

must be brought before the presbytery, to which direct access is in that case competent, previous notice of the intention to complain being always given to the session.

14. One session has no right to interfere with, or review the proceedings of another; but it may transmit to it a remonstrance or other communication, or it may complain of any of its proceedings to the presbytery of the bounds, always transmitting to the session complained of a copy of the complaint in due time before the meeting of presbytery, that it may appoint commissioners to appear on its behalf to answer the same.

ADMISSION OF 15. Persons applying for admission into
MEMBERS. the fellowship of the church, converse with the minister, and, if circumstances permit, the elder of the district in which they reside. It is the special duty of the former to ascertain the extent of their knowledge of Divine truth, and of the latter to make such inquiries as may be necessary in regard to their moral character and Christian deportment. The minister and elder severally report to the session; and on its being agreed to admit the applicants, they signify, either to the minister or the session, their readiness to submit themselves to the session, as set over them in the Lord, and faithfully to discharge all the duties of a Christian.

DISJUNCTIONS. 16. Certificates of disjunction from the congregation ought regularly to be granted by the session; but in the intervals of session the moderator has authority to grant them to ordinary members. Individual elders have no power to grant disjunctions.

ROLL. 17. Sessions keep a roll of the members of the congregation, which is accessible at all its regular meetings, and is altered from time to time as circumstances require. The roll is, at least, annually revised, and it is specially revised when the congregation has it in view to apply for a moderation in a call. The session also exercises a faithful superintendence over the members of the church who have not yet been received into full communion, taking care that, when they leave the bounds, they be transferred to the superintendence of the session of the congregation into whose bounds they pass.