

SECOND DAY.

JULY 1ST, 1874.

After Matins at nine o'clock the Synod proceeded to business.

The Rolls were called by the Secretaries and seventy Clergy, and fifty-seven Lay Representatives answered to their names.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

On motion of W. H. Wiswell, Esq., seconded by Rev. J. Ambrose, it was *Resolved*,—

"That a programme of the business of the Synod for the day, in proper order, be posted on the notice boards at the entrance of the Church each day before the business begins."

The Committee on Certificates of Lay Representatives reported as follows :

The Committee appointed to examine the Delegates' Certificates, report as follows :

Of one hundred and twenty-four delegates elected eighty-four have Certificates complete ; twenty-six have no Communion Certificates ; ten Certificates are informal ; and four have no Certificates.

Rawdon, Tangier and Melford have elected *no* Delegates to this Synod. Manchester, Pugwash and Aylesford have elected each *one* Delegate. Albion Mines, Cornwallis, Granville, Lunenburg, New Ross, Glace Bay, have each elected *three* Delegates. Liverpool has elected *five* Delegates.

Some of these irregularities may admit of being rectified as the Session progresses ; but the Committee respectfully suggest that it would save time and probably some confusion if they could be altogether avoided. The Committee point to them in the hope that the Synod may be able to devise some improvement in making the Returns, which may help to prevent their recurrence in future.

The Committee would also recommend that the Certificates be examined previous the meeting of the Synod, by a Committee which shall be appointed for that purpose, and that a report be prepared and laid before the Synod at its first meeting, previous to all other business.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

WM. GOSSIP, *Chairman*.