

EXTRACTS FROM THE MINUTES

OF THE

Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada,

IN CONNEXION WITH THE ESTABLISHED CHURCH OF SCOTLAND,

At its Third Session, Held at York,

First Session,—
York, 1st August, 1833.

Commencing on the 1st, and ending on the 8th day of August, 1833.

After Sermon by the Moderator, from Isaiah, xxi—11, 12, the Synod met and Constituted. Sederunt, When the Roll being called, Sederunt, of the Presbytery of Bathurst, Messrs. John Machar, John Cruickshank, Thomas Clarke Wilson, James Ketchan, and Matthew Miller, ministers, and Mr. John Strange, Elder; of the Presbytery of York, Messrs. William Rintoul, Alexander Ross, Robert M'Gill, George Cheyne, James Smith, and William Stewart, ministers, and Mr. Duncan Kennedy, Elder; of the Presbytery of Glengary, Messrs. Hugh Urquhart, and Archibald Connel, ministers; of the Presbytery of Quebec, Messrs. Henry Esson, Alexander Matheson, Alexander Gale, Archibald Colquhoun, and David Brown, ministers. The Rev. John Machar, was chosen moderator, when the Synod adjourned till to-morrow, at ten o'clock. Closed with prayer. Moderator chosen,

York, 2nd day of August, 1833.—This day the Synod met, pursuant to adjournment, and constituted. Mr. John Strange, Elder, from the Kirk Session of Kingston, was added to the Sederunt of yesterday. A letter to the Moderator, from the Rev. Dr. Harkness, excusing his absence on account of ill health was read. The minutes of last Session were read. Mr. Matheson called for the production of the reasons of dissent given in by Mr. John Mackenzie, and those who adhered to him, against the resolution passed at last meeting of Synod, on the subject of a Union with the United Synod of Upper Canada; when the Clerk having declared they were given in in due time they were read, and ordered to be kept in *retentis*. Second Session—

The Synod then appointed a Committee of Bills and Overtures, viz:—The moderator and clerk, Messrs. Rintoul, Matheson, Cruickshank, Ross, Esson, Connel, Smith, Stuart, Wilson, Cheyne and Gale, ministers, and Messrs. John Strange and Duncan Kennedy, Elders, with instructions to meet immediately after the adjournment of the Synod, and to report to-morrow at ten o'clock. Committee of Bills and Overtures,

The Synod called for Presbytery Books, which being laid upon the table, the following committees were appointed to examine them, viz:—the Records of the Presbytery of Bathurst, by Messrs. Archibald Colquhoun, James Smith, and Hugh Urquhart, ministers, and Mr. Duncan Kennedy, Elder—the Records of the Presbytery of York, by Messrs. Alexander Matheson, Thomas C. Wilson, and Alexander Gale, ministers, and Mr. John Strange, Elder—the Records of the Presbytery of Glengary, by Messrs. George Cheyne, William Rintoul, and William Stewart, ministers—and the Records of the Presbytery of Quebec, by Messrs. James Ketchan, Matthew Miller and Archibald Connel, ministers. The first named on these committees, to be conveners of each respectively, and the whole to report on Monday morning at ten o'clock. Committee appointed for Examination of Records,

The Moderator of the Presbytery of Quebec stated that the disputes in St. Gabriel-street Church, Montreal, had been settled according to the injunctions of last Synod.

The moderator of the Presbytery of Bathurst, received permission for that Presbytery to meet any time during the present session of the Synod for special business.

The Synod then adjourned till to-morrow at ten o'clock.—Closed with prayer.

At York, Saturday, the 3rd day of August, 1833.—The Synod met and Constituted. Mr. William Duff Miller, from the Kirk Session, of Niagara, was added to the Sederunt of yesterday. The minutes were then read, when Mr. Matheson having complained that Dr. Harkness's adherence to the reasons of dissent given in by Mr. Mackenzie, as intimated in his letter to the moderator, had not been entered upon the record, moved that the adherence of Dr. Harkness, ex- Third Session,—