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tions and donations, or to furnish them out of any fund under their control, shall be at liberty to do so.

All Ministers of the Church are appointed at least to exhort their Congregations to contribute towards the maintenance and spread of the Gospel of Christ on all the days above specified; and, on a Sabbath preceding that on which a collection is to be made, to give due intimation from the pulpit, together with such information on the object of it as he may have been able to acquire. The Conveners of the several Committees and Boards for the management of the Schemes herein specified are required to forward, in good time, to all the Ministers, notices of these appointments as they become due, together with such statements as it may be of use and interest to read along with their intimations; and in particular the Synod enjoin the several Presbyteries, at their meetings next after the times specified, to inquire into the diligence of all their Ministers and Congregations in this matter, and record reports thereof in their Books, and likewise instruct the Committee of Synod for revising Presbytery Books to notice how far Presbyteries attend to this injunction; and the Synod, while rejoicing at the increased fruits of Christian effort in this Church, yet considering that the means hitherto supplied are quite inadequate to the extent of the field daily opening up to the operations of the Church, and far within what might be expected from the gratitude and love due to a crucified Saviour, earnestly urge on all the people seriously to consider the duty of contributing liberally for the advancement of Christ's cause, according to the ability wherewith God has blessed them. This Act shall be annually renewed, with such amendments as the Synod may deem called for, and the expense of printing it for distribution among ministers shall be borne equally by the several Schemes, and the funds of each Scheme shall be charged with all the expenses of its own management.

Leave, having been asked, was granted to the Presbytery of Guelph to meet at Guelph on the first Wednesday of July next, at noon, for the despatch of competent business. Leave was also granted to the Presbytery of Kingston to meet in this church this evening, and afterwards by adjournment, for the purpose of taking and completing the steps necessary to license Mr. John R. Thompson, and for other competent business. Leave was accorded in both these cases with instruction that all the members of each Presbytery should be notified of their respective meetings, with the exception of the meeting of the Kingston Presbytery this evening.

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS FOR 1869.

The Synod appointed the Moderator, the Clerk, Presbytery Clerks, Principal Snodgrass, Mr. Inglis, Mr. Burnet, Mr. James B. Muir, Mr. D. J. Macdonnell; and the Representative Elders from Osnabruck, Perth, Toronto, and Hamilton, their Committee on Business for next session,—