

judicious counsel the Synod resumed consideration of the more important subjects and schemes which been before them, and this was continued for a considerable time.

The business of the Synod being concluded, the next meeting was appointed to be held in Saint John, on the second Wednesday of August, 1867, of which due notice was given.

The Moderator then dismissed the Synod with a suitable Address, and the whole proceedings were closed with praises, prayer, and the Apostolic Benediction.

John Wells, P.A. Moderator

John M. Brooke, D.D.  
Synod Clerk.

Session XXX.

Diet I.

At Saint John, and within Saint Andrew's Church there, Wednesday, the fourteenth day of August one thousand and eight hundred and sixty seven years.

The which day, the Synod of the Presbyterian Church, of New Brunswick, in connexion with the Church of Scotland, met by appointment.

After sermon by the Rev. John Wells, A.M., the retiring Moderator, from this text, "Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit &c." Ephes. IV. 3, the Synod was constituted with prayer by the said Mr. Wells.

The Synod Roll was then made up and read, as follows.

I. Presbytery of Saint John.

Ministers	Elders.	Charges
John M. Brooke, D.D.	Peter Macfarlane	St. Paul's Church, Fredericton.
John Ross	.....	Greenock " St. Andrews.
William Donald, D.D.	William C. Watson	St. Andrew's " St. John.
Peter Keay, A.M.	.....	St. Mary's " Nashuaack.
James Kidd, A.M.	Joseph Harvey	St. John's " Richmond.
George J. Caie, B.A.	.....	Portland and Rothesay.
William F. Wilkins, B.A.	.....	St. Andrew's Church, Woodstock.
		St. James's " Northampton.

II. Presbytery of Miramichi.

William Henderson, D.D.	John Brander,	St. James's Church, Newcastle.
Charles S. Ogg, A.M.	Adam Sheriff,	St. Andrew's " Chatham
Frederick Home,		Red Bank and Black River.

III. Presbytery of Restigouche.

John Wells, A.M.	Finlay Cook,	St. Andrew's Church, New Richmond
James Murray,	Robert Wilson,	Saint John's " Dalhousie.
William Wilson,	-----,	St. Andrew's " Campbelltown.
-----,	William Napier,	Saint Luke's " Bathurst.

Corresponding Members.

The Rev. Kenneth M. Lennan, B.A. Moderator of the Synod of Canada, Whitby, C.W. Very Rev. William Snodgrass, D.D. Principal of the University of Queen's College, Kingston, C.W.; James Croil Esq., Agent for the Schemes of the Church, Canada; Douglas Brymner, Esq. Ruling Elder, St. Gabriel's, Montreal, C.B.; Rev. Allan Pollok, Minister of New Glasgow, N.S.; Rev. Alexander McWilliam, Minister of Georgetown, P.E.I.; Rev. Thomas Duncan, Minister of Charlottetown, P.E.I.; John A. McLean, Esq. Ruling Elder, Salt Springs, Pictou, N.S.

Thereafter, the Roll being called, seditur John M. Brooke, D.D., John Ross, William Donald, D.D. Peter Keay, A.M., James Kidd, A.M., George S. Gaie, B.A., William J. Wilkins, B.A., William Henderson, D.D., Charles S. Ogg, A.M. Frederick Home, John Wells, A.M., James Murray, and William Wilson, Ministers, with Peter Macfarlane, and William C. Watson, Elders.

Commissions were received in favour of the Rev. Kenneth MacLennan, B.A., the very Rev. Principal Snodgrass, D.D., James Croil and Douglas Brymner, Esquires, as Corresponding Members from the Synod of Canada; also in favour of the Rev. Allan Pollok, the Rev. Alexander McWilliams, the Rev. Thomas Duncan, and John A. McLean Esq., as Corresponding Members from the Synod of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island; which Commissions, being read and sustained, the following gentlemen, being present, were cordially welcomed, took their seats as Members of Court, and their names were added to the Roll and to the seditur; viz. the Very Rev. William Snodgrass, D.D. Principal of the University of Queen's College, Kingston, C.W. the Rev. Allan Pollok, Minister of New Glasgow, N.S. the Rev. Alexander McWilliam, Minister of Georgetown, P.E.I. the Rev. Thomas Duncan, Minister of Charlottetown, P.E.I. James Croil, Esq. Agent for the Schemes of the Church, Canada.

The Synod then proceeded to the election of a Moderator for the ensuing year, when the Rev. William Henderson, D.D., Minister of Saint James's Church, Newcastle, being nominated by the retiring Moderator, was unanimously chosen, and took the Chair accordingly.

On motion of Dr. Donald, it was resolved that the thanks of the Synod be given to Mr. Wells, the retiring Moderator, for his conduct while occupying the Chair; and for his very excellent and appropriate sermon, delivered this evening.

The thanks of the Synod were then conveyed to Mr. Wells by the Moderator, and briefly acknowledged by Mr. Wells.

The Synod appointed Mr. Wells, Mr. Keay, and Mr. Pollok, and Mr. Croil to be a Committee on Bills and Overtures; instructing them to meet to-morrow at half-past nine. A.M., and direct that all papers to be laid before the Synod, be given in to said Committee, at that, or a subsequent meeting.

The Minutes of the proceedings of Synod, during the several Diets held at Newcastle, last year, having been printed and sent to the respective Members of Synod, were held as read, and were sustained.

It was agreed that, during the present session, the hour of meeting should be, as heretofore, ten o'clock A.M., and that there should be an interval, daily, from half-past one till three o'clock.

The Synod resolved that, in accordance with their usual practice, some portion of time each day during the session, should be occupied in devotional exercises; and the very Reverend Principal Snodgrass was appointed to conduct the same to-morrow.

The Synod then adjourned till to-morrow at ten o'clock: closing with the Benediction.

#### Diet II.

At Saint John, and within St. Andrew's Church there, the 15<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1867.

The which day, the Synod of New Brunswick, in connexion with the Church of Scotland, met pursuant to adjournment.

Sederunt as yesterday, with the addition of John A. McLean Esq., Elder, Salt Springs, Pictou, Nova Scotia.

Some portion of time was occupied with devotional exercises; consisting of praise, reading the Scriptures, and prayer; which services were conducted by the very Reverend Principal Snodgrass.

The Synod was then constituted with prayer by the Moderator. The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and sustained. On motion of Dr. Donald, seconded by Dr. Brooke, it was resolved that the thanks of the Synod be conveyed by the Moderator to the Corresponding Members from Canada and Nova Scotia. The Moderator accordingly expressed the high satisfaction which, he was sure, every Member of this Synod now felt in seeing so influential a Deputation from the sister Synods as that now present. The Members composing it were then cordially welcomed, invited to take their seats as members of court, and to aid the Synod with their counsel in their deliberations: they were also requested to convey to their respective Synods, the warmest thanks of the Synod of New Brunswick, for having appointed them to meet with us on this occasion.

Principal Snodgrass, in name of the Deputation from Canada, and Mr Duncan, in name of the Deputation from Nova Scotia, briefly replied.

The Synod authorized Presbyteries to meet, on the summons of their respective Moderators, at any time while the Synod is assembled, and when it is not actually in session.

The Synod called for the Records of Presbyteries, which were produced; and a Committee, consisting of the several Presbytery Clerks, together with Mr Duncan and Mr Croil, was appointed to examine the same.

It having been signified to the Synod, that the Deputations from the Synods of Canada and Nova Scotia had certain important matters to bring under the notice of this Synod, on motion of Dr. Donald, seconded by Mr Ogg, it was resolved that the Deputations from Canada and Nova Scotia be afforded an opportunity to bring before the Synod the matters with which they are intrusted, to-morrow, immediately after the meeting is constituted; and that these matters be fully disposed of, at a meeting to be held in this Church, on Monday evening, at seven o'clock.

On motion of Dr. Brooke, Mr Wells was requested to allow his sermon, preached at the opening of the Synod, to be printed in the Monthly Record.

The Rev. Mr Bennet having entered the Church at this time, he was, on motion of Dr. Donald, requested to take his seat with the Members of Synod.

On motion of Dr. Brooke, seconded by Mr Keay, the Synod appointed a Committee, consisting of the Moderator, Principal Snodgrass, Mr Wells, and the Clerk, to prepare an Address to His Excellency General Doyle, Administra-

tor of the Government in this Province.

It was resolved also that the same Committee be instructed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty the Queen.

Mr Caie, Mr Ogg, and Mr Wilson were appointed a Committee to receive Collections on behalf of the Synod Fund, and to consider claims on the same.

A Committee, consisting of the Moderator, Dr Donald and Mr Caie, was appointed to prepare a synopsis of the Synod business, to be printed in the Monthly Record.

The Rev. Allan Pollok was appointed to conduct the devotional exercises to-morrow.

The Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow, at ten o'clock. Closed with the Benediction.

### Diet III.

At Saint John, and within Saint Andrew's Church there, Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1867.

The which day the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of New-Brunswick, in connexion with the Church of Scotland, met pursuant to adjournment.

Sederunt as yesterday, with the exception of the Rev. Mr Wells, and the addition of Mr John Brander, Elder, Saint James Church, Newcastle, Miramichi.

Some portion of time was occupied with devotional exercises, which were conducted by the Rev. Allan Pollok.

The Synod was then constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The Rev. Neil Mackay, of Saint David's Church, being then present, was invited to take his seat with the Members of Synod, and to remain as long as he found it convenient.

The Moderator conveyed to Mr Mackay the wish of the Synod, and Mr Mackay expressed his obligations for the courtesy shown to him.

Mr Croil addressed the Synod at considerable length, giving much interesting information respecting the history, statistics, and present state of the Churches in Canada, and particularly that branch connected with the Church of Scotland.

The Rev. Principal Snodgrass followed, and spoke at length

on the question of union with the several Synods in the Provinces of British North America, and on the means provided, especially in the University of Queen's College, Kingston, for the education of Young men for the Ministry.

After the Deputation from Canada had been heard, and before hearing the Deputation from Nova Scotia, Dr Henderson, Convener of the Committee on the union of this Synod, with the Synod of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, gave in the Report of said Committee, which, being read, was received, approved of, ordered to be kept in retentis, and printed in the Appendix to the Minutes.

The Rev. Allan Pollok, in name of the Deputation from Nova Scotia, thereafter addressed the Synod on the subjects embraced in said Report, urging that the facilities of communication, and the diminution of the expence of travelling between the Provinces, tended greatly to remove the difficulties that formerly stood in the way of such a union as was now contemplated, dwelling also on the great benefits that might be expected from the united action and co-operation of the Synods, when once their energies were combined.

Mr Pollok was followed by Mr Duncan, Mr McWilliam, and Mr McSean, who spoke on the same subject.

It was then moved by Dr Donald, seconded by Dr Brooks, and unanimously agreed that—

The Synod, having heard the Delegates from Canada, and Nova Scotia, on the matters committed to their care by their respective Synods, appoint a Committee, consisting of the Moderator, Mr Wells, Dr Donald, Dr Brooks, Mr Ogg, Mr Watson, and Mr Brander, the Moderator to be Convener, to consider the whole matter, and to report on Monday.

The Synod made the following appointments for preaching on Sabbath.

Saint Andrew's Church,		Forenoon,	Rev. William Wilson.
Do.	Do.	Evening,	" Thomas Duncan.
Portland Mission,		Afternoon,	" James Kidd.
Rothsay Church,		Forenoon,	" Thomas Duncan.
Calvin Church,		Do.	" Charles S. Ogg.
Do.	Do.	Evening,	" William Wilson.
St. John Presbyterian Church,		Do.	" Charles S. Ogg.
St. David's Do.	Do.	Do.	" Alex. McWilliam.
Centenary	Do.	Forenoon,	" Frederick Home.
Zion	Do.	Afternoon,	" Dr Henderson.

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Principal Snodgrass and Mr Pollok expressed their desire to visit Fredericton, and agreed to officiate in Saint Paul's Church there.

The Rev. William Wilson was appointed to conduct the religious services, at the opening of the Synod to-morrow.

The Synod then adjourned, to meet to-morrow at ten o'clock. Closed with the benediction.

#### Diet IV.

At Saint John, and within Saint Andrew's Church there, the 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1867.

The which day, the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of New Brunswick, in connexion with the Church of Scotland, met pursuant to adjournment.

Some portion of time was occupied in religious exercises, which, in absence of Mr Wilson, who had been appointed to that duty, were conducted by Mr Murray.

The Synod was then constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

Sederunt as yesterday, with the exception of Principal Snodgrass and Mr Pollok, who had gone to Fredericton, and the addition of Mr Wells.

Minutes of yesterday were read and sustained.

The Clerk read a letter addressed to him in his official character, requesting the aid of the Brethren in this Province, on behalf of the Congregation of Plaister Cove, in Cape Breton, whose Church had lately been destroyed by fire, after the building had been nearly completed. The Synod desire to express their sympathy with the said Congregation in the circumstances, and warmly recommend to the several Members, personally, and by their influence among their people, to give them what assistance may be in their power.

D<sup>r</sup> Donald, Convener of the Committee for managing the Bursary Fund, handed in the Treasurer's Account, by which it appeared that the revenue for the year arising from interest on the St. John City Debt debentures, amounted to \$50.00, which, with a collection of \$5.00 from the Congregation of Richmond, added to the balance of last year, showed that the total revenue for the year was \$193.60, the only expenditure being 60c. for postages.

Dr. Henderson requested a Bursary to be granted to Samuel Russell, now a student in arts at the University, and desirous to prosecute his studies, with a view to the Ministry.

Whereupon, it was moved by Dr. Brooks, seconded, and unanimously agreed, that the standing rule, by which it was provided that no bursary should be granted to any student, till he was prepared to enter on his Theological course, be suspended in this particular case, and that a bursary of \$60.00 be allowed to Mr. Russell, for this year, taking the usual bond from himself and his guardians.

Mr. Coie, Convener of the Committee on the Synod Fund, gave in the Report; from which it appeared that the total receipts for this year were \$151.74, and the claims upon the same \$199.60.

Whereupon, it was moved and seconded, that the Report be received and approved.

To which it was moved as an amendment, that the Report be not approved in as far as no provision is made therein for the expence of printing the Minutes in the usual form. The amendment being seconded, was put to the vote, when a majority voted against it; and the Synod, therefore, decided in terms of the original motion.

Lauchlan Donaldson Esq. by permission of the Synod, addressed them on the subject of a Widow's Fund; recommending the establishment of such a Fund for the benefit of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Ministers in this Synod.

The Synod resolved to record their thanks to Mr. Donaldson, and their high sense of their obligation to him for the important suggestions to which their attention had now been called.

Dr. Henderson, Convener of the Committee on Indian Orphanages, gave in their Report, which was highly satisfactory.

On motion, the Report was received, approved, and ordered to be kept in receptis.

The Synod re-appoint the Committee, consisting of Dr. Henderson, and Daniel Ferguson, Esquire.

It was then moved, seconded, and agreed that the thanks of the Synod be conveyed to Dr. Henderson for his zealous exertions in behalf of this scheme. Mr. Wells, who had been temporarily called to the Chair, thanked Dr. Henderson for his continued and successful labours to promote the interests of the scheme in question, and Dr.



shortly replied.

Dr. Henderson, in name of the Committee on Foreign Missions, gave in their Report, which was received, approved, and ordered to be kept in resente.

It was then moved by Mr Wilkins, seconded by Dr. Donald, and unanimously agreed,

That the Synod, having received and approved the Report now read, order all Ministers within their bounds to afford their Congregations an opportunity to contribute to this Scheme, in the course of the ensuing year; re-appoint the Committee, consisting of Dr. Henderson, Dr. Donald, Dr. Brooks, and Mr Wells; Dr. Henderson to be Convener.

Dr. Donald moved that the Synod recommend the several Presbyteries to hold their meetings at all the various Churches within their bounds, that they may have an opportunity of learning the state of each Congregation, and of consulting with the different Ministers and Kirk Sessions, as to any measures that may be proposed for promoting the temporal and spiritual welfare, of the people under their charge. Mr Kidd seconded the motion, and it was unanimously agreed to, the Synod recommending accordingly.

The Synod appointed the Committee on the Bursary Fund, consisting of Dr. Donald, Dr. Brooks, Mr Keay, Mr Caie, and the Hon. John Robertson. Mr Robertson to be Treasurer.

The Synod ordered the Collection for the Foreign Mission Fund to be forwarded to the Treasurer, not later than the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January; that for the Synod Fund, not later than the 1<sup>st</sup> day of June, 1868; leaving it to the several Ministers and Kirk Sessions to make the Collections at such times as may appear to them most convenient.

The Synod appointed the Rev. Frederick Home to conduct the devotional exercises on Monday.

The Synod then adjourned, to meet on Monday, at 10 o'clock,  
AM. closed with the Benediction.

Diet V.

At Saint John, and within St. Andrew's Church there, the 19<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1867.

The which day, the Synod met pursuant to adjournment.

After the usual devotional exercises which were conducted by the Rev. F. Home, the Synod was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the proceedings on Saturday were read and sustained.

Dr. Brooke, in name of the Committee appointed to prepare Addresses to Her Majesty the Queen, and to His Excellency General Doyle, Lieutenant Governor of this Province, read drafts of the same, which, with one slight addition, were approved, and ordered to be engrossed.

The Synod appointed Dr. Brooke, with any Member or Members who may be able conveniently to accompany him, to present the Address to General Doyle, and to request him to forward the Address to the Queen.

The Synod, at the request of the Presbytery of Miramichi, appoint the Rev. James Murray as an Assessor to them, to them, to enable them to form a quorum, and meet for the despatch of business.

The Synod also appoint the Members of the Presbytery of Miramichi Assessors to meet with the Presbytery of Restigouche on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of September next.

The Committee appointed to examine the Records of Presbyteries, reported that they had attended to that duty, and had found them regularly and accurately kept, with certain slight exceptions in the cases of those of Restigouche and of Miramichi. After certain explanations given by the respective Clerks, the Synod ordered the Records to be attested, which was accordingly done.

The Committee appointed to consider the several subjects brought under their consideration by the Deputations from the Synods of Canada and Nova Scotia gave in their Report, which was received, approved of, and ordered to be kept in retentis.

Whereupon, it was moved, seconded, and unanimously agreed, that the Synod decide in accordance with the suggestions of said Report.

The Synod Clerk, and the Clerks of the several Presbyteries, then gave a Report of their correspondence with the Colonial Committee, and the several applications for aid to Ministers,

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Missionaries and Churches within their bounds during the past year.

Whereupon it was agreed that the Report be received, and the Synod enjoin that henceforth the whole correspondence, on both sides, be laid before the Synod.

Dr. Donald moved that the Resolution formerly adopted as to the printing of the Minutes be reconsidered. The motion being seconded, Mr. Wilson moved as an amendment that the Synod refuse to re-consider the Resolution.

The question being put, the vote was equal for the motion and Amendment, whereupon the Moderator gave his casting vote for the motion, and the Synod decided accordingly.

Dr. Donald then moved that the Committee be instructed to print the Minutes in the usual pamphlet form. The motion being seconded by Mr. Kidd, was carried by a majority, and the Synod instruct accordingly.

Dr. Brooks, as Convener of the Home Mission Fund Committee, handed in the Treasurer's account, from which it appeared that the balance against the Fund, at this time, ~~was~~ last year, was \$100.91; that Collections had been received on behalf of this Fund, during the present year, amounting only to \$16.00 leaving a balance still due the Treasurer of \$84.91.

It appears to the Committee that the sum of \$12.00 collected by the Congregation of Saint Paul's Church, Fredericton, entered as for the Bursary Fund, ought to have been credited to the Home Mission; and the Treasurer is accordingly requested to transfer the same to the credit of the Home Mission Fund.

The Synod then unanimously made the following appointments:-  
The Hon. John Robertson, Treasurer to the Synod.

Rev. Geo. I. Caie, Convener of the Committee on the Synod Fund.

Rev. Dr. Donald, Convener of the Committee on the Bursary Fund.

Rev. Dr. Henderson, Convener of the Committee on Foreign Missions, and the Juvenile Orphanage Scheme.

The Synod authorize the Conveners of the respective Committees to draw money from the Treasurer, for the purposes of their respective Schemes.

The Synod instruct the Clerk to send an extract of this Minute

to the Treasurer for his information

The Synod appoint Dr. Henderson corresponding Member to the Synod of Canada, at its next meeting, and authorize any other Member to attend the meeting of said Synod; it being understood that any other besides the one appointed, must bear his own expences; and the Clerk is instructed to furnish commissions on application.

It was moved, seconded, and most heartily agreed that the Synod record their thanks to Dr. and Mr. Donald, with other families connected with the Congregation of Saint Andrew's Church, for the kindness and hospitality shown by them to the members of Synod, during the present session.

The Synod then adjourn to meet in the evening. Closed with the Benediction.

At Saint John, and within Saint Andrew's Church there, 7 Oct. evening

At which time, the Synod met, pursuant to adjournment, along with the Congregation, who had been invited to attend.

The Moderator having taken the Chair, called upon the Rev. Dr. Donald to open the meeting with praise and prayer.

The Moderator gave some account of the business that had occupied the attention of the Synod, and the various Schemes in which they were engaged.

The Meeting was then addressed by the Very Rev. Principal Snodgrass, D.D. the Rev. Allan Pollok, and James Croil, Esquire.

Dr. Donald, when they had finished, proposed a vote of thanks to the Deputations from Canada and Nova Scotia, for the attention they had given to the business of the Synod, and the great benefit derived from their judicious counsel in all the matters which they had had under their consideration.

The motion, being seconded by Dr. Brooke, was carried by acclamation, and thanks were given to those gentlemen from the chair.

After praise, Dr. Henderson, as Moderator of Synod said:

The business being now concluded, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Head and Only King of this Church, and in the name of this Synod, I now dissolve the Meeting, and appoint the next annual meeting to be held at Pictou, in Nova Scotia, there to meet with the Synod of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, on the Wednesday after the last Tues-

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 day of June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty eight years, and due notice was given of the same.

The Moderator then pronounced the Apostolic Benediction.

Ⓒ. In consequence of the death of the Rev. Dr. Henderson, Moderator for this year, the Minutes could not be signed.

At Pictou, in the Province of Nova Scotia, and within Saint Andrew's Church there, the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty eight years.

The which day the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of New Brunswick, in connexion with the Church of Scotland, met by appointment.

Dr. Donald having been called to the Chair, constituted the meeting with prayer.

The Synod Roll was then made up and read as follows.

I. Presbytery of Miramichi. Rev. James Murray, Clerk.

Ministers.	Elders.	Charges.
John Wells, A.M.	_____	Saint Andrew's Church, New Richmond.
James Murray,	Alex. Laing,	Saint John's " Dalhousie.
William Wilson,	Charles Murray,	Saint Andrew's " Campbelltown.
Frederick Home,	William Napier,	Saint Luke's " Bathurst.
_____	_____	Saint James's " Newcastle.
_____	George McNeill,	Saint Andrew's " Chatham.
_____	_____	Red Bank & Black River.
_____	_____	Saint Andrew's Ch. Tatamoutac.
_____	_____	Burnt Church. "

II. Presbytery of Saint John. Rev. Wm. Donald, D.D. Clerk.

John M. Brooke D.D.	John M. Beath,	St Paul's Church, Fredericton.
John Ross,	Hugh Morrison,	Greenock " St. Andrews.
Peter Keay A.M. A.S.S.	_____	_____
William Donald D.D.	Dr. Waddell,	St. Andrew's " St. John.
James Kidd. A.M.	John Duff,	St. John's " Richmond.
George S. Caie B.A.	_____	St. Stephen's " St. John.
William Wilkins B.A.	_____	{ St. Andrew's " Woodstock.
William Murray A.M.	Assistant at Fredericton.	{ St. James's " Northampton.