

Minutes of the Synod of the

Elders from London.

Mr. Skinner gave the names of two elders, as being deputed to be members of this Synod, by the two congregations under his pastoral charge. Upon this a question arose as to the constitutionality of a single pastoral charge, though consisting of two congregations, being represented in Synod by two ruling elders together with the pastor.

It was moved by Mr. Jennings, and seconded by Mr. Thornton,

Mr. Jennings' Motion.

That the subject of two or more congregations under the charge of one minister, sending each one Elder to Presbytery or Synod, be considered by Committee, as regards the law of this Church and the use and wont of the Church, and that the Rev. Dr. Ferrier and the Rev. Thomas Christie, be such Committee; to report at 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

It was moved in amendment by the Rev. Mr. Drummond, and seconded by Mr. Kennedy,

Mr. Drummond's Amendment.

That the names of the Ruling Elders given in by Clerks of Presbyteries, be received and entered on the Roll, and leave the question of the competency of two or more congregations, under one pastor, sending each an elder, to be taken up in the regular way.

Amendment carried.

The amendment, being first put, was carried.

Messrs. Hogg and Kennedy were appointed to conduct the devotional exercises of the Synod, to-morrow morning.

Adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

Closed with the benediction.

II. SEDERUNT.

TORONTO, THURSDAY,
June 17, 1852, 9 o'clock, A.M.

The Synod of the United Presbyterian Church in Canada, met, and was constituted by Dr. Taylor, Moderator.

The Roll was completed, and then called and marked.

Report of London Presbytery.

The Presbytery of London reported that on the 1st of October last, the Rev. Charles Fletcher had demitted the charge of the congregation of Goderich, and that his name had been taken from the Roll of Presbytery—it was therefore taken from the Roll of Synod.

Minutes of Special Meetings read

Read the minutes of the Special Meeting of Synod held in this place, on Wednesday, the 30th of July, 1851; and also the minutes of the Special Meeting, held in the city of Hamilton, on Wednesday, the 7th of April last; all of which minutes were sustained.

Letter to Board of Missions.

Read the letter of the Clerk of Synod to the Secretary of the Board of Missions in Scotland, accompanying the minutes of the special meeting in April.