

APPENDIX.

MODERATOR'S REPORT

TO THE

Congregation of St. Andrew's Church.

At a Meeting of Kirk Session, held yesterday, *inter alia*, the following Report and Resolution were submitted:—

“ With reference to the Resolution of the immediately preceding meeting in which the means of obtaining the sense of the Congregation as to the propriety of changing the mode of Public Worship to standing at singing, and kneeling at prayer, was left with the Moderator, Rev. Mr. Lang reported as follows:—

With the view of carrying out the Session's Resolution of the 2nd instant, I addressed a circular, on the 5th instant, to all the Members and Seat-holders, and enclosed a card which they were invited to fill in with the word “agreeable,” or “indifferent,” or “opposed,” according to their feelings in the matter, and to deposit, on Sunday the 9th instant, in closed boxes, placed at the two great doors of the Church. At the close of the Evening Service of that Sunday, I opened the boxes in presence, as witnesses, of those Elders who happened to be on duty in the Vestry, and found that the cards returned showed the following result:—

“ Agreeable ” to both changes of posture	- - - -	190
“ to standing at singing only	- - - -	3
“ Indifferent,”	- - - -	21
“ Opposed,”	- - - -	71

In all - - - - 285

In consequence, however, of the defective postal arrangements in the city, I deemed it only fair, in order to give full opportunity for the expression of Congregational opinion, to intimate on Sunday forenoon from the pulpit, that I would receive cards up till Wednesday from those who had not yet got their circulars. In this way, there fall to be added to the numbers result to stand thus:—

“ Agreeable ” to both changes of posture,	- - - -	218
“ to standing at singing only	- - - -	4
“ Indifferent,”	- - - -	22
“ Opposed,”	- - - -	86

In all - - - - 330

The minority being so comparatively small, it seemed to me desirable, before reporting to