

The Synod met pursuant to adjournment, and was duly constituted. Rev John Thompson, Moderator.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and sustained.

COMMITTEE ON ELDERS' COMMISSIONS.

Mr. Cuthbertson, on behalf of the Committee on Elders' Commissions, reported that they had received commissions in favor of Mr. Donald McMillan, of Duff's Church, Dunwich, and Mr. T. M. England, of Port Dover. The report was received, and the names of said elders added to the roll.

MR. HENDERSON'S PROTEST AND APPEAL.

The Synod resumed consideration of the protest and appeal of Mr. Henderson, against the Presbytery of London.

Mr. Weir and Mr. McKenzie were heard on behalf of the Hyde Park congregation, and Mr. Dewar on behalf of Komoka, and Messrs. J. B. Duncan and H. Currie on behalf of the Presbytery.

Mr. Henderson having been heard in reply, and questions put and answered, parties were removed from the bar, and the Synod proceeded to issue the case.

It was moved by Mr. Fotheringham, seconded by Mr. James Gordon: That the union of Komoka with Hyde Park, and the placing of Komoka under Mr. Henderson's pastoral charge was sanctioned by the Presbytery on the conditions that Hyde Park should contribute \$400 stipend a year, Komoka \$200, and the Home Mission Committee \$200; that when the last of these conditions failed, it became necessary to decide upon new conditions or make new arrangements, and that Mr. Henderson was entitled to insist upon this or tender his resignation, and for these reasons sustain the protest and appeal. At the same time, Synod approves of the aim of the Presbytery of London, to unite contiguous supplemented stations, and to bring the arrangements at Hyde Park and Komoka into conformity with the rules of the church as to supplements; and, finally, remit the case to the Presbytery of London, to take action in the light of this decision:

It was moved in amendment by Mr. Laing, seconded by Mr. Goldsmith: Sustain the appeal only in so far as there is complaint against the Presbytery for not allowing Mr. Henderson's resignation to take effect, and instruct the Presbytery to give further consideration to this subject.

It was moved in further amendment by Mr. Laidlaw, seconded by Mr. A. McLean: Dismiss the appeal, express sympathy with the pastor and people of Hyde Park and Komoka, in view of their misunderstanding as to the position of the minister of a supplemented charge, and instruct the Presbytery of London to reconsider the case, using due diligence to satisfy the pastor and congregations of Hyde Park and Komoka, as to the wisdom and expediency of the course pursued in not accepting Mr. Henderson's resignation.

The vote being taken, the second amendment of Mr. Laidlaw was put against the amendment of Mr. Laing, when the latter was carried by a majority. Mr. Laing's amendment was then put against the main motion of Mr. Fotheringham, when the latter was carried by a majority, and thus became the judgment of the court.

Parties were then recalled, and the judgment of the Synod intimated to them, in which they all acquiesced.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

The Rev. Wm. Inglis, of the "Canada Presbyterian," and the Rev. W. Donald, of Pictou, Nova Scotia, being present in court, were, on motion duly