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22. Presbyteries are required to send up to the Annual Meeting of Synod a condensed report of their principal proceedings, including the licensing of probationers, the ordination and induction of ministers, the removal of ministers by death or otherwise, the organization of new congregations, the formation of new mission stations, the employment of missionaries, their principal missionary operations, and any other facts important as historical data.

SYNOD.

I.—GENERAL PROVISIONS.

1. The Synod is composed of the members of all the Presbyteries within its bounds.

2. The Synod is constituted by the Moderator of the preceding Session, or, in his absence, by some other member; preference being given to one who has formerly been Moderator.

3. The Roll of the Synod consists of the attested Rolls of the several Presbyteries. The Rolls of the Presbyteries are, in making up the Synod Roll, placed in the order of seniority in the formation of the Presbyteries.

4. The Moderator, with the advice of the College of former Moderators, nominates a member of the Synod, (who must be a minister) as his successor, and the election then takes place by a motion which is disposed of by the Court in the ordinary way.

5. The Synod receives and disposes of business coming up from Presbyteries in the way of Overture, Reference, Complaint, and Appeal; reviews the conduct of these Courts, affirming, reversing, or varying their sentences, when necessary; grants leave to Presbyteries to take Students on trial for license; revises their Records; and exercises a general inspection and control over them.

6. To constitute a quorum of the Synod there must be present not fewer than fifteen members, of whom at least eight must be ministers.

II.—THE SYNOD AS THE SUPREME COURT.

1. The Synod appoints annually a Committee on Business which meets previously to the following session, and arranges the various items of business coming before the Court, so as to facilitate the orderly conducting of such business.

2. The Synod at its first Diet appoints a Committee on Bills and Overtures, and a Committee on References, Complaints, and Appeals, and all bills, overtures, petitions, memorials, references, complaints, appeals or other documents, addressed to the Synod, must be examined by these Committees, and they are not noticed in the Synod unless transmitted by the proper Committee, except the cases mentioned in Section 5.—The Synod also appoints such other Committees as may be required for forwarding the business.

3. When causes come up for trial, the Synod appoints a Judicial Committee whose duty it is to digest and arrange all the papers, and to prescribe, under the direction of the Court, the whole order of the proceedings thereanent.

4. The Reports of Committees are presented in written form.