

are hereby instructed, to forward those papers to the Convener, at least eight days before the meeting of Synod.

Preachers, Schedule for, returns of to Presbyteries

Mr. Torrance reported from the Committee to whom was entrusted the drawing up of a form of schedule, to be given to Preachers, to be filled up by them, and to be returned to Presbytery Clerks.

Schedule adopted, instruction to print.

The Report of Draft Schedule was adopted, and Mr. Torrance was requested to have a sufficient number of copies thereof printed, and sent to Presbytery Clerks.

Adjourned to meet at Seven o'clock.

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HAMILTON, FRIDAY,

June 9, 1854, 7 o'clock, P. M.

The Synod met, and was constituted by the Rev. Mr. Dick, Moderator.

The Roll was called, and the Minutes of last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Complaint, Mr. Jennings against Mr. Coutts.

Took up a reference from the Presbytery of Toronto, in the nature of a complaint of the Rev. Mr. Jennings against the Rev. Mr. Coutts, on account of a certain letter, addressed to the Editor of the *Canadian Presbyterian Magazine*, which was published in the *North American* newspaper, and of which letter Mr. Coutts is alleged to be the author.

Moderator left the chair.

The Moderator now left the chair, and Mr. Barrie, by request, took the same.

Complaint, Committee on.

It was moved by Dr. William Taylor, seconded by Dr. Ferrier, and

Resolved—That the whole case in the present stage be referred to a Committee, who shall retire with the parties, and endeavour to effect a reconciliation.

The Moderator *pro. tem.*, then named the following Committee, viz. :—Dr. William Taylor, the Rev. Messrs. Thomas Christie, Duff, Skinner, Aitken, and Dr. Ferrier. Dr. Taylor, Convener. The Committee then retired with the parties.

Moderator resumed the chair. Ordination, Overture on.

The Moderator now resumed the chair.

Read an Overture from Mr. Thornton, on Trials for Ordination. Mr. Thornton being absent, it was agreed to delay the consideration of this Overture.

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