- of business were fixed from 10 a.m. to 1 p. m., from 3 p. m. to 6 p. m., and from half-past 7 p. m., to 10 p. m. This closed the first Sederunt of the Assembly.

## SECOND DAY.

The first hour of the second Sederunt was occupied with devotional exercises, as were the opening hours of each subsequent day's proceedings. The Assembly then proceeded to consider certain

SPECIAL CASES NOT NOTED IN THE SUMMARY OF CHANGES.

In connection with these, it appears? I that to the names of the five ministers already mentioned in the Summary as having been received from other Churches to the Canada Presbyterian Church during the past year, should be added those of Mr. George Haigh, minister of the Primitive Methodist Church; Mr. John B. Watt, an ordained missionary of the Presbyterian Church in the Lower Provinces; Messrs. W. D. Ballantyne and J. B. Duncan, of the Presbyterian Church in the United States; Mr. R. M. Thornton, licentiate of the United Presbyterian Church, and Mr. James Stewart. The discussion of these cases occupied the attention of the Assembly during the whole of the morning Sederunt. The afternoon Sederunt commenced business with

REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEES ON CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMISSIONS.

The first of these Committees recommended that, inasmuch as the General Assembly is a representative body, as a general rule no one should be invited to sit with the Assembly as a corresponding member, and that in the case of ministers regularly commissioned by other Churches to this Assembly, their names be added to the roll as delegates from other Churches; and that the delegate from the United Presbyterian Church being heard in the evening, the Moderator should reply in the name of the Assembly. The Committee on Commissions reported that the principle of appointing alternates to Commissioners by Presbyteries was not recognized in the Act constituting the Assembly, and recommended a motion to the Court, which was amended as follows:—"That inasmuch as this matter (of alternates) has never hither to been formally discussed, and as a difference of opinion in reference to it has prevailed in several Presbyteries, the Assembly decide that the question of the appointment of alternates be sent down to Presbyteries for their consideration, and that in the meanwhile those gentlemen occupying seats as alternates be recognized as members of the Assembly.

APPLICATIONS FOR THE RECEPTION OF MINISTERS OF OTHER CHURCHES from the Presbyteries of Chatham, Guelph and Toronto, were received on behalf of Mr. Donald Gordon McKay, a licentiate of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, Mr. D. McNaughton, a minister of the Presbyterian Church of North America, Mr. John Marples, formerly of the Congregational Church, but of late in connection with the Free Church of Scotland, and Mr. G. F. Stevens, licentiate of the Free Church of Scotland.

APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE TO TAKE STUDENTS ON TRIAL FOR LICENSE were also made by the Presbyteries of London, Paris, Owen Sound, Simcoe, Toronto, Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal, and Huron in favour of Messrs. Peter Scott, George Bryce, M. A., R. Fairbairn, A. McRae, Thos. McKee, George Bruce, M. A., J. Cameron, John Gallagher, A. McLean, J. Abraham, — Hoskin, and W. Ferguson.

## DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO COMMITTEES.

A letter from the Rev. F. H. Marling, Secretary of the Congregational Union, in regard to the appointment of a day of Thanksgiving was referred to a Special Committee; a letter from the Rev. W. Clarke, delegate of the Congre-