

## COMMISSIONS—REPORT ON.

The Recording Clerk here read a Report stating that no Com-  
missions had been received from the Presbytery of Manitoba, and  
that the Roll was, therefore, so far incomplete; and also that in  
one Presbytery alternates had been appointed to two of the  
Commissioners first designated, and that, in one instance, by in-  
struction of the Clerk of said Presbytery, the name of an alternate  
had been substituted for that of the principal.

On motion, it was agreed that the Report on the Roll be  
received, and that all matters relating to Commissions to this  
Assembly be referred to a Committee, to be hereafter appointed.

## MODERATOR ELECTED.

The Assembly proceeded to the election of a Moderator. The  
list of nominations to the office by the Presbyteries was read, in-  
cluding the names of Mr. Thomas MacPherson, of Stratford, Mr.  
John Scott, of London, Professor Young, Professor Caven, of Bond  
Head. Professor Smellie, of Fergus, and Mr. William Fraser, of Bond  
Head. Professor Caven and Mr. Fraser asked and obtained leave  
to have their names withdrawn. Professor Young and Mr. Smellie  
were not present, and were not retained in nomination. Mr.  
John Scott and Mr. Thomas MacPherson alone remaining on the  
list, a vote was taken, when Mr. Scott was elected by a majority;  
and the yeas and nays being taken, the election of Mr. Scott was  
made unanimous.

Mr. Scott then took the Chair and briefly addressed the  
Assembly.

## DR. WILLIS TO CORRESPOND.

On motion of Dr. Waters, Dr. Willis, the retiring Moderator,  
was invited to take a seat in the Assembly as a corresponding  
member.

## THANKS TO DR. WILLIS.

On motion of Mr. John Thompson, duly seconded, it was  
agreed that the thanks of this Assembly be given to the Rev. Dr.  
Willis, the retiring Moderator, for the diligence and ability with  
which he presided at last meeting of Assembly, and his great  
kindness and love evinced in coming from Britain to meet the  
Assembly on this occasion, and also for the excellent and suitable  
discourse by him now delivered.

## SUMMARY OF CHANGES.

There was submitted a summary statement of the changes  
affecting the rolls of the District Synods, and of the several  
Presbyteries, as also the list of Probationers, which had occurred  
since the meeting of the General Assembly last year. On motion,  
the said statement was taken as read, and was ordered to be  
engrossed in the minutes, and is as follows:—

## DEATH OF MINISTERS.

The following ministers were removed by death, namely:—  
Thomas Christie, of West Flamborough, in the Presbytery of T. Christie.  
Hamilton, on the 8th of September, last year.