

Minutes of Presbytery of London.

St. Thomas, July 10th 1900. *At St. Thomas, and within Knox Church there, Tuesday, the 10th day of July, 1900, and at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon, which time and place the Presbytery of London met and was constituted with Divine worship, Dr. Johnston leading in prayer.*

Sederunt Messrs. R. Stewart, Moderator; S. G. Stuart, J. H. Courtenay, W. J. Clark, A. J. McGillivray, Thos. Wilson, Jas. Wilson, Alex. Wilson, J. Lindsay, D. Kelso, H. W. Reede, W. Moffat, R. McIntyre, S. Lawrence, D. R. Drummond, Alex. Henderson, J. Currie, W. A. Wyllie, J. Little, R. W. Leitch, Wm. Gauld, Drs. Sutherland and Johnston, Ministers; Messrs. Ed. Waugh, A. McLarty, I. Rathburn, Alex. McAlpine, D. Crossin, J. Lochore, J. Robb, (Wallacetown), and W. H. Sutherland, Elders.

Minutes sustained. The minutes of special meeting held May 1st, of regular meeting held May 8th, and adjourned to May 29th, also of the Commission of Presbytery convened May 22nd, being in the hands of the members in printed form, were on motion held as read. The minutes of the the Presbytery meetings were also sustained.

Mr. Henderson appointed Clerk pro tem. Mr. A. Henderson was on motion appointed interim Clerk.

Docket A docket of business was submitted and adopted.

Call to Mr. McIntosh declined. Dr. Johnston reported that the call from Thamesford to Mr. A. W. McIntosh had been declined. Dr. Johnston was empowered to moderate in a call at Thamesford before next regular meeting of Presbytery should they be prepared to proceed.

Call to Dr. Johnston The Clerk laid on the table a call from the Presbytery of Toronto asking for the translation of Dr. Johnston to Knox Church in that Presbytery. The call was signed by 389 members and 106 adherents, and was accompanied by a guarantee of stipend of \$3,250 with six weeks' holidays. Dr. Johnston stated that after careful consideration he had been enabled to come to a decision prior to the meeting of Presbytery, and that his duty appeared clear to him to decline the call; also that he had intimated his mind at once to the Moderator and office bearers of Knox Church and to the Clerk of the Presbytery. The session and congregation of St. Andrew's Church had been duly cited, and were represented at the Presbytery by Mr. Fraser.

Deferred. It was agreed to postpone further consideration of the call till the afternoon so as to allow time for Commissioners to arrive from Toronto.