

at the foot of the Throne, and that Her Majesty was much gratified at the assurances of loyalty and attachment to her person, as well as at the congratulations on Her Majesty's providential escape on the occasion of the recent attempt on her life, contained in the Address.

REPORT OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE.

The Committee to prepare business for the First Sederunt of the Assembly handed in a report, which was read by Dr. John Laing, the Clerk of the said Committee. The report was received, its several clauses were considered *seriatim*, and, in accordance with its recommendations, the following appointments were made, namely :—

I. That the hours of meeting be from ten o'clock in the morning till half-past twelve ; from half-past two in the afternoon till half-past five, and from half-past seven in the evening till ten o'clock ; but that to-morrow morning, Thursday, the Assembly meet at eleven o'clock, and that the first hour be occupied with devotional exercises.

II. That the Committee on Bills and Overtures consist of the official members of Assembly as provided in Standing Order Number Two, together with Messrs. D. McMillan, D. McDougall, A. McL. Sinclair, A. Burrows, A. J. Mowatt, J. C. Herdman, K. McLennan, Dr. Mathews, R. Campbell (Montreal), Dr. Moore, A. McGillivray, A. Leslie, E. Cockburn, D. J. Macdonnell, J. K. Smith, J. Johnston, J. Gray (Windsor), J. B. Duncan, P. Wright, A. D. McDonald, J. L. Murray, Dr. Moffat, C. B. Pitblado, ministers ; A. Campbell, D. Corbett, Dr. McGregor, Hon. A. Vidal, D. Morrice, A. McTavish, G. Robertson, J. Henderson, J. C. Gilchrist, Hon. A. Morris, P. Christie, Charles Davidson, R. McQueen, Thomas Gordon, F. B. Stewart, D. McKenzie, A. McCully, James Muir, elders.

III. That the Committee on Commissions shall consist of Messrs. John Smith (Convener), W. McWilliam, J. McCaul, ministers ; J. W. Robson, G. D. McVicar, elders.

IV. That the Committees to Examine Records be as follows :—

1. General Assembly Record—Dr. Wardrope, Dr. McNish, and G. F. Burns, elder.
2. Record of the Synod of the Maritime Provinces—Messrs. A. Young, A. Stevenson, and R. Lawrie, elder.
3. Record of the Synod of Montreal and Ottawa—Messrs. A. Burrows, Allan Bell, and A. D. Fordyce, elder.
4. Record of the Synod of Toronto and Kingston—Messrs. R. Campbell (Renfrew), J. Rennie and W. D. McLaren, elder.
5. Record of the Synod of Hamilton and London—Dr. Moore, Messrs. W. M. Roger, and D. Saunders, elder.
6. Record of the Presbytery of Manitoba—Prof. Forrest, Messrs. G. M. Milligan, and J. Harcourt, elder.

And that the first named on each Committee be the Convener.

V. That the Committee on the Reception of Ministers and Probationers consist of Dr. McKnight (Convener), Dr. Scott, James Cameron, Dr. McNish, Dr. McVicar, Messrs. D. J. Macdonnell, R. N. Grant, J. B. Duncan, D. M. Gordon, F. McCuaig, K. McLennan, ministers ; and G. W. Ross, J. Charlton, W. B. McMurrich, L. Armour, Hon. D. McCurdy, P. Marshall, elders.

Ordered—That the Committee on Bills and Overtures meet in the Bible-class Room of this church to-morrow morning at nine o'clock, and thereafter on their own adjournments.

The Assembly then adjourned, to meet to-morrow morning at eleven o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.