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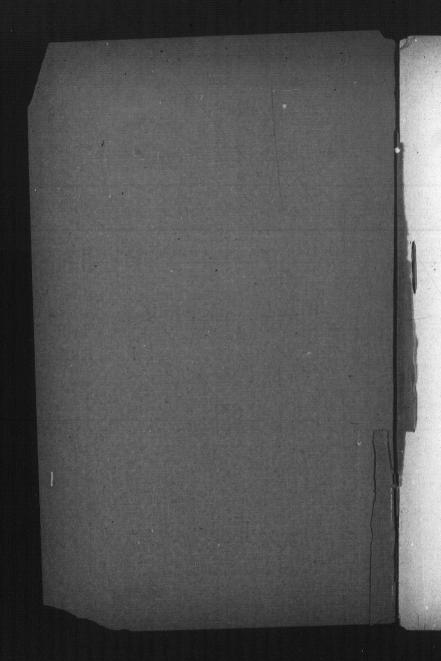
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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA.

At St. Thomas, and within Knox Church there, the seventeenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, at half past seven o'clock, p.m., which day and place, the Synod of Hamilton and London, of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met, and after sermon from the Rev. Hector McQuarrie, the retiring Moderator, from the Acts of the Apostles, Chap. 26, verse 18, was duly constituted by prayer.

The Clerk then read the following roll of all the ministers within the bounds with their elders, as attested by the Presbytery Clerks.

The Members present are indicated by an asterisk affixed to their names.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON. MINISTERS. ELDERS. CONGREGATIONS. James Black..... Retired *John Laing, D. D....A. McIntosh Dundas, Knox Church 2 J. G. Hurray... Jas Smith... Grimsby and Muir's Settlement *D. H. Fletcher, D. D. A. W. Leitch.... Hamilton, McNab Street *Finlay McCuaig G. C. Cowper. Welland 78 10 Nathaniel Smith ... National Smith W. McFarraine Nagara, St Andrews R. J. Laidlaw, LL. D. Jas. Warson ... Hamilton, St Paul's W. P. Walker Jas. R. Cook ... Saltfleet and Binbrook *S. W. Fisher, B. A. Win. Clark ... Flamboro and Lynden *T. G. Thomson ... *Thos. Gentle ... Hamilton, Locke St TT 12 14 W. J. Dey, M. A. "Win. Reid Sincoc. St Paul's J. H. Ratcliffe. G. N. Hodgetts. St Catharines, First Church D. C. McIntyre, Ph. D. A. Comfort. Beanswille and Clinton F. Ballantyne, M. A. R. McQueen. Beverly 16 17 10 P. Ballantyne, al. A. K. Acqueeli. Burlington D. G. Cameron. ... Wm. Ferrier. Strabane and Kilbride Jas. Murray, M.A.B.D.J. Kirkness. ... Hamilton, Wentworth 21 22 *T. L. Turnbull.....*Geo. Fleming..... Oneida R. Moreton (Hon)...A. I. Mackenzie.... Hamilton, St John's 23 W. M. Cruikshank W. H. Morgan St Ann's, Smithville G.A. McLennan, B.A. Thos. Falls. Jarvis and Walpole J. G. Shearer, B. A. J. E. Suter. Hamilton, Erskine J. Robertson. J. McCall. Pt Dover and Vittoria J. Crawford, B. A. John Logan. Niagara Falls 26 27 28 29 Walter Muir... Jas. Gibson ... Carluke J. P. McQuarrie ... John Miller ... Nelson and Dundas St 30 31 Joseph W. Johnston John Murray. Cayuga J. S. Conning. *D. McGregor Caledonia P. M. McEachern. Jas. Mackay. Waterdown Wm. Morrin, M. A. O. N. Fares, M. D. Port Colborne 32 33 34 35 Alex. Barclay ... J. Charlton, M. P. Lynedock E. B. Chestnut ... D. Watson ... St Catharines; Hayne's Ave Vacant Pelham and Louth 39 Drummondville and Chippewa J. H. Barton Barton 40 44 Blackheath &c 41 Mission Stations. T. Walker AncasterRobt Smith......Hagersville Crowland . Fort Erie Ministers Residing Within the Bounds. John Gauld Hamilton 3 R McKnight. Dunnville DP Nivin.... St Catharines

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PRESBYTERY OF PARIS.

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	MINISTERS.	ELDERS.	CONGREGHTIONS.
1	Thos Alexander, M A	.Retired	Brantford
2	*W T McMullen, D D	. Iames Bell	Woodstock, Knox Church
2	*Wm Cochrane, D. D.	*Adam Spence	Brantford, Zion Church
4	John Thomson, M.A.	Andrew McRae	Ayr, Knox Church
-	*W A McKay, D.D.	John Weir	Woodstock, Chalmers Church
6		John A Smith	Glenmorris
7	E Cockburn	*David Rutherford	Paris
8			Innerkip and Ratho
0			E Oxford and Blenheim
10	M McGregor M A	George Vounie	Tilsonburg and Culloden
II	R H Myers B A	Henry Middough	Norwich and Windham
12			Mt. Pleasant and Burford
	* S Hardie		
	W S McTavish		
			Brantford, First Church
15	*R Hutt	Tohn Diago	I-amell Co De Us
	*W V Charge D A	Adam Allicon	Daumba and Dainest
17			Drumbo and Princeton
18			Embro, Knox Church
19			
20			Onondaga and Alberton
21	*R W Leitch		Waterford and Windham Centre
	G L McKay, D D		Missionary
	Robert Chambers		
24	J H Buchanan, M D.		
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PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.

	INISTERS.	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS,
1	W R Sutherland		Retired
2	*I I A Proudfoot, D	D	Lecturer Knox College
			English Settlement
4	*John Milloy	James McLean	Argyle Church, Aldborough
			Tempo and S Delaware
6	*Lachlan Cameron	J Paterson	Thamesford
7	*Walter M Roger	F Cheeseborough	London East
8	*George Sutherland.	*Peter Stevenson.	Fingal
9	James Little	*Duncan Carmicha	elBethel
IO	James A Murray	*G W Armstrong.	St Andrew's, London
	John M Munro		
12	*Donald Kelso	J C McKellar	Wallacetown
13	*Alex Henderson	J G Lithbridge	Appin and Tait's Corners
14	*E H Sawers	*Thos Baty	Westminster
15	*J B Hamilton	J Douglas	Wardsville and Newbury
16	*John Currie	*James Shields	Belmont and Yarmouth
17	Dugald Currie	*Jas A Young	Glencoe
18	"James Ballantyne	Andrew Thompso	onLondon South
	*Thomas Wilson		
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22	*W A Cook. J H Duffin. Dorchester and Crumlin *W M Haig. *Robert Scott. Hyke Park and Komoka *J A McDonald. *D K McKenzie. Knox Church, St Thomas *Alex Miller. William Pobertson. Mosa Norman Lindsay. Alex McLean. Lobo and N Caradoc Vacant. Thos McMullen. North Delaware and Caradoc *** *A Gouinlock. Port Stanley *** A Gouinlock. Port Stanley *** D McNaughton. Rodney and New Glasgow *** David Stewart. Duff and Chalmers Churches *** *David Wylie. East Williams	3 3 4 5 6 7 8 * 9 10 I 11 J 12 J 13 * W 15 W 16 A 17 T 18 * N
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	PRESBYTERY OF SARNIA.	
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PRESBYTERY OF CHATHAM.
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I A W Waddell Retired
2 A McColl do
4 A Currie do
5 John Davidson W McKeown Bothwell, Florence and Suther- 6 R M Croll J B Anderson Dresden and Knox Church
7 John Beckett
9 *J R Battisby, Ph. D. *W Somerville St. Andrew's Church, Chatham 10 D Curry D McArthur Wallaceburg and Calvin Church
11 J W McLintock W Walker Dover, Chalmer ch, Richmond sch.
12 J A Morrison Geo Sinclair North Dawn and Cavan Ch
13 *W M FlemingW H RichardsonEssex
14 *F H Larkin, B A Wm Robertson First Church, Chatham
15 W M Kay P McAskile Duart and Highgate 16 A L Manson James Fletcher East Tilbury and Fletcher
17 Thos Nattrass, B A John Anderson Amherstburg
18 *Neil Shaw, B AJohn Richardson Tilbury Centre
18 *Neil Shaw, B A John Richardson Tilbury Centre 19 *J M McLaren, B A Andrew Denholm Blenheim and Guilds
20 *R J Hunter, B AD G WilsonRidgetown
21 *James GilchristRobt Keith Blythesw'd, Goldsmith, Strangefield
22 Vacant McAllister Comber and West Tilbury
Buxton and Union Mission Stations
Wabash and Kent Bridge
Residing within the bounds
J B ScottAlex Russell
James Stevenson
A T Colter
M Watson B A
PRESBYTERY OF STRATFORD.
1 °R Hamilton. °D Oliver. Motherwell and Avonbank. 2 P Scott. °Thos Laing Hibbert and Roy's Church 3 °A Stewart. °D Stewart. N Easthope and Hampstead
2 P Scott *Thos Laing Hibbert and Roy's Church
3 "A Stewart"D Stewart
4 *J Kay J Riddell Milverton and Wellesley 5 A F Tully W Stuart Mitchell
6 *A Henderson M A A Laidlaw Atwood and Monkton
8 *John Campbell J McMehen Granton and Lucan
9 *W M McKibbin M A*J W ChalmersMillbank and Crosshill
10 A Grant A Smith Knox Church, St Mary's 11 J W Cameron B A J Baird N Mornington
11 J W Cameron B A J Baird N Mornington 12 R Pyke J Richardson Shakespeare and Tavistock
12 R Pyke
14 *T A Cosgrove M A *F McMaster 1st Church, St Marys
15 W W Craw B A J Crown N and S Nissouri
16 A H DrummP Muir Avonton and Carlingford
17 *A G McLachlanJC Ross
18 J D Fergusson G Murray Burns Church and Brooksdale 19 J A Morrison B AJ Thompson Listowel
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5 *Peter Musgrave. R 6 J A McDonald V 7 *Wm M Martin B D .*A 8 Alexander Stewart, BA G 9 Samuel Acheson T 10 *Colin Fletcher M A J 11 J A Anderson B A J 12 *S A Carriere *V 13 J S Henderson *R 14 J A Hamilton M A R 15 *J H Simpson H 16 *Robert Henderson H 17 Vacant H	do Villiam Curnochan obert Laidlaw obert Calder Villiam Purdy ,dam Whiteford eorge Swallow homas Mellis ames Alkenhead Villiam Fulton obert McLaren obert Scott ector Reid ohn Symington enry Carter only Wildon only Whiddon	First Church, Seaforth St Andrews, Church Blyth Duff's Church, McKillop etc Bayfield Road and Blake Cavan Church, Ekster Willis Church, Clinton St Andrews Church, Kippen Thames Road and Kirkton Knox Church, Gederich Grand Bend and Corbett Carmell Church, Hensall Burns Church, Hullett etc Union Church, Bucefiel Manchester and Smith's Hill
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5 Donald B McRae. J.J. 6 John Ross B A. D. 7 John McFarlane. J.J. 8 *Alex Y Hartley. F. F. 9 George Law. A. 10 *Archibald Stevenson. D. 11 *Angus McKay. J. 12 Finlay A McLennan. J. 13 Thomas Davidson M AR. 14 *R S G AndersonMA BB*H 15 David Forrest. A. 16 W H Geddes. J. 17 George McKay. W. 18 Robert Fairbairn B A. J. 19 David Millar. T.	rancis McDonald eter Linklater lex Campbell I P S. mes McNair uncan McLauchlin ohn Wilson rancis Lewis lex Clewis lex Clewis ohn McMenzie ohn McMenzie ohn McMenzie ohn McMenzie ohn McMenzie ohn McMenzie ohn the McMenzie ohn mes Dalgarno ohn Elliott ohn Elliott ohn Elliott ohn Elliott ohn Elliott ohn scrachan ohn Elliott ohn scrachan ohn Elliott ohn scrachan ohn scrac	Huron Church, Ripfey Wingham Knox Church, Kincardine Cranbrook and Ethel Melville Church, Brussels Pine River Bluevale and Eadies Belgrave Molesworth Lucknow South Kinloss Wroxeter St Helen's and East Ashfield Walton Whitechurch and East Wawanosh Chalmer's Church and Bervie Dungannon and Port Albert Knox Church, Brussels
20 James MalcolmJo	hn Gordon	. Knox Church, Teeswater
21 John RoseCl 22 Samuel JonesRe		
23 John MacNabb		

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PRESBYTERY OF MAITLAND, (CONTINUED.)

Residing within the bounds.

1	W D Ballantyne, M	A. Without	charge Kincardine
2	John Stewart	Retired	
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PRESBYTERY OF BRUCE.

	MINISTERS.	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.
1	Andrew Tolmie		Southampton
2	John Anderson	James Murray	Tiverton
3	David Wardrope		Retired
4	John James D.D	James Blair	Knox Church, Walkerton
5	Daniel Duff	William Fiddes	N Brant and W Bentick
6	Robert Gray	Charless Symons	Kinloss, Riversdale etc
7	James Gourlay M A.	D H Gilchrist	Port Elgin and Dunblane
8	James Fitzpatrick B A	John McKinnon	Underwood and C Bruce
9	*John Johnston	William McBride	Knox Church, Paisley
10	James R Craigie, M A.	John Cooper	Hanover and N Normandy
11	Wm Mowat	Thomas Broadfoot	Allenford, Elsinore etc
12	David Perrie	William Ross	Geneva Church, Chesley
13	Donald McKenzie	William Kennedy	Knox Church, Tara
14	Vacant	J C Eckford	Pinkerton and W Brant
15	do	William Muir	. N Bruce and St Andrew's, Saugeen
16		Murdoch Martin	
17		Peter Stewart	
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CHANGES IN THE ROLL.

The Clerk then submitted a tabulated statement of the changes affecting the Synod Roll since last meeting, as set forth in the report of the several Presbyteries.

TRANSLATIONS.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON,-

Mr. J. A. Hamilton, from Lynedoch, &c. to Hullet and Lonsboro in the Presbytery of Huron, on May 1st 1892.

Mr, J. Young, from Drummondhill and Chippewa, to St. Enoch's Church, Toronto, on the 30th day of August, 1892.

PRESBYTERY OF LONDON,-

⁶ Mr. A. S. Stewart, from Burns Church, Mosa, to Woodyille, Prince Edward Island, on May 15th 1892

Mr. John Currie, from Kintyre, to Belmont and Kilmartin, on October 25th, 1892

PRESBYTERY OF SARNIA,-

Mr. R. K. McKibbin, from Oil Springs and Oil City, to Bryson, in Ottawa Presbytery, on December 5th, 1892.

Mr. R. W. Leitch. from Point Edward, to Waterford and Wyndham Centre, in Paris Presbytery, on March 31st, 1893.

PRESBYTERY OF STRATFORD,-

Mr. J. Campbell, Ph. D. from Listowel, to Ottawa, on May 1st, 1892.

PRESENTERY OF HURON.—

Mr. Robert Henderson, from Bayfield and Bethany, to Manchester and Smith's Hill, in this Presbytery, on September 13th, 1892.

ORDINATIONS AND INDUCTIONS

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON,-

Mr. Thomas McLachlan, was ordained as missionary for Home Mission work at Hagarsville, on May 31st, 1892.

Mr. Charles A. Webster was ordained as missionary to the Jews in Palestine, at Hamilton on July 28th, 1892.

Mr. Alexander Barclay was inducted at Lynedoch, Silverhill and Delhi, on October 4th, 1892,

Mr. James Bryant was inducted at Merritton and Port Robinson, on October 11th, 1892.

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PRESBYTERY OF PARIS,-

Mr. W. H. Johnston was ordained add inducted into the pastoral charge of Chesterfield, on May. 31st, 1892.

Mr. G. C. Patterson was inducted into the pastoral charge of Knox Church, Embro, on May 5th, 1892.

Mr. W. M. Reid was inducted into the pastoral charge of Onondaga and Alberton, on March 28th, 1893.

Mr: R. W. Leitch was inducted into the pastoral charge of Waterford and Windham Centre, on April 5th, 1893.

PRESBYTERY OF LONDON,-

Mr. Norman Lindsay was ordained and inducted at Lobo and Caradoc, on November 1st, 1892.

Mr. Alexander Miller was inducted at Burns Church, Mosa, on October 18th, 1892.

Mr. Robert Stewart was inducted at Melbourne and Riverside, on February 10th, 1893.

PRESBYTERY OF SARNIA,-

Mr. Joseph Elliott was inducted into Beechwood and Nairn, East Williams, on July 26th, 1892.

Mr. Frank O. Nichol was inducted into Albert Street Church, Sarnia, on March 29th, 1893.

Mr. Archibald McDiarmid was inducted into Napier and Chalmer,s Church, Brooke, on November 29th, 1892.

PRESBYTERY OF CHATHAM,-

Mr. John Davidson was inducted into Bothwell, Florence and Sutherland's Corners, on June 23rd, 1892.

Mr. James Gilchrist was inducted into Blytheswood, Goldsmith and Strangfield, on March 28th, 1893.

PRESBYTERY OF STRATFORD,-

Mr. A. G. McLachlan was inducted at Harrington, on May 10th, 1892.
Mr. J. D Fergusson was inducted at Burn's Church, East Zorra, on January 31st, 1893.

Mr. J. A. Morrison, B. A., was ordained and inducted at Listowel, on February 3rd, 1893.

PRESBYTERY OF HURON,-

Mr. James A. Hamilton was inducted into Burn's Church, Hullett and Knox Church, Londesborough, on May 10th, 1892.

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Mr. Robert Henderson was inducted into the charge of Manchester and Smith's Hill, on October 13th, 1892.

PRESBYTERY OF MAITLAND,-

Mr. John Rose was inducted into the pastoral charge of Ashfield congregation, on September 20th, 1892,

PRESBYTERY OF BRUCE,-

Mr. James Fitzpatrick, B. A., was inducted into Underwood and Centre Bruce, July 26th, 1892.

Mr. James R. Craigie, M. A., was inducted into Hanover and North Normandy, on January 4th, 1893.

RECEPTIONS.

PRESBYTERY OF LONDON,-

Mr. Joseph Elliott was received as a minister of this church, on July 12th, 1892.

Mr. Alexander Miller was received as a minister of this church on September 12th, 1892.

PRESBYTERY OF STRATFORD-

Mr. S. C. Graeb was received as a minister of this church July 12th, 1802.

DEMISSIONS.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON-

Mr. W. A. Reid demitted the charge of Port Dalhousie and Louth on October 22nd, 1892.

Mr. Robert McKnight demitted the charge of Dunnville on March 31st, 1893.

PRESBYTERY OF LONDON-

Mr. Duncan Cameron demitted the charge of East Williams on May 15th, 1892.

Mr. F. C. Simpson demitted the charge of Melbourne and Riverside on May 29th, 1892,

Mr. George A. Francis demitted the charge of Rodney and New Glasgow on October 16th, 1892.

Alex. McKay, D. D. demitted the charge of Duffs and Chalmers' Churches, Dunnwich, on January 1st, 1893.

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Mr. A. Beemer demitted the charge of Petrolia on August 31st, 1892.

PRESBYTERY OF CHATHAM-

Mr. Murray Watson, B. A., demitted the charge of Leamington on September 26th, 1892.

Mr. John Gray demitted his charge of Windsor on April 10th, 1892.

PRESBYTERY OF BRUCE-

Mr. Daniel Campbell demitted the charge of Pinkerton and North Brant on January 29th, 1893.

Mr. John Eadie demitted the charge of North Bruce and St. Andrew's, Saugeen, on March 27th, 1893.

LICENSURES.

PRESBYTERY OF LONDON-

Mr. J. McNair, graduate of Knox College, was duly licensed on the 20th April, 1892.

Mr. W. Gauld, graduate of Knox College, was duly licensed on the 12th July, 1892. Mr. Gauld was ordained and designated as missionary to Formosa, at South Westminster, on the 21st July, 1892.

PRESBYTERY OF SARNIA-

Mr. Daniel Strachan was licensed on the 8th July, 1892.

DEATHS.

PRESENTERY OF MAITLAND

Mr. Alexander Grant, retired minister at Lucknow, died on the 15th April, 1893.

PRESBYTERY OF HURON-

Mr. George Needham, B. A., minister of Egmondville, died on the 4th November, 1892.

PRESBYTERY OF BRUCE-

Mr. Peter Currie, retired minister of Zion Church, Teeswater. died at Strathroy on the 29th April, 1892.

CONGREGATIONAL CHANGES.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON-

The congregation of Port Dalhousie was separated from that of Louth, and erected into a separate charge, on the 15th November, 1892.

The congregation of Louth was separated from Port Dalhousie and united to form one charge with that of Pelham, on the 15th November, 1802.

The congregation of Wellandport was separated from North Pelham and put on the Home Mission List, on the 15th November, 1892.

PRESENTERY OF LONDON-

North Eckfrid was raised to the position of a Mission Station, with a provisional session and communion roll, on the 15th September, 1892.

PRESBYTERY OF SARNIA-

Albert St. Mission was erected into a congregation on the 27th December, 1892, under designation of Albert St. Church, Sarnia.

Courtright was added to Sombra and Duthel Church, and erected into a congregation, on the 13th December, 1892, to be known as Courtright, Duthel and Sombra Congregation.

A group of stations was erected into a mission field at schoolhouses in 1st and 5th concessions of Dawn, on the 14th March, 1893.

PRESBYTERY OF CHATHAM-

Greenbush was united to Buxton on the 13th September, 1892, to be known as Buxton and Union.

Strangfield was united to Blythswood and Goldsmith on the 13th September, 1892.

Blythswood. Goldsmith and Strangfield were made a vacant charge on the 14th December, 1892.

Leamington was reduced to a Mission Station on the 14th March, 1803.

PRESBYTERY OF HURON-

Leeburn and Union Church, Goderich Township, were raised to the status of a regular charge, March 14th, 1893.

PRESBYTERY OF MAITLAND-

The congregation of Teeswater was transferred from the Presbytery of Bruce to Maitland Presbytery, April 19th, 1892.

TRANSFERENCES.

PRESBYTERY OF BRUCE-

James Malcolm was transferred to the Presbytery of Maitland, by the Synod of Hamilton and London, April 19th, 1892.

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The congregation of Knox Church, Teeswater, was transferred to the Presbytery of Maitland, April 19th, 1892.

The congregations of St. Andrew's, Sault Ste. Marie, and Little Current, and the mission fields at Tarbutt, Bruce Mines, Thessalon, Day Mills, Spanish Mills, Gore Bay, St. Joseph's Island, Cockburn Island, Burpee, Algoma Mills, Providence Bay, Little Current, Manitowaning, Kagawong, Blind River, Webbwood, etc., were erected into the Presbytery of Algoma, and transferred to the bounds of the Synod of Toronto and Kingston, by the act of General Assembly, June, 1892.

PRESBYTERY OF CHATHAM-

Mr. J. W. Black, ordained missionary, was transferred to the London Presbytery, September 13th, 1892.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON-

The congregations of Waterford and Windham, together with their pastor, Mr. A. K. Caswell, were transfersed to the Presbytery of Paris, May 18th, 1892.

ELECTION OF MODERATOR.

The Roll having been called, and the attendance marked, the retiring Moderator briefly addressed the court, thanking the Synod for the honor conferred upon him, and intimating that the first business was the election of a new Moderator.

Nominations having been called for, on motion of Mr. A. Henderson, of Appin, seconded by Mr. George Cuthbertson, of Wyoming, Mr. George Sutherland, of Fingal, was nominated for the Moderator's chair. There being no other name submitted, Mr. Sutherland was unanimously elected, and on taking the chair thanked the Synod for the honor conferred upon him.

THANKS TO THE RETIRING MODERATOR.

On motion of Mr. George Cuthbertson, seconded by Mr. A. Hender son, a cordial vote of thanks was tendered the retiring Moderator, for his conduct in the chair, and for the excellent sermon preached at the opening of Synod.

COMMITTEE ON BILLS AND OVERTURES.

The following Committee on Bills and Overtures was appointed, together with the Synod and Presbytery Clerks:

Presbytery of Hamilton-Mr. J. Crawford, minister, and Mr. Thomas Gentle, elder.

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Presbytery of Paris-Mr. E. A. Hutt, Minister, and Mr. Robert Russell, elder.

Presbytery of London-Mr. A. Henderson, minister, and Mr. G. A. Younge, elder.

Presbytery of Sarnia—Mr. Hector Currie, B. A., minister, and Mr. W. H. Murray, elder

Presbytery of Chatham—Mr. F. H. Larkin, minister, and Mr. D. G. Wilson, elder.

Presbytery of Stratford—Mr. E. W. Panton, minister, and Mr. J. M. Chalmers, elder.

Presbytery of Huron—Mr. J. H. Simpson, minister, and Mr. Robert Laidlaw, elder.

Presbytery of Maitland—Mr. W. H. Geddes, Minister, and Mr. Duncan McLachlin, elder.

Presbytery of Bruce-Mr. John Johnston, minister.

COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE PRESBYTERY RECORDS.

On the records of the Hamilton Presbytery—Mr. F. H. Larkin and Mr. W. S. Ball, ministers, and Mr. Robert Laidlaw, elder.

On the records of the Paris Presbytery—Mr. E. W. Panton and Mr. T. G. Thomson, ministers, and Mr. J. M. Chalmers, elder.

On the records of the London Presbytery—Mr. W. K. Shəarer and Mr. John Kay, ministers, and Mr. David Rutherford, elder.

On the records of the Sarnia Presbytery—Mr. E. R. Hutt and Mr. Colin Fletcher, ministers, and Mr. D. K. McKenzie, elder.

On the records of the Chatham Presbytery—Mr. R. Hamilton and Mr. W. J. Dey, ministers, and Mr. A. Denholm, elder.

On the records of the Stratford Presbytery—Mr. J. H. Simpson and Mr. R. S. G, Anderson, ministers, and Mr. Duncan McLauchlin, elder.

On the records of the Huron Presbytery—Mr. W. M. Fleming and Mr. W. G. Jordon, minister, and Mr. Thomas Gentle. elder.

On the records of the Maitland Presbytery—Mr. John Johnston and Mr. George McLennan, ministers, and Mr. D. McArthur, elder.

On the records of the Bruce Presbytery—Mr. George Burson and Mr. W. J. Clark, ministers, and Mr. J. Scott, elder.

COMMITTEE ON ELDERS' COMMISSIONS.

Mr. H. McQuarrie and Dr. McMullen, ministers, and Mr. M. C. Poole, elder.

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Mr. Andrew McLean, minister, and Mr. Wm. Fulton, elder.

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Drs. Laing and Proudfoot, ministers, and Mr. Adam Spence, elder.

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, on motion, duly moved and seconded, was requested to nominate a committee to strike the Standing Committee for the year.

SEDERUNTS OF SYNOD.

It was agreed that the Sederunts of Synod should be from 9 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 CHICAGO EXPOSITION.

The Clerk reported, that in accordance with the instructions of last Synod, the Moderator and himself, had prepared and transmitted petitions to the Dominion Senate and Parliament, praying the authorities at Ottawa not to permit the opening on the Sabbath day of the Canadian portion of the Chicago Exposition. He also read a letter from John Charlton, M. P., stating that the petition to the Senate had been presented by Senator Vidal, and that to Parliament by himself.

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.

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SECOND SEDERUNT.

At St. Thomas, and within Knox Church there, the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety three years, at 9.30 a. m.

The Synod met, pursuant to adjournment, when devotional exercises were engaged in from 9.30 to 10.30 a.m., in which the Moderator and Mr. W. S. Ball, Dr. W. A. McKay, Mr. Lachlan Cameron and Dr. McMullen, took part, after which the Moderator declared the Synod constituted.

The minutes of former Sederunt were read and sustained.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BILLS AND OVERTURES.

Mr. A. Henderson, Clerk of the Committee on Bills and Overtures, presented the report as to the order of business for to-day, which on motion was adopted. In accordance therewith the Synod called for the report of

THE BUXTON FUND.

Dr J. R. Battisby, the convener of the Committee, presented the report, showing that the sum of two hundred and twenty six dollars and thirty cents (\$226.30) had been paid to the Rev. Wm. King as directed by Synod, and that the books had been regularly audited and found correct. On motion the report was received and adopted, the thanks of the Synod tendered the committee and convener for their diligence, and the members of the committee reappointed for the ensuing year. The committee is composed as follows: Dr. Battisby, convener, Messrs. A. McCall and F. H. Larkin, ministers, and Mr. R. Urquhart, elder.

REFERENCE FROM HAMILTON PRESBYTERY.

A reference from the Presbytery of Hamilton, as to whether Mr. Charles A. Webster, missionary in Palestine, who was ordained by said Presbytery, should be enrolled as a member of said court, was next considered. On motion of Dr. Fletcher, the Synod instructed the Hamilton Presbytery to add Mr. Webster's name to the roll.

BRANTFORD YOUNG LADIES' COLLEGE.

Dr. Cochrane presented the report of the Brantford Young Ladies' College, giving details of the workings ot the institution, the increasingly

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large number of pupils in attendance, and the efforts of the Directors and faculty, to make the college in every respect worthy of the church.

On motion of Dr. Mungo Fraser, seconded by Mr. W. Clark, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

The Synod received the report and expresses gratification at the greatly increased attendance upon the college in recent years, and the high character of the education afforded the daughters of our Presbyterian families and others, who avail themselves of its advantages. The Synod especially rejoices to hear from Dr. Cochrane, that so many of the daughters of the ministers belonging to this court are in attendance, and cordially commends the institution to the ministers and congregations of the church, as a religious home, where a thorough first class education is given, and above all where Christian training and Presbyterian principles are regarded as of paramount importance.

COMMITTEE ON STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Moderator nominated the following as a committee for striking the standing committee for the year: Dr. Fletcher, convener, Messrs. J. A. Anderson, G. Cuthbertson, A. Henderson (Appin), W. H. Shearer, M. L. Leitch, F. H. Larkin, and Colin Fletcher, ministers; and Messrs. D. K. McKenzie, J. A. Younge, Robt. Rae and M. McKenzie, elders. The committee was instructed to report names for a committee on systematic beneficence.

OVERTURE ANENT ASSEMBLY FUND.

There was read an overture from the Hamilton Presbytery, regarding the raising and administration of the assembly fund. The Hamilton Presbytery asked the Synod to transmit the overture to the General Assembly. Mr. Shearer was heard in support of the overture. After discussion, it was moved by Dr. McDonald, duly seconded, that further consideration of the overture be postponed till the afternoon. It was moved in amendment by Mr. A. Stewart, seconded by Dr. Fraser, that the Synod proceed at once to the consideration and disposal of the overture. On the vote being taken, the motion was carried, and further consideration postponed till the afternoon.

The hour of adjournment having arrived the Synod adjourned to meet again at 2 p. m. and the Moderator pronounced the benediction.

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THIRD SEDERUNT.

At St. Thomas, and within Knox Church there, the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety three, at 2 p. m.

The Synod met pursuan to adjournment, and was duly constituted by the Moderator, who engaged in prayer.

The minutes of former Sederunt was read and sustained.

REPORT OF AUDITORS.

Mr. Archd. McLean presented the report of the committee appointed to audit the Treasurer's books—that they were correctly kept, and that there were vouchers for all the sums paid during the year.

On motion of Dr. Fletcher, the report was received and adopted.

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

Rev. Wm. Burns, agent for the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund, addressed the Synod, giving details as to the condition of the fund, and calling attention to the large number of congregations in the Synod that had not as yet sent in contributions. He also gave particulars as to the Endowment Fund.

On motion of Dr. McMullen, seconded by Mr. Robert Hamilton, the following resolution was unanimously adopted.

The Synod has heard with great satisfactiont, he encouraging statements made by the Rev. Mr. Burns in regard to the Endowmert now being raised for the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund, while at the same time greatly regretting that there are still many congregations within the bounds of the Synod, that have so far this year made no contributions to the Ordinary fund. They earnestly commend this important fund to the members of Synod and their congregations, and finally express their high sense of the great services rendered the church, in this department, by Mr. Burns.

NORTH WEST MISSIONS.

Dr. Robertson, Superintendent of Missions in the North West, addressed the Synod at length on the pressing claims of the North West and British Columbia, on account of the large emigration to these distant fields. He also gave an interesting resume of the increase of mission stations and congregations during recent years.

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John Arno On motion of Mr. A. Henderson, seconded by Dr. Proudfoot, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

The Synod tender to Dr. Robertson their thanks for the instructive and inspiring address he has just delivered on the Home Mission work in the North West, and recommend all ministers within the bounds to use diligence in informing their respective congregations, respecting the Home Mission and augmentation work in the North West as well as in the more easterly provinces of the church, and to endeavor to obtain more liberal support.

On motion of Mr. Henderson, seconded by Dr. McMullen, the following additional resolution was also unanimously adopted:

The Synod would earnestly urge Sessions and Home Mission Conveners, in the various Presbyteries, to interest themselves in the organization of Young People's Societies in behalf of Home Missions, either separately or in conjunction with existing Young People's Societies, and in accordance with the General Assembly's recommendation of 1891.

OVERTURE FROM HAMILTON PRESBYTERY.

The Synod resumed consideration of the Overture of Hamilton Presbytery, regarding the raising and administration of the Assembly fund. Dr. Laing was heard in support of the overture, and concluded by moving its adoption by the Synod and transmission to the General Assembly. Mr. James A. Macdonald seconded the motion. Dr. McMullen moved, seconded by Mr. W. Martin, that the overture be transmitted simpticiter to the General Assembly. On a vote being taken the amendment was carried by a majority.

NEXT MEETING OF SYNOD.

On motion of Dr. Fletcher, seconded by Mr. Robert Hamilton, the Synod agreed to meet next year in McNab Street Church, Hamilton, on the third Monday of April at half past 7 p, m.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Dr. Fletcher, from the committee appointed to nominate standing committees, reported the following, which on motion, was adopted. The committees for 1893 as these as follows:

STATE OF RELIGION.—Messrs. W. G. Jordan, convener, John Ross, E. W. Panton, and L. Cameron, ministers, and Messrs. D. K. McKenzie, James Bell and William Somerville, elders, with the conveners of the Presbyterial Committees.

Temperance.—Messrs. W. J. Clark, convener, J. S. Henderson and John Beckett, ministers, and Messrs. J. W. Chalmers, Hugh Rose and Dr. Arnot, elders, with the conveners of the Presbyterial Committees.

SABBATH SCHOOLS.—Messrs. James Ballantyne, convener, J. A.

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SABBATH OBSERVANCE.—Messrs. S. Lyle, B. D., convener, Dr. John Thompson, Dr. A. D. Macdonald, Dr. McMullen, ministers, and Messrs. John Charlton, M. P., A. Bartlett, Robert Lawrie and Robert Ray, elders, with the conveners of the Presbyterial Committees.

Systematic Beneficence.—Messrs. Robert Hamilton, convener, J. G. Shearer, Dr. Battisby, E. H. Sawers, and Messrs. D. D. Wilson and Charles McGregor, with the conveners of the Presbyterial Committees.

REPORT ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Mr. W. J. Clark presented the report on Sabbath Observance, and closed by moving its reception and the adoption of the recommendations.

The report was received and the recommendations considered seriation. These were adopted and are as follows:

- 1. That this Synod expresses its regret, that the House of Commons has not supported Mr. John Charlton's resolution, to secure the closing on the Sabbath of Canada's exhibit at the Columbian Exposition, as this court believes the House of Commons has thus failed to make known the moral and religious sense of the country.
- 2. That ministers of the church be instructed to preach plainly on the subject of Sabbath observance at least once a year, and they are advised while presenting the question from a scriptural standpoint, to also emphasize its humanitarian aspect, inasmuch as by doing so, they may gain the co operation of some who may be unwilling to accept the religious view of Sabbath observance.
- 3. That while ministers preach, they and all officebearers, private members and adherents, are exhorted by the Court, to be living examples of the right observance of the Sabbath day; let them beware of seeking their own pleasure, but call it a delight, the holy of the Lord and honorable.

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The Synod cordially thanked the committee, and especially the convener, for their valuable report.

THANKS TENDERED JOHN CHARLTON, ESQ., M. P.

On motion of Mr. F. McCuaig, seconded by Dr. McMullen, the following resolution was unaaimously adopted:

That the Synod tender thanks to Mr. John Charlton, M.P., for his manly christian advocacy in his place in parliament, of the claims of God's moral law, and especially of the claims of the Holy Sabbath, on all the people in their public as well as in their private capacity. And this Synod assures Mr. Charlton of its sympathy, and active support in the course

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which he has hitherto pursued on this question, and other moral questions, and would earnestly urge him and others co-operating with him, not to be weary in well-doing.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Synod adjourned to meet again at half past seven, p. m., the Moderator pronouncing the benediction.

FOURTH SEDERUNT.

At St. Thomas, and within Knox Church there, the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, at 7.30 p.m.

The Synod met pursuant to adjournment, and was duly constituted by the Moderator, Dr. Laing engaging in prayed at his request.

The minutes of former sederunt were read and sustained.

LICENSURE OF STUDENTS.

Dr. Lalng, convener of the Committee on the Licensing of Students, gave in their report, recommending the Synod to grant leave to the Presbytery of Huron to take Mr. E. L. Hunt, B. A., on trial for license; to the Presbytery of Hamilton, to take Mr. James Wilson on trial for license; to the Presbytery of London, to take Mr. G. S. Scott on trial for license, and to the same Presbytery, to take Mr. A. McLean on trial for license, when he has been duly transferred from the Toronto to the London Presbytery.

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Mr. James Ballantyne, convener of the committee, presented the report on Sabbath Schools; and closed by moving its reception, which was seconded by Mr. W. J. Dev.

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 That the Home Study Leaflet be recommended by this Synod, as a valuable help in Sabbath School work.

 That while the increased interest in the study of the shorter catechism, is gratifying to this Synod, ministers and officebearers be urged to still further effort, that its more general adoption may be secured.

3. That this Synod would impress upon ministers and Sabbath School teachers, the necessity of training the young more thoroughly in the principle of christian giving, and of encouraging them to contribute through the channels provided by the church.

The thanks of the Synod were given to the Convener and the Committee, for their diligence in tabulating the statistics and other interesting facts contained in the Report.

REPORT ON THE STATE OF RELIGION.

Mr. R. S. G. Auderson presented the Report on the State of Religion, as drawn up by Mr. John Ross, the Convener. On motion of W. J. Dey, seconded by Mr. Cuthbertson, the report was received and adopted, and the thanks of the Synod given Mr. Ross for his diligence.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Mr. J. C. Tibb presented the Report on Temperance. He stated, that as the Convener of the Committee had removed from the bounds, and others who were expected to undertake its preparation had failed to do so, the report had been hastily prepared during the day. On motion of Mr. McKibbin, seconded by Dr. W. A. McKay, the Report was received and adopted, and the thanks of the Synod tendered Mr. Tibb.

TEMPERANCE LEGISLATION IN THE ONTARIO LEGISLATURE.

Dr. W. A. McKay, of Woodstock, proposed the following motion:

The Synod of Hamilton and London, understanding that a bill is to be brought at an early date before the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, making provision for the abolition of Tavern, Saloon and Shop Licenses, and the whole retail trade in intoxicating beverages,

The Synod therefore expresses its hearty endorsement of the object of this Bill, and the earnest hope that the Bill may become the law of this Province, and instructs the Clerk to communicate this resolution at once to the Attorney General and to Mr. Marter, M.P.P.

The motion was seconded by Mr. J. S. Hardie.

Mr. Arch'd McLean moved, seconded by Mr. F. McCuaig, in amend-

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cises, Ham seder ment, That the Synod of Hamilton and London approves of any bill that may be introduced in the Legislative Assembly of Ontario during the present or future session, for limiting the sale of intoxicating liquors, and hopes that our representatives in that Assembly will vote for such a bill.

The yeas and nays having been taken on the amendment, it was lost by a vote of 30 to 18.

Dr. A. D. McDonald moved, in further amendment, seconded by Mr. Jas. A. Macdonald, That this Synod would express its approval of any legislation that would abolish the licensing of the sale of liquors in saloons, bar rooms and shors, by retail.

The yeas and nays having been taken on Dr. McDonald's amendment, it was carried by a vote of 37 to 20. The question was then put by the Moderator, yea or nay, shall the motion of Dr. McKay as thus amended pass, which was carried by a vote of 52 to 2, and thus became the judgement of the House. The Clerk was instructed to communicate the resolution carried to Sir Oliver Mowat.

TRANSFERENCE OF EAST WILLIAMS.

On motion of Mr. D. Currie, seconded by Mr. Robert Hamilton, the Presbyteries of London and Sarnia were empowered to transfer the congregation of East Williams from the London to the Sarnia Presbytery, if in their judgement such seems to them to be in the interests of the congregation.

PRESBYTERY RECORDS.

The Committees appointed to examine the Records of the Presbyteries of Hamilton, Paris, London, Sarnia, Chatham, Huron, Maitland, Stratford and Bruce, reported, that said Records were carefully and correctly kept, and the Moderator was instructed to attest said Records accordingly.

VOTE OF THANKS.

On motion of Dr. Cochrane, seconded by Mr. Larkin, the cordial thanks of the Synod were given to the minister and office-bearers of Knox Church for the use of their building; to the committee, who had made arrangements for the entertaining of members, and to the railways for reduced rates.

The business being concluded, the Moderator, after devotional exercises, declared the Synod adjourned, to meet again in McNab St. Church, Hamilton, on the third Monday of April, 1894, at 7.30 p.m., and the sederunt was closed with the benediction.

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Synod of Hamilton and London, 1893-94.

MODERATOR:
REV. GEORGE SUTHERLAND, FINGAL.

CLERK:

REV. WM. COCHRANE, D. D., BRANTFORD.

TREASURER:

GEORGE RUTHERFORD, ESQ., HAMILTON.