

## PRESBYTERIES ALLOWED TO MEET.

The various Presbyteries within the bounds were permitted to meet for the transaction of necessary business during the intervals between the Sederunts of Synod.

## COMMITTEE TO STRIKE STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Moderator was, on motion duly made and seconded, requested to nominate a committee to strike standing committees for the ensuing Synodical year.

## COMMITTEE ON THE LICENSING OF STUDENTS.

Drs. Laing and McMullen.

## SEDERUNTS OF SYNOD.

It was agreed that the Sederunts of Synod should be from 9.30 a. m., to 12 noon; from 2 p. m., to 5.30 p. m.; and from 7.30 to 10 p. m.; and that the first hour of the Sederunt to-morrow should be spent in devotional exercises, the Synod to meet for business at 10.30 a. m.

The Synod then adjourned, to meet to-morrow morning for devotional exercises, at 9.30 a. m., and for business at 10.30 a. m., and was closed by the Moderator pronouncing the benediction.

## SECOND SEDERUNT.

At Chatham, and within St. Andrews Church there, the twenty-first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, at 9.30 a. m.

The Synod met pursuant to adjournment, and engaged in devotional exercises from 9.30 to 10.30 a. m., the Moderator presiding. The following brethren took part in the devotions of the hour, at the Moderator's request: Drs. Jno. Thompson, Battisby, A. D. McDonald and Messrs. Leitch and Clark, ministers, and Messrs. Rutherford, Barrie, Rathburn and Reid, elders.

The minutes of last Sederunt were read and sustained.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BILLS AND OVERTURES.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures presented their report, which was adopted, as the order of business for the forenoon and afternoon.

1. Report Committee on the Buxton Fund.
2. Communication from Rev. R. D. Fraser, regarding Young People's Societies.
3. Minutes of Assembly, disposing of the case of Mr. James Munroe.
4. Communication from Diocese of Toronto, anent Religious Instruction in Public Schools.
5. Appeal of Mrs. Ross against a decision of the Presbytery of Huron, with recommendation that the case be sent for consideration to a judicial committee, to report at a later sederunt, after the papers have been read.