

The Committee of Bills and Overtures reported :

1st. A request by the Treasurer of the United Synod's ^{Their Report.} Grant, that a Committee be appointed to audit his accounts.

2d. A protest and appeal by Mrs. Clarke against a decision of the Presbytery of West Flamboro'.

3d. A reference from the Session of Whitby for advice in a case of discipline.

4th. Overture by the Presbytery of London, containing a draft of rules for the conducting of the business of Synod.

5th. Draft of a system of management for the congregations under the inspection of the Missionary Synod.

6th. Extracts from the Minutes of the Presbytery of Canada East.

7th. Applications for aid from the fund by the Rev. Messrs. Kennedy, Lowden, and Murray.

The Committee recommend that these be taken up in the order of their number.

The report and recommendations of the Committee were adopted.

Appointed the Rev. Messrs. Barrie and Torrance a committee to audit the Treasurer's accounts.

Messrs. Barrie and Torrance a Committee to audit Treasurers Books.

Took up Mrs. Clarke's protest and appeal. It was moved by Mr. Jennings, and seconded by Mr. Fraser,—That the Presbytery of Flamboro' be enjoined to meet and appoint Commissioners to defend their decision appealed from by Mrs. Clarke. It was moved by Mr. Murray, and seconded by Mr. Coult, as an amendment, That as the Presbytery of Flamboro' is one of the parties at the bar of the Synod, and as they have declined to appoint commissioners to defend their decision, that said Presbytery be considered as conducting their own case.—The Roll having been called and votes marked, the second motion was preferred by 18 to 3.

Mrs. Clarke's case.

Read the following papers connected with this case, transmitted by the Presbytery of Flamboro'.

1st. Extracts from the minutes of the Session of the Congregation of Ayr, declaring said Esther Clarke no longer a member of said congregation: dated 22nd March, 1847.

2nd. Extracts from the minutes of said Session, dated the 6th April last, in reference to a paper signed by Esther Clarke.