	*J. M. Robinson	Aug. 14,	1883	*Alex. Girvan	St. John, Moneton	
2	3 W. C. Calder	May 4,	1886		Bocabec and Waweig	
2	J. D. Macfarlane	Oct. 16,	1888	Don. Ross	Springfield & Eng.Settlem't	Pearson s r. O.
2	R *G. F. Kinnear	Feb. 12.	1889		Buctouche	Buctouche.
2	*W. R. W. Baird	Apl. 2,	1889		Shediac	Shediac.
_	VACANCIES AND MISSION					
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					Baillie and Tower Hill.	
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					Nerepis.	
				John Lafferty	. Richmond.	
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					. Scotch Settlement.	

JAMES BENNET, D. D., Presbytery Clerk.

1 Thomas Nic 2 *T. G. Johns 3 'N. McKay ... 4 *Wm." Aitken 5 'J. D. Murra 5 J. D. Murra
6 John Rober
7 Wm. Hanil
8 A. Thomps
9 Joseph McC
10 F. W. Geor
11 *J. H. Came
12 James Rosh
13 George Fish
14 *Isaas Baird
15 *Wm. McLee
16 E. Roberts,
T. W. J. Fowl
18 A. F. Carr VACA 1 James Alla 2 Alex, Stirli 3 Allan McL. 4 A, McL. Si 5 John G. Ce 6 Wm. P. Ard 7 Alex, Roul 8 James Car 9 Geo, McM 10 Wm. A M

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21 'John M. M
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PRESBYTERY OF MIRAMICHI.

PRESBYTERY OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

1 James Allan	Janes Statis Jan. 1857 John McLeod Clif	ifton and Granville you and Bonshaw. lfast uvis at d Bay Fortune uvendish & New Glasgow urray Harbor	Clifton. Hampton. Eldon; Belfast. Souris. Cavendish. Murray Harbor,!
David Gordon Tignish Montrose & Edins.	9 Geo. McM dian, B. A. June 39, 1889 10 Wm. A Mason, B. A. Feb. 9, 1881 11 Pkaan Gillis	rineftown correctown est Cape & Campbellton, codville & Little Sands I. Stewart & W. St. Peter's Letter's Brackley P.R. rwell tontague alleyfield & Brown's Creek ast St. Peter's & Good Company of the Company ast St. Peter's Honomield, Cleary & Bracy yne Valley, Lot II, & yne Valley, Lot II, & Good & Good & Company Co	Princetown. Georgetown. Woodville. Mt. Stewart. Marshfield. Orsell Head. Montague Br dg Moltague Br dg Midyall. Rloomfield. Tyne Valley. Long River. North Bedeque. Summerside. Brookfield.

JAMES CARRUTHERS, Presbytery Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF TRINIDAD.

- 5	*John Morton Kenneth J. Grant Wm. L. Macrae	1802	Jacob Corsbie	Tunapuna San Fernando Princestown	Tunapuna. San Fernando. Princestown.
	Ordained native mis- sionaries not mem- bers of Presbytery. Lalbihari Sing			San Fernando Oropouche	San Fernando. San Fernando.

PRESBYTERY OF LUNENBURG AND SHELBURNE.

No	MINISTERS	DATE OF ORDINATION.	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	ELDERS.				
6	Duncan McKinnon Joseph Annand, M.A. E. D. Millar, B. A. *John F. Dustan J. K. McClure Donald McIntosh *John W. Crawford	June 4, 1862 June 23, 1872 Oct. 28, 1873 Nov. 11, 1884 Oct. 23, 1885 Dec. 27, 1888 May 28, 1889	E. L. Nash J. S. Calder, M. D. T. W. Robertson John Bower Alex Kedy	Santo, New Hebrides Lunenburg Bridgewater Clyde and Barrington Sheiburne Mahone Bay	Lockeport, Tangoa N. Heb, Lunenburg, Bridgewater, Clyde River, Shelburoë; Mahone Bay,				
10	MISSION STATION			Riversdale	Mossman's Grant				
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E. D. MILLAR, Presbytery Clark.

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CHANGES.

A list of the changes in the several Presbyteries since last meeting of Synod was read as follows:

DEATHS.

Presbytery of Sydney: Abraham McIntosh, St. Ann's, March 10th, 1889.

Presbytery of Miramichi: A Ogilvie Brown, Campbelltown, April 27th, 1889.

DEMISSIONS.

- Presbytery of Picton: D. B. Blair, Blue Mountain and Barney's River, January 15th, 1889.
- Presbytery of Linealury and Shelbarue: John Ferry, Bridgewater, January 31st, 1889.
- Presbytery of St. John: J. A. F. Sutherland, St. James.
- Presbytery of Prince Edward Island: E. Gillies, Cardigan and Dundas, Nov. 18th, 1888. A. Brown, Richmond Bay, Eist, Dec. 11th, 1888. John M. McLeod, Zion Church, Charlottetown, June 9th,
- Presbytery of Newfoundland: W. J. Thompson, Harbour Grace, August, 1889.

TRANSLATION.

- Presbytery of Prince Edward Island: A. S. Stewart, from West and Clyde River to Mosa, Ont., Oct. 14th, 1888. Geo. Fisher, from Tignish and Montrose to Dalhousie, March 31st, 1889. A. F. Carr, from Alberton to Campbellton, Sept. 29th, 1889.
- Presbytery of Wallace: J. M. Robinson, Springhill to Moncton, Sept. 25th, 1888.
- Presbytery of Sydney: W. R. Calder, Mira, Sept. 10th, 1889; his suspension having been removed by order of the General Assembly by the Presbytery of Sydney, July 9th, 1889.

- Presbytery of Halifex: J. W. McLennan, B. D., missionary, Waterville and Lakeville, March 15th, 1889. John Valentine, Upper Musquodoboit, July 9th, 1889.
- Presbytery of Lunenburg and Shelburne: J. F. Dustan, Bridgewater,

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- Prosbytery of Truro: W. H. Ness, Riverside, Jan. 15th, 1889. Gavin Hamilton, Brookfield, August 6th, 1889.
- Presbytery of Miramichi . G. Fisher, Dalhousie, April 9th, 1889. Joseph McCoy, St. Andrew's Church, Chatham, Sept. 18th, 1889. A. F. Carr, Campbelltown, Oct. 1st, 1889.
- Presbylery of Prince Edward Island: E. Gillies, West Cape and Campbellton, Sept. 17th, 1889.
- Presbutery of St. John; J. M. Robinson, Moneton, Oct. --, 1888.

ORDINATIONS.

- Presbytery of Victoria and Richmond: Roderick McLeod, Little Narrows, January 29th, 1889.
- Presbytery of Picton: Andrew Boyd, Glenelg, May 28th, 1889. John Calder, East River, May 29th, 1889. A. W. Thompson, ordained missionary, Trenton, May 30th, 1889. W. R. Muir, Merigomish, August 6th, 1889.
- Presbylery of Halifax: A. W. Lewis, B. D., missionary, Carleton and Chebogue, April 24th, 1889. Wm. M. Fraser, B. Sc., Bridgetown, May 29th, 1889.
- Preshylery of Lunenburg and Shelbarne: D. McIntosh, Shelburne, Dec. 27th, 1888. John W. Crawford, Mahone Bay, May 28th, 1889. G. A. Leck, LaHave, May 29th, 1889.
- Presbytery of Truco: J. F. Smith, B.D., missionary, Maccan, May 14th, 1889.
- Presbytery of St. John: G. Hamilton, Pisarineo.
- Fresbytery of Miramichi: W. J. Fowler, ordained missionary, Kouchis-bouguac, June 4th, 1889. W. McLeod, Weldford and Mill Branch, Sept. 12th. 1889. E. Roberts, ordained missionary, Douglastown and Nelson, July 1st, 1889.
- Presbytery of Prince Edward Island: W. M. Tuffis, M. A., Bedeque and Summerfield, Oct. 3rd, 1888. Henry Dickie, Summerside, Nov. 7th, 1888. J. M. McLennan, Brookfield, June 11th, 1889.
- Presbytery of Wallace: D. Wright, Springhill, June 10th, 1889.
- Presbytery of Sydney: E. McKenzie, November 9th, 1888.

RECEPTION.

Presbytery of Pictou: James Murray, Presbytery of Egerton, July 2nd, 1889.

LICENSURES.

Presbytery of Pictou: A. W. Thompson, May 21st, 1889.

Presbytery of Halifax: David Wright, April 24th, 1889. Andrew Boyd, April 24th, 1889. John Calder, April 24th, 1889. A. W. Lewis, April 24th, 1889. J. M. McLennan, April 24th, 1889.

Presbytery of Shelburne and Lunenburg: John W. Crawford, May 14th, 1889. G. A. Leck, May 14th, 1889.

Presbytery of Truro: Will. R. Muir, Nov. 6th, 1888. J. F. Smith, B. D., May 14th, 1889.

Presbytery of St. John: G. Hamilton, May —, 1889. Johnston Coffin, Sept. 3rd, 1889.

Presbytery of Miramichi: Wm. McLeod, July 16th, 1888.

NEW CONGREGATIONS.

Presbytery of Sydney: Little Bras d'Or, disjoined from Sydney Mines, and erected into a separate congregation, May 15th, 1889.

Presbytery of Picton: Blue Mountain and Garden of Eden disjoined from Barney's River, and organized March 5th, 1889.

Presbytery of Truro: Brookfield disjoined from Middle Stewiacke, and organized April 8th, 1889.

Presbytery of Miramichi: Weldford and Mill Branch, Jan'y. 1st, 1889.

ADDRESS OF MR M'CURDY.

Mr. McCurdy addressed the Court, and referred to the circumstances under which he had opened this Synod. He had done so in consequence of a letter received by the Synod Clerk from Mr. J. M. McLeod, the retiring Moderator, who stated that in consequence of his having accepted an appointment in Vancouver, B. C., he regretted that he would be unable to be present and complete his duties as Moderator, and as Mr. McLeod's predecessor in office, it became his duty to constitute the Synod. He also referred in appropriate terms to the associations clustering around the present place of meeting; to the brethren, both in the ministry and eldership, who had finished their course since last meeting, and closed by calling on the Synod to elect a Moderator.

ELECTION OF MODERATOR.

Nominations as Moderator of Synod made by Presbyteries were read as follows:—Mr. Neil McKay, of St. John's Church, Chatham, by the Presbyteries of St. John, Miramichi, Halifax, Prince Edward Island, and Victoria and Richmond.

Mr. H. B. Msckay, of St. Matthew's Church, Wallace, by the Presbytery of Wallace.

Mr. John McMillan, of Chalmers Church, Halifax, by the Presbytery of Pictou.

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It was moved by Mr. John McMillan, seconded by Dr. Burns, that Mr. N. McKay be elected Moderator.

It was also moved by Mr. J. McLeod, seconded by the Clerk, that Mr. H. B. McKay be elected Moderator.

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It was also moved by Mr. D. B. Blair, seconded by Mr. R. S. McLeod, that Dr. Isaac Murray be elected Moderator; when the vote being taken, Mr. Neil McKay was elected.

On taking the chair he thanked the Synod for the honour conferred on him, and asked their assistance in the discharge of his duties.

THANKS TO MR. E. A M'CURDY.

It was moved by Dr. Burns, and seconded by Mr. John McMillan;—That the thanks of the Synod are due, and are hereby tendered, to Mr. E. A. McCurdy for his kindness, in the absence of Mr. J. M. McLeod, in consenting to discharge the duties of the chair, and for his excellent and appropriate sermon preached at the opening of the Synod. The motion was carried unanimously, and the Moderator tendered to Mr. McCurdy the Synod's thanks for his services.

THANKS TO THE RETIRING MODERATOR.

It was moved by Mr. D. Macgregor, and seconded by Mr. J. H. Turnbull;—That the thanks of the Synod are due, and are hereby tendered, to Mr. J. M. McLeod, the retiring Moderator, for his conduct in the chair. The Synod would express their regret at his removal from their midst, and they would follow him to his new and important field of labour with the earnest prayer that his work may be abundantly blessed. The motion was carried unanimously.

JUBILEE OF DR. M'CULLOCH.

It was moved by the Clerk, and seconded by Mr. E. Scott, as follows:

The Synod would unite with his congregation and Presbytery, and with the community of Truro, in congratulating Dr. McCulloch on the attainment of his jubilee. They rejoice at his presence among them on this occasion; they assure him of their confidence and affection, and of their sense of the great service he has rendered to the church—more especially in the origination and development of her educational and home missionary efforts—and they would earnestly pray that in his case the words of the Psalmist may receive an abundant fulfilment: "They that are planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God. They shall still bring forth fruit in old age,—to shew that the Lord is upright. He is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in Him."

The motion was carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE.

It was moved by Dr. Burns, and seconded by Mr. McKenzie, as follows, which motion was carried unanimously:

Reverently recognizing the Hand of God in the afflictions with which certain of our beloved Fathers and brethren have recently been visited, the Synod expresses deep sympathy with them, and agrees to devote a portion of to-morrow forenoon's sederunt to the remembrance of them at a Throne of Grace.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BILLS AND OVERTURES.

Mr. E Smith, Convener of the Committee, submitted the Report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures, and moved that it be received and its recommendations considered. The motion was duly seconded and was carried, and the recommendations with a slight emendation, was adopted as follows:

RECOMMENDATIONS.

That the Synod meet daily from 10 to 12½, from 3 to 5½, and from 7½ to 10.

2. That the first three quarters of an hour of Friday forenoon be spent in devotional exercises.

3. That on Saturday there be no afternoon and evening session.

4. That the following Committees be appointed by the Moderator:

(i.) Committee to nominate Standing Committees.

(ii.) Committees on Presbytery Records.

(iii.) Committee on Obituary Notices.(iv.) Committee to secure Supply for this Church on Sabbaths.

5. That Friday evening be devoted to the consideration of Home Missions.

6. That the item of business at 12 o'clock on Monday be the fixing of the time and place of the next meeting of Synod.

 That the first item of business on Monday afternoon be the Report on Augmentation.

8. That Foreign Missions be considered on Monday evening.

9. That Tuesday afternoon be devoted to the Report on the State of Religion.

10. That Tuesday evening be devoted to the Report on Sabbath Schools.

11. That with the exceptions noted above, the business be taken up in the order of the docket.

INVITATION TO SYNOD.

An invitation was read from the Y. M. C. Association of Pictou to the members of Synod, to make use of their rooms during the meeting of Synod. On motion the invitation was cordially accepted.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Synod then 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.

SECOND SEDERUNT.

At Picton, and within Prince Street Church, Friday, the fourth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine years, and at ten o'clock a. m.:

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

DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES.

As agreed upon last night, the Synod engaged for three quarters of an hour in devotional exercises, prayer being offered by Messrs. D. B. Blair, A. Stirling, T. C. James, and Principal Calhoun.

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MINUTES.

The minutes of the First Sederunt was read and sustained.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

It was agreed that Dr. Patterson, Mr. Atkinson, and any other ministers of our own and sister churches who are present, be asked to sit and correspond.

MR. MORTON.

On motion of Dr. Burns, it was agreed as follows:

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That our esteemed missionary, the Rev. John Morton, of Trinidad, be cordially welcomed by the Moderator in the name of the Synod, and invited to sit on the platform.

CONDOLENCE WITH DR. MACRAE.

At the suggestion of the Moderator, the Moderator and Clerk were authorized to send to Dr. Macrae a telegram, conveying to him in the Synod's name, their tenderest sympathies with him in his great bereave ment.

STATUS OF TRINIDAD MISSIONARIES.

On motion of Mr. Falconer, it was agreed to appoint a committee to consider the ecclesiastical status of our missionaries in Trinidad, and report to a subsequent sederunt, the committee to be constituted as follows:—Messrs. McCurdy, J. McMillan, A. McL. Sinclair, Falconer, Sedgwick, ministers, and Messrs. Calkin and R. Murray, elders.

COMMITTEES OF SYNOD.

The Moderator submitted the following Committees:-

- Committee to Nominate Standing Committees.—Messis. E. Grant, Allan Simpson, George Carson, W. Aitken, Thomas Stewart, A. W. Mahon, J. F. Dustan, Kenneth McKenzie, H. B. McKay and James A. Forbes, ministers, and Harvey Graham, James G. Forbes, George Lawson, J. S. Smith, elders
- 2. OBITUARY NOTICES.—Messrs. W. Aitken, Dr. Murray, John McMillan, ministers, and Sheriff Archibald, elder.

3. Committee on Presbytery Records:

- Sydney, and Victoria and Richmond -Messrs, J. Stiles Fraser, E. S. Bayne, ministers; and Alexander Girvan, elder.
- Pieton and Wallace—Messrs. J. D. McGillivray, Henry Crawford, ministers; and P. P. Archibald, elder.
- Truro, and Linenburg and Skelburne -Messrs, Alex. Roulston and Archibald Gunn, ministers; and T. C. James, elder.
- Halifax and Nenfoundland Messrs, George McMillan and John Cairns, ministers; and John Fraser, elder.
- St. John—Messrs, James Sinclair and W. H. Spencer, ministers; and Isaac Creighton, elder.
- Miramichi—Messrs. W. P. Archibald and J. Layton, ministers; and Principal Calkin, elder.
- P. E. Island Dr. McLeod and Mr. D. McGregor, ministers; and Dr. Cox, elder.
- 4. COMMITTEE TO ARRANGE FOR SERVICE IN THIS CHURCH. -Messes. Alex. Falconer and J. M. Robinson, ministers; and Wm. Hamilton, elder.

HUNTER FUND.

Dr. Burns submitted the Report of the Committee on the Hunter Church Building Fund, which is appended to the printed minutes. On motion of Dr. Burns, duly seconded, the report was received adopted.

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REPORT ON CO-OPERATION WITH THE METHODIST CHURCH.

Mr. J. McMill m, Convener of the Committee, reported that no progress had been made in the matter entrusted to them, as no meeting had been held during the past year; when it was moved by Mr. J. McG. McKay, and seconded by Mr. R. McLeod, that the Committee be discharged. It was moved in amendment by Mr. J. D. McGillivray, and seconded by Mr. H. Crawford, that Mr. McMillan's statement of his proceedings be approved and the Committee re-appointed. When the question being taken, the amendment was carried, and became the judgment of Synod.

OVERTURE FROM THE PRESBYTERY OF MIRAMICHI.

An overture to the General Assembly from this Presbytery was read to the effect that the Assembly receive no ministers from other churches, unless their preparatory course has been coextensive with that of our own ministers.

At this stage Dr. Robertson was invited to take his seat on the platform.

Messrs. W. Hamilton and A. F. Thompson appeared and spoke in support of the overture; when it was moved and seconded to receive and transmit the overture. It was moved in amendment by Mr. A. McLean Sinclair, and seconded by Mr. H. B. McKay;—That the Synod, while sympathizing with the object aimed at in the overture, namely, the maintenance of a high standard of ministerial education, declines to transmit the overture; when the question being taken, the amendment was carried and became the judgment of the Synod.

M'LAGGAN TRUST.

The Presbytery of St John, as Committee of the McLaggan Trust, submitted their report, with certain recommendations.

At this stage Mr. McCurdy took the chair,

when, on motion of Mr. A. F. Thompson, seconded by Mr. N. McKay, it was agreed that a Committee be appointed to consider the same and report to Synod at a subsequent sederunt.

The Moderator resumed the chair.

ADJOURNMENT.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Synod adjourned, to meet again in the afternoon of this day, at three o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

THIRD SEDERUNT.

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

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces met pursuant to adjournment, and was duly constituted, prayer being offered by Dr. Murray.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Second Sederunt were read and sustained.

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REFERENCE OF THE COLLEGE BOARD.

A reference from the College Board as to the enlargement and improvement of the College building, was read. Dr. Burns in behalf of the Board, stated the same, and moved, duly seconded, as follows:—

That leave be granted to the College Board to creet a mansard roof on the present College building, and to put in a heating apparatus if it sees fit.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. Scott, and seconded by Mr. T. Cumming,—

The Synod does not deem it expedient to incur expenditure in the alteration or enlargement of the present College building:

Further, in the event of the College Board deciding to dispose of the property at Pine Hill, and, in accordance with the resolution of 1877, erect a building on our own lot adjoining Dalhousic College, the Synod agrees to raise the additional necessary sum for that purpose.

It was moved in further amendment by the Clerk, and seconded by Mr. L. G. Macneill, as follows:—

That the decision of the matters raised in the motions before the house be deferred till the next Synod,—the Board being instructed to keep the question before it, gather all needful information, and report to Synod; the question increased accommodation being left, in the circumstances, to the best judgment of the Board;

when the question being taken, the Clerk's amendment was preferred by a large majority, and became the judgment of the Synod.

ADJOURN MENT.

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

FOURTH SEDERUNT.

The same day, and in the same place, and at half past seven o'clock in the evening:

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces met pursuant to adjournment, and was duly constituted by the Moderator, prayer being offered by Dr. MacKnight.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the Third Sederunt were read and sustained.

M'LAGGAN TRUST.

The Moderator submitted the following Committee in the matter of the McLaggan Trust:

Dr. Pollok, Dr. MacKnight, Mr. E. Scott, Mr. H. B. Mackay, ministers; and Sheriff Archibald, D. MacDonald, and Harvey Graham, elders.

HOME MISSIONS.

Mr. John McMillan, Convener of the Assembly's Committee, submitted a statement of the work and funds of the Committee. He congratulated the Synod on the liberal response of our people to the increased demand made by them last year, and stated that not less than the same sum—namely, eight thousand dollars—in addition to what might be required for the North-West, will be needed for the present year.

He was followed by Dr. Robertson, Superintendent of Home Missions in the North-West, who spoke of the greatness of the work to be done there, of the Divine blessing vouchsafed to it, and of the need of this part of the church helping it more liberally in the future than in the past. Mr. Grierson, Home Mission Agent of the Presbytery of St. John, also addressed the Synod, giving interesting details of the work in New Brunswick, and urging the need of its being maintained and extended.

Mr. J. H. Cameron, seconded by Mr. James Ross, submitted the following motion, which was adopted unanimously:

The Synod receives, with gratitude to God for His blessing, the encouraging statement of the Convener of the Assembly's Home Mission Committee, indicating as it does the awakening of a new interest in the all important work of evangelizing the people within our own bounds, and of fostering the weak sections of our church—an interest shown by increased giving to the H. M. Fund, and better attendance at the services held by our missionaries; and, having hear from Mr. Grierson, one of the agents laboring within the Presbytery of St. John, the clamant need for Gospel teaching and preaching, and the splendid opportunities of honoring God and upbuilding the Church of Christ that lie at our handities of honoring God and upbuilding the Church of Christ that lie at our handities of honoring God and better the Church of Christ that lie at our handities of honoring God and upbuilding the Church of Christ that lie at our handities of honoring God and upbuilding the Church of Christ that lie at our handities of honoring God and upbuilding the Church of Christ that lie at our handities of honoring God and upbuilding the Church of Christ that lie at our handities of honoring God and upbuilding the Church of Christ that lie at our handities of honoring God and upbuilding the Church of Christ that lie at our handities of honoring God and upbuilding the Church of Christ that lie at our handities of honoring God and upbuilding the Church of Christ that lie at our handities of honoring God and upbuilding the Church of Christ that lie at our handities of honoring God and upbuilding the Church of Christ that lie at our handities of honoring God and upbuilding the Church of Christ that lie at our handities of honoring God and upbuilding the Church of Christ that lie at our handities of honoring God and upbuilding the Church of Christ that lie at our handities of honoring God and upbuilding the Church of Christ that our handities of honoring God and handities of honoring God and handities our handities of honoring God and handities ou

The Synod has also listened with intense pleasure to the address of Dr. Robertson, concerning the work in the N. W. of our Dominion; thanks him heartily for the pains he has taken to give us information; rejoices in the prosperity of the cause of Christ there; appreciates the very urgent call for increased effort to keep pace with the advancing tide of population; and strongly urges our people to seek information on this subject by inviting Dr. Robertson to address them, and by reading the reports of missionaries, and to give liberally to aid in securing a preached Gospel to all the adherents of our church that are now setting in these western lands. The Synod expresses the hope that our contributions will rise, from the three hundred of last year, to as many thousands this year, to help on this work for God and our country.

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It was also moved and agreed to as follows :-

Earnestly recommend the Committee to consider whether any or what measures can be adopted for securing the continuous supply of our mission stations throughout the year, and report to the next meeting of Synod.

ADJOURNMENT.

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

FIFTH SEDERUNT.

At Picton, and within Prince St. Church there, Saturday, the fifth day day of October, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine years:

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces met pursuant to adjournment, and was duly constituted, prayer being offered by Mr. L. G. Macneill.

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The minutes of the Fourth Sederunt were read and sustained.

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SUPPLY OF PRINCE ST. CHURCH PULPIT.

Mr. Falconer reported that the Committee to furnish supply for the pulpit of this church would recommend that it be supplied by Mr. L.G. Macneill in the morning, and Mr. Aitken in the evening. The report was adopted.

DR. M'CULLOCH.

Dr. McCulloch spoke in fitting and touching terms in response to the Synod's resolution of yesterday, and addressed some counsels to the brethren, and especially to the younger brethren, drawn from his own lengthened and varied experience.

STATUS OF MISSIONARIES IN TRINIDAD.

Mr. E. A. McCurdy submitted the following recommendation from this Committee, and moved that it be received and adopted:

The Committee appointed to consider the ecclesiastical status of our missionaries in Trinidad, have to report as follows: –

That inasmuch as the Presbytery of Trinidad has been recognized by the General Assembly of our church:

And that inasmuch as, according to the constitution of that Preshytery, the ecclesiastical connection of our missionaries with this Synod still continues;

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The motion was unanimously adopted.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Mr. T. Cumming submitted the report of this Committee. On motion of Dr. Burns, seconded by Mr. R. Murray, it was agreed as follows:--

The Synod adopts the report with its recommendation.

The Synod further expresses satisfaction in the recent legislation secured favorable to Sabbath observance, and, alive to the increase of Sabbath desecration in various quarters and in certain forms, the Synod commends to Presbyteries and Sessions to do all that in them lies to secure their abatement or removal.

The Synod would also thank the Committee, and especially the Convener.

RECOMMENDATION.

The Committee would recommend, according to the request of the Lord's Day Alliance at Ottawa, that a petition be presented by Synod to the Dominion Parliament, in the hope of obtaining the necessary legislation to secure the proper observance of the Lord's day by railroad companies and other corporations, and employers of labour.

It was remitted to the Sabbath Observance Committee to prepare a form of petition, and report at a subsequent sederunt.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

The Alumni Association of the Presbyterian College, Halifax, obtained leave to bring a certain matter before the Synod at twelve o'clock of this day.

SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

Mr. M. G. Henry submitted the report of this Committee; when it was moved by Mr. J. Robbins, and seconded by Mr. John Morton,—That the Synod receive the report, adopt its recommendations, and thank the Committee, and especially the Convener, for their services.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

In accordance with the order of the day, Mr. T. Cumming, in behalf of the Alumni Association of the Halifax Presbyterian College, made a statement as to the position and aims of the Association. When, on motion of Mr. L. G. Macneill, seconded by Dr. Burns, it was agreed as follows:—

Resolved, That having listened with interest to the statement of the Secretary of the Alumni Association of the Presbyterian College, Halifax, the Synod heartily commends the efforts of the memoers of that Association to advance the interests of our College and promote the cause of theological education among us, resolves to aid by its sympathy and liberality the good cause, and earnestly recommends the younger ministers to identify themselves with the Association.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Synod then adjourned to meet again in the same place on the forenoon of Monday next, at ten o'clock, of which public intimation was made. Closing with the Benediction.

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SIXTH SEDERUNT.

At Picton, and within Prince St. Church there, Monday, the seventh day of October, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine years, and at ten & clock in the forenoon:

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

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The minutes of the Fifth Sederunt were read and sustained.

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In re WILL OF JAMES PENDER.

Mr. J. G. Forbes made a statement with reference to this matter, and moved as follows, which was agreed to unanimously:

The Synod having had their attention called to a bequest made to the Synod by the late James Pender, of Jerusalem, New Brunswick, in aid of a missionary at Jerusalem, agree to accept the trust and appoint the Presbytery of St. John a committee to take charge of the trust, and report their action from time to time to the Synod.

PRESBYTERY RECORDS.

Reports from the Committees to examine, Presbytery Records were submitted, to the effect that they had examined the Records of the Presbyteries of Victoria and Richmond, Pictou, Wallace, Truro, Halifax, Sydney, Lunenburg and Shelburne, St. John, Miramichi and P. E. Island, and found the minutes accurately kept, and the business conducted in an orderly manner. The Reports were adopted and the Records ordered to be attested.

M'LEOD BEQUEST.

Mr. J. McMillan stated that no report could be given in, as no monies had been received during the year.

LADIES' COLLEGE.

Mr. R. Murray reported in behalf of the Directors of the Ladies' College in connection with the Presbyterian Church, giving full and encouraging details as to its position and prospects. Mr. R. Laing also addressed the Synod. Mr. John McMillan, in behalf of the visitors appointed at last meeting of Synod, reported that they had fulfilled the duties assigned them, and would recommend the College to the Synod's confidence and support. When it was moved as follows by Mr. A. Falconer, seconded by Dr. McCulloch, which motion passed unanimously:

The Synod receives with much pleasure the report of the Board of Directors, and also the report of Rev. John McMillan, B. D., as Visitor. The Synod expresses unabated interest in the College, and invokes upon it the Divine blessing. The Synod assures the Board of Directors of its continued moral support; and earnestly recommends the institution to the patronage of our people. The Synod appoints the Moderator and Rev. John McMillan, B. D., Visitors for the ensuing year; and cordially thanks the Visitors, the Directors, and especially Rev. Robert Laing, for his unwearied and successful efforts on behalf of the institution.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. E. Grant submitted this Report, which, with slight emendations, was adopted:

Subbath Observance.—Thomas Cumming, Convener; J. M. Robinson, A. F. Carr, Dr. I. Murray, Thomas Stewart, R. Cumming, J. Carruthers, D. McGregor, Dr. Calder, D. Blackwood, William Johnson, and I. Creighton.

Temperance, — N. McKay, Convener; H. H. McPherson, J. A. Logan, L. G. McNeill, R. Cumming, W. H. Spencer, H. Crawford, D. McLennan, I. S. Hingley, John A. Lawson, Hon. D. C. Fraser.

Systematic Beneficence,—M. G. Henry, Convener; J. Layton, E. Grant, E. A. McCurdy, W. M. Tuffts, A. F. Thompson, D. McMillan, D. McDougall, T. F. Fotheringham, E. D. Millar, J. A. McKenzie, J. G. Forbes, D. McDonald, Sheriff Archibald.

Public Education.—Principal McKnight, Convener; Dr. Burns, President-Forrest, P. M. Morrison, A. Simpson, A. Falconer, J. McMillan, J. Robbins, R. Murray, Wm. Graham, Dr. Macrae, A. J. Mowatt, T. C. James, A. L. Law, A. McLean Sinclair, Judge Stevens, Hon. D. Laird, Dr. Stewart, W. Crockett, Dr. Duncan.

State of Religion.—G. S. Carson, Convener; John Murray, A. B. Dickie, A. Gunn, J. Rosborough, J. F. Dustan, W. T. Bruce, J. H. Turnbull, J. A. McKenzie, R. Coffin, J. H. Cameron, H. Primrose, G. Haddow, Dr. Cox, J. S. Smith, A. Kedy.

Synod Fund.—J. R. Munroe, Convener; D. B. Leod, G. S. Carson, W. Hamilton, H. B. McKay, R. D. Ross, J. W. Crawford, Harvey Graham, John Willett, P. P. Archibald, A. Girvan.

Sabbath Schools.—T. C. Jack, Convener; W. P. Archibald, A. Rogers, J. K. McLarre, G. L. Gordon, W. McDonald, A. L. Geggie, J. Rose, James Forrest, John Ross, R. Cunningham, O. M. Hill, Walter McDonald, W. C. Whittaker, E. L. Nash, and Dr. M. Chisholm.

Bills and Overtures.—E. Smith, Convener; The Synod Clerk, J. H. Chase, E. D. Miller, K. McKenzie, J. R. Munro, George Bruce, G. McMillan, J. A. Forbes, P. M. Merrison, N. McKay, Principal Calkin, F. B. Robb.

Widows' and Orphans' Fund — (Nominations to General Assembly.)—R. Laing, Convener; George Patterson, A. McL. Sinclair, Alex. McLean, J. McLean, Thomas Sedgwick, M. G. Henry, A. J. Mowatt, J. F. Stairs, J. S. Hutton, R. Baxter, and George Mitchell.

SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

The Synod resumed the consideration of this subject, when the motion made on Saturday was unanimously adopted.

NEXT MEETING OF SYNOD.

In accordance with the order of the day, Mr. J. M. Robinson moved that the next meeting of Synod be held at Moncton, N. B., and within

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the Presbyterian Church there. The motion was seconded by Mr. R, Laing, and unanimously agreed to.

On motion of Mr. J. D. McGillivray, seconded by Mr. H. B. McKay, it was also agreed unanimously,—That the time of meeting be the first Thursday of October, and at half-past seven o'clock, p. m.

SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE-RECOMMENDATIONS.

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oved ithin That all the members of our Church be carnestly advised to adopt proportionate giving and weekly storing as a principle of Christian stewardship.

2. That our congregations adopt the weekly offering either with or without

the envelope.

3. That every minister faithfully instruct his people in the scriptural principles of giving, and discountenance unscriptural methods of raising money for religious purposes; and also use means to keep his people thoroughly informed concerning the work of the Church and its claims upon their liberality.

4. That those who have the oversight and instruction of the young use special efforts to train them to take an interest in and to give to the work of the Church.

5. That the Committee on Systematic Beneficence in each Presbytery endeavor to meet, under direction of Presbytery, with sessions and managers of coneregations where there is want of system in collecting for minister's salary and schemes of the Church, and if possible secure the adoption of and efficient working of some plan that will secure the full and prompt payment of stipend, and contributions to ALL the Schemes of the Church.

ADJOURNMENT.

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

SEVENTH SEDERUNT

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

Can't The Synod of the Maritime Provinces met and was duly constituted, prayer being offered by Rev. T. F. Fotheringham.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the Sixth Sederunt were read and sustained.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Dr. Burns gave notice of the following motion, which it was agreed should be made the first order for to-morrow morning:--

The Synod desires, in harmony with the finding of last General Assembly-

1. To express emphatic disapproval of the Act passed by the Province of Quebec, incorporating the Order of the Society of Jesus (commonly known as the Jesuits), particularly on these grounds, that the Body thus incorporated is an alien one, and under ban throughout the Empire, and that its influence, as might be expected from its teachings, and as is fully confirmed by its history, is hurtful to the public welfare, and even dangerous to the public peace.

nurtuit to the public wenate, and the disapproval of the Jesuit Estates' Act passed, 2. To express like emphatic disapproval of the Jesuit Estates' Act passed, more recently by the same province, on the ground that, besides carrying with it

a recognition of the authority of the Pope, and a consequent invasion of the supremacy of the Queen, it diverts public funds, and funds held in trust for educational purposes, to ecclesiastical and sectarian uses, and is thus subversive of well-understood civil and religious rights.

- 3. The Synod desires to call special attention to these legislative enactments, as, along with other occurrences, affording evidence of the growing influence and aggressive spirit of ultramontanism in our country, and of its persistent aim gain ascendancy within the Dominion: and to urge on the members of the Church, in the interests alike of scriptural and evangelical religion, and of those civil and religious rights so dear to us and once more imperilled, to have prayiful regard to the situation in all its bearings, and to employ all legislative efforts to secure the removal of existing, and the prevention of threatened abuses.
- 4. The Synod further agrees to appoint a committee to watch over this matter, and to take such measures in the premises as circumstances may render advicable, in line with the action of our General Assembly and any other bodies whose co-operation the Assembly's Committee may secure.

AUGMENTATION.

Mr. E. Smith, Convener of the Assembly's Committee, submitted a statement as to the past and present successful working of the Augmentation Fund, and pressed upon the Synod the importance and needs of the Scheme. Mr. J. M. Robinson moved, seconded by Mr. T. C. James, as follows, which motion was agreed to unanimously:

The Synod having heard the statement of the Augmentation Committee, records its gratitude to God for the continued success of this department of the Church's work, its appreciation of the efforts of Presbyteries and congregations to carry out the recommendations of last year, and commends anew the scheme to the sympathies and support of our people.

The resignation of the Rev. E. A. McCurdy of the Convenership of the Assembly's Committee having been accepted, the Synod desires to express its deep sense of the invaluable services which he has rendered to this scheme since its inception.

Further, the Synod approves of the following recommendations : -

 That Presbyteries be urged in their visitation of the supplemented congregations this year to endeavor to secure an increase in local support, especially from congregations which have not advanced for some years.

2. Sanctions proposal to raise \$8000.00, and with the view of receiving this amount, authorize the committee to allocate the above sum to Presbyteries as last year, viz.:

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

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MINUTES.

The minutes of the Seventh Sederunt were read and sustained.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Mr. E. Scott, joint Copyener of the Assembly's Committee, submitted a statement of the work and financial requirements of the Committee. He was followed by Mr. J. Morton, missionary to Trimidad, who gave full and interesting details of our mission in that island, and earnestly impressed on the Synod the need for its development and expansion, pointing out at the same time the means which should be used to that end.

Part of the twenty-third paraphrase was sung, and solemn prayer was offered by Dr. McCulloch.

It was moved by Mr. J. F. Smith, and seconded by Mr. W. P. Archibald, as follows, which motion being supported by Dr. Burns, was adopted unanimously.

The Synod records its gratitude to God for the success which has followed our mission work during the past year, for the ingathering in the New Hebrides, and the extension of the work in that group, and for the continued prosperity attending the labors of our missionaries in Trinidad.

The Synod welcomes Mr. and Mrs. Morton, and gives thanks that they have been so long spared to their chosen work.

To Mr. Macrae we extend our heartfelt sympathy, and pray that the comforts of faith may sustain him.

To Miss Semple and Miss Copeland, who have completed their engagements and are returning home, we give our thanks for their faithful services, and pray that Miss Archibald and Miss Graham, who are going to the field, may have health and success.

The Synod recognizes with great satisfaction the work done by Mr. J. B. Cropper of St. Lucia, and bids him God-speed in his labor of love.

The Synod commends all our missionaries and teachers to Him whose command has led them to the foreign field, and anew recommends our Foreign Mission Work to the sympathy and support of the people of our church.

MR. J. D. MURRAY.

Mr. J. D. Murray, formerly a minister and missionary of this church in the New Hebrides, and now of Paramatta, New South Wales, and commissioned by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of that Colony, presented his commission, and was welcomed by the Moderator,—thereafter addressing the Synod, and giving full and interesting information as to the past history and present position of that

church. When on motion of the Clerk, seconded by Mr. J. R. Munro, it was unanimously resolved as follows:—

The Synod rejoices at Mr. Murray's presence among them this evening; they have listened with the deepest interest to his account of the church which he has been commissioned to represent; they rejoice at its prosperity; they thankfully call to mind its co-operation with this church in Foreign Aissi nary work in the New Hebrides, and earnestly pray that in the future, even more abundantly than in the past, it may enjoy the presence and blessing of the Master, and thus be a mighty instrument for good in the great continent of Australia.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Synod then adjourned to meet again the next day in the same place, and at ten o'clock in the forenoon, of which public intimation was made, and this sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

NINTH SEDERUNT

At Picton, and within Prince St. Church there, Tweston, the eighth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine years, and at ten octock in the forenoon:

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces met pursuant to adjournment, and was duly constituted, prayer being offered by Mr. John Murray.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the Eighth Sederunt were read and sustained.

JESUIT QUESTION.

Dr. Burns moved in terms of the motion of which he had given notice yesterday, and was seconded by Dr. McCulloch.

It was moved in amendment by the Clerk, and seconded by Mr. R.

That this Synod, while pledging itself to adopt under the Constitution all practical means for the maintenance of equal rights and Protestant principles in the Dominion, does not deem it necessary under the circumstances to pass judgment on the matters contained in the motion.

ADJOURNMENT.

It was agreed that when the Synod adjourn, it adjourn to meet at half-past two this afternoon.

The Synod then adjourned to meet as above appointed, of which public intimation was made, and this sederunt was closed with the Benediction. The same

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TENTH SEDERUNT.

The same day and place, and at half-past two o'clock in the afternoon:

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces met pursuant to adjournment, and was duly constituted, prayer being offered by Mr. J. McMillan.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the Ninth Sederunt were read and sustained,

ORDER OF THE DAY.

— It was agreed to depart from the order of the day and proceed with the discussion of the question raised by the motion submitted in the morning.

SECOND AMENDMENT.

It was moved in further amendment by Dr. McKnight, and seconded by Mr. E. A. McCurdy:

That the amendment be amended so as to read: That this Synod pledge itself to adopt under the Constitution all practical means for the maintenance of equal rights and Protestant principles in the Dominion; and that the last part of the amendment be omitted;

when the question being taken, the second amendment was preferred to the first by a vote of 56 to 21.

Mr. L. G. McNeill, seconded by Mr. J. M. Robinson, moved in further amendment as follows:—

That this Synod pledges itself to adopt under the Constitution all practical means for the maintenance of equal rights and Protestant principles in the Dominion, therefore agrees to appoint a committee to watch over the matter, and to take such measures in the premises as circumstances may render advisable in line with action of General Assembly, and any other bodies whose co-operation the Assembly's Committee may secure.

When the question being taken Dr. McKnight's amendment was preferred by a vote of 39 to 28.

Dr. Burns expressed his willingness to have Dr. McKnight's amendment incorporated with his motion, and to stand as paragraph four of the same, to which the Synod assented; when the motion of Dr. Burns being put it was carried by a vote of 53 to 21, and became the judgment of the Synod.

SYNOD FUND.

Mr. J. R. Munro submitted the Report of this Committee, when it was agreed that it be adopted, and that the thanks of the Synod be given to the Committee, and especially to the Convener.

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M'LAGGAN TRUST.

The Committee appointed to deal with the matter reported that they recommended that forty dollars be paid to Mr. T. G. Jehnson

out of the Synod Fund in aid of the expenses incurred in connection with obtaining the Act of Incorporation, this payment to be final; when on motion of Mr. E. Smith, duly seconded, the recommendation was adopted. It was also unanimously agreed in this connection to adopt the report of the Presbytery of St. John as the Committee in charge of the McLaggan Trust, with the financial statement therewith appended, and its recommendations, with the exception noted above. The report and its recommendations are as follows:—

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

To the Reverend the Moderator and Synod of the Maxitime Provinces of the Presbyterian Church in Canada:

Your Committee, the Presbytery of Saint John, to whom was referred at the last meeting of your venerable Court at Charlottetown, P. E. I., the matter of 'The McLaggan Trust," beg leave to submit the following as their final report in this matter:

1. That your Committee in conformity with the action of your venerable Court at its last meeting, had a bill drafted for the purpose of incorporating the Presbytery of Miramichi, for the purposes of managing the McLaggan Trust only, a copy of which is hereunto annexed, marked "A.," as well as petitions to the Legislature of New Brunswick in support thereof.

 That in terms of your deliverance such petitions were signed by the Moderator and Clerk of your venerable Body, and also by the moderators and clerks of the Presbyteries of Saint John and Miramichi.

3. That such Draft Bill and Petitions were submitted to the Committee on Corporations of the said Legislature of New Brunswick, and said bill was reported on and duly passed by the said Legislature with the amendments, as set out in the exhibit hereunto annexed, marked "B."

4. That the expenses of the said legislation are charges against the income of said Trust, and a copy of such detailed account thereof is hereby submitted with the certificates of His Honor Judge Stevens of the County Court for the County of Charlotte, in the Province of New Brunswick, and also His Honor Sir John C. Allen, Knight, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of New Brunswick, with recommendations from them to pay the same, copy of which is

hereunto annexed.

' 5. That hereunto annexed, marked "C." is the accounts of the said fund, and your Committee have audited the same and find the same correct.

Your Committee now recommend to your venerable Court:

That as your venerable Court has been by law relieved of all responsibility in the management of the said Trust Fund, that the accounts as audited by them be received and adopted.

That the Presbytery of Miramichi allow the charges, as appears by the annexed detailed account.

That your Committee, the Presbytery of Saint John, be discharged from further duty in this matter.

That the Presbytery of Miramichi take control of the management of said fund in terms of the legislation referred to, and that the said fund be now transferred to them accordingly.

ADJOURNMENT.

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

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ELEVENTH SEDERUNT.

Same day and place, and at half-past seven o'clock in the evening:

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces met pursuant to adjournment, and was duly constituted, prayer being offered by Mr. J. R. Munro.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Tenth Sederunt were read and sustained.

COMMITTEE ON JESUIT QUESTION.

The Moderator submitted the following Committee in terms of Dr. Burns' motion:—

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l at was The Moderator, Dr. Macknight, Dr. Burns, Dr. Isaac Murray, E. A. McCurdy, A. F. Thomson, J. Carruthers, J. A. Cairns, H. H. Macpherson, M. G. Henry, A. Falconer, ministers; Robert Murray, J. B. Calkin, Bradshaw Mackenzie, Dr. Mackenzie, J. S. Smith, elders.

SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Mr. T. C. Jack submitted the report of this Committee, when the Synod was addressed by Messrs. J. Sinclair, A. Rogers, J. McMillan, and also by Mr. T. F. Fotheringham, who spoke on the scheme for the higher religious instruction of the young; by Mr. J. S. Smith, who spoke on the Christian Endeavour movement, and by Mr. J. Anderson, who spoke on music in Sabbath Schools; when Mr. J. Carruthers moved, seconded by Mr. E. Smith, which motion was unanimously adopted as follows:—

That the report and its recommendations be received and adopted, and the thanks of the Synod be tendered to the Committee, and especially the Convener.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

 That Presbyteries be enjoined to make a special effort to obtain reports from all Sabbath Schools within their bounds for the coming year.

2. That Presbyteries be requested where possible, to have Sabbath School Conventions held within reach of the Sabbath School teachers of the different sections within their bounds.

It was moved by Dr. Burns, duly seconded, and unanimously adopted, as follows:—

The Synod would express approval of the scheme of higher religious instruction arranged and sanctioned by last General Assembly, and would recommend it to the favorable consideration of Pastors, Superintendents, and Teachers of Sabbath Schools and Bible Classes.

They would also express their thanks to Mr. Fotheringham, who has placed the Church under deep obligations in the matter.

It was moved by Mr. J. A. Forbes, seconded by Mr. H. H. Macpherson:—

Commend the Christian Endeavour movement to ministers and congregations.

The motion was adopted.

It was moved by Mr. J. R. Coffin, and duly seconded, as follows. which motion was adopted :-

That the Sabbath School Committee be requested to prepare catalogues for S. S. Libraries, and have them printed and distributed among our congregations.

TEMPERANCE.

Mr. N. McKay, the chair being taken by Dr. Macknight, submitted the Report of this Committee; when Mr. W. P. Archibald moved, duly seconded, that the report and its recommendations be received and It was also agreed The motion was adopted unanimously. adopted. that the thanks of the Synod be given to the Committee, and especially to the Convener.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That this Synod again declares its conviction that the general traffic in strong drink is contrary to the teachings of the Bible: that it is producing untold evils in our land and among our young men, and that its prohibition is the chief end and aim of all temperance work.

2. That our people be urged to give their influence and support to place real temperance men in the Councils and Parliaments of the country, irrespective

of political parties.

3. That educational authorities, trustees, and teachers of Day and Sabbath Schools be reminded of the utmost necessity of training the young in the principles of total abstinence, and that they give this subject due prominence in their teaching.

4. That this Synod gratefully recognizes the good work done by temperance societies, temperance literature. &c., yet would call to remembrance the truth, that the Gospel is the great power of God for abolishing this and every evil.

5. That while we do not give even a seeming approval to any license system, high or low; yet while the license law is in force in many of the counties and cities within our bounds, we should take advantage of its prohibitory features to advance the cause.

6. That we renew the recommendation of former years as to the necessity of office-bearers and members of the Church practising total abstinence, and using

the most strenuous efforts to hasten on the prohibition reforms.

That the Synod petition the Councils of Public Instruction of Nova Scotia and P. E. Island, praying them to bring their provisions for temperance instruction in the public schools up to the line of the arrangements made by the educational authorities of New Brunswick; and, that it be remitted to the Temperance Committee to follow up such petitions with such efforts as they deem best fitted to give it effect.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

The Moderator having resumed the chair, Dr. Burns, seconded by Dr. McCulloch, moved as follows, which motion was adopted:

The Synod having ascertained that a Branch of the General Assembly's Historical Society has been organized for the Maritime Provinces during the present Synodical Session, desires to express approval of the objects and operations of said Society, and would cordially commend it to the sympathy and support of the brethren.

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

Mr. E. Grant, Convener of the Assembly's Committee, submitted a statement as to the position and claims of this Fund, and pleaded earnestly for its more liberal support, and thus enable it the better to provide for the comfort of the aged and infirm ministers of the church. When. was ag

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When, on motion of Mr. D. S. Fraser, seconded by Mr. A. Rogers, it was agreed as follows:—

The Synod having heard the statement of the Convener of the Assembly's Committee on the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund, approves of his efforts to bring the Fund to the notice of young men as soon as they are inducted; expresses regret that so large a proportion of the members of Synod still neglect to join the Fund, and that so many congregations full to contribute; urges all to do their part to put the Fund on such a footing as will enable the committee to give to annuitants at least the rate originally determined according to years of service in the church.

PETITION ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE

The following form of Petition to the Parliament of the Dominion was read and adopted. The Moderator and Clerk were authorized to sign the same in the name of the Synod, and to ask Dr. Armstrong, of Ottawa, kindly to arrange for its presentation to Parliament:—

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And whereas, The sacredness of the day is in many ways violated in our

land;

And whereus, Not a few of our fellow-citizens are deprived of its inestimable blessings, by labour on railways and canals, in post offices, and in other ways under Government control;

Therefore, We, the Synod of the Maritime Provinces in connection with the Presbyterian Church in Canada; do hereby carnestly petition your Honourable House to enact and enforce such laws as may best secure and preserve to the people of this land the rest and sacredness of the Lord's day.

STATE OF RELIGION.

Mr. John Murray, in behalf of Mr. A. F. Carr, submitted the report of the Committee; when, on motion of Dr. Murray, seconded by Mr. I. Baird, it was moved as follows, which motion was adopted:

The Synod receives the report of the Committee, adopts its recommendations, and records its gratitude to the Head of the Church for the progress of true religion during the past year within the bounds.

The Synod also thanks the Committee, and especially the Convener.

RECOMMENDATIONS

 That Sessions meet as frequently as possible for seasons of special prayer and conference touching the spiritual condition of the people.

(2) That the Synod would carnestly recommend ministers and elders to call the attention of their people to the importance of family worship, and to use their best endeavors to secure its regular observance, at least on the part of all heads of families in full communion with the church.

(3) That inasmuch as the memorising of Scripture and of the Shorter Catechism is not so general as could be desired. Sessions be asked to bring the subject to the attention of parents, superintendents, and Sabbath School teachers.

(4) That, when found advantageous, societies for young men and women be formed in our congregations for maintaining and promoting intelligent attachment to the church, and for strengthening the Christian life.

OBITUARY NOTICES.

The Committee appointed to prepare these submitted the following notices, which were adopted:—

REV A. OGILVIE BROWN.

The Rev. A. Ogilvie Brown was born in Dundee, Scotland, in the year 1837, educated for the ministry in the University of St. Andrew's, and licensed to preach the Gospel in 1862. After acting for a short time as assistant in the parish church of Carsphairn, he laboured for a number of years as missionary in connection with Queen's Park Church, Edinburgh. He was appointed in 1872 to the Church of Alexandrai in Dumbartonshire, where he was ordained, and where he laboured with great acceptance up to the date of his leaving for this country. He was inducted into St. Andrew's Church, Campbellton, N. B., in the fall of the year 1885. Mr. Brown was a man of scholarly attainments, a sound theologian, and a good preacher. His amiable disposition and conciliatory manners had endeared him to his brethren in the Preshytery. As a Pastor he was conscientious, diligent and faithful, and as such had gained the esteem and love of his people. His brief ministry was terminated by a severe illness. He died on the 29th April, 1889.

THE REV. ABRAHAM M'INTOSH's

was born at West Bay, Richmond County, C. B., in the year 1820. He was educated for the work of the ministry at the Free Church College, Halifax. He was licensed to preach the Gospel in the year 1855, and on the 21st August, 1856, he was ordained and inducted into the pastoral charge of St. Ann's and North Shore, in the then Presbytery of Victoria and Richmond.

In this extensive and difficult field the laboured faithfully till within a few months of his death. He died at South Gut, St. Ann's, on the 10th day of March, 1889, in the 69th year of his age, and in the 35th year of his ministry.

While Mr. McIntosh was a good English preacher, he excelled in the Gelic, which was his mother tongue. He was a man of uncommon prudence, judgment and good sense, as well as of deep and true picty.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND

Dr. Patterson, Secretary of this Fund, in accordance with the Act of Incorporation submitted a statement on behalf of the Committee, shewing fully its present financial position; also giving reasons why, in the judgment of the Board, Mr. J. McG. McKay's motion made at last Synod, and remitted to them for consideration, should not be adopted; when, on motion of Mr. A. McL. Sinclair, duly seconded, it was agreed as follows:—

That the Synod record their gratification with the state of the fund, and again recommend to all ministers who are in a position to do so, to avail themselves of its advantages.

MR. F. J. COFFIN.

Mr. E. Scott, in behalf of the Foreign Mission Committee, reported that Mr. F. J. Coffin, Licentiate, had offered himself as Missionary to Trinidad, and had been accepted by the Committee; when it was agreed to record the Synod's devout thankfulness to God for this event; whereupon the Moderator led in prayer.

LICENSURE OF STUDENTS.

It was agreed to give leave for the current year to all Presbyteries to license any students who have completed their course, due notice of their intention having been given to the Presbyteries within the bounds of the Synod.

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VOTE OF THANKS.

On motion of Mr. J. S. Carruthers, seconded by Mr. L. G. McNeill, it was unanimously resolved as follows:—

That the Synod tender hearty thanks to the friends in Pictou for their kind and generous entertainment of the members of Synod; to the Minister and Managers of Prince St. Church for the use of their place of worship; to the Committee of Arrangement for their attention to the wants of the members; to the Press for the reports of the proceedings; to the Y. M. C. A. for their invitation to make a free use of their rooms, and to the railway and steamboat companies for reduced rates of travel.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the present sederunt were read and sustained.

CLOSING OF SYNOD.

The Moderator briefly addressed the Court, and asked the Synod to join in singing a portion of Psalm One Hundred and Twenty-second. At his request Dr. McCulloch engaged in prayer, after which the Moderator said: "In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by the authority of the Synod, I now adjourn this Court, and appoint the next meeting of Synod to be held at Moncton, New Brunswick, and within the Presbyterian Church there, on the first Thursday of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety years, and at half-past seven o'clock in the evening," and pronounced the Benediction.

NEIL McKAY, Moderator.

THOMAS SEDGWICK, Clerk.

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HUNTER CHURCH BUILDING FUND,

From October 1st, 1888, to October 1st, 1839.

The following congregations received free leans: St. Prter's, C. B., \$300: Digby, \$430. This case is somewhat peculiar. The few people of our church in that town have long felt the need of a place of worship. At one time it was Roped that the church built by the Reformed Episcopalians, and a ter a few years of occupancy offered for sale, could be obtained; but the price was beyond the means of our people. The Baptists purchased and relitted it, and now occupy it as their church. The old Baptist church was thus thrown upon the market. Our people obtained the use of it, at a moderate rental, for the summer of 1888. Last winter the Baptists determined to sell it at what it would bring. The matter was brought before the Presbytery of Halifax, and carefully examined by a depu tation of said Presbytery, with the result that it was purchased as a Presbyterian Church for \$500.00. Of this amount the little congregation at once raised \$70.00, and on the recommendation of the Presbytery of Halifax, obtained from the committee a free loan of \$400 for three years, and thenceforward to bear interest at 5 per cent., and a loan of \$30 for nine months. The committee took a mortgage on the property, as security for the loan. Should the congregation at any time cease to exist, the property will easily realize the full amount of the mortgage. But we believe that the spirited few will soon grow into a good congregation, and that the church will not only be kept in thorough repair, but also freed from all debt. It occupies a very central, convenient and beautiful situation, and is of suitable dimensions for a congregation of two hundred people.

Loans on interest to congregations, on the security of approved notes, were made as follows: -Kempton, \$300, of which \$150 have been repaid; Carleton, Yarmouth Co., \$400; St. Andrew's, Sydney, \$750.

The following Grants, reported last year as having been voted, were paid:

Shellurne, \$400. The church is finished outside, and the managers are endeavoring to secure means for the completion of the inside. They are determined to open the new building free from debt.

Kempton, \$200. The church is finished and occupied, and is nearly free from debt.

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The following Grants have been voted by the Committee, to be paid as soon as funds for the purpose are available:

Glenbard, in the Presigtery of Pieton, \$250. This is a long standing application. Four years ago the Presbytery presented strong reasons for the grant. The place is situated between Barney's River and Antigonish, about midway, or 12 miles from each. The people are poor, and surrounded by Roman Catholies. They are attached to our church, and ardently desire the administration of the Word. Last spring they commenced to build and have now the church finished outside, and under contract for completion inside. The Committee assured them the payment of the grant by the middle of November. With this aid the church will be completed without debt.

Port Mulgrave, Presbytery of Picton, \$250. This case was also presented three years ago, and pressed with such cogency this year that the grant could no longer be witheld. The people are few in number as yet, but the place will doubtless grow and the congregation become important. The few who are there contribute well to the support of their catechist. The church will be completed this fall at a cost of about \$2200 and with a debt of about \$600, which they propose to borrow on interest from the Committee, and liquidate in five years.

\$30 were again granted Bedford for renewal of insurance for three years.

There are yet many pressing claims before the Committee, but they must lie over for some time, as the votes now reported will require all the money likely to come in during the next six months.

The revenue was considerably reduced by repairs to property. The Committee desires to dispose of the real estate as soon as it can be done without a sacrifice. It is believed that the price of the property even at 5 per cent, will yield a larger and more steady income than can now be secured from tenants.

The receipts last year of interest available for grants were:

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Bank Dividends	8	310	00
Interest on money loaned to congregations		106	99
Deposit Receipts		25	82
Net revenue from property		597	3.5
Total			

Respectfully submitted,

R. F. BURNS, Chairman. P. M. MORRISON, Secretary.

RULES FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE HUNTER CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

"That the Fund be employed in the following manner:—A portion of the fund at the discretion of the Committee shall be used in loans without interest, on church buildings, to be repaid in instalments, extending over such a period of years as may be determined on; and the remainder be kept invested, and the annual income therefrom be employed in grants to aid congregations erecting places of worship or in liquidating debt on churches."

 $^{\circ}$ The Fund shall be administered by the Board under the following regulations :—

(1.) "All applications for aid shall come through the Presbytery of the bounds, who shall forward to the Board such recommendations as they may deem proper, and such information as they may consider necessary, to enable the Board to judge in the case."

(2.) "Before receiving any aid, congregations shall afford to the Board satisfactory evidence that the church is held, and by a secure title, in connection with this body, and also that it is duly insured."

(3.) "The amount guaranteed, either as a donation or a loan, shall be given on the condition of such efforts on the part of the congregation as may be agreed upon."

(4.) "The amount loaned shall be secured to the Board by mortgage on the church, or bond of the Trustees, or otherwise to the satisfaction of the Board."

(5.) "In case a congregation which once received aid from this Fund, and which has not its property insured, shall lose its church by fire, it shall not receive any aid from this fund."

(6.) "Congregations which received loans from the Hunter Fund, shall in all cases keep their churches insured, at least to the amount borrowed, over and above all indebtedness to the Fund." Тне

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THE HUNTER CHURCH BUILDING FUND in account with The Treasurer.

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	Interest.	Principal.
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	\$ 20 DO	\$ 300 00
St. Peter's-Free Loan		430 00
Digby-Free Loan		750 00
St. Andrew's, Sydney-Loan on Interest		300 00
Kemptown Loan on Interest		400 00
Carleton, Yarmouth Co Loan on Interest	100 00	400 00
Shelburne-Grant	400 00	
Kemptown— "	200 00	
Miss Weir's annuity	144 00	
Mrs. Robson's commission	34 55	
Insurance and Taxes	$103 \ 25$	
Repairs	83 85	
Printing Reports	10 00	
Proportion Agent's salary to May 1st, 1889	250 00	
Balance		368 - 36
	\$ 1253 95	\$2548 36
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St. John's, Yarmouth		100 00
Gordon Church, Glace Bay		$250 \ 00$
St. Andrew's, Sydney		500 00
Pleasant Bay		30 00
Boularderie		125 00
Kemptown		150 00
Kennetcook		100 00
Kennetcook St. Andrew's, Sydney	\$ 44 25	
Falmouth St. "	12 00	
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" Halifax Bank		
Rents, per C. A. Robson		
Interest on Deposit Receipts		
Balance	22 14	
	\$1253 95	\$2548 30
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Examined and found correct.

J. C. Mackintosh, Auditors.

LIST OF FREE GRANTS TO OCTOBER 1st, 1888.

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Riversdale 50	0.00
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Leitch's Creek	0 00
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Riversdale. 38 Middle River, C. B. 22	00 00
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Carleton, Shelburne Co.	50 00
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Smithfield, Caledonia 2 Country Harbor 1	00 00
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West Bay, Points Loch Lomand	00 00
Loch Lomand West Bay, Black River	60 00
West Bay, Black River Leitch's Creek	250 00
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Falmouth Street, Sydney Shemogue	200 00
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Country Harbor Isaac's Harbor	500 00
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Moser's River North River, St. Ann's, C. B.	150 00
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Glenelg	75 00
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Lake Ainshe Moser's River	300 00
Moser's River Maccan	20 00
	200 00
Bedford Maccan, 2nd payment	200 00
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Wolfville	190 00
Wolfville Marble Mountain Maccan, 3rd	200 00
Maccan, 3rd. Pairsboro'	250 00
Parrsboro	200 00
Parrsboro North-West Arm Big Bras d'Or.	150 - 00
	150 00
Big Bras at Or. Black Rocks and Blue Rocks Lake Ainslie	75 00
	100 00
Lake Ainslie Moosebrook Parrsboro'	250 00
Parrsboro'	100 00
Riversdale, 3rd payment Reserve Mine	200 00
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	Tree Grants. I	nterest Louis.	Free Loans.	Total.
ľ	on the order	\$8,000 00	819,400-00	\$39,271-66
Reported last year	530 00	1,450 00	730 00	$2.680 \cdot 00$
Reported this year				
	\$12,401 66	\$9,450,00	820,130,00	\$41,951_66
CASH REPA	AD BY C	ONGREGA'	H072	
		rmeipal.	Interest.	Total.
			\$1,907.35	821,875,79
Repayments to October 1st, 188	18	9,505 44	306 99	2,855, 35
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INTE	REST FRO	M BANK	٠.	
			83,299	59
Reported last year			335	82
Received since				3.635 41
	9 1991			\$28,266 55
Total Receipts from Congregat	ious and Ba	mks	DE CONTRACT AND DE	

FREE LOANS PAYABLE IN INSTALMENTS TO OCTOBER 1st, 1889.

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	Amounts.	Payment made.	Due,	Still loaned.
Dartmouth	\$2100 00	\$2100 00		
	2000 00	1800 00		\$ 200 00
Vale Colliery	800 00	800 00		
Yarmouth	1000 00	600 00		400 00
Glenelg	1000 00	1000 00		
Jeddore	150 00	150 00		
Bridgetown	1000 00	464 15	535 85	535 85
Spring Hill	000 00	800 00		02.07.03
Bridgewater	00	310 00		690 00
Acadia Mines		527 - 50	72 - 50	72 50
DeBert		500 00		
Falmouth Street, Sydney		500 00	* *** ***	
Amherst		1000 00	2.63.63	7
Harmony		250 00		
Park Street, Halifax	2000 00	1200 00		800 00
Lockeport	. 500 00		$250 \ 00$	509 00
Baddeck	. 500 00		300 00	500 00
Oxford				500 00
Pleasant Bay		60 00	12.27.22	40 00
Tatamagouche Mountain			60 00	100 00
Boulardarie	. 500 00	$125 \ 00$		375 00
River Hebert			200.00	250 00
Margaree Harbor		100 00	9.49	200 00
Reserve Mines		250 00		
St. Andrew's, Sydney		500 00		
Mabou				400 00
Kennetcook		100 00		100 00
St. Peter's, C. B	200 00			300 00
Digby			0.0.0	430 00
	\$19.530 00	\$13,136 65	\$1,218 35	\$6,303 35

LOANS ON INTEREST.

Kemptown \$150 00 Carleton 400 00 Falmouth Street, Sydney 200 0 Souris, P. E. 450 0 Wolfville 100 0 St. Andrew's, Sydney 1050 0 Bank of Nova Scotia—17 shares Halifax Banking Co.—20 shares	0 0 0 0 - \$2350 . 4624	00
Real Estate yielding income: Store, Hollis Street, Halifax Houses, Poplar Grove, Halifax Creighton Street, "	. 6000 . 4500	00 00 00

P. M. MORRISON,
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