

Mr. Gale and Mr. Gordon laid on the table, a draft of amendment of the act of Synod of the 9th June, 1845, respecting the admission of ministers and preachers of other churches; the draft was read, amended, and adopted, and the whole act runs as follows:—

**Amended act
for admission
of Ministers.**

The ministers and licentiates of churches strictly and intimately in connection with this church, and who shall have come in the way of orderly translation, or who shall have been expressly designated or commissioned as ministers or as missionaries, by such churches to this church, shall on application to any Presbytery and on producing the proper documentary evidence, be at once received and admitted as ministers or probationers of this church. And that in respect of all others making application to any Presbytery for admission into the church, and producing at the time of such application satisfactory testimonials of their good and regular standing in the churches with which they have previously been connected, they shall be dealt with as the Presbytery may see fit, in the way of private conference, examination, and hearing them preach, with a view of fully ascertaining their personal piety, soundness in the faith, their ministerial gifts and efficiency, and their prudence and propriety of deportment; and when the Presbytery shall deem it to be necessary for greater satisfaction in regard to any or all of these points, they shall communicate with parties who may be able to communicate the information required as to the applicants; And that when the Presbytery shall have been fully satisfied, and are agreed to record their satisfaction;—they shall cause circular letters containing duly certified copies of such deliverance, with reference to the specific grounds of it, to be transmitted to the Synod Clerk, as also to the several Presbyteries; that the Presbyteries shall record a deliverance thereon at their first ordinary meeting, if within three months of the date of the circular letter, and if not, at a special meeting to be called within that time, and transmit a copy of such deliverance without delay to the Synod Clerk who shall lay these documents before the commission of Synod at the first stated meeting thereof; and in the event of the deliverance of Presbyteries being favourable, the commission shall hear the applicant preach, and if they deem it necessary, examine him, and if satisfied in the whole premises, shall record a deliverance to that effect, and remit accordingly to the Presbytery within whose bounds the applicant resides, to receive him as a minister or probationer, according as the case may be, of this Church: But in the event of any appeal being taken against the favourable deliverance of the Presbytery to

whom the application being offered by shall be referred

The Synod calling on the Synod's deacons' office in the same, for the extract from the same, an extract from the Church, Hamilton. Several members explanation of the subject, who mously agreed to and Deacons to nance of their res tion of their be peculiar duties of calls and a code draft a series of Deacons, and rep

The Synod agreed

At half-past 1,

The Synod met of the former Session

The Synod took respecting certain spirituality of the

The Synod heard report from Mr. S of calls and cons sustained the ov appointed Mr. S Mr. Cheyne, Min Elders; a comm order, discipline, a