

MINUTES.

SYNOD OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, N. B.

SAINT JOHN, 1860.

FIRST SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, CALVIN CHURCH, 20th June, 1860. }
7 o'clock, Evening. }

The Synod of the Presbyterian Church of New Brunswick met according to adjournment, in Calvin Church St. John, on the 3d Wednesday of June at 7 o'clock, evening, in pursuance of the provisions of "An Act of Assembly passed in the 22d year of the reign of her present Majesty Queen Victoria, entitled, an Act for Incorporating the Synod of the Church known as the Presbyterian Church of New Brunswick, and the several congregations connected therewith," when after praise and prayer the Rev. James Bennett, by request of the Moderator, whose late illness unfitted him for the office, preached the usual opening discourse from Ecclesiastes 7 chap. 29 verse—"God hath made man upright, but they have sought out many inventions." The Synod was then constituted with prayer by the Rev. William Ferrie, who, subsequently as Convener of Committee of ex-Moderators, proposed the Rev. John Turnbull as his successor in office, which was unanimously agreed to. The usual order of making out Synodical list and other business being suspended as uninteresting to the congregation assembled, the Rev. William Ferrie proceeded, with approval of the Synod, to read his report as Convener of the Committee on Popery, which was ordered to lie over for further consideration. Mr. Ferrie then brought forward overture from the Presbytery of Saint John to the effect that a day be appointed to celebrate the tricentenary of the Reformation. After considerable discussion it was moved and agreed to to defer further consideration of the overture till future sederunt.