

Minutes of the United Presbyt'n Synod in Canada, 121

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Moderator, together with Messrs. Duff and Muir.

The Committee of Bills and Overtures reported the matters of business following, and recommended that the several subjects be taken up in the order in which they are stated:

1st. The business upon the Minutes.

2nd. Protest and Appeal against the decision of the Flamboro' Presbytery, by the Rev. George Fisher.

3rd. The Protest and Appeal by certain Members of the Congregation of Esquimaux against decision of said Presbytery.

4th. Overture on Statistics.

5th. Overture on Synodical Letter to Congregations.

6th. Overture on Correspondence between this Synod and the Synod of the United Presbyterian Church in Scotland. The report was received and adopted.

Mr. Proudfoot reported from the Committee appointed at last meeting of Synod, to investigate into all matters regarding the Form of a Deed for Congregational Property. The Draft of a Deed for said purpose was read.

The report was adopted. Ordered that the Draft now read be forthwith printed under the direction of Mr. Dick; and that copies be sent down to Presbyteries and Sessions throughout our bounds for consideration, and that Sessions report their opinions to their Presbyteries, and that Presbyteries report the result, together with the opinions of Presbytery, to the next meeting of Synod.

The Committee appointed at the Seventh Session of last Session of Synod "to consider the literary course to be pursued by Students previous to their being admitted to the Theological Institute"—stated that as yet they had not agreed upon a report: and gave reasons why the report was not ready.

The reasons were sustained, and the Committee enjoined to report during the present meeting of Synod.

Took up the Protest and Appeal of the Rev. Mr. Fisher's property of George Fisher against the decision of the Presbytery of Flamboro' in his case.