

MINUTES OF THE SYNOD

OF THE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OF THE

Lower Provinces of British North America.

Held at St. John, N. B., July 1866.

FIRST SEDERUNT.

*St. David's Church, St. John, N. B.,
July 2, 1866 years, and at 7 o'clock, P. M.*

At which time and place, the two synods of the Presbyterian Church Union meeting. .
at the Lower Provinces and of New Brunswick met in their constituted
capacity, their respective moderators occupying chairs placed side by
side on a common platform, and in the presence of a large congregation.

Rev. Dr. Bayne the moderator of the Presbyterian Synod of the Praise.
Lower Provinces, then read the 100th Psalm which was sung by the
choir and the whole assembly.

The last minute of the Synod of the Lower Provinces, was then read Last minutes.
by Rev. P. G. McGregor, the clerk of that body, as already recorded.

The last minute of the Synod of New Brunswick was then read by
their clerk, Rev. James Bennet, as already recorded.

The rolls of the two Synods were then called in succession and the Rolls called.
names of members present marked p.

The basis of union, engrossed on a large Parchment roll, was then Basis read.
read by Rev. James Bennet, Clerk of the Synod of New Brunswick,
all the members of both synods standing.

The moderators, Dr. Bayne and Rev. Mr. Gray then subscribed the Subscribed.
basis when the rolls were again called, and all the members of both
synods present expressed their assent audibly when their names were
called.

The moderators in succession then declared the union consummated, Union consum-
and the Synod with which they had been connected now merged in ONE, mated.
to be known by the designation of the Presbyterian Church of the
Lower Provinces of British North America.

The moderators then joined hands, in which action they were followed
by the ministers and ruling elders generally, in joyful congratulations,
the choir meanwhile singing the 133rd Psalm; members of Synod
and the people generally, while joining in this appropriate psalm, realiz-
ing eminently the joys of christian and fraternal fellowship.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Bayne, seconded by Rev. Wm. Gray, Rev. New Modera-
Jas. Bennet of St. John's Church, St. John, was chosen moderator and tor.
took the chair accordingly, constituting the united Synod by prayer.