

Presbytery of Hamilton acted irregularly (1) in taking action on the memorial of Mr. Henderson complaining of the action of St. Paul's session affecting himself, without recognizing the right to said session to be heard at the bar of Presbytery in reference to the action complained of; and (2) in setting aside the action of the session, by giving Mr. Henderson a certificate of full standing from date, while professing not to interfere with the session's action. The Synod accordingly remits the case to the Presbytery, with instructions to cancel the certificate given by the Presbytery, and refer the memorialist to the session of St. Paul's, directing said session to hear and consider the professions of penitence made by him before the Presbytery and also before the Synod, that the session may decide whether the evidence of penitence is satisfactory, and if so, give him a certificate accordingly."

At a meeting, held the 15th May, 1891, the Presbytery, after considering the judgment of the Synod, passed the following motion by a vote of 14 to 6: "That inasmuch as the Presbytery finds difficulty in carrying out the decision of the Synod into effect, the matter be referred to next Synod for advice."

Dr. Laing stated the reference.

The reference was sustained.

Pending the further discussion of the reference, the hour of adjournment arrived, and the Synod adjourned to meet again at 7.30 p.m., the Moderator pronouncing the benediction.

FOURTH SEDERUNT.

At Stratford, and within Knox Church there, the nineteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety two, 7.30 p.m.

The Synod met pursuant to adjournment, and was duly constituted by the Moderator, Mr. John Kay leading the Synod in prayer.

The minutes of last sederunt were read and sustained.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Reports of Standing Committee were called for, and presented as