

1853.

er quarter, in

Procedure, in
ered the same,
d Presbyteries
Synod. The

LING AND

&c.

Process in the
of this Church,
fusion in said
of procedure
, &c.

gation of this
n Holy Things
ns of Elders,
hereunto, they
adhere to the
h; and, in all
id declaration
l, farther, said
the security
Presbyterian
otland. The

untly of
terian Church
sious of being
ounds of your
these presents,
t, worship, and
matters affect-
the Courts of
th the Church

o become the
arch, until he
the Presbyte-

a Minister of
g been called
as the Pres-

MINUTES OF SYNOD, KINGSTON, TUESDAY, JULY 19, 1853.

25

bytery shall, in its judgment, consider to be such a good and sufficient Call as to warrant his admission as Minister of said Congregation.

IV. That no Call shall be moderated in favour of any Minister or Probationer, unless he shall have preached to said Congregation.

V. That no Minister or Probationer is to receive any call to a vacant congregation, but through the hands of the Presbytery of the bounds; for it is by their determination that the Calling, as well as the Induction of a Minister, is to be ordered and concluded.

VI. That, when in consequence of a vacancy occurring in any Congregation, or any Congregation newly formed, requiring a Minister, application shall first be made to the Presbytery, on the part of the Elders, Trustees, or Managers, or any part of them, of the said Congregation, requesting the Presbytery to moderate in a Call in favour of some fit person, having already preached to said congregation. Whereupon the Presbytery shall appoint some convenient day, not less than ten days after, (notice whereof shall be given in the most practicable way to the parties concerned), for meeting for said purpose, or the Presbytery may appoint one of its Members to act in the matter, in the event of not meeting as a Court.

VII. On the day appointed for moderating in the Call, the Minister officiating, by order of the Presbytery, having ended sermon and dismissed the congregation, shall call on the Elders, and Heads of families, being communicants, (or, in case of a new congregation of the Heads of families solemnly declaring their adherence to the church), to remain as parties concerned, and, after prayer, shall request these present to Call, by subscribing a form thereof, some fit and qualified person to be their Pastor. The form of which shall be as follows:—

VIII. We, the Elders and male Heads of Families, being Members of the Congregation and Communicants in the Church of
desirous of promoting the Glory of God, and the good
of the Church, being destitute of a fixed pastor, and being most assured,
by good information and our own experience, of the ministerial abilities
and prudence, and also the suitableness to our capacities, of the gifts of
you
Preacher of the Gospel,
have agreed to Invite, Call, and Entreat, like as we, by these presents,
do hereby Invite, Call, and Entreat you to undertake the office of Pastor
among us, and the charge of our souls; and, farther, upon your accept-
ing this, our Call, promise you all dutiful respect, encouragement, and
obedience in the Lord. In Witness, whereof, &c., &c.

(OR WHERE A NEW CONGREGATION IS FORMED.)

We, the subscribed, declaring ourselves to be adherents and supporters of the Gospel, of the Congregation of
desirous of promoting, &c., &c.

IX. After the Call has been subscribed the Moderator shall attest on the Call, that agreeably to the appointment of Presbytery he did moderate at the meeting of electors of the Congregation of the majority, or all, or any part thereof present, made choice of to be their pastor at such time and place

X. That when the Call has been subscribed, the Presbytery may then, or shall at its next meeting afterwards, judge as to said Call being