Ordered—That the Committee of Bills and Overtures meet in the Lecture-room of this Church, up-stairs, to-morrow morning at nine o'clock, and thereafter on their own adjournments.

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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.

SECOND SEDERUNT.

At the City of Toronto, and within St. James' Square Church there, Thursawy, the fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four years, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon:—

The General Assembly met, pursuant to adjournment last night, and engaged in special devotional exercises, prayer being offered in succession by Messrs. E. D. Millar, J. K. Smith, Dr. Jardine, E. A. MacCurdy, and H. M. Parsons, with the singing of Psalms and the reading of the Scriptures. The Moderator then constituted the Assembly with prayer.

The Minutes of the First Sederunt were read and sustained.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BILLS AND OVERTURES.

Mr. Torrance read the first Report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures, stating various matters of business to come before the Assembly, and recommending the order in which they should be taken up. The Committee called the attention of the General Assembly to the circumstance that in some of the cases of application for reception of Ministers referred to in the report, the circulars to Presbyteries were issued too late to be of service, and in others there was no evidence that circulars were issued at all.

The Report of the Committee on Bills was adopted.

MEETING IN KNOX CHURCH.

On motion of Mr. H. M. Parsons, seconded by Mr. John Thompson, it was agreed that when the Assembly adjourns to-morrow afternoon it shall meet in the evening at Known whereh.

DELEGATES TO THE COUNCIL OF THE PRESBYTERIAN ALLIANCE.

Fig. Neid from the Committee appointed to fill up the places of delegates appointed to attend the Presbyterian Council at Belfast, who were unable to be present, submitted a Report stating:—

1st. That of the eight ministers appointed to the Council last year, all were prepared to undertake the duty except Dr. MacLaren and Dr. Reid.

2nd. That Dr. Mathews was appointed to fill the place of Dr. MacLaren, and Rev. A. B. Mackay that of Dr. Reid.

3rd. That of the elders on both the first and second lists only two intimated their purpose of going to Belfast, namely:—Mr. Croil and the Hon. D. Laird. That two elders who were proceeding to Britain expressed their willingness to attend the Council, viz.:—Mr. T. Kirkland and Dr. W. B. Geikie. Other two elders also are in Britain who, it is understood, would accept an appointment,—Mr. Robert Kilgour and Mr. Wm. Kerr. It

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