

to admit of their being bound in volumes; and for the sake of securing fully the ends of justice, parties are recommended, who have causes or questions which they deem it important to bring before the Synod for consideration and disposal, to print copies of the same in sufficient numbers for the use of members, and in a shape suitable for binding along with the printed minutes of Synod.

IV. In the appointment of Committees, unless otherwise specially provided, the person first named shall be the Convener thereof, whose duty it shall be to call the Committee together at the proper time: and in the case of his absence or inability to act, the second named member shall take his place and perform his duties.

V. The Legislative Enactments of the Supreme Court are regularly transmitted to the several Presbyteries, and are in force for only one year, if the dissent of a majority of Presbyteries be intimated to the meeting of the Supreme Court next after that, at which such enactments have respectively been made.

VI. Regulations anent Records of Church Courts.

1. The pages are to be numbered in words at length.

2. Every page is to be signed by the Clerk, and the Records of each Session by the Moderator and Clerk. In case of the death or removal of the Moderator or Clerk, the Record shall afterwards be signed by the then acting Moderator or Clerk, in the presence of the Court, *cum nota* of the cause.

3. The time and place of meeting are to be minutely stated in words at length.

4. The place and date of each meeting are to be shortly indicated on the margin at the top of each page.

5. Every page is to have a suitable margin, on which notes shall be written, distinctly indicating the various items of business.

6. All Church Courts shall take special care that their Records are correctly written; if anything has to be erased as superfluous, it shall be marked on the margin how many words or lines are erased and that it was done by competent authority; and the marginal note shall be signed by the name or initials of the Moderator or Clerk; and if anything be omitted, it shall be written on the margin and signed by the Clerk.

Here take in III. process for calling and settling Ministers, June 10, 1867. Minutes, p. 29.

IV. Act anent Students and Candidates for the Holy Ministry, June 8, 1868. Minutes, p. 37.

V. ACT ANENT RECEPTION OF MINISTERS.

"Whereas there is at present a great and lamentable want of Ministers, and, from the laudable desire on the part of Presbyteries to supply the congregations under their care, destitute of fixed Pastors, with the stated dispensation of ordinances, there is reason to fear that Presbyteries might be disposed to settle Ministers with undue haste:—And whereas, the circumstances of the Church at all times, but more especially at present, call for the exercise of the greatest care and faithfulness on the part of Presbyteries, in settling Ministers over vacant charges,—the Synod enjoin Presbyteries to take special care in settling Ministers, that they be men of great prudence, undoubted piety, and highly respectable Ministerial gifts; and further, not to ordain or settle Ministers coming from other churches, whatsoever be their credentials, except in accordance with the following rules:—