

SECOND SEDERUNT.

At the City of London, and within St. Andrew's Church there, Thursday, the fourteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three years, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon:—

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met, in pursuance of adjournment, and was constituted with praise, the reading of the Scriptures, and prayer by the Moderator, Dr. King.

SPECIAL DEVOTIONAL SERVICES.

As agreed upon last night, special devotional services were proceeded with, prayer being offered in succession by Dr. Scott, Dr. McKnight, and Mr. R. J. Laidlaw, with the reading of the Scriptures and the singing of Psalms in the intervals.

The Minutes of the First Sederunt were read and sustained.

REPORT—COMMITTEE ON BILLS AND OVERTURES.

Dr. J. Laing, from the Committee on Bills and Overtures, handed in and read a report, enumerating various matters of business requiring the attention of the Assembly, and recommending the order in which they should be taken up. On motion made and duly seconded the report was received.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Assembly adjourned, to meet again at half-past two o'clock, and the Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

THIRD SEDERUNT.

On the same day and at the same place, at half-past two o'clock in the afternoon:—

The General Assembly met, pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted with devotional exercises, prayer being offered, at the request of the Moderator, by Mr. James Croil.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

REPORT ON BILLS.

The Report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures, presented and received in the morning, was taken up, and, at the request of several members of Assembly, was again read. At the request of the Assembly, there was read also, the full list of matters to come before the Court during this Session. The Assembly returned to the consideration of the Report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures. On motion of Dr. Caven, seconded by Mr. R. J. Laidlaw, it was agreed—That the order of business stated in the Report be adopted, leaving the recommendations to be considered in connection with the items to which they respectively refer. It was further agreed, in terms of the Report, to appoint Committees as follows, namely:—

First. A Committee to consider applications on behalf of Ministers wishing to retire from the active exercise of the Ministry, as follows:—Messrs. George Bruce, *Convener*; D. B. Cameron, J. Ferguson, J. Bennett, A. Stevenson, N. McKinnon, E. Smith, R. Campbell (Montreal), and Dr. Taylor, W. N. Hossie, Alex. Campbell, G. Rutherford, D. Durie, Elders.

Second. A Committee to classify and report on the Remits sent down last year to the several Presbyteries, namely, Messrs. G. M. Milligan, *Convener*; W. R. Cruickshank, and A. W. Coburn, and Hugh Montgomery, Elders.