

pression, that a majority of the Congregation ~~was~~ in favour of a change of posture, while in fact a majority was against it, as is shown from the figures.

It was then moved by Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Ewing, and unanimously resolved:—

"That inasmuch as the majority of the votes ~~given in~~ were "agreeable" to altering the mode of public worship from sitting to standing at singing, and ~~from~~ standing to kneeling at prayer, that the Session do consent to parties adopting the proposed alterations, or the position heretofore used and observed."

The object of this Circular is to correct statements made, as to the result of the voting of the Congregation on the proposed change of posture during the Worship in St. Andrew's Church, and to show that these Statements were far from being correct. To stand at Prayer was, and is now, the rule of our Church, the above resolution merely relaxes this rule in the case of those who wish to kneel. It was declared, on a recent occasion, by the Moderator of the Session, Rev. Gavin Lang, that to sit at prayer was MOST UNSEEMLY.—Judge for yourselves, be MEN. With these remarks, I am content to leave the matter in the hands of the Congregation.

(Signed) JAMES JOHNSTON.

N. B.—Sealed Boxes, not "Closed Boxes," was the language of the Pastoral.

NOTE.—The votes of the Elders as ascertained on the evening of Sunday, 9th April, when the sealed boxes were opened, were as follows:

AGREEABLE.

JAMES S. HUNTER,
JOSEPH HICKSON,

JAMES MITCHELL,
JOHN L. MORRIS.

OPPOSED.

WM. EWING,
GEORGE GRAHAM,

JAMES DRUMMOND,
JAS. JOHNSTON,

JAMES R. REEKIE, opposed to kneeling at prayer though not opposed to standing at singing.

Indifferent.—MUNGO RAMSAY,

No votes from JAMES BURNS, or HUGH BRODIE.

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