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MINUTES OF SYNOD, MONTREAL, TUESDAY, JULY 18, 1848. 17

On the call of the Moderator, the Rev. Isaac Purkis conducted the devotional exercises of the Synod in praise, reading the Scriptures, and prayer.

Sederunt.—The Minutes were read and sustained.

The Synod had transmitted to them, by their Committee of Bills and Overtures, an Overture from Dr. Mathieson, on the subject of a Corporation for holding Church Property. The said Overture, embodying a Scheme for the consideration of the Synod, was received and read. After lengthened discussion, it was moved by Mr. George, and agreed to, That the Synod refer the whole matter to the following Committee, viz.:—Dr. Mathieson, Mr. Roach, Mr. Andrew Bell, Mr. Muir, and Mr. Smith; with instructions to prepare the Scheme as fully as they possibly can in all its details, and report to the Synod during their present session; that the Report be printed, and a copy sent to each Minister; that the several Presbyteries be called on to consider the whole scheme fully, and send in their Reports to the first Meeting of Commission; and that in case there be a substantial agreement in the Reports of Presbyteries, as to the leading elements of the Scheme, then the Commission shall be empowered and enjoined, as they hereby are empowered and enjoined, to take steps, in connection with the Managers of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund, to have a Bill passed through Parliament embracing said Scheme.

The Synod then adjourned until Ten o'clock, to-morrow morning, and was closed with prayer.

DIET VI.

*At Montreal, and within St. Andrew's Church there :—
Tuesday, the Eighteenth Day of July, One Thousand
Eight Hundred and Forty-eight Years :—*

The which day, the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, in connection with the Church of Scotland, met, according to adjournment, and was constituted with prayer.

On the call of the Moderator, the Rev. Alexander Mann conducted the devotional exercises of the Synod in praise, reading the Scriptures and prayer.

Sederunt.—The Minutes were read and sustained.

The Synod called for the Report of the Committee appointed to draft an Act, anent the course of Study to be pursued at Queen's College, by