# THE MINUTES <br> <br> THE SECOND SESSION <br> <br> THE SECOND SESSION <br> OF <br> <br> THE SYNOD <br> <br> THE SYNOD <br> OF THE <br> <br> Canada Presbyterian church <br> <br> Canada Presbyterian church <br> HELD IN TORONTO, JUNE 3-12, 1862. 

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Rev. ROBERT URE, Streetsville, Moderator.
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## ROLL OF SYNOD

## OF

## CANADA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

(The names of thoso present are marked with an asterisk.)

PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.


## PRESBYTERY OF OTTAWA.

MINISTERS. DATE OF
ORDINATION.
ELDERS.
CONGREGATIONS.
POST-OFFICES.
*Wm. Aitken .........Oct. 1, 1839...... George Foster...... Smith's Falls................... Smith's Falls. *S. O. Fraser, A.M. ...March, 1844....... John Forest..........McNab ............................... White Lake. *Thos. Wardrope......Aug. 13, 1845......*Donald Kennedy.Ottawa ................................. Ottawa.
*Jno. McKinnon........Feb. 4, 1846... Robert Kennedy .Beckwith and Ashton......Carlton-Place. *Jas. B. Duncan ......July 1, 1848...... William Shaw...... Perth ............................. Perth.
*J. L. Gourlay, A.M.March, 1851...... Hugh Gourlay ...Aylmer and Nepean .......Aylmer, C. E.
*David Wardrope......June 5, 1855.....................................Bristol ............................Bristol, O. E.
*James White .........Nov. 24, 1858......*William Brunton .Osgoode and Russell ....... Osgoode.
*Wm. McKenzie ......Dec. 8, 1858......*Jno. Graham ......Ramsay ........................... Almonte.
John McEwen .......Dec. 7, 1859....... William Lough ...Cumberland and LochaberOsborne.
William Lochead ....Sept. 20, 1859......Andrew McKenzie. Renfrew ..........................Renfrew.
*Robert Scott ..........Nov. 23, 1860...................................Pakenham, \&c......................Packenham.
Vacant. Dalhuusie.
Wakefield
. Pembroke.
Fitzroy Har. \& Tarbolton.
S. C. Fraser, Presbytery Clerk.

## PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE.

## MINISTERS. <br> DATE OF <br> ORDINATION. <br> ELDERS. <br> CONGREGATIONS. <br> POBT-0FFICES.

Rob't Boyd, D.D. ....Feb. 8, $1821 \ldots . .$. Robert Steed .......Prescott ........................... Prescott.
*John Morrison ......May 12, 1829...... T. Rutherford....... Waddiogton, N. Y.............Waddington, N.Y.
Wm. Lochead..........De日'r, 1830....... Thomas Duncan.... (iloucester and N. Gower Kars.
Andrew Melville ....Feb. 26, 1846...... Peter Ewing ......Westport ...................... Spencerville.

*Jas, K. Smith, A.M Fub'y, 1853...... Sheriff Sherwood .Brockville $\qquad$
*Robert McKenzie ...Angust, 1853....... George McNisk ...Yonge and Lyn
*Robert McKenzie ...Angust, 1853...... George MeNisk ...Yonge and Lyn............... Lyn.
*Hugh Oamphell..... pt. 20, 1854....Robert Craig .....Cornwall ................Cornwall.
*Arch
*Arch. Lees, A.M. ....Oct. 23, 1859...... James Forsyth ...North Augusta......................Farmersville.
*A. Matheson .........Nov. 28, 1860......R. Markell............. Osnabruck............................... Lunenburgh.
James K. Smith, Presbytery Clerk.

## PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.



## PRESBYTERY OF COBOURG.



PRESBYTERY OF ONTARIO.

## MINISTERS. DATE OF ELDERS. <br> CONGREGATIONS. <br> POST-OPFICES.

*R. H. Thornton, D.D.April, 1833......*John Agnew *Alex. Kennedy......Sept. 30,1835.......*John Parker $\qquad$
*George Lawrence ....Apr. 28, 1837...... John Gibson ......Dumbarton and Canton...Dumbarton. Robert Monteith ....Apr, 29, 1841 ... George
...Pri
*John Baird, M.A...JJan. 18, 1843......*Adam Speirs
...... \{Claremont \& Erskine
*John McTavish ...... 1844......*Arch'd Gillis .
*John McLochlan ....Oct, 26, 1846..... Arch' Ginis .......Woodville

John Smith..............Sept. 2, 1851..... Wm. Stewart ......Cariwright and Ballyduff. Ballyduff.
Robt. McArthur......Nov. 29, 1854....... Alexander LeasinBowmanville................... Bowmanville.
*Thos. McArthur.....Nov. 29, 1854....... Alexander Leask..Brock and Reach...............Wick.
*Thos. Sharp ......... May, 1857......*Andrew Barclay...Ashburn and Utica............ Ashburn.
*Jno. M. King, M.A.Oct. 27, 1857........James Burns .......Columbus and Brooklin....Columbus.
*George Riddell ......0ct. 2, 1858.......*Andrew Milligan...Newton and Newcestle ...Clarke.
Vacancy ...................................John Smith......... Whitby ..........................
Robert H. Thornton, D.D., Presbytery Olerk.

MINIST *Robt. Burn *Mich. Willi Jamea Har *Wm. Frase
*David Cout
Alex. Topp
*John Jenn
*Peter Glase
*Wm. Reid,
*A. T. Holm
*James Dick
*Thos. Wigh
*John Corbe
Wm. Grega
*George $\mathbf{P}$.
Jas. Pringle
*Jas. Nisbet
*Robert Ure
*Jos. Alexan
*Jno. Gray
Jno. Black
*James Adar
Rob't Jamie
*Jas. Mitche
*Alex. McFa
*James Stew

* George Craw
*Jilius Stra
*D. H. Fletch
*Chas. McKe
James Mill!
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MINISTE
*George Smal
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*Wm. Barrie.
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## PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

MINISTERS.
DATE OF
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*Robt. Burns, D.D. ...July 19, 1811............ CONGREGATIONs. POST-0FFICBS
${ }^{*}$ Mich. Willis. D.D. .... 18 181....................................................................... Knin. Knox College...........Toronto.
James Harris ..........July 10, 1823.....................................................................Tout Charge ........... Kglinto.
*Wm. Fraser.............Sept. 2, 1834...... Charles Wilison .. W. Gwillimbury .......... Eglinton. Essa Bond Head.

| *David Contts ......... | 1836......*John Henderson.$\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { 1nt Chinguacousy } \\ \text { 2nd Chinguacousy }\end{array}\right\}$...May field. |
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*John Jennings, D.D.July, 1838........*J. N. N. Agnew, M.D.Bay-frithurch, Toronto.Toronto.
*Peter Glassford ......Oct. 10, $1838 \ldots .$. .J. N. Agnew, M.D.Bay-street Ch., ${ }^{\text {W Will }}$ Toronto.
*Wm. Reid, A.M.......Jan. 29, 1840.....*William Roger ...Vaughan and Albion ......Coleraine.
*Wm. Reid, A.M.......Jan. 29, 1840.................................. Agent of Church .............Toronto.

*Thos. Wightman .....Feb'y, 1844....... Wames Ralston .... Innisfil, Barrie, and ...........kichmond Hill.
*John Corbett ..........Jan'y, 1847.....................................Mono ........................ Barrie, and Essa.Lefroy.
Wm. Gregg. A.M. ...June, 1847..................................Mono Moses ........................... Mono Centre.
*George P. Young .... Jan, 19, 1877...................................Prof. in K nox College......Toronto.

*Robert Ure .............October, 1850.................................Milisiam Leslie....Streetsville River.
*Jos. Alexander, M.A.May, 1851......*Donald Elder .......Norval and Üvion .............Norval.
*Jno. Gray .............May, 1851.......*Thos, Dallas.......... Orillia and East Oro ........Vrillia.
Jno. Black ...........July 13, 1851......*Donald MeLellan. Red River ........................Red River.
Rob't Jamieson .......June 29, 1854.................................... Mis Mig ..............................Nobleton.
*Jas. Mitchell ..........Feb'y, 1857..........................................................'y British Columbia.
*Alex. MeFaul ...........Mar. 17, 1858....................................... Milton and Boston ChurchMilton.
James Stewart ........May, Mar, 1858..................................Caledon and Orangeville...Caledon.
*George Craw ...........Dee'r, 1859...................................West Young ..............................Oro. Oro
*Juilius Straus ...........April, 1860.....................................Medorthte and Flos ..........Craighurst.
*D. H. Fletcher.........Nov'r, 18(0..................................Markham ........................... Buttonville.
*Chas. McKerracher..Aug. 22, 1862......*Wm. Fraser........ $\{$ Wearboro $\mathbf{*}$........................Agincourt.

.. D. Fotheringham. Gould-street, Toronto.
*John Barclay ......Oakville and Dundas.
*John Brack........ York Mills \& Fi-herville.
Jas. Brown .........West Chureh, Toronto.
William Greaa, A.M., Presbytery Clerle,

## PRESBYTERY OF GUELPH.



PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.

MINISTERS. DATE OF
Thomas Christie
ORDINATION.
ELDBRS.
OONGREGATION.
POST-0FFTCES.

| *George Cheyne ........ |
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## PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON-Continued.

## ministers.

Mark Y. Stark
\#Mark Y. Stark ......Sept. 21, 1833.......*Alex. Ogg..............Dundas ......................... Dundas.
*R. Irvine, D.D. ......Nov. 13, 1840......................... Knox’v Church, Hamilton. Hamilto
*John Porteous........Dec. 7, 1842................................... Knox't Valeurs..... Beverly
*Alex. McLean, M.A..Feb. 14, 1843........*James Sanderson..Nairn ..........................................Kilbride.
*Ravid Inglis ........... 1841 ...... Mait. Young, Sen.McNab-street, Hamilton.... Hamilton.
*R. F. Burns............July 1, 1847.........John Lawrie, Sen St. Catharines ...............St. Catharines.
*Wm. M. Christic......Oct. 3, 1849.......*Dr. A berdein.......Chippawa and Crowland...Chippawa.
Wm. Ormiston, D D.Oct. 23, *Jemes Black .........Nov. 9, 1853.......*Alex. Mitchell .......entral Ca., Hamilton ...Hamilton.

William Craigie ......June 5, 1856.................................... Port Dover, \&c. ...............Port Dover.
*John MeRcbie..........0ct. 21, 1857........................................Jarvis, \&e. \&c.....................Dunnville.

*Jno. G. Murray ......July 7, 1858...... John D. Beamer...Grimsby, \&c........................Grimsby
${ }^{*}$ Finlay McCuaig......Nov. 28, 1860.......*Robert Ball.......... Port Dalhousie, \&c. ............ Port Dalhousie. Vacant..................................*Wm. Brown .........Onelda, \&c.

Thorold.
Walsingham.
Drummondville.
Sutherland-st., Caledonia.
John Porteovs, Presbytery Clerk

## PRESBYTERY OF PARIS.

MINISTERS.
Joseph Young
*David Caw ...
*John Gillespie. *William Inglis.......June 19, 1845.......*Tbos. McKenzie... Willis' Che Bret, Paris....... Paris, *Wiliam Inglis .......Dec. 23, 1847...... Robert Towers ....Erskine Ch., Woodstock ... Woodstock *Arch. Cross .............Aug. 17, 1848....... John Lawson...... Erskine Ch., Woodstock... Woodstock *Duncan McRuer......Nov. 25, 1851 ......*Douglas Lilico.....Erskine Ch., Ingersoll ....Ingersoll *Duncan McDiarmid. May 26, 1852...... Douglas Lilico..... Knox's Church, Ayr ......Ayr. *John Dunbar .........May 18, 1852..................................Chalmer's Buchanan.. Gien Morris., Woodstock. Woodstock. *Andrew Tolmie ......June 2, 1853.......AAlex. Brown .......Innerkip *Wm. T, McMullen...Nov. 5, 1856.........W.Wm. Chamb ......Innerkip .........................Innerkip.
 *John Straith ........Jan. 30, 1857........Hugh Pavidson...Knox's Ch., Ingersoll......Ingersoll. *W. Robertson, M.A-Jan. 26, 1859.......*John Brown .......Chesterfield ....................Chesterfield.
*Wm. Cochrane ....... *Wm. Peattie ..........Jan. 24, 1860...... George Bryce....... Mount Pleasant .............Mohswk Robert Hume, M.A.May 22, 1860.......*Robert Christie ... St. George ................................. Gehawk.
 Stanley-street, Ayr



Jonn Gmusspie, Presbytery Clerk.

## PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.



## Ministers.

## PRESBYTERY OF LONDON-Continued.

DATB OF
ORDINATON
ELDERS.
CONGREGATICNS.


A. D. MoDonald, Presbytery Clerk. PRESBYTERY OF STRATFORD.
MINISTERE.
DATE 0F ORDINATION ELDEES.
Thos. Lowry ........Sept. 24, 1833...... Alex. Rae CONGREGATIONS. POST-OFFIOES,
*Thos. McPherson .......et. 10, 1836....... Alenjamin Rigg......... Stratford ................... West's Corners,
*Daniel Allan .........Oct. 21, 1838................................... North Eastho.................. Stratford.
*Wm. Meldrum ........March, 1840....................................North Easthope .............. Stratford.
*James Boyd..............July 7, 1847....... Wm. McKenzie....Harrington ........................Harrington.
*Alex. A. Drummonduct. 20, 1847 .........Chas. Robertson...Wellesley .......................Crosshill.
${ }^{*}$ Wm. Caven............Oct. $7,1852 \ldots . .$. Andw. Riddell ......Shakespeare ................... Shakespeare
${ }^{*}$ Wm. Caven............Oct. 7, 1852...... Dun'n MeVannell.st. Mary's .............................St. St. Mary's B.
*John Fotheringham. Feb. 26, 1856............. Mich'I Ballantyne.Downie ............................Stratford.
*David Beattie .......Apr. 23, 1857......Alex. Duncan......Hibbert ........................ Cromarty
*Robert Hamilton....June $30,1858 . . . . .$. Wm. Whaley .......Moraington ................... Millbank.
*Robert Hall.............Apr. 17, 1860....... T. Fotherin........ Fullarton ......................A Avonbank
$\underset{\text { Vant................................. Thos. Wiley..........Mitehell. ..........................St. Mary's B. }}{\text {. }}$
Wm. Dunn .........Chal. Ch., St. Mary's.
Whliam Doak, Presbytery Clerk.

## PRESBYTERY OF GREY.

MINISTERS. DATE OF
ELDERS.
ORDINATION.
*Thos. Stevenson......June 21, 1840..... *D. Christie........... Owwen Sound................... Owen Sound.
*Robert Dewar........Oct. 17, 1855..... D. Armstronger
ORDINATION.
*Thos. Stevenson......June 21, 1840..... *D. Christie...........Owen Sound....................Owen Sound.
*Robert C. Moffat........Oct. 14, 1855...... D. Armstrong......Lake Shore ........................Leith.
*Alexander Grant .....Aug. 4, 1858....... R. Gowanlock......Walkerton...............................Walkerton. McKay.
*James Cameron ......Feb. 16, 1859....... James Mitchell...... Sullivan Sound................... Owen Sound
*Wlliam Park ..........May 18, 1859........ Wames Mitchell .... Sullivan, \&c...........................Chatsworth.
*George Bremner.......Feb. 15, 1860....... John Essen...........Durham ............................Bentinck.
D. McLean .............May 31, 1860........ John Essen..........Paisley ..........................Paisley.
*Charles Cameron..... $1861 . . . . .$. ... Alex Reid .........Mount Forest, \&c.............Mount Forest.
*David Waters..........July 16, 1861........*R. Youn Abull ...Rocky Saugeen...................Priceville.
*Alex. Fraser ...........Oct. 22, 1861.......*James Muir............Port Ele Poun ................. Southampton.
*Patrick Greig ..........Oct. 23, 1861....... J. Milligan ......... Port Elgin......................Port Elgin.
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William Pare, Presbytery Clerk,

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# MINUTES 

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SECOND SESSION OF THE SYNOD
OF

## THE CANADA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,

Held at Toronto, June 3-12, 1862.

## FIRST SEDERUNT.

At the City of Toronto, and within Knox's Church, there, the third day of June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two years, the Synod of the Canada Presbyterian Church met, and, after sermon by the Moderator-Dr. Taylor-from the sixteenth chapter of the Gospel of Mark, the fifteenth verse, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature," was constituted for business.

- The Synod Roll, made up from the Presbytery Rolls, was Roll called, called, and the names of members in attendance were marked.
The Moderator stated that, at last meeting of Synod, a Com- Correspondence mittee had been appointed to send official information of the with certain Union effected between the Synods and Churches now forming Churches, the Canada Presbyterian Church, to the following Churches, namely-the Free Church of Scotland, the United Presbyterian Church in Scotland, the Presbyterian Church in England, the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinees, the Presbyterian Chureh of New Brunswick; to open a friendly correspondence with the said Churches, and to send to each a copy of the Basis of Union; that the Committee, in accordance with their instructions, had prepared and forwarded letters to the Churches afore-named; and that replies; of a cordial kind, had been received to three of them;
The Moderator also stated that an address of condolence to Address to the Her Majesty, the Queen, on the death of the Duchess of Kent, Queen, and had, according to the instructions of last Synod, been prepared of Newterastle. Doke and forwarded; and that a letter had been received from his Grace, the Duke of Newcastle, conveying the information that the address had been presented to Her Majesty, and had been most graciously received.

The Moderator then addressed the Synod, warmly thanking Moderators them for the honour which, last year, they had conferred upon Address on him by placing him in the chair, and for the uniform kindness and ${ }^{\text {retiring. }}$
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attention which he had received during his term of office, and requesting that the constitutional steps be taken to elect a new Moderator.
Moderator,
election of.
Dr. Burns chosen.
The Synod proceeded to elect a Moderator. The following nominations were made by Presbyteries, namely,--Dr. Burns, Mr. Robert Ure, Mr. Alexander Topp. Mr. Topp not being pre-sent-having sailed for Europe-the leet contained the names of but two candidates, and, on a vote being taken, Dr. Burns was elected by a large majority.

## Dr. Burns <br> declined

appointment.
Dr. Burns addressed the Synod, acknowledging, in very cordial terms, the honour which had been done him by his election as Moderator, but saying that, on account of the state of his health, he could not hope, were he to accept the appointment, to perform the duties of so important and onerous an office with that efficiency which he should desire, and that, therefore, he earnestly and respectfully requested the Synod to accept his declinature of the Moderatorship.
It was moved by Mr. Dick, seconded by Dr. Thornton,-That the Synod, sincerely sympathizing with Dr. Burns, in respect to the reasons which he has given for wishing to decline the appointment to the Moderatorship, agree, for the reasons assigned, that his respectful declinature be accepted.
An amendment was moved by Mr. John W. Smith, seconded by Mr. Logie,-That Dr. Burns's declinature be not accepted.
The motion was carried by a large majority, and the Synod decided in terms thereof.
Mr. R.Ure elected On motion of Dr. Burns, seconded by Dr. Jennings, Mr. Robert Moderator. Ure, of Streetsville, was then, unanimously, elected as Moderator and, on taking the chair, addressed the Synod in appropriate terms.

Business and
Bills Committee Report.

The Synod called for the Report of the Cormmittee on Business, and on Bills and Overtures. The Report was read by Mr. Kemp, Chairman of the Committee. On motion made and duly seconded,
Elders to be on - In
Committee Bills' and Overtures. report, the following appointments were made by tie Synod, of Elders, to be members of the Committee of Bills and Overtures, in addition to the present members, namely :-Mess rs. J. O. Becket, D. Kennedy, Sheriff Sherwood, Dr. Holden, M sssrs. Robt. Turnbull, Jno. Parker, Dr. Agnew, Messrs. Morris C. Lutz, Maitland Young, R. Christie, W. Clark, Robert Carnachan, John Caven, James Reid.
Elders' Commisalons, Com. on.

The Synod appointed Messrs. A. A. Drummond, S. C. Fraser. and Robert Hall, Ministers, and Messrs. W. Clark, A. Smith, and M. C. Lutz, Elders, a Committee to examine the Commissions of Elders appointed by their respective Sessions to represent them in Synod; and also, on the Synod Roll. Mr. Drummond to be Convener.
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The next recommendation of the Report on Business was to the Remits, returns effect, that a Committee be appointed on the Returns from Pres- on, left to byteries to overtures and Remits from last Synod. On motion, it Business Com. was agreed that this matter be left in the hands of the Business Committee.

The Synod appointed Dr. Taylor to be Chairman of the Board Knox College of Knox's College, ad interim, in place of Mr. Alexander Topp, Board; Chairman who is absent from the Province.

It was agreed to adopt the following arrangement in regard to Sederunts, the diets for business, namely : Meet each morning at 10 o'clock, arrangement on and continue in session until 1, P. M.; meet again at 3 o'clock, and continue until 6 ; meet again at 7 , continuing, ordinarily, until 10 o'clock, P. M. It was agreed, also to meet to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock, and to spend the first hour of the sederunt in devotional exercises; further, that the first hour of the first sederunt on Monday, be spent in devotional exercises.

The order of business, for to-morrow and the succeeding day, Order of basinese was agreed to. agreed to.
On motion of Mr. R. F. Burns, it was unanimously agreed, That the thanks of the Synod be given to the retiring Moderator, ing Moderatirfor the manner in which he has dischared tho tioderator, ing Moderator. chair, and for the appropriate and excellent sermon preached by him, this evening. The Moderator, accordingly, conveyed to Dr. Taylor the thanks of the Synod.

The several Presbyteries, on application made, were permitted Presbyteries perto meet, for competent business, on the call of their respective ${ }^{\text {mitted to meet. }}$ Moderators, in the intervals of the sederunts, during this meeting of Synod.

Mr. Gillespie dissented.

Closed with the benediction.

Dissent.

## SECOND SEDERUNT.

> Knox's Church, Toronto, Wednesday, June 4, 1862, 11 o'clock, A.M.,

The Synod met and was opened with praise. Prayer, alter-Devotional nating with praise, was offered by the Moderator-Mr. Ure,-by exercises. Dr. Burns, Mr. Caw, and Principal Willis. The Moderator then declared the Synod to be constituted, and ready to proceed to business.

The minutes of the first sederunt were read and sustained.
The Synod called for the Report of the Committee on the Com- Elders' Commismissions of Elders, and on the Synod Roll. The Report was read committoe on.
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Committees on Records of Preshyteries.
by Mr. Drummond, the Convener; and it was ordered that the names of the Elders commissioned as members of Synod, which had been given in, be placed on the Synod Roll.
The Synod appointed the following Committees for the examination of the Records of Presbyteries, viz.:-
Of the Presbytery of Montreal-Messrs. Aitken and Gourlay, and D. Kennedy.

Of the Presbytery of Ottawa-Dr. Taylor, Mr. Kemp, and Mr. J. C. Becket.

Of the Presbytery of Kingston-Messrs. J. K. Smith, J. Morrison, and Mr. Craig.
Of the Presbytery of Brockville-Messrs. J. Scott (Napanee), R. Swinton, and Dr. Holden.
Of the Presbytery of Cobourg-Dr. Thornton, Mr. McTavish, and Mr. James Burns.
Of the Presbytery of Ontario-Messrs. J. W. Smith, W. J. MacKenzie, and Mr. Brodie.
Of the Presbytery of Toronto-Messrs. J. Duff, McMechan, and Mr. Laney.
Of the Presbytery of Guelph-Messrs. D. Coutts, J. Mitchell, and D. McLellan.

Of the Presbytery of Hamilton-Messrs. D. Caw, J. Gillespie, and A. Colvin.

Of the Presbytery of Paris-Messrs. D. Inglis, W. M. Christie, and M. Young.
Of the Presbytery of London-Messrs. A. D. McDonald, J. Logie, and Mr. Carnachan.
Of the Presbytery of Huron-Messrs. J. Skinner, W. Troup, and T. Fleming.

Of the Presbytery of Stratford-Messrs. R. Dewar, W. Park, and D. Christie.
Of the Presbytery of Grey-Messrs. T. McPhersen, R. Hall, and John Caven.
The first member named on each of the above Committees to be the Convener.
Reoorde of Synod, The Synod appointed a Committee to examine the Records of Committee on. Synod, as follows:-Dr. Jennings, Mr. Wm. Inglis, Mr. John Scott (of London), and Dr. Agnew. Dr. Jennings, Convener.
Records Committees to report on
Monday.

## Correspondents

invited.

The Committees on the Records of Presbyteries, and also the Committee on Synod Records, were instructed to give in their Reports on Monday morning.
Messrs. George Murray. A. McGlashan, A. McColl, and Mr. Wallace, Agent of the French Canadian Missionary Society, being present, were invited to sit with the Synod as corresponding members.
The Synod adjourned, to meet again at 3 o'clock, P.M., and the diet was closed with the benediction.

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## THIRD SEDERUNT.

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The Synod met, and, after engaging in praise, Dr. Taylor, at the request of the Moderator, offered up prayer, and the Moderator declared the Synod to be constituted.
The minutes of last sederunt were read and sustained.
Mr. Duclos, of the French Canadian Church, Mr. W. Clarke, of Corresponding the Congregational Church, and Dr. Cairns, being present, were members invited. invited to sit in the Synod as corresponding members.

The Committee of Bills and Overtures were called upon for Bills and Over their Report on the Returns from Presbyteries, on the Remit from tures, Repori of the last Synod, on Standing Orders. The Report was read by Committee. Mr. Kemp, the Chairman of the Committee.

On motion made and duly seconded, the Synod agreed to receive Report received the Report, and proceed to the consideration of its several clauses, and considered. seriatim.

The first clause-" A. Presbytery Rolls. 1.", on motion made First elause and seconded, was amended and adopted, as follows:-Certified amended and Rolls of Presbyteries, together with Reports of Moderations, In- adopted. ductions, Licensure, Deaths, Demissions, and Depositions, within their respective bounds, shall be sent up by their respective Clerks, so as to be in the hands of the Clepk of Synod at least eight days before the Synod meets."
Clause "B. Devotional Exercises," was adopted without amend- Clause B. 2. ment, as follows:-2. The second diet of the Synod's meeting adopted. shall be chiefly spent in devotional exercises, and such portion of the time of other diets as the Moderator of Synod shall think
proper.

On clause "C. Committee on Business and Bills." " 3 ."
It was moved by Mr. Kemp, seconded by Dr. Thornton,-That this clause be amended as follows:-3. There shall be a Standing Committee on Business consisting of the Clerks of the Synod and of Presbyteries, who shall arrange all such business as may be requisite prior to the first diet of the annual meeting of Synod; and such Oommittee, together with a Minister and Elder from each Presbytery, appointed by the Presbytery itself, shall constitute the Committee of Bills and Overtures; but in the event of no such appointment being made, such representatives shall be appointed by the Synod. The Synod Clerks shall be Joint Conveners of the said Committee.

It was moved, in amendment, by Mr. Logie, seconded by Mr. Amendment lost. Dick, -That section C. be amended as follows:-The Committee of Bills and Overtures shall consist of the Clerks of Synod, and the Clerks of Presbyteties, and a representative from each Presbytery, appointed by the Presbytery itself, who shall be a Standing

Addition to clause C. 3.

Clause D. 4 adopted.

Committee of Business to arrange all the ordinary business of Synod, and such other business as may emerge during the Session of Synod.

A vote being taken, the motion of Mr. Kemp was carried by a large majority, and the Synod decided in terms of the motion.

On motion of Mr. Monteath, the following addition was made to Clause C. 3:-That after the arrangement of business has been reported by the Committee of Bills and Overtures, and disposed of by the Synod, the Engrossing Clerk shall write out a legible copy of the business according to the order in which it is to be taken up from time to time, and shall fix up the same in the vestibule of the place of meeting for the due information of all parties.
Clause "D. Papers to be transmitted. 4," was agreed to, without amendment, as follows:-All papers for the Synod, or notification of the same, shall be transmitted to the Convener of the Committee on Business, at least, eight days before the meeting of Synod ; and all such papers shall pass through the Committee of Bills and Overtures before presentation to the Synod.
Clanest E. 5 to 12 Clause "E. Conducting of Business," "5 to 12," was agreed to adopted. without alteration, as follows:-
5. Every motion, whether original or amended, shall be given to the Clerk in writing, as soon as it shall have been made to the House.
6. When a motion is duly seconded, and in possession of the House, it shall not be altered without the permission of the Synod.
7. No member shall be allowed to speak more than once on the same subject, unless it be in explanation, or by permission of the Synod.
8. The mover of the first motion shall be entitled to the privilege of giving a reply, in which new matter must not be introduced: thereafter the debate shall be held to be definitely closed, and no person shall be entitled to speak, excepting with regard to the manner of putting the vote.
9. All motions after the first shall be considered as amendments on the first, and shall be disposed of accordingly.
10. When there are only two motions before the House, the amendment shall be put first, and the motion afterwards; but if the Roll be called, the question shall be "Amendment," or "Motion," and the motion which so carries shall then be put to the House-the question being "Aye," or "No."
11. When there are more than two motions, the last shall be put against that immediately preceding it, and so on, till only two remain, when they shall be disposed of as in No. 10 .
12. The vote may be ordinarily taken by a show of hands; but at the call of any member, the Roll shall be called and votes marked.

On motion of Professor Young, seconded by Mr. McTavish,—Clause F. 13, Clause "F. Dissents. 13," was amended and adopted, as follows: amended and -Dissents when taken must be given in immediately after the adopted. decision in the case is announced from the Chair. dissent may be given in not later than the Chair. Reasons of such reasons shall be recorded in than the next sederunt, and

Clause "G. Meetings during the S
agreed to without alteration as follownod's Meetings, 14," was Clause G. 14, bytery shall continue to sit after thows:-No Committee or Pres-adopted. the Chair, at any diet of the Synod's Moderator shall have taken permission of the Synod shall have b meeting, unless the special
On Clause "H. Printing of Reports. 15 " for its amendment were submitted, namely :- following motions Clanse H. 15, Moved by Mr. David Inglis, seconded by Dr. Thornton,-That Amended and the Committee of Bills and Overtures shall have the power of ${ }^{\text {adopted as in } M_{r} \text {. }}$ printing the Reports of the Standing Committees of Synod, or ${ }^{\text {Inglis' motion. }}$ such portions, or abstracts of them, as they shall sof Synod, or to their circulating among the members of Synod, before order Reports are taken up by the Synod.

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Gillespie,-That No. 15, of Standing. Inglis, seconded by Mr. Amendment loet. gested by Committee. Or Standing Orders be adopted as sug-

Moved in further amendment, by Professor Young, seconded Amendment lost by Mr. Coutts,-That Standing Committees of Synod shall have they shall see fit ing their Reports, or such portions of them as of Synod, before the ider to their circulation among the members Moved in further ame taken up by thod.
by Mr. Cheyne, -Thendment, by Mr. S. C. Fraser, seconded ${ }^{A}$ mendment lost. Votes being tin Order. No. 15, be dropped. to the amendments, the motion of Mr. David Inglis was preferred Inglis ; and the Synod decidser, Professor Young, and Mr. Wm. On motion made a motion.
constitute Standing Order seonded, the following was adopted to Standing order Standing Committees shall H. No. $16:$ The Conveners of the ${ }^{\text {H. }} 16$, on Bills and Overtures not later than the serts to the Committee meeting of Synod.

Clause "I. Nomination of Standing Committees. 16,"-the No. Clanse I. 16, 16 to be changed to 17 , and the words to stand unchanged, as in changed to 17 , the printed minutes, as follows:-The Synod shall appoint a adopted. small Committee to suggest the names of members for the Standing Committees of Synod.

The Synod entered on the consideration of the Standing Order Order K. 17. K. No. 17. Before coming to a decision the hour of six o'clock arrived, and the Synod adjourned. Closed with the benediction.

## FOURTH SEDERUNT.

> Knox's Church, Wednesday, June 4, 1862, 7 o'clock, P. M.

The Synod met and was constituted-engaging in praise, and prayer being offered, at the request of the Moderator, by Mr. Stark.
The minutes of last sederunt were read and sustained.
The Presbytery of Ontario asked and obtained leave to meet for the transaction of business, for about a quarter of an hour, during this sederunt of Synod.
The Synod resumed consideration of the subject interrupted by the adjournment. The following motions were submitted:-

1. Moved by Mr. Monteath, seconded by Mr. Wm. Inglis, That in making choice of a Moderator, the Synod shall adopt the usual process of motion; and that no individual shall be eligible for the office who is not present at the time of nomination.
Amendment lost. 2. Moved oy Mr. David Inglis, seconded by Mr. John Scott (of London), -That the first part of Section K. 17, remain as in the printed minutes ; and that the last clause be amended as follows, that is to say :-That a leet shall be formed of the members thus nominated, together with any additional nominations which may be made at the time, from which leet the Synod shall, by open vote, appoint the Moderator.
2. Moved in'further amendment, by Mr. Dick, seconded by Mr. S. C. Fraser,-That section K. 17, be adopted as it stands in the printed minutes, of the tenor following:-

## K. Appointment of Moderator.

17. or 18. The Moderator shall be appointed in the manner following: that is to say, each Presbytery shall nominate for the Moderatorship, a Minister, either one of their own number, or a member of any other Presbytery of the Church, and the Presbytery Clerk shall return the name of the Minister so nominated to the Clerk of the Synod, together with the Presbytery Roll, prior to the annual meeting of Synod. A leet shall be formed of the members thus nominated; and the Synod shall, from such leet, by open vote, appoint the Moderator. In the event of no nomination being made, the Synod shall elect the Moderator by the usual process of motion.
Votes being taken, the amendment of Mr. Dick was preferred to the first amendment, and to the original motion; and the Synod decided in terms of said amendment.

## OVERTURE ON CONSTITUTION OF KIRK-SESSIONS.

The Synod took up an Overture transmitted by the Presbytery of Hamilton, anent the constitution of Kirk-sessions in cases in which two or more congregations are under the charge of one

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Minister; and praying the Synod to give a deliverance thereon.
The Overture was read, and Mr. David Inglis, Mr. John Lees, and Mr. Hugh Young, were heard in support of it. After long reasoning, in the course of which various suggestions were made, the following motions, only, remained before the Synod:-

1. It was moved by Mr. Lowry, seconded by Mr. David Inglis, Motion lost. -That the 0 verture be received; and that a Committee be appointed to prepare definite questions on the subject, which shall we sent down to Presbyteries and Sessions for their consideration, with instructions to report their views on the same to the next meeting of Synod: said Committee to report at a future sederunt. 2. It was moved in amendment by Mr. Kemp, seconded by Dr. Amendment Jennings, -Dismiss the Overture, and agree to consider the whole carried. Decision. question to which it refers, when the Report on the Returns of Presbyteries on Remit of Synod, on the question of the represenby the Committee of Bills Superior Church Courts, is brought up A vote being taken, the amend Overtures.
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## SYNODICAL OBSERVANCE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Synod took up an Overture, transmitted by the Presbytery Lord's Supper, of Ottawa, setting forth the desirableness of a Synodical observance Synodical obseer. of the Lord's Supper at the annual meetings of Synod. The vance of, Overture was read, and was supported, on behalf of the Presbytery, by Mr. Thomas Wardrope, and by Mr. Gourlay the Presby-

It was moved by Dr . Taylor, seconded by Dr . Thy. the Synod approve of the Overture and by Dr. Thornton,-That Motion on consider the best way of carrying out its appoint a Committee to overture. early sederunt.
After reasoning for some time, and the hour of adjournment having arrived, a motion was made and seconded, that the Synod continue sitting for some time longer, which, being put to the House, was lost, ard the Synod resolved to adjourn.
The following Committee was appointed to make arrangements City pulpite, for supplying the pulpits of the Church in this city, on Sabbath supply of. next, namely:-The Moderator, Dr. Jennings, Dr. Burns, Dr. Agnew, Mr. Brown. Dr. Jennings to be Convener.

The diet was then closed with the benediction.

## FIFTH SEDERUNT.

## Knoz's Chureh, Toronto, Thursday,

June 5, 1862, 10 o'eloek, A. M.
The Synod met and was constituted with praise and prayer, Mr. Thomas Alexander, at the request of the Moderator, conducting the devotions.

The minutes of the last sederunt were read and sustained.

## sYnodical observance of the lord's supper.

Lord's Supper, Synodical observance of, resumed.
Motion on, renewed and adopted.

The Synod resumed consideration of the business interrupted by the adjournment, last night, namely, the Overture anent the Synodical observance of the Lord's Supper. Dr. Taylor renewed the motion which he before submitted, of the tenor following:That the Synod receive the Overture favourably, and appoint the following Committee to report on it, at an early sederunt, viz:Messrs. T. Wardrope, J. B. Duncan, P. Gray, Dr. Taylor, Dr. Thornton, Mr. R. F. Burns, Ministers; and Messrs. D. Kennedy and James Brown, Elders. Mr. T. Wardrope, Convener.
The Synod adopted Dr. Taylor's motion, and decided accordingly.

## NEXT MEETING OF SYNOD.

The Synod proceeded to fix the time and place for the next ordinary meeting of Synod, whereupon,
Next meeting of Synod to be at Hamilton on the
first Tuesday of June, 1863.

It was moved by Mr. Monteath, and duly seconded,-That the next meeting of Synod be held in Central Church, Hamilton, on the first Tuesday of June next, at half-past seven o'clock, in the evening.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. Cross, and duly seconded, -That the next meeting of Synod be held in St. Andrew's Church, London, on the second Tuesday of June, 1863, at half-past seven o'clock, P. M.

A vote being taken, the motion was carried.
After the motion was declared to be carried, a general desire
Reconsideration, result as above. being expressed by members of the Synod that an opportunity should be given to vote separately on the place, and on the time, of the next meeting, it was agreed that separate votes should be so taken.

In Central Ch. Hamilton.

The question of the place of meeting being first put to the Synod, it was carried that the next meeting should be held in Central Church, in the city of Hamilton.

A vote was next taken between the first and second Tuesdays of June as the day of meeting, when it was carried that the next meeting of Synod should be held on the first Tuesday of June, 1863, at half-past seven o'clock, in the evening. .

## ashburn case.

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plaint against The Synod took up a case of dissent and complaint,-Mr. prasint against
Prosbtery of Thomas Sharp, minister of Ashburn and Utica, against the action Ontario. of the Presbytery of Ontario, in appointing a special meeting of Presbytery, to be held at Ashburn, for the purpose of investigating certain difficulties between Mr. Sharp and members of that congregation.

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Parties were called and were present,-Dr. Thornton and Mr. John Smith appearing on the part of the Presbytery.

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Mr. Sharp was heard in support of his dissent and complaint, Mr. Sharp heard. at length.

The hour of one o'clock having arrived, the Synod adjourned, and the sitting was closed with the benediction.

## SIXTH SEDERUNT.

> Knox's Church, Thursday, June 5, 1862, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Synod met and was constituted, engaging in praise, and, at the request of Mr. Ure, the Moderator, Mr. Lowry offering up prayer.
The minutes of last sederunt were read and sustained.
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The Synod resumed consideration of Mr. Sharp's case, inter- Ashburn case Dr. Thornton and Mr resumed. Presbytery of Ontario. Mr. J. M. King and Mr. McTavish of the Dr. Thorntom, Presbytery of Ontario. Mr. J. M. King and Mr. McTavish, mem- Mr. Smith,
bers of the Presbytery of bers of the Presbytery of Ontario, were heard in explanation of Mr. J. M. King their personal position in relation to the case.
Mr. Sharp was heard in reply.
Questions were asked of the Presbytery of Ontario, and were
Mr. Sharp replied. answered.

The parties were then declared to be removed.
The Synod proceeded to deliberate and give judgment.
It was moved by Mr. Kemp, seconded by Mr. Lowry,-That the Synod having heard parties, dismiss the dissent and complaint of Mr. Sharp against the decision of the Presbytery of Ontario, churches of inquire presbyterially into the circumstances of the was competent and lawful.
It was moved in amendment by Principal Willis, seconded by Amendment of Dr. Jennings,-That the Synod sustain the appeal to the effect Prineipal Wills. was some ground for dissatisfaction the appellant reclaims, there visitation of Ashburn, althtisfaction, in so far as the Presbytery's at which the business although competent, was liable, in the stage opening of the entire question of Mr. Sharp's cerpreted, as a. re-with his congregation, instead of a marp's continued relation question as to separate supply of measure for determining the
sentients, or effecting such reconciliation of the parties as the Presbytery seems honorably to have aimed at.
It was moved in further amendment by Mr. Wm. Inglis, seconded by Mr. George Cuthbertson,-That the Synod, having heard the parties, sustains the dissent and complaint, and declares that the Presbytery of Ontario, having, with the assistance of the Synodical Assessors, come to a decision on the whole case, were not justified, without new matter having emerged, to re-open what was already a res judicata.

After reasoning for some time, the hour of adjournment arrived, and the sederunt was closed with the benediction.

## SEVENTH SEDERUNT.

> Knox's Church, Thersday, June 5, 1862, 7 o'clock, P. M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with praise and prayer,Mr. J. W. Smith, at the request of the Moderator, conducting the devotions.

## ashburn case.

Mr. Sbarp's case resumed.

Mr. Kemp replied
The Synod resumed consideration of Mr. Sharp's complaint, interrupted by the adjournment.
Mr. Kemp, who had submitted the first motion was heard in reply.
Vote. A vote was then taken between the amendment of Mr. Wm. Inglis and that of Principal Willis, when the latter was preferred Vote according to by a majority. The motion of Mr. Kemp and the amendment of 80. Roll called. was taken as in the second clause of standing order No. 10. (See printed Minutes, 1861, p. 36.) The Roll was called and votes marked, when there appeared for the amendment one hundred and fifteen, (115), and for the motion, eighty-seven, (87). The amendment was declared to be carried. A vote by show of hands was then taken on the amendment so carried, the question being "Aye," or "No," when it was carried in the affirmative; and the Syood did, and do, hereby, decide in terms thereof:
Decision.
Sustain the Appeal to the effect that, in the resolution against which the Appellant reclaims, there was some ground of dissatisfaction, in so far as the Presbytery's visitation of Ashburn, although competent, was liable, in the stage at which the business had arrived, to be misinterpreted, as a re-opening of the entire question of Mr. Sharp's continued relation with his congregation, instead of a measure for determining the question as to separate supply of religious ordinances to the dissentients, or effecting such reconciliation of the parties as the Presbytery seems honorably to
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The parties were recalled, and the deliverance of the Synod was Parties recalled. declared to them by the Moderator.

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DISSENTS.
Against this decision Mr. George Lawrence, for himself, and all Dissents. others who should adhere to him, craved leave that his dissent be marked in the Minutes, for reasons to be afterwards given in. dissent, viz. Ministers and Elders also craved leave to enter their J. M. King, R. Mont Thornton, Messrs. Alex. Kennedy, J. McTavish, ander, J. Mitchell, D. Inglis J. M P Arch'd Cross, D. Wardrope A. Roger, T. Lowry, R. F. Burns, Ministers ; and John Ardope, A. F. Kemp, J. Logie, M. Barr, D. Brodie, D. McNaughton, J. Parker, Elders.

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## foreign missions.

The Synod called for the Report of the Committee on Foreign Forelgn Misslons, Missions. The Report was read by Mr. Robert F. Burns, the Report on.

## french canadian missionary society.

There was read from the Table, a Commission from the Direc- French-Canadian tors of the French Canadian Missionary Society, appointing Missionary Soo. Messrs. Duclos, Wallace, McVicar, and Kemp, to represent the Deputation. Society before the Synod; to state the condit, to represent the the important missionary work with whinditi and progress of ${ }^{\text {Mr.Duclos heard. }}$ plead its claims to the work with which it is intrusted, and to Protestant community, and of the sympathy and support of the
M. Duclos adre congregations of the Church. length.

The Synod then returned to the Report of the Foreign Missions Foreign Misslon Committee. On motion of Dr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Drum-Report resumed. mond, the Report was received, and the thanks of Synod were given to the Committee for their diligence. A motion, with a view to the disposal of the Report was read by Mr. D. Inglis.
The hour of ten o'clock having arrived, the Synod adjourned; and the diet was closed with the benediction.

## EIGHTH SEDERUNT.

> Knox's Church, Toronto, Friday, June 6, 1862, 10 o'clock, A. M.

The Synod met and was constituted with praise, reading the Scriptures, and prayer, -the devotions being led, at the request of the Moderator, by Mr. Baird.

Bills and Over-
tures Report sanctioned.

The minutes of last sederunt were read and sustained.
The Committee of Bills and Overtures gave in a Report, recommending the order of business for this Sederunt. The Report was received, and its recommendations were sanctioned.
Dissent, reasons of, R. Monteath.

Mr. Monteath handed in reasons of dissent from the decision of Synod, last night, on the complaint of Mr. Sharp against the action of the Presbytery of Ontario, with request that, if other reasons of dissent should be recorded, his also be placed on the Synod's minutes.

MR. SHARP AND THE PRESBYTERY OF ONTARIO.
Mr. Sharp's dissent and complaint.
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Papers read.
The Synod took up the dissent and complaint of Mr. Thomas Sharp against a deed of the Presbytery of Ontario, recognising Mr. William Heron as a representative Elder ;-conjoined with another case of dissent and complaint of Mr. Sharp against a deed of the Presbytery of Ontario, granting certificates of Church-membership to certain parties;-also, Mr. Sharp's complaint against the Presbytery for refusing him the right of com-plaint;-as also, a reference to the Synod by the Presbytery of Ontario, of all matters relative to the cases foregoing.
Papers were read as follows :-1. Extract minutes of the Presbytery of Ontario, in relation to Mr. Heron's recognition as a representative Elder. 2. Reasons of dissent and complaint by Mr. Sharp against the action of the Presbytery in the case. Answers of the Presbytery to those reasons. In the case of granting certificates, read, 1. Extract minutes of Presbytery. 2. Extract minutes of Presbytery in relation to extract from the minutes of Ashburn Session, refusing to grant certain certificates as instructed by the Presbytery; and deed of Presbytery issuing said certificates. In the third case, read, 1. Extract minutes of the Presbytery, declining, for reasons, to receive complaints from Mr. Sharp. 2. Memorial from Mr. Sharp, to the Synod, complaining of such refusal, and embodying reasons against the action of the Presbytery in granting the certificates mentioned. 3. Memorial from the Session of Ashburn and Utica in the case. 4. Extracts from minutes of Session of Ashburn and Utica. In the case of reference, read, 1. Extracts from the Records of the Presbytery of Ontario, referring the whole matters in question to the Synod. 2. Extract minute of Ontario Presbytery, in relation to the deliverance of Synod last night, on Mr. Sharp's case.
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aod all the Mr. Ferguson, one of the Elders, of his complaints. Heard, also, and all the Mr. Ferguson, one of the Elders, on behalf of the Session of Ashburn and Utica. Heard Dr. Thornton and Mr. John Smith, on behalf of the Presbytery, in regard to all the cases, as also, in regard to the reference. Heard Mr. Heron as a party interested. Heard Mr. J. M. King, and Mr. J. Agnew, members of the Presbytery of Ontario in explanation.
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## REASONS OF DISSENT

The following reasons of dissent from the decision of Synod, in Disent, case of complaint-Mr. Sharp against the Presbytery of Ontario- reasons of. last night, were handed in with request that they be entered on the minutes. The request was granted.

## I.-Reasons of Dissent by Mr. McTavish and others.

Reasons of Dissent from the Decision of Synod on Mr. Sharp's J. McTavish and appeal against the resolution of the Presbytery of Ontario to hold a others. meeting at Ashburn:-

1. Because the decision deals merely with an incidental or side issue, and one which the decision declares only liable to happen.
2. Because it seems to proceed on the principle that Presbyteries are to be guided in their procedure rather by the construction that may possibly be put on it, than by the laws of the Church, and their own views of present duty.
3. Because when an appeal is sustained to a certain "effect," it is implied that such effect is within the control of the Courts, and it is incomprehensible how the Presbytery, or even the Synod can control an inferential opinion of its acts, or in what way it can prevent "some grounds of dissatisfaction" arising therefrom.

James Mitchell, David Inglis, John McLachlan, John Parker.
Toronto, June 6, 1862.

## II.-Reasons of Dissent by Dr. Thornton and others.

We, the undersigned, dissent from the decision of Synod anent the Dr.Thornton and dissent and complaint of the Rev. Mr. Sharp against a resolution of others. the Presbytery of Ontario, to meet at Ashburn, with the view of obtaining information to aid them in dealing with the application for a continuance of a supply of sermon, by the dissentients connected with the congregation of Ashburn, and crave that our reasons be
inserted in the minutes.

1. Because the resolution of Presbytery complained against was such as it was competent for the Presbytery to take, as is admitted by the terms of the decision itself.
2. Because when application for continuance of supply was made to the Presbytery, there could be no better method, in view of the conflicting statements of the parties interested, of deciding on the expediency or inexpediency of granting the application, than by a Presbyterial examination conducted on the spot.
3. Because the complaint of the Appellant against the resolution of Presbytery is sustained by the decision of Synod on the ground of its openness to a construction which is disclaimed, and which the terms of that resolution, when interpreted in the light of the Presbytery's previous action, do not justify.
4. Because the result of this decision must be such as greatly to weaken the hands of the Presbytery in any further action which it
might be necessary to take in the case, and to discourage other Presbyteries from taking any decided action in cases of a similar nature.

III.-Reason of Dissent by Mr. R. Monteath.

Reasons of dissent, Mr. Monteath

I enter my deliberate dissent from the finding of the Synod, last night, on the Askburn case:-

1. Because it was the avowed purpose of the Presbytery to issue finally the whole case, and not to act the inefficient part which the Appellant has attributed to other Presbyteries; while the finding of the Synod will, in my opinion, give an encouragement to be more inefficient than ever.
2. Because, by the finding of the Synod, the unhappy results arising from the state of things at Ashburn, will acquire additional strength, whereas by the intended visitation of the Presbytery, which the Synod has now censured, the unhappy results referred to would, in all probability, have been done away with.

Toronto, June 6, 1862.
R. Monteath.

Reasons of dissent, Committee to answer.

The Synod appointed a Committee to answer the several reasons of dissent, as above recorded, as follows:--Principal Willis, Dr. Jennings, Mr. Wm. Inglis, Mr. John Ross. Principal Willis, Convener.

## Tracts on

Sabbath, from
J.Henderson,Esq

Dr. Taylor informed the Synod that a donation of 100 Tracts, on the Scottish Sabbath, to each of the Ministers of this Church, for gratuitous distribution, had been received from John Henderson, Esq., of Park ; and that a parcel for each Minister west of Kingston, would be found in the vestibule of the Church.
State of weather, It was suggested by Principal Willis that in the opening devodevertions to tions in the afternoon, special reference should be made to the
refor state of the weather ; and prayer offered to God that he would send seasonable rain upon the earth. The Moderator appointed Mr. Skinner to conduct this service.

The Synod adjourned, the diet being closed with the benediction

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## NINTH SEDERUNT.

Knox's Church, Fridat, June 6, 1862, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Synod met and was constituted with praise and prayer, - Devotions the devotions, having special reference to the state of the weather, referring to state being conducted, as previously arranged, by Mr. Skinner.

The minutes of the last sederunt were read and sustained.
The Synod agreed that cordial thanks be tendered to John Tracts, thanks to Henderson, Esq., of Park, for the valuable donation of Tracts Mr. Henderson. which he had sent to the Ministers and congregations of this Church. The Clerk was instructed to convey to Mr. Henderson the thanks of the Synod.

## MR. SHARP AND THE PRESBYTERY OF ONTARIO.

Mr. Sharp proceeded with his reply to the pleadings of the Mr. Sharp replied Presbytery of Ontario to the close.
Questions were put to the parties, and were answered.
The parties were then declared to be removed from the bar.
The Synod then proceeded to deliberate and give judgment.
A motion was read by Principal Willis for the disposal of the case, which was seconded by Mr J. B. Dumean An amen of the Motions. was moved by by Mr. Patrick Gray, and seconded by Mr. G. seconded by Mr. Cross.
econded by Mr. Cross.
The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Moderator pronounced the benediction, and the Synod rose.

## TENTH SEDERUNT.

> Knox's Church, Friday, June 6, 1862, 7 o'clock, P.M.

The Synod met and was constitated with praise and prayer,Mr. Monteath, by request of the Moderator, conducting the devotions.

The minutes of last sederunt were read and sustained.
INVITATION FROM DIRECTORS OF MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.
There was read from the table, a letter from the Directors of Mechanics' the Mechanics' Institute, offering the free use of their Library to Institute, members of the Synod, who may wish to avail themselves of it invitation from. during their stay in the city. On motion made and secolves of it, Thanks to Synod agreed to record their thanks to the Directors of the

Motion on Mr. Sharp's case, in relation to Mr. Heron.

Institute for their courtesy; and that the Clerks be instructed to communicate to that effect with the Directors.

MR. SHARP AND THE PRESBYTERY OF ONTARIO.
The Synod resumed proceedings in the case of Mr. Sharp, interrupted by the adjournment.
The motions read at the close of the last sederunt were of the
tenor following :-

1. Moved by Principal Willis, seconded by Mr. J. B. Duncan, -That the Synod having taken up the dissent and complaint of Mr. Sharp against the Presbytery of Ontario for receiving, or continuing to recognize, Mr. Heron as a representative Elder from Whitby - parties being fully heard-dismiss said dissent and complaint, and find that the Presbytery's course in the matter was a natural consequence of the circumstances in which Mr. Heron became related to said Presbytery, under its new organization; but while the Synod dismiss the complaint as against the Presbytery's conduct, do not, under the circumstances, declare the dissent vexatious.
2. Moved in amendment by Mr. Gray, seconded by Mr. George Cuthbertson,-Tha+ the Synod sustain the dissent and complaint of Mr. Sharp, in refer ence to the action of Presbytery in giving a seat in Presbytery to Mr. Heron, without a commission from the Session of Ashburn and Utica, the Appellant's complaint in regard to such action being, in the circumstances, neither surprising, nor certainly improper, nor ill-advised; at the same time exonerate the Presbytery from anything like censure, because of the action complained of by Mr. Sharp, such action having been evidently taken with no intention of annoying Mr. Sharp, and in great measure imposed on them by the previous action of a Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church of Canada.
2nd amendment.
3. It was moved in further amendment by Mr. Kemp, seconded by Mr. Cross, -That the Synod having heard parties, dismiss the dissent and complaint of Mr. Sharp against the decision of the Presbytery of Ontario, regarding Mr. Heron, and confirm the action of the Presbytery.
${ }^{3}$ rd amendment. 4. A further amendment was moved by Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Mr. Cheyne,-That the Synod sustain the dissent and complaint of Mr. Sharp from the finding of the Presbytery of Ontario, in the case of Mr. Heron; and declare that said Presbytery had no evidence to conclude that Mr. Heron was representative Elder for the congregation of Whitby, for the year, and as such entitled to sit as a member of said Presbytery; but, at the same time, do not mean to impute blame to the Presbytery, inasmuch as the difficulty did not originate with them.
Votes.
Votes were then taken on the several amendments, and on the original motion, when the amendment of Mr. Kemp was successively preferred to the other amendments and to the original motion; and the Synod did and do decide in terms of the said amendment:-

That the Synod, having heard parties, dismiss the dissent and Decision. complaint of Mr. Sharp against the decision of the Presbytery of Ontario, regarding Mr. Heron, and confirm the action of the Presbytery.
The Synod next proceeded to deliberate and give judgment, in Refusal of Pres. the case of Mr. Sharp's complaint against the Presbytery in deny- bytury to reeeive ing him certain rights and privileges, as a member of the Court, cranpiaingt, and and in granting certificates to certain parties.
It was moved by Mr. David Inglis, seconded by Mr. Coutts,- Motion. That this Synod, having heard the memorial of Mr. Sharp, find, that the action of the Presbytery of Ontario was unconstitutional in so far as they refused to Mr. Sharp certain rights and privileges due to him as a member of that Court, without any process of discipline; but, at the same time, sustain the action of the Presbytery in reference to the certificate granted to Mr. Mitchell.

It was moved, in amendment, by Mr. Tolmie, seconded by Mr. Amendment. D. Wardrope,-That the Synod dismiss the petition and approve of the conduct of the Presbytery in granting the certificate to Mr .

It was moved in further amendment by Mr. J. K. Smith, 2nd amendment. seconded by Mr. John Ross,-That the Synod find that the Presbytery acted unconstitutionally in refusing to Mr. Sharp his privilege of dissent and complaint, and also, in ordering the Session of Ashburn and Utica to grant a certificate to Mr. Mitchell, when, in the circumstances of the case, it was their legitimate course to instruct the Session of Ashburn and Utica to receive and consider Mr. Mitchell's application for a certificate.

Votes were taken between the amendments, severally, and the Votes. original motion, when the motion of Mr. Inglis was preferred, and the Synod did, and do decide iu terms of the motion :-
That the Synod, having heard the memorial of Mr. Sharp, find Decision. that the action of the Presbytery was unconstitutional in so far as they refused to Mr. Sharp certain rights and privileges due to him as a member of that Court, without any process of discipline; but, at the same time, sustain the action of the Presbytery in reference to the certificate granted to Mr. Mitchell.
Parties were then recalled, and the deliverance of the Synod Parties realled; was announced to them.

## decision declared.

Mr. Sharp craved extracts, which were granted. Dr. Thornton, Extracts craved. on behalf of the Presbytery of Ontario, also, craved extracts,
which were granted.

## STREET RAILWAY CARS-PROPOSAL TO RUN ON SABBATH.

Dr. Burns submitted to the Synod a proposition to the effect, Street Rallway that a Deputation should be appointed to wait upon the Mayor of ${ }^{\text {and }}$ the Sabbath. Toronto, and to represent to him, and through him to the Common Council of the City, the sense of this Synod of the offence against God, which would be committed, and of the injury which would be done to the moral welfare of the community at large, by
the running of the Cars on the Street Railway, during the Lord's day, as it was understood the proprietors of the Railway wished
to do.

Street Railway \& The Synod agreed to appoint a Committee to consider this
mittee appointed. matter, as follows:-Dr. Burns (Convener), Dr. Taylor, Dr. Jennings, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Kemp, the Hon. Mr. McMurrich, R. Christie, Esq., Dr. Agnew. The Committee were instructed to report to-morrow morning.
Meeting on
Saturday and on Monday.

It was agreed that the Synod sit to-morrow from ten till one o'clock, and meet, on Monday, at eleven o'clock.

The Synod adjourned, the diet being closed with the benediction.

## ELEVENTH SEDERUNT.

> Knox's Church, Saturday,
> Jane $7,1862,10$ o'clock, $A$. . The Synod met, and was constituted with praise and prayer,Mr. McTavish, at the request of the Moderator, conducting the The minutes of the last sederunt were read and sustained.

> REFERENCE-PRESBYTERY OF ONTARIO.

Reference;

> Ontario Pres.

Parties heard in support of reference.
Motion on. the Presbytery of Ontario, of all matters connected with the congregation of Ashburn and Utica, earnestly requesting the Synod to take such steps as may lead to an eariy settlement of the dissensions in that congregation;-conjoined with a further Reference, pressing the subject on the attention of Synod.
Mr. McTavish, Dr. Thornton, and Mr. Monteath, were heard in
support of the Reference.
It was moved by Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Mr. T. Alexander, -That having heard parties in explanation of the Reference from the Presbytery of Ontario, the Synod sustain the Reference, and appoint a Commission to proceed to Ashburn and Utica, with instructions to inquire minutely into the circumstances of the whole case there, and with full power to settle the whole case
finally.
It was moved in amendment by Mr. Thomas McPherson, seconded by Mr. Cross,-That the Synod sustain the Reference; agree to place Mr. Sharp and his congregation under the care of the Toronto Presbytery, and recommend the dissentients, if they cannot conscientiously remain under Mr. Sharp's ministry, to connect themselves with some of the neighbouring congregations of this Church ; and instruct Mr. Sharp and his Session to grant certificates, if required, to elders and members for that purpose.

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It was moved, in further amendment by Principal Willis, 2nd amendment. seconded by Mr. J. K. Smith,-That the Synod receive the Reference, approve the Presbytery's procedure, so far as they have Prineipal Willis. given supply to the dissentients, and considering that in the case Decision. as now so fully before them, there seems to the Synod little prospect of a speedy re-union of the divided parties at Ashburn, empower a Commission of Synod to visit the locality; not to reopen the general question, (unless in the case of new circumstances having emerged fitted to arrested the Commission's procedure), but to deal finally with the minority on the question-should reunion be impracticable-of their separate congregational organization on the spot, empowering the Commission to sanction such organization, and to disjoin the dissentient elders and members from the existing congregation of Ashburn, or to direct them-this failing-to apply for certificates of disjunction to the Session, or Presbytery, with the view of annexing themselves to other congregations within their reach.
Votes were taken, when the amendment of Principal Willis was Votes. successively preferred to the amendment of Mr. McPherson, and the motion of Mr. Gillespie, and the Synod did, and do decide in casrt amendment $t^{\text {erms }}$ of the said amendment.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the diet was closed with the benediction.

## TWELFTH SEDERUNT.

> Knox's Church, Toronto, Monday, June 11, 1862, 11 o'clock, A. M.

The Synod met and was constituted with praise and prayer. The first hour of the sitting was spent in devotional exercises,the Moderator being succeeded in prayer, alternating with praise, by Mr. Donald McKenzie, Mr. Ewing, and Mr. Thos. MePherson.

The minutes of the last sederunt were read and sustained.
On motion of Mr. Cross, which was duly seconded, it was Condolence agreed, -That the Synod send an Address to Her Majesty, the Address of, to the Queen, condoling with her in her late sad bereavement; and that ${ }^{\text {Queen. }}$ the Moderator, together with Principal Willis, the Clerks of Synod, and Mr. Cross, be a Committee to draft such address, to be submitted to the Synod, at the afternoon sederunt, to-morrow. Principal Willis to be Convener.
The Committee of Bills and Overtures gave in a Report, recom- Bills and overmending the order of business for the day. On motion made and $\begin{gathered}\text { tires, }\end{gathered}$ seconded, the Report was received, and its recommendations were committee. sanctioned.

The Report of the Committee on running Street Railway Cars Street Railway on Sabbath, having been called for, was given in by Dr. Burns ars on sabbath, and read as follows :-

Memorial on
Sabbath cars.

The Committee having met, and having been constituted by prayer, held consultation together on the matter committed to them, and agreed to recommend it to the Synod to transmit to the Mayor of this city, to be laid before the Council, at its first meeting, a representation
to the following effect:to the following effect:-
The Ministers and Elders forming the Synod of the Canada Presbyterian Church met in Synod, in the City of Toronto, would respectfully, but earnestly, represent to the Corporation, their conviction, gathered from experience elsewhere, of the very serious injury which may be apprehended to arise, in regard to the interests of religion and morality, from liberty being given to run the Street Cars on the Lord's Day, even under regulations which the Council may impose ; and therefore, would implore them to refuse the prayer of the petition in question; and further to employ all the means which the laws of the land give them for preserving, in its entireness, an institution so specially connected as is the Sabbath with the best interests of the whole
community.
Toronto, June 7, 1862.
Report adopted. The Report was received and adopted.
Congregational
Union, Delegate There was read from the table, a commission to the Rev. Wm.
Union, Delegate Clarke, appointing him primary delegate to the Synod, from the
from, Rev. W. Clarke, addressed Congregational Union of Canada. Mr. Clarke addressed the

Synod.

Dr. Burns
responded.

Moderator also replied.

Deputation to Congregational Union. Synod, conveying, in warm terms, the fraternal greetings of the Body with which he is connected, and informing the Synod that the Congregational Union would meet in Hamilton this week, and requesting the Synod to appoint a delegation to attend the meeting of the Union.

Dr. Burns responded, cordially reciprocating the sentiments of brotherly regard expressed by Mr. Clarke, and concluding with a motion that a deputation be appointed, to wait upon the Congregational Union, on behalf of this Synod.

The Moderator also, on behalf of the Synod, responded, thanking Mr. Clarke for his kind address, and expressing the great pleasure with which the Synod received the gratulations of their Congregational friends and fellow Christians.
Dr. Burns and Mr. Hugh Young were then appointed a deputation to wait upon the Congregational Union, at Hamilton, this week.

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## ASHBURN CASE.

The Moderator appointed the Commission in the matter of the congregation of Ashburn and Utica, in terms of the resolution on the subject adopted on Saturday, as follows:-Mr. Dick, Dr. Jennings, Mr. Gillespie, Mr. David Inglis, Ministers; Mr. Hugh Young, Mr. James Brown, Elders. Mr. Dick, Convener.
The hour of adjournment having arrived, the diet was closed with the benediction.

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## THIRTEENTH SEDERUNT.

> Knox's Church, MondAy, June 9, 1862, 3 o'clock, P.M.

The Synod met and was constituted with praise and prayer,Mr. Fraser, Elder, at the request of the Moderator, leading the
devotions.

The minutes of the last sederunt were read and sustained. Principal Willis, from the Committee appointed to answer rea-Dissents, sons of dissent from the decision of the Synod in the case of Mr. answers to. Sharp in complaint against a resolution of the Presbytery of Reasons of. Ontario, appointing a meeting of Presbytery to be held at Ashburn, submitted a report to the following effect:-

## I.-Answers to Reasons of Dissent by Mr. McTavish and others.

1. The decision does not deal with a side issue merely, but animadverts, though in mild terms, on the inexpediency of the Presbytery's resolution, considering the stage at which the business had arrived. With the materials for judgment already in the Presbytery's hands, or accessible, so formal a course of investigation is deemed by the bytery intended to allay.
2. It is surprising the
the scriptural pringiple and apostolic precedent here seem to ignore the constructions whie and apostolic precedent of having regard to being "evil spoken of." mut it is scarcely candid our "good" to its Synod the principle that either conseqcely candid to impute to the rule our conscience or obvious consequences, or appearances, are to guiding our judgment obvious duty. They may, however, assist in No law of the Church required the duty under special circumstances. or competent, the dissentients will surely not ; and, though "lawful" declares that not all things which are lawful are expedient. 3. It is natural that the Dissentient regard to inferential opinions, if thents cannot comprehend the Synod's to avoid the appearance of evil, already adverted to sht the command brethren can comprehend how a already adverted to; but surely the needless "dissatisfaction," (a centle word used be responsible for "offence"); and the Synod's deliverance surposes by the Synod for of the whole Presbytery, on the derance supposes the solemn muster needlessly tending to alarm and exasperate. II.-Answers to Reasons of exasperate.

## . Thornton and others.

1. The Synod, in admitting that the Presbytery acted within its competency, is surely not precluded from animadverting on the inexpediency of the mode, or season, chosen for the exercise of its right.
2. This reason is no more than an assertion of the Dissentients' opinion which the Synod knew already; but certainly a Court of Revision may question the soundness of that opinion. And the Synod happens to think that after repeated visits made to Ashburn, adequate materials were already in the hands of the Presbytery, or accessible, ground.
3. The Synod does not question the pure intentions of the Presbytery ; still, the disclaimer of a certain construction to which its course was liable, might ill serve to prevent such construction on the minds of the public, and while the Presbytery, or members of it, have asserted, at the bar, that it required to have "its ignorance enlightened" on the whole matter, the temptation might have proved stronger than they themselves apprehended, to a virtual re-opening of agitating questions already disposed of, or to painful recriminations between parties.
4. It is curious to notice that the Dissentients here employ a style of argument denounced by them, or their associates, as irrelevant, when urged by the Synod, viz.: the argument from consequences. They allege the discouraging effect the deliverance on other Presbyteries in dealing with cases of a similar nature. Now, the Synod, as composed of these very Presbyteries, has judged the decision called for, and so accepts as wise, the suggestion which it involves, for guarding them against a course of proceeding held to be exceptionable.

## III.-Answers to Reasons of Dissent by Mr. R. Monteath.

1. The Synod does not question the Presbytery's honest purpose.
2. The argument from probable consequences repelled by the Dissentients, when used by the Synod, is here again employed by the Dissentient; nay, carried from a "may be," to a " will, or a must be," with a confidence which it is hoped that their esteemed brother will, on calm revision, disapprove.
Answers to Answers to On motion made and seconded, the Answers were received and
dissents adopted. adopted; and were ordered to be inserted in the minutes of the Synod.

Records of Pres byteries, Reports on, in part.

The Synod called for the Reports of the Committees appointed

Records to be attested.

Mr. Windell o examine the several Presbytery Records, and of the Committee on the Synod Records. Reports were given in on the Records of the Presbyteries of Guelph, Ottawa, Huron, Stratford, Kingston, Hamilton, Brockville, and Cobourg, certifying that those Records had been correctly kept.

The Synod received the Reports; and ordered the Records of those Presbyteries to be attested in terms of the several Reports

The Synod ordered that Reports on all remaining Presbytery Records, and on the Synod Record, be handed in before the close of to-morrow morning's sederunt.
The Synod proceeded to the consideration of the case of Mr. Windell, in appeal from a decision of the Presbytery of Ontario, to rebuke him for contumacy;-conjoined with a dissent and complaint of Mr. Windell against the Presbytery of Ontario in sustaining a certain minute of Presbytery, as also, Mr. Windell against the Presbytery, for resolving to grant certificates.
Parties were called, and appeared.
The papers in the several cases were read.
Heard Mr. Windell. Heard Dr. Thornton, Mr. McTavish, and Mr. Baird, on the part of the Presbytery.

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Questions were asked of the parties, and were answered.
Parties were then removed from the bar.
The hour of adjournment having arrived, the diet was closed with the benediction.

## FOURTEENTH SEDERUNT.

> Knox's Churoh, Monday, June $9,1862,7$ o'olock, P.M. The Synod met, and was constituted with praise and prayer; the devotions being conducted by Mr. David Walker.
The minutes of last Sederunt were read and sustained.
The Committee appointed to examine the Records of the Pres- Records, bytery of Grey gave in a Report. On motion made and seconded, Presbytery of the Synod agreed to receive and sustain the Report. Ordered ${ }^{\text {Grey, Repurt on. }}$ that it be placed in the hands of the Presbytery Clerk, and that the Records of the Presbytery be attested.

The Synod resumed consideration of the business interrupted Mr. Windell's by the adjournment, and it was agreed to give judgment on the ca es to be cases of Mr. Windell against the Presbytery of Ontario, conjointly. ${ }^{\text {judged conjointly }}$

It was moved by Principal Willis, seconded by Mr. W. T. Motion by McMullen: I. That the Synod sustains the protest and appeal Principal Wallis. against the sentence to rebuke the Moderator of the Session of Cartwright, (1,) as founded on an alleged act of contumacy, in disobeying instructions which it appears were too indefinite ; (2) as a somewhat undue and hasty stretch of authority; and, (3) as too exclusively directed against the minister in distinction from the Session, in a matter in which they were associated. II. On the second point, refuse the Dissent and Complaint, as the minutes are, so far as appears, a faithful record of the res gestce, and there is no proof of design to have them mutilated. III. Refuse the Dissent and Complaint, so far as they refuse the right of Presbytery to give the certificate, in so far as facts were before them. But the Synod does not dismiss the Dissent and Complaint on this point, as vexatious; and feeling the importance, as a general rule, of Sessions giving certificates unequivocally, and the danger of pressing Sessions to give testimonials against their convictions of duty, the Synod would have approved the Presbytery before granting the certificate, more, in holding more kindly communicaculties in giving its and Minister at Cartwright, as to their diffi-
It was mover terms required, under their own hand.
Mr. A. Cross, That thendment by Mr. J. Mitchell, seconded by Amendment by parties in the case, dismis Synod having heard the papers and the Mr. Mitchell, the actings of the Presbytery appeals and complaints, and sustain

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## Amendment by Mr. Kemp.

Amendment by Mr. Starke.

Votes.

Decision.

Parties recalled; deliverance declared.

Mr. Windell requests his name to be taken off Roll.

It was moved in further amendment by Mr. Kemp, seconded by Mr. Dick,-That the Synod sustain the Dissent and Complaint in the case of contumacy, in so far as the action of the Presbytery did not include the session as well as the minister of the church of Cartwright, but declare that the Presbytery had reason to vindicate their authority against avowed opposition on the part of Mr. Windell to their express and repeated injunction; dismiss the Dissent and Complaint against granting certificate of membership by the Presbytery to Mr. Ferguson, and confirm the action of the Presbytery; dismiss also the Dissent and Complaint against sustaining the minute, of date 14th January, as frivolous, and confirm the action of the Presbytery.
It was moved in further amendment by Mr. Stark, seconded by Mr. Cheyne,-That the Synod sustain the action of the Presbytery of Ontario on the various counts of the case, but find an excuse for Mr. Windell's conduct in their belief that he did not mean to be contumacious, but only mistook his duty in not having protested at once, when required to give a certificate which he could not conscientiously assent to, or in not going to the Presbytery, and intimating his conscientious scruples in the matter, and asking them to relieve him and the Session from their difficulty.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, it was, on motion, agreed to continue sitting until the case before the Synod should be completed.
Votes being taken, the amendment of Mr. Kemp was preferred to that of Mr. Stark,-that of Mr. Mitchell to that of Mr. Kemp ; and the amendment of Mr. Mitchell was carried by a large majority against the original motion of Principal Willis; and the Synod did, and do hereby decide in terms of the said amendment :-

That the Synod, having heard the papers and the parties in this case, dismiss the appeals and complaints, and sustain the actings of the Presbytery of Ontario.
Parties were recalled, and the deliverance of Synod was announced to them by the Moderator.
Mr. Windell said that he had no intention of being contumacious before the Presbytery, and requested his name to be taken from the Roll of Synod.
The Synod then adjourned, the diet being closed with the benediction.

## FIFTEENTH SEDERUNT.

## Kxox's Church, Toronto, Tuesday, June 10, 1862, 10 o'clock, A.M.

The Synod met and was constituted, with praise and prayer,Mr. Cross, at the request of the Moderator, conducting the devotions.
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The minutes of last sederunt were read and sustained.
Dr. Thornton, on behalf of the Presbytery of Ontario, craved Extracts craved extracts of the deliverance of Synod last night, in the case of Mr. for Presbytery. indell.

Mr. Windell being present, was asked if he adhered to the Mr. Windell ad request which he had made last night, that his name should be hered to request removed from the Roll of Synod. Mr. Windell replied that he to be taken off still adhered to that request.
It was thereupon moved by Mr. Proudfoot, seconded by Mr. Committee on S. C. Fraser,-That a Committee be appointed to confer with Mr. Mr. Windeoll's this monin reference to his request made last night, and repeated Motion. this morning: said Committee to report this evening.
Mr. R. F. Burns - Thendment by Mr. Wm. Inglis, seconded by amendment. what steps should a Committee be appointed to consider stated last night, and repen in reference to Mr. Windell's request with Mr. Windell, if it should this morning, with power to confer said Committee report to the Synod thought necessary; and that
this evening's sederunt.
by a large majority, and the Synod decid. Proudfoot was carried Vote.
The Moderator Motion carried. foot's resolution as follows :- Principal Willis under Mr. Proud- Committee. Lowry, John Scott (of London), Cavinci Willis, Messrs. Proudfoot, and Clark, Elders. (or London), Caven, Ministers; Messrs. Best
The Committee on Bills and Overtures gave in a Report, recommending the order of business for the day. The Report was received and its recommendations Committee. tioned.

The Rev. Charles Chiniquy, pastor of the Church of the French Rev. c. Chiniquy Canadian Colony of St. Ann's, Kankakee County, in the State of Redressed the Illinois, addressed the Synod at length, stating reasons for wish Synod. ing to separate himself from the Presbytery of Chicago of the Old School Presbyterian Church, in the United States, and requesting to be received into connection with this Church.
On motion of Mr. R. F. Burns, it was agreed,-That this Synod Mr. Chiniquy, have listened with deep interest to the address of the Rev. Mr. Committoe on Chiniquy ; and hereby appoint the following Committee to confer application of with him, with reference to his present application ; and to report at a future sederunt:-Dr. Taylor, Convener, Messrs. Balmer, Caven, McLean (East Puslinch), D. Inglis, McTavish, Kemp, Scott (of London), R. F. Burns, Ministers; the Hon. Mr. McMurrich, Messrs. D. Kennedy, D. McLellan, W.'Leslie, and R. Christie, Elders.

Called for the Report of the College Board. Dr. Taylor, the College Board, Chairman of the Board, pro tempore, stated that the Report was time granted to not quite ready. It was ordered that the Report be given in tomorrow morning.

## SOUTHAMPTON CASE.

Dissent and complaint. Mr. Dewar et al against Presbytery of Grey.

Parties were present.

Papers read.

The Synod proceeded to take up a dissent and complaint of Mr. Robert Dewar, Thomas Stevenson, and others, against a deed of the Presbytery of Grey, of date February, 18, 1862, agreeing to grant a moderation for calling a minister to the vacant congregation of Southampton, in connection with West Arran Station.

Parties were called, and were present.
The following papers were read,-1. Extracts from the minutes of the Presbytery of Grey, in relation to the case. 2. Reasons of dissent and complaint by the dissentients. 3. The Presbytery's answers to the reasons of dissent.
Mr. Dewar heard. Mr. Dewar was heard, in support of the dissent and complaint, till the hour of adjournment.
The Synod then adjourned, the diet being closed with the benediction.

## SEXTEENTH SEDERUNT.

> Knox's Church, Tuesdar, June 10, 1862, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with praise and prayer; Mr. Dick, at the request of the Moderator, leading the devotions.

The minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

## Records of

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Reports were given in by the Committees appointed to examine the Records of the following Presbyteries, viz.:-London, Montreal, Toronto, Paris. The Reports were received, and the Synod ordered that the Records of these several Presbyteries be attested, in terms of the Reports.

The Committee appointed to examine the Records of the Synod, reported that these Records were correctly and carefully kept. The Records were ordered to be attested in the usual form.

Principal Willis gave in a Report from the Committee appointed
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Queen, Draft of. to draft an Address of condolence to the Queen, embodying a draft
Adopted.

## Southampton

 case resumed.
## Parties heard.

Messrs. Grant,
\&e., heard for Presbytery.

The Synod received and adopted the Report, and ordered that the Address be engrossed, signed by the Moderator and Olerks, and transmitted through the usual channel.

## SOUTHAMPTON CASE.

The Synod resumed consideration of the case from Southampton, interrupted by the adjournment in the morning.

Mr . Stevenson and Mr. David Christie were heard in support of the dissent and complaint.

Messrs. Grant, Bremner and A. Fraser, were heard on behalf of the Presbytery of Grey.

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Mr. Waters, the Minister of the second congregation of South- Mr.Waters heard. ampton, was also heard.

## Questions.

Questions were asked of the parties, and were answered.
Parties were then removed from the bar.
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It was moved by Mr. Proudfoot, seconded by Dr. Taylor,-That Motion by the complaint be dismissed, and the action of the Presbytery $\mathrm{Mr}_{\mathrm{m}}$. Proudfoot.
sustained.
It was moved in amendment by Mr. Scott, of London, seconded by Mr. J. B. Duncan, -That the Synod di, complaint, and sustain the action same time declare the desirableno of the Presbytery; but at the of the Church in Southampton fess of the members and adherents with the view of effecting thin forming but one congregation; and, postpone action in the case object, instruct the Presbytery to Committee to meet at Souse; and in the mean time appoint-a concerned, and also to determining on its future act as assessors with the Preshytery in ion relative to this matter.
diet being closed journment having arrived, the Synod rose, the diet being closed with the benediction.

## SEVENTEENTH SEDERUNT.

## Knox's Church,

 Tuesday, June 10, 7 o'clock, P. M. The Synod met, and was constituted with praise and prayer,the devotions being conducted, at the request of the Moderator,The Committee appointed to oxis bytery of Ontario, gave in their Rexamine the Records of the Pres- Records, Ontario and the Synod ordered that the Pe. The Report was received, ${ }_{\text {Reesbytery, }}$ the Report.

The Committee, appointed in the morning, to confer with Mr. Mr. Windell,
Windell, gave in a Report to the effect :- $\quad$, Mr. Mr. With Mrert of That Mr. Windell had met them in a friendly spirit, and warranted request.
them to say, that while adhering to his conscientious conviction, that he had been hardly dealt with by his Presbytery, and not being any trouble intentional contumacy, he willingly expressed regret for to rule; and agray have given. by inattention, at some of the stages, business last evening. withdraw his royuest made at the close of the farther light, would endeavour to hope of Providence giving him of the Presbytery.
The Report was received and sustained.
On application made, leave was granted to the Presbytery of Adopted. Kingston, to take Mr. Thomas Kellough, Sto the Presbytery of [97]

License of Students, leave
granted to Presbyteries.
public probationary trials; also, to the Presbytery of Toronto, to take Mr. William Richardson and Mr. William T. Murdoch, on probationary trials; also, to the Presbytery of Stratford, to take Mr. John K. Hislop, on public probationary trials; also, to the Presbytery of Ontario, to take on probationary trials, Messrs. Lachlan Cameron and William McWilliam; also to the Presbytery of Guelph, to take on public probationary trials, Mr. Arch. Stewart.

Ministers to receive, leave asked by Presbyteries.

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Report of
Committee to confer with.

## Adopted.

Committee
to visit
Mr. Chiniquy's
congregations.
Mr. Labelle to accompany Committee.

Leave was asked by the Presbytery of Toronto to receive as a Minister of this Church, Mr. Petros Constantinides; by the Presbytery of Hamilton, to receive Mr. McColl; and by the Presbytery of Ontario, to receive Mr. Martin.
The following Committee was appointed to examine the papers of the applicants to be received as Ministers of this Church, and to report thereon :-Principal Willis, Messrs. McTavish and Baird, Ministers ; Messrs. Brown and Becket, Elders.
The Committee appointed to confer with Mr. Chiniquy, gave in a Report embracing statistical statements relative to the condition of Mr. Chiniquy's mission at St. Ann, Kankakee, as stated by him : and recommending, as follows :-That a small Committee be appointed to proceed to St. Ann and Kankakee, at an early date, to make inquiry into all the circumstances of the case ; and, in the event of their finding their way clear, to commit the congregations and Mr. Chiniquy to the care of the Presbytery of London, to be by them brought before the next meeting of the Synod in due form.

## The Report was received and adopted.

After several nominations had been made, it was finally agreed that the Committee consist of Messrs. Kemp, John Scott (of London), and W. Caven. Mr. Kemp, Convener.
Leave was granted to the Committee, to take with them, if they should see cause, Mr. Labelle, Student of Divinity, when they
proceed on their mission.

## SOUTHAMPTON CASE

The Synod resumed consideration of the case of dissent and complaint against action of the Presbytery of Grey, in the matter of the first congregation of Southampton, interrupted by the adjournment.
It was moved in amendment to the motion of Mr. Scott, by Mr. W. T. McMullen, seconded by Mr. Skinner,-That the Synod dismiss the dissent and complaint, and sustain the action of the Presbytery, as regards the competency of granting the moderation sought; but at the same time declare that, viewed in the light of expediency, the object aimed at, and the course taken by the protesters are not deserving of blame; and accordingly appoint a Committee of Synod to act as assessors with the Presbytery of Grey, in order to confer with the first congregation in Southampton, and endeavour to bring about the union which is so desirable.

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It was moved in further amendment by Professor Young, Amendment; seconded by Mr. R. F. Burns,-That the Synod, deeply sensible Prof. Young. of the undesirableness of having two congregations in Southampton, yet, considering that two distinct congregations existed there before the union of the Bodies now composing the Presbyterian Church, and having respect to the expressed unwillingness of the first of these congregations, now vacant, to unite with the other, approve the action of the Presbytery in granting the moderation complained against; and dismiss the dissent and complaint.
Votes were taken, when the amendment of Professor Young Votes, was preferred to that of Mr. McMullen, and the motion of Mr. Scott was carried against the amendment of Professor Young.

The Synod accordingly decided in terms of the motion,-That Decision on the Synod dismiss the dissent and complaint, and sustain the Southampton action of the Presbytery; but at the same time declare the desira- case. bleness of the members and adherents of this Church, in Southampton, forming but one congregation; and with the view of effecting this object instruct the Presbytery to postpone action in the case, and, in the meantime, appoint a Committee to meet at Southampton, and advise with the parties concerned, and also to act as assessors with the Presbytery, in determining on its future action, relative to this matter.
The Committee was then appointed as follows:-Messrs. Jas. Southampton Skinner, John Scott (of London), D. McKenzie (of Zorra), W. S. case, Comp. on. Ball, Ministers; and the Hon. John McMurrich, Elder. Mr. Scott, Convener.

The parties were recalled, and the deliverance of Synod having parties recalled. been announced to them by the Moderator, they signified their Delliverance acquiescence, and at the same time craved extracts. declared.
The Committee appointed to consider the overture from the Presbytery of Ottawa, on the subject of the observance of the Lord's Supper Lord's Supper, on the occasion of meeting of Synod, gave in a synodical Report of the tenor following:-Believing that the Synodical Iebservance of observance of the Lord's Supper would be in itself "a good and a pleasant thing," and that it would contribute to the fuller infusion of the devotional element into all our proceedings, as well as to the maintenance of the "unity of the spirit in the bond of peace," the Committee unanimously resolve to recommend to the Synod that the holy ordinance be dispensed, on the Lord's Day, in connection with the meeting of Synod, in Hamilton, next year; and that a Committee be appointed to mature a plan, to be submitted at an early diet of next Synod, for the carrying out of this

The Report was received and approved, and a Committee was Report received appointed in terms thereof; tho Committee to be composed of the Committee resident Ministers and representative Elders of the city of Hamil appointed. ton; Dr. Ormiston, Convener.

THE OWEN SOUND CASE.
Parties were present.
Owen Sound case.

Memorial of J. Crichton.

Extracts Presby tery Minutes.

The Synod took up a memorial from J. Crichton and others, claiming to be the congregation of Chalmers' Chureh, 0 wen Sound, complaining of a deed of the Presbytery of Hamilton, of the late Presbyterian Church of Canada, declaring the memorialists no longer a congregation of the Church, and praying that the action of said Presbytery in the premises may be reversed. The memorial was read. Read also extracts from the minutes of the Presbytery of Grey relative to the case.
The hour of adjournment having arrived, a motion was made and seconded, that the Synod continue sitting until the case now before them shall if possible, be disposed of. The motion on being put to the House was lost.
Meet to-morrow It was agreed that the hour of meeting to-morrow morning, and
and aftor at 9 . subsequent meetings, to the close of this meeting of Synod, be nine o'clock.

The Synod then adjourned, the Moderator having pronounced the benediction,

## EIGHTEENTH SEDERUNT.

Knox's Churei, Wednesday, June 11, 9 o'clock, A. M.
The Synod met, and was constituted with prayer, reading the Scriptures, and prayer, the devotions being conducted, at the request of the Moderator, by Mr. John Paterson.
The minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

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Papers read.

## Mr. Crichton heard.

Messrs.Stevenson
\& Waters heard.

Read papers, as follows:-1. A petition of J. Crichton and others, to the Business Committee of the Synod, stating the refusal of the Presbytery of Grey to transmit a memorial to Synod, and praying the Committee to transmit the memorial. 2. A protest and appeal of J. Crichton and others, against a deed of the Presbytery refusing to transmit their memorial to Synod, with reasons. 3. The Presbytery's answers to those reasons. 4. Reasons of dissent and complaint by Messrs. Stevenson and Waters against a deed of the Presbytery of Grey, withdrawing the leave which the Presbytery had previously granted to the petitioners to protest and appeal from the decision of Presbytery, refusing to transmit their petition to the Synod. 5. The Prêsbytery's answers to those reasons.
Mr. J. Crichton was heard on behalf of the memorialists.
Messrs. Stevenson and Waters were heard in support of their dissent and complaint.

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Mr. Bremner and Mr. James Cameron were heard on behalf of Mr. Bremner and the Presbytery of Grey.
Mr. Crichton was heard in reply.
Mr. Stevenson was heard in reply.
Questions were put to the parties, and were answered.
J. Cameron for Presbytery.

Mr. Crichton replies. The parties were then removed from the bar.
On motion by Mr. Kemp, seconded by Mr. Smellie, the Synod Motion on unanimously agreed,-That parties having been heard on the peti- ${ }^{\text {Omen Soun }}$
tion of Mr. Stevenson and Mr. Waters, an the dissent and complaint of Mr. Decision. of Grey, anent parties desiring to petition the Synod, thesbytery sustain said petition and said disent ane synod, the Synod the decision of the Presbytery of Gent and complaint, and reverse ties the right of appeal, and refusing to refusing to grant said parmemorial to this Synod. refusing to transmit their petition and
The parties were recalled, and the decision of Synod was Parties recalled. announced to them. The parties then craved extracts. The Synod next took up the petition der delared. of Owen Sound, Exte up the petition of J. Crichton and others, Memorial of of Church there, complaining to be the congregation of Chalmers J. Crichton, \&e. Hamilton, and praying the reversal of the former Prestytery of
It was moved by Mr . Gill
That having heard the petition, seconded by Mr. David Inglis, - Motion on, by 0 wen Sound, this Synod finds that the said and others, from ${ }^{\text {Mr. Gillespie. }}$ matters upon which it is incompetent said petition refers to inasmuch as they were disposed Hamilton, before the Union. or by the late Presbytery of

It was moved in amendment by Mr. Kemp, seconded by Dr. Amendment by Irvine,-That inasmuch as the petition and memorial of Mr. Mr. Kemp. Crichton and others, involves proceedings transacted by the Presbytery of Hamilton before the Union, and requires documents and evidence not now before the Court, remit the whole matter of said petition and memorial to a Committee, with power to call for papers, instructing them to report to-morrow morning.
The amendment of Mr. Kemp was carried against the motion of Amendment Mr. Gillespie, and the Synod did and do decide in terms of the carried. amendment.

Mr. Gillespie craved that his dissent from this finding be entered Dissents. on the minutes of the Synod, which was granted. Mr. McRuer, Mr. Middlemiss, and Mr. McLean of East Puslinch, also asked and obtained leave to have their dissent marked.
The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Moderator pronounced the benediction, and the Synod rose.
J. Crichton,

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## NINETEENTH SEDERUNT.

> Knox Church, Wednesday, June 11,3 o'clock, $P . M$.

The Synod met, and was constituted with praise and prayer ;Mr. Archibald Lees, at the request of the Moderator, conducting the devotions.

The minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.
The Moderator appointed the Committee on the petition of J . Crichton and others, from Owen Sound, as follows:-Hon. J. McMurrich, Dr. Jennings, Messrs. Balmer, Clark, A. F. Kemp, J. Scott (of London), D. McKenzie, J. Baird and D. McLellan; Mr. Kemp to be Convener.

Bills and Over-
tures Committes
Report of.
Mr. Middlemiss asked and obtained leave to withdraw his dissent from the finding of the Synod in the Owen Sound case, in the morning.

The Committee of Bills and Overtures reported the order of business for this afternoon and evening. The Report was received, and its recommendations were sanctioned, with the exception that the Report of the College Board be received at the conclusion of the St. Mary's case.

ST. MARY's case.
Mr. Beattie's pro- The Synod took up a protest and appeal of Mr. David Beattie test and appeal. against the Presbytery of Stratford, in decision, with reference to a claim of Mr. Beattie against Chalmers' Church, St. Mary's; also dissent and complaint of Mr. Thomas McPherson and others, against the Presbytery of Stratford, in regard to the same decision.

## Papers read.

The following papers were read :-1. Extracts from the minutes ot the Presbytery of Stratford bearing on the case. 2. Mr. Beattie's claim against Chalmers' Church, St. Mary's. 3. Extract from the minutes of Chalmers' Church congregation. 4. Receipt given by Mr. Beattie to the congregation. 5. Evidence taken in the case. 6. Mr. Beattie's reasons of protest and appeal. 7. Answers to the same by the Presbytery of Stratford. 8. Reasons of dissent and complaint of Mr. Thomas McPherson. 9. Answers to these reasons by the Presbytery.
Mr. Beattie was heard in support of his protest and appeal.
Mr. Thomas McPherson was heard in support of his complaint.
Mr. McLean was heard on the part of Chalmers' Church congregation.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Moderator pronounced the benediction, and the diet closed.

## TWENTIETH SEDERUNT.

## Knox's Church,

 Wednesday, June 11, 7 o'clock, P. Mr.The Synod met, and was constituted with praise and prayer,Dr. Thomson, at the request of the Moderator, conducting the
devotions.

The minutes of the last sederunt were read and sustained, st. mary's case.
The Synod resumed consideration of the case anent Chalmers' St. Mary's case Church, St. Mary's. resumed.
Mr. Doak, Mr. Drummond, and Mr. Fotheringham, were heard Parties haard. on behalf of the Presbytery.
Mr. Beattie was heard in reply.

Mr. Beattie replied. Mr. McPherson replied. Questions.

Questions were put to the parties, and were answered.
The parties were then removed from the bar.
Mr. John M. King, from the Committee appointed at last meet- Widows' Pund, ing of Synod, composed of members of the late United Presby- late U.P. Church terian Church in Canada, charged to take such measures as might place the Ministers of that Church, as respected the Widows' Fund, on the same footing with the Ministers of the late Presbyterian Church of Canada, gave in a Report, stating that the Committee had been successful in securing the amount of contributions requisite to accomplish the object of their appointment.
The Report was read and received.
The Synod returned to the St. Mary's case.
Several motions for the disposal of this case were submitted resumed. and afterwards withdrawn, and there remained before the house Motion. but one motion,-proposed by Mr. Dick, and seconded by Mr. J. K. Smith, which the Synod adopted, nem. con., to the following effect :-

Sustain the protest and appeal ; also the dissent and complaint; Decision. find that the congregation of St. Mary's is under moral obligation to pay the arrears of salary due to Mr. Beattie; and instruct the Presbytery of Stratford to use all legitimate means that this obligation be implemented by the congregation; and also disapprove of all individual negociations between ministers and people (in the matter of stipend), irrespective of the action of the Presbytery. The parties were then recalled, and the decision of Synod an-Parties recalled. nounced to them.

The Synod called for the Report of the College Board. Dr. College Board Taylor, Chairman, pro tem., gave in the Report, which was read, Receotred read and and received.
The hour of adjournment having arrived, it was agreed to sit some time longer.
At half-an-hour after ten o'clock the Synod adjourned, the diet being closed with the benediction.

## TWENTY-FIRST SEDERUNT.

> Knox's Church, Toronto, Thursday, June 12, 1862, 9 o'clock, A. M. The Synod met, and was constituted with praise, reading the Scriptures, and prayer,-Mr. James Ferguson, at the request of the Moderator, leading the devotions.
The minutes of last sederunt were read and sustained.
St. Mary's case. Extracts craved Mr. Thomas McPherson, for himself and Mr. Beattie, craved extracts of the decision in the St. Mary's case.
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tee to nominate.

In accordance with Standing Order No. 17, adopted at the third sederunt of this meeting, the Moderator appointed the Committee to nominate the Standing Committees of Synod, as follows :Messrs. T. Wardrope, Proudfoot, Caven, Snith (of Brockville), McTavish. Mr. Wardrope, Convener.

## RECEPTION OF MINISTERS.

Ministers, recep tion of; Report of Committee on papers of.

The Committee on the reception of Ministers from other Churches gave in a Report, stating that they had examined papers, and recommending that the following parties be received into connection with this Church, namely, Mr. Alexander McColl, originally a Licentiate of the Relief Church, Scotland, and some time Minister of the New School Presbyterian Church, Niagara, New York State; Mr. James Martin, Preacher, of the United Presbyterian Church in Scotland; Mr. Petros Constantinides, Licentiate of the Free Church of Scotland, and sometime Missionary of the late Free Church of Nova Scotia.
The Report was received and adopted.

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Report adopted.
The Committee to whom was whole matter of the petition of J. Crichton and others, claiming to be the congregation of Chalmers' Church, Owen Sound, gave in a Report. On motion, made and seconded, the Report was received and adopted; and, in accordance with its recommendations, the Synod agreed to the following deliverance:-

That without interfering with the decision of the Presbytery of Hamilton, in the case of Chalmers' Church, Owen Sound, they would yet state it as their decided conviction, that the property of Chalmers' Church, Sydenham, or Owen Sound, belongs to, and is in rightful possession of Mr. Crichton and others, trustees and members of said Church; and that only by them can the property be sold or otherwise disposed of.
The Synod w.ould, therefore, indicate to the parties, that the difficulty in this case would, in all probability, be removed, were the consent of the trustees and members of 'Chalmers' Church given, in writing, to value the property, and to offer it to the second congregation (Mr. Grant's), on condition of their paying half its appraised value to the other congregation, or vice versa;
and in the event of neither party agreeing to accept of said property, would recommend that it be sold, and the money divided between the two congregations at 0 wen Sound ; appoint, further, Mr. Scott, Minister, and Mr. Clarke, Elder, London, to counsel the parties in this case, and instruct the Presbytery of Grey to implement any arrangement which may, in accordance with this decision, be brought before them by the parties in this case.

## sabbath schools.

Mr. J. C. Becket gave in the Report of the.Committee on Sab- Sabbath Schools, bath Schools. On motion made and seconded, the Report was Report of Com. received, and, with certain amendments, was adopted.

## INTEMPERANCE.

There was read from the table an Overture, on the suppression Intemperance of Intemperance, from Messrs. J. C. Becket, Alex. Clark, and suppression off others, Elders attending the Synod, praying that the Synod would ${ }^{\text {Overture on. }}$ give such a deliverance as might conduce to the end sought. The Overture was received, and the Synod agreed to the following resolutions on this subject:-
I. That the Synod deeply deplore the sad ravages of Intempe- Resolution rance in the Church and in the world, and earnestly entreat all adopted. office-bearers of the Church to use their utmost endeavours, by precept and example, to restrain and remove this widely extended and destructive vice.
II. That the liquor traffic, as now legally conducted, tends directly to promote and perpetuate the evils deplored, and that all legitimate efforts be employed to prevent the wider extension, and to bring about the ultimate extinction of this great and growing
III. That the several Presbyteries and Sessions of the Church are hereby recommended to take such steps, as in their judgment they may deem most expedient and efficient, for the suppression of Intemperance, and for the maintenance of a pure and Scriptural discipline in this matter, in each of their respective congregations.
IV. That a Standing Committee be appointed to take charge of
this subject.

## KNOX COLLEGE

The Synod resumed consideration of the Report of the Board of galaries of Management of Knox College, interrupted by the adjournment of ${ }^{\text {Professors. }}$ last night.
On motion of Mr. McTavish, seconded by Dr. Thornton, the Synod agreed to remit it to the Finance Committee to take such steps as it may deem best, to secure the regular payment of the salaries of the Professors in the College.
On motion of Mr. Drummond, the Synod agreed: 1. That the Thanks to cordial thanks of the Synod be given to Mr. Alex. Topp, for his Mr. Topp laborious efforts in divising and so far carrying out the scheme for liquidating the debt on the College buildings. 2. That all [105]

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proper means be used to secure that those congregations that have not yet contributed to the College Building Fund do their part, so that, if possible, the entire debt may be liquidated this year.
Study, course of, It was moved by Mr. J. M. King, seconded by Dr. Thornton, Knox College. That a Special Committee be appointed, to take into consideration
Motion. the whole subject of the preparatory and theological education of candidates for the Ministry, to consult with theSenate if they deem it necessary, and to report to the meeting of Synod next June.
Amendment.
It was moved in amendment by Mr. Kemp, seconded by Mr. Ross,-That a Committee be appointed to consider the following matters, and to report to the next meeting of the Synod: 1. The propriety of abolishing the literary course of Knox College, and to recommend a suitable preparatory curriculum of study. 2. Arrangements for the examination of the students in such manner and form as shall enable the examiners to classify the students according to merit, before entrance into the College, and during the course of the curriculum. 3. The best manner of distributing the studies of the curriculum.
Vote.
Mr. King's vote being taken, the motion of Mr. King was carried by a
motion carried. majority, and the Synod decided in terms thereof
motion carried.
Committee
appointed.
The following Committee was then appointed, under Mr. King's resolution:-The Moderator (Mr. Ure), Dr. Thompson, Messrs. Caven, D. Inglis, Gillespie, J. Scott (of London), Proudfoot, King; the Moderator to be Convener.
Position of Students in the Course.-On motion made and duly seconded, the Synod agreed,- That Presbyteries shall not send up students to Knox College, in the Theological course, out of the order prescribed in the curriculum enjoined by the Synod.
Boarding House, Boarding House.-The Synod agreed to recommend to the
management of. management of. Board of Management of the College, to take into earnest and careful consideration the rate of charges in the College Boarding House, with the view of having those charges, if possible, reduced.

## Committee on

Standing Com-
mittees to retire
Leave was granted to the Committee appointed to nominate Standing Committees, to retire from the Synod during this sitting, for the transaction of the business intrusted to them.

## TORONTO UNIVERSITY.

Toronto Univer- It was moved by Mr. R. F. Burns, seconded by Mr. Cross, sity, motion as to That this Synod instruct the College Board to watch the proceed-
endowment of. ings of the Legislature in the matter of the University of Toronto, and, if they see fit, to petition in name of the Synod, as well as in their own name, against any partition of the University Fund amongst other denominational Colleges. They further recommend Presbyteries and Sessions to take similar action, in the event of circumstances emerging to render such action necessary.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Moderator pronounced the benediction, and the Synod rose.

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## TWENTY-SECOND SEDERUNT.

## Knox's Church, Toronto, Thursday, June 12, 1862, 3 o'clock, P. M.

 The Synod met, and was constituted with praise and prayer,the devotions being led, at the request of the Moderator, by Mr.D. Inglis.
The minutes of the last sederunt were read and sustained.
The Report of the Finance Committee was presented by the Finance Commit. Hon. Mr. McMurrich, the Convener. The Report was received tee, Report of, and adopted; and it was agreed to record the thanks of the Synod adopted. Thanks to the Finance Committee, for their diligence in this matter
Mr. Kemp brought under th
Dr. Cairns, long a Minister hotice of the Synod the case of Dr.Cairns, case of. gent and faithful laborer ; and Church, and known as a dilicircumstances, and in consideaggesting that, in his present attention of the Committee Fund should be directed by the Aged and Infirm Ministers' gestion of Mr. Kemp was agreed to, and the his case. The sugaccordingly.

The Synod agreed to appoint the first Sabbath of October next, Knox College, as a day of special prayer on behalf of Knox College.
The Synod agreed to leave it with the Moderator to appoint a Religious day for special religious services, adapted to the condition of the services, special, country, when the results of the coming harvest shall have been ${ }^{\text {after harrest. }}$
ascertained. ascertained.
The Synod resumed consideration of the University question, University quesinterrupted by the adjournment in the morning. tion resumed.
It was moved by Mr. Kemp, seconded by Dr. Jennings, in Amendment of amendment to the motion of Mr. Burns,-That this Synod resolve Mr. Kemp. to petition the Legislature and Governor in Council against any appropriation of the funds of the University of Toronto, or further, the appropriation of the public funds, for the maintenance being the dent of denominational colleges in Canada West; it would lead to the dinion of this Synod, that such appropriation tion in this portion of the a large and influential portion of and be a grievous injustice to conscientiously participate in such grants of mity who cannot also, a Special Committee to watch grants of money; - appoint, in regard to the above matters, and tover any proposed legislation petition or otherwise, through the Presbyteries and efforts, by this Church, to prevent any such legislative pros and Sessions of
It was moved, in amendment, by Dr. Burns, cipal Willis,-That, in the present circumsts, seconded by Prin-Amendment of and of this Church, the Synod do in this matter.
had submitted in asked leave to withdraw the motion which he Motion of mend of Mr. Kemp should stand as the original motion.

Leave was granted to withdraw the motion; and the Synod ordered in accordance with the request.
Vote. A vote was then taken between the motion of Mr. Kemp, and Motion carried. the motion of Dr. Burns, when the motion was carried ; and the Synod did, and do, so decide in terms of the motion.
It was agreed that the number of votes for the motion, and for the amendment, respectively, be recorded.
The numbers were, for the motion of Mr. Kemp, forty-six ; and for the amendment of Dr. Burns, four.
Committee on
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tion appointed.
The Special Committee, to carry out the resolution of Mr. tion appointed. Kemp, was then appointed, as follows:-Mr. Kemp, Convener, Dr. Thornton, Messrs. Topp, D. Inglis, Laing, J. K. Smith, Kennedy, Hon. Mr. McMurrich, Dr. Agnew.
Standing Com. mittee,Reporton. gave Committee appointed to nominate Standing Committees, gave in a Report, in part, which was received and adopted by the
Synod, as follows :-

Knox College Board.

Knox College
Senate.

Widows' Fund
Com., Special. Widows' Fund
Com., General.

## home mission committee.

Messrs. D. H. McVicar, J. B. Duncan, J. K. Smith, P. Gray, Dr. Thornton, Messrs. J. W. Smith, J. Dick, Dr. Irvine, Messrs. Wm. Inglis, J. J. A. Proudfoot, J. Logie, T. Lowry, T. Stevenson, Wm. Reid, Wm. Fraser, Ministers; Messrs. J. C. Beeket, D. Kennedy, Sheriff Sherwood, Dr. Holden, Messrs. W. Best, John Parker, Hon. J. McMurrich, Messrs. M. C. Lutz, H. Young, T. Mackenzie, W. Clark, Wm. Murray, D. Christie, Elders. Dr. Thornton, Convener.
board of management of knox college.
Mr. Robert Ure, Prof. Young, Messrs. D. McVicar, T. Wärdrope, P. Gray, J. Laing, James Mitchell, William Gregg, Dr. Thomson, Messrs. J. Gillespie, J. Scott, John Ross, William Caven, J. Cameron, Dr. Taylor, Mr. William Reid, Dr. Ormiston, Messrs. William Inglis, J. Skinner, Alex. Topp, R. F. Burns, Ministers, Messrs. J. Redpath, R. Brunton, Dr. Edmonson, Mr. Ballantyne; Hon. A. Jeffrey, Mr. Parker, Hon. J. McMurrich, J. MeKenzie, Mr. Smith, William Murray, John Caven, David Christie, Sheriff Sherwood, Elders. Chairnan, Mr. Robert Ure.

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Dr. Jennings, Dr. Ormiston, Messrs. W. Gregg, W. Reid, J. M. King, John McTavish, Ministers; Hon. J. McMurrich.
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Messrs. John Scott, J. R. Scott, J. M. King, R. Torrance, W. Walker, W. Cavan, Dr. Jennings, Dr. Ormiston, Messrs. William Inglis, J. Logie, T. Stevenson, Ministers; J. C. Becket, Mr. Kerr, T. Sandilands, Elders. Dr. Ormiston, Convener.
committee on general widows' fund.
Messrs. G. Smellie, R. Torrance, William Fraser, Dr. Ormiston, Wm. Reid, Dr. Irvine, Mr. D. Inglis, Ministers ; Messrs. James

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Dr. Agnew, Hon. J. McMurrich, A. D. Ferrier, D. McLellan. Mr. James Osborne, Convener.
committee on foreign missions.
The Moderator (Mr. R. Ure), Messrs. J. Bowie, R. F. Burns, Foreign Mission
D. McVicar, J. M. Roger, W. Aitken, A. F. Kemp, Thos. Lowry, Committee.
D. Inglis, A. D. McDonald, J. Fotheringham, Mr. Fraser (Port
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M. Christie, James Black, Ministers; Messrs. J. Redpath, D.

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Christie, Elders. Mr. D. Kennedy (Ottawa), R. Christie, Peter


COMMITTEE ON AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND,
Mr. John McTavish, Convener, Dr. Thornton, Mr. W. Reid, Aged and Infirm Ministers; Hon. J. McMurrich, Messrs. A. D. Ferrier, R. Christie, Ministers' Pund J. Dalgleish, J. Radeliffe, Elders.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Messrs. Alex. Topp, William Gregg, Dr. Jennings, Messrs. J. Finance Com. McMurrich and Blaikie. Mr. McMurrich, Convener.

## budton mission comitttee.

Mr. D. Inglis, Dr. Burns, Dr. Willis, Messrs. W. Reid, W. King' Buxton Mission T. McPherson, W. Caven, J. Scott (London), R. Hall, Ministers ; Committee. Messrs. W. Clark and Archibald McKellar. J. Scott, Convener
The Buxton Mission Committee to be guided by the same Instructions to instructions as were given to the Committee of last year, of the any engagements into what the Committee be instructed to carry out regarding the property of Buxmer Committees may have entered, nected with this mission be remitted to that other matters conmittee, along with the Presbytery of London." Mission Com-

## committee on sabbath schools.

Messrs. W. McLaren, J. Morrison, P. Gray, J. Scott (Bath), Sabbath School Ministers; Messrs. Beckett and Northrup, Elders. Mr. P. Gray, Committee.

## committee on the state of religion.

Mr. Ure, Dr. Thornton, Messrs. J. M. King, A. Kennedy, J. State of Religion, Smith, J. McTavish, Dr. Taylor, Dr. Boyd, Messrs. T. Wardrope, Cor,mittee on. A. Wilson, J. Laing, J. Dick, W. T. McMullen, W. S. Ball, R. Dewar, W. Doak, John Scott, J. Porteous and Walter Inglis. J.

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Mr. John Smith (Bowmanville), Convener; Mr. W. McLaren, Temperance Com. Dr. Thornton, Mr. A. Kennedy, Ministers: Messrs. D. Kennedy and J. C. Becket, Elders.

Notiee of motion. Mr. Middlemiss gave notice that at the next Sederunt he would submit a motion to the effect, that the papers in all cases of appeal, \&c., brought before the Synod, should be printed by the parties.
The Synod adjourned, the diet being closed with the benediction

## TWENTY-THIRD SEDERUNT.

Toronto, Knox's. Church, Thursday, June 12, 1862, $7 \frac{1}{\mathrm{t}} \mathrm{o}^{\prime}$ clock, P. M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with praise and prayer,Mr. Fotheringham, at the request of the Moderator, conducting the devotions.
The minutes of the last sederunt were read and sustained.

Standing
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Report on.
Record Com.
appointed.

The Committee appointed to nominate the Standing Committees. gave in an additional Report, naming the Committee on the Home and Foreign Record, which the Synod adopted; and the Committee was appointed as follows :-Messrs. Topp, Gregg, Dick, Dr. Jennings, Principal Willis, Dr. Burns, Mr. W. Fraser, Hon. J. McMurrich, Mr. Alexander. Dr. Jennings, Convener.
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The Synod took up an appeal from a deed of the Presbytery of Guelph, by Mr. Hodgskin, in the matter of the congregation of Doon and Hespeler, with relative papers.

Parties were called, and Mr. Middlemiss appeared on behalf of the Presbytery of Guelph. Mr. Hodgskin and the congregation did not appear.

It was, therefore, agreed that parties in the Doon and Hespeler case having been called, and no appearance having been made for the complainants, the case be dismissed.
dissent and complaint of rev. d. inglis.
Sossions' Records. The Synod took up a dissent and complaint from Mr. David Presbytery of
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Pnglis, and others, against the action of the Presbytery of HamilHamilton. $t^{\text {on, refusing to examine the Records of certain Kirk Sessions. }}$

## Papers read. <br> Parties heard.

The reasons of dissent were read; also, the Presbytery's answers to those reasons.

Heard Mr. Inglis, in support of his complaint. Heard Mr. R. F. Burns, for the Presbytery of Hamilton. Heard Mr. Inglis, in reply.
Parties were then removed.
Motion.
Decision in
Hamilton case.
It was moved by Mr, Kemp, and seconded by Mr. Ross,-That the Synod having heard parties in the dissent and complaint against the action of the Presbytery of Hamilton, refusing to confirm the minutes of Sessions, prior to the union of the Churches, in June last, sustain the dissent and complaint,-reverse the
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Ross,-That d complaint using to con. e Churches, -reverse the
decision of the Presbytery ; and declare that it is in conformity with the final declarations of the two Churches at the union, that said minutes should be examined, and certified in the usual manner.

It was moved in amendment, by Mr. Cross, seconded by Dr. Amendment of Thornton,-That the Synod, having heard the parties, dismiss the Mr. Cross. complaint, and confirm the action of the Presbytery.
A vote was taken, when the motion of Mr. Kemp was carried ; Mr. Kemp's and the Synod did, and do, decide in terms thereof.
Parties were recalled, and the decision of Synod was announced to them.

Mr. Inglis craved extracts.
The Synod called for the Report of the Home Mission Committee. The Report was read by Dr. Thornton, the Convener. Come Mission On motion made and seconded, the Dr. Chornton, the Convener. Committee's thanks of Synod were given to the Coprt was received; and the Report received.
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Mission. The Report was read ${ }^{\text {R }}$ on the state of the Buxton Buxton Mission Buxton. The Synod received they Mr. W. King, Minister of Report. Committee on the Buxton the Report, and referred it to the London.

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H. Gordon.
of Processes, were taken up. To the Remit of Synod, on Forms Re urns to remit of the Returns at large up. It was agreed to defer consideration laid over. to be signed by Ministers with the exception, that in the Formula wormula adopted in the Question thers, Probationers, Elders, and Deacons, and word "not" be sub put to a Minister at his ordination, the with this alteration, the Form for the word "never"; and that,
It was agreed that the and Questions be adopted. cesses, and the regulations remaining parts of the Forms of Pro- Forms and Home Home Missions (with the excerthe distribution of Preachers and Mission Rules reat a former Sederunt), be, and the of the standing orders adopted ${ }_{\text {add interim. }}^{\text {eand }}$. interim, for the guidance of the same are hereby reënacted, $a d$ the next meeting of the Synod.

## stated collections.

It was ordered that the collections for the schemes of the Collections, when Church be made on the same days as were appointed at last.meet. to be made. ing of Synod.

Orange Hill sta- On application made, the Synod ordered that the station of tion transferred. Orange Hill, within the bounds of the Presbytery of Huron, be transferred to the Presbytery of Grey.

PETITION OF MR. KRMP.
Petition,
Mr. A. F. Kemp. A petition from Mr. A. F. Kemp was read, setting forth that he had, on the recommendation of the late Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, published an edition of five hundred copies of a Digest of the Minutes of said Synod; that about two hundred copies of the work lay on his hands, and that he had incurred thereby a debt of upwards of two hundred dollars, and praying the Synod for relief from such debt.
Prayer of petition The prayer of Mr. Kemp's petition was granted, the Agent of granted. the Church being instructed to discharge the debt out of the Synod Fund, to receive the remaining copies of the Digest from Mr. Kemp, and to sell the same at the price of one dollar per copy.

## deliverance on home mission report.

Home Mission Committee
Report,
Resolution on.

On motion of Mr. Gillespie, which was duly seconded, the Synod agreed to adopt the Report of the Home Mission Committee, and to record their gratitude to God for the success which has during the year attended the Home Missionary operations of the Church; and also to express their thanks to their brethren of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, for their continued and well-timed contributions to their funds; and instruct the Convener to forward to the Convener of the Colonial Committee of the Irish Presbyterian Church a detailed statement of the application of the funds so kindly furnished by their liberality, together with an expression of their thanks for the assistance furnished during the year.
resolutions on foreign mission report.
Foreign Mission, The following Resolutions were adopted on the Report of the
Resolution on. Resolution on. Foreign Mission Committee, which was read at the seventh Sederunt:
I. That the Synod do hereby express their gratitude to God for the safe arrival of the Rev. Robert Jamieson, at the distant field of his future labours, and heartily pray for his success in the important work on which he has now entered. They also commend the Rev. James Nisbet to the gracious care of God, in the journey which he contemplates. And they do further recommend these brethren to the prayerful sympathy of the congregations under their care.
II. The Synod desire to express their deep interest in the Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces, and their cordial sympathy with that Church, both in the successes and trials of their evangelistic efforts among the heathen, and express their readiness to coöperate with them in this work, in so far as this may be deemed advisable.
III. That the Synod, in terms of the recommendation of the Report, commend the Church at Assiniboine to the special interest of the children of the Church, and recommend that the attention
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 cial interest he attentionof the Sabbath Schools and Bible Classes be directed to the Missions of our Church, with the view of enlisting the sympathies of our youth in the great work of evangelizing the world.
IV. That the Committee be reäppointed, with instructions to take into their consideration the desirableness of securing a second missionary for British Columbia; and that, if it be deemed advisable, and if the funds at their disposal admit of it, they be empowered to take the necessary steps for his selection and signation.
V. That the Synod, deeply convinced of the duty of sending the Gospel to the heathen nations, do further instruct the Committee to take into their immediate and serious consideration the propriety of entering more fully and directly upon this work, and enjoin them to use all diligence to collect such information as may enable the Synod, at its next meeting, to carry this conviction into effect, either by coöperating with the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces, or by the establishment of a Mission of their own in a new field.
VI. That in the meantime the Committee be empowered, if they are so disposed, and if the funds at their disposal admit of it, to grant to the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces a sum equal to the support of a missionary in the South Sea Islands for
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## memorlal from french canadians at sandwich.

There was read and received, a Memorial and Petition from Prench French Canadian Protestants, of Sandwich and neighbourhood, Cenandians at preying the Synod to take steps for establishing, in that locality, Petition of. an Institute, similar to that now in operation at Point aux Trem-
E les. Mr. Bennett, under appointment of the London, was heard in support of the petition.
It was moved by Mr. Kemp, and agreed to,-That the Synod, Resolution on having heard the Memorial from French Canadians, at Sandwich, Petition. remit the Memorial to the Presbytery of London, to consider and report on the subject of it,-instructing them to take such steps, in the meantime, as they may see fit, in conjunction with the Home Mission Committee, for providing Christian instruction for the French Canadian people in that district.

## french canadian missionary society.

The following resolution, on motion of Mr. D. Inglis, seconded Prench Canadian by Mr. Burns, was unanimously adopted:-The Synod, at a Mission Society, the Frencerunt, having heard the Rev. M. Duclos, representing Resolution on. the French Canadian Missionary Society, desire to express their
sincere congratula effect and promise ; pratulation the good work conducted with so much the labors, educational and the Divine blessing may rest upon auspices of that mission; and commend the mistio under the tinued aid and sympathy of the members of the chiss to the conout the Province.

## RESIGNATION OF PRINCIPAL WHLLIS.

Principal Willis, The Rev. Principal Willis here rose, and said that he wished to tender of
resignation. tender the resignation of his position in the Synod, and his relation with Knox College. He wished to inform the Synod that the resolution had not been come to hastily; and though he had intended to delay till to-morrow before offering his resignation, yet as there might not be a meeting in the morning, he thought it

Committee of Conference with
Principal Willis. right to inform the Synod of his purpose to resign, now,
The Synod appointed a Committee to confer with Principal Willis on the subject of his tender of resignation, to retire with the Principal, and to report, if possible, before the close of this sederunt:-the Committee to consist of Mr. D. Inglis, Dr. Thornton, Dr. Jennings, Mr. T. McPherson. Mr. D. Inglis, Convener.
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Widows' Fund,
Report of Com.
The Synod called for the Report of the Committee on the Widows' Fund. The Report was read. The Report of the Special Committee of members of the late United Presbyterian Church, on the Widows' Fund, read at a former sederunt, was also referred to.
Report approved. The Report on the General Fund was received and approved.

Special Report approved.

The Report on the Special Fund was also approved; and it was agreed, that the time at which Ministers of the late United Presbyterian Church shall be permitted to avail themselves of the Widows' Fund, be extended to the first day of October.

## AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

Aged and Infirm The Synod called for the Report of the Committee on the Fund Ministers' Fund, for Aged and Infirm Ministers.
Adopted.
The Report was read and received; and the regulations suggested therein were adopted, ad interim, and were remitted to Presbyteries to consider, and report thereon at next meeting of Synod.

## statistics.

Statistics Report. The Synod called for the Report of the Committee on Statistics. The Report was read by Mr. Gray, the Convener.
Statistics Report The Report was received, and it was agreed to record the recuived. Thanks thanks of the Synod to the Committee, and especially to the
to Committee . Convener, for the care and labour bestowed upon the satisfactory Report submitted.

Statistics Com. reäppointed.

On motion made and seconded, the Synod re-appointed the Committee, as follows :-Messrs. J. Gray, W. Gregg, R. Torrance, A. Wilson, W. Fraser, J. Dick, Ministers ; and Messrs. Dallas

Statistics,
Suggestions adopted. and McMurrich, Elders. Mr. Gray, Oonvener.

On motion of Mr. J. K. Smith, the Synod agreed to adopt the suggestion of the Report of the Committee on Statistics.

RECORD.
Record Commit. The Synod called for the Report of the Committee on The tee Report. approved.

## OVERTURE ON GENERAL ASSEMBLI

The Synod took up an Overture, transmitted by the Committee General Assem-
of Bills and Overtures, proposing to divide the Synod into three bly, overture on. Synods, to be named, respectively, the Synod of London, Toronto, and Montreal, and to form a General Assembly, composed of onefourth of the members of the several Presbyteries. The Overture
was read.
It was moved by Mr. Cross, seconded by Mr. T. Wardrope,-Motion on That the 0 verture be received, and sent down to Presbyteries and ${ }^{\text {overture. }}$ Sessions, to be reported on at next meeting of Synod.
It was moved in amendment, by Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. J. Amendment on Ferguson,-That the Overture be rejected as premature. overture. A vote being taken, the motion of Mr. Cross was carried, and Decision on the Synod decided in terms thereof. The Committee appointed to confer with Principal Willis, gave ${ }_{\text {Pr }}$
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Principal Willis stated that, on the best estimate which he could form of his duty, and of the state of feeling towards him, on the part wish to act win the Synod, with whom if he were acting, he would Province and in good accord-though ready to put usefulness in the all the circumstanis Church in the foremost ground,-yet, in view of College, he considers it the Church, and of the financial state of the On the $C$.
his willingness to take into sions of opinion on the part of the Synod, or of individuals, or exprestend to alter his views of duty.
The Committee, therefore recommend that the Synod request Principal Willis to delay his final decision; and that the Synod remit the whole subject to a Committee consisting of the Moderator (Mr. Ure), Convener, Dr. Jennings, Dr. Thornton, Messrs. W. Reid, J. M. King, J. McTavish, D. Inglis, the Hon. J. McMurrich.

All which is respectfully submitted.
On motion made and seconded, the Report was received and Conference Com. adopted; and the Committee, recommended therein, appointed, Report received, with instructions to continue their conference with Principal and adopted. Willis; and, if the Committee find that Principal Willis adheres to his resignation, they shall request the Moderator to convene a special meeting of Synod on as early a day as possible, for the purpose of taking necessary action in the matter.
The Synod agreed that a loyal and complimentary Address Governor General should be presented to the Governor General of this Province, Address to. expressing the desire of the Synod for his welfare in the highly responsible position which he occupies, as the Chief Magistrate of this portion of the British dominions.
On motion of Mr. Maclean, of Freelton, seconded by Mr. Dunbar, Thanks to be of Glenmorris, the Synod unanimously adopted the following given. resolution:-

1. To Accommo-
dation Committee

That the cordial thanks of the Synod be given, and are hereby tendered,-1st. To the Committee of Accommodation for the kindness and courtesy with which they have discharged their
2. To Trustees \& Congregation Knox's Church
3. To Ladies of

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4. To the commu nity in general, for hospitality. concult duties. 2nd. To the Trustees of Knox's Church and congregation, for the use of their church during this meeting of the Synod, and the considerate attention shown to them. 3rd. To the ladies of the congregations for their very marked kindness, in connection with the evening entertainments, which have contributed so much to the comfort and convenience of the Synod, and to the securing of agreeable social intercourse of its members; and - 4th. To the general community of this city, for the hospitable reception accorded to this Synod, on the occasion of its first meeting after our memorable union.
Synod closed.
At the request of the moderator, the Rev. Dr. Burns offered up prayer. The Synod engaged in praise, singing Psalm cxxii., 6-9 verses. After which, the Moderator, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, the King and Head of the Church, dissolved the Synod, and announced that the next meeting of the Synod would be held in Central Church, in the City of Hamilton, on the first Tuesday of June, 1863, at half-past seven o'clock, in the evening.
The Moderator then closed the Session with the Apostolic benediction.

ROBERT URE, Moderator.

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William Reid, William Fraser, $\}$ <br> Joint Clerks of Synod.

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## CANADA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

ACCOUNTS OF THE CHURCH FROM 6тн JUNE, 1861, TO 30т APRIL, 1862, AS AUDITED FOR PRESENTATION TO SYNOD.
KNOX COLLEGE-ORDINARY FUND.
RECEIPTS.1861.
June 6. Balance on hand
Contributed by Congregations, \&c. ..... $\$ 27570$
Loan from Bank ..... 49099
1862.81470April 30. Balance at Dr.

## EXPENDITURE,

Paid for Salaries, viz:

Principal Willis. ..... \$1,489 25
Professor Young.
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Dr. Burns.1,215 00
Interest on Purchase money ..... 4,086 75
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Insurance on Building and Library
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Account J. Bain, Stationer
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Interest on Loans. ..... 1293
Plumber for Repairs. ..... 1057
The amount due to Professors for Salary at date is. ..... $.81,726 \quad 78$
BURSARY FUND.
RECEIPTS.
1861.
June 6. Balance in hand ..... $\$ 1,27500$
I. Buchanan, Esq., M.P.P.
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Mrs. Esson and Mrs. Sparks .....  ..... 2000 .....  ..... 2000 ..... 7678
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W. T. Murdoch, John Knox Bursary
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A. B. Simpson, G. Buchanan ..... 4000
J. Morrison, Gaelic Bursary
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Sums granted by Committee to Students.
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Printing. . . . . . . . . ...................................................... 1898
Expenses incurred by Mr. Topp..................................... 1350
Expenses in supply of Pulpits, $9 . . . . . . . . . . . . .$.
Proportion of General Expenses, of office, includ 4150
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The amount still due on Mortgage. . . . . . . ........... | 1,625 | 97 |
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Towards which there has been received up to 2nd June $\$ 1,62597$

## LIBRARY FUND.

 RECEIPTS.Amount received for Matriculation Tickets, \&c....... $\begin{gathered} \\ \text { " } \\ \$ 8600\end{gathered}$
Balance at Dr. ................................ 400

June 6. Balance at Dr
J. Davidson, Salary as Librarian ........................................ $\$ 10222$

Rev. A. Kennedy, account.
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WIDOWS' FUND.
Receiprs.
Balance in hand
Rates paid by Ministers. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 92069$
Congregational collections. .................................................. 08200
Interest . . . . . . . . . .................................... 1,187 . 71
Investments falling due and paid. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1,902 85
EXPENDITURE,
4,276 55
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Rates repaid to Ministers leaving Church. ............ $\$ 8000$
Printing . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 600 . 600
Amount Invested. ................................................ 87000
Paid for Drafts. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 5,90000
One half Contributions credited to Fund for 22.
Infirm Ministers:
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Proportion of expenses of office, including Post.... 20000
Stationery, dc., \&c........... including Postage,
Balance in hand. ................................................. 3612
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Cash in hand. ......... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .20,712 90
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FUND FOR AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS. RECETPTS.
June 6. Balance ..... $\$ 49975$
Gould Street, Toronto ..... 1200
J. G. H., Montreal ..... 200
One half of Congregational Contributions for Widows' Fund ..... 56885EXPENDITURE,
Annuity paid Rev. D. Clark ..... $\$ 16000$
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One quarter to Rev. T. Henry ..... 4000
Proportion of General Expenses
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April 30. Balance in hand ..... 71519
FRENCH CANADIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY. RECEIPTS.June 6. Balance in hand$\$ 21468$Receipts from Congregations, \&c........................ 1,025081,23976EXPENDITURE,Remitted to Mr. Court, Montreal$\$ 1,18955$
Printing ..... 410
Proportion of General Expenses ..... 1500Balance in hand3111

## SYNOD FUND.

Receipts.Receipts from Congregations, \&c. ..... $\$ 1,46792$Balance from Treasurer of former United PresbyterianChurch119001,586 92
Expenditure.
Allowance to Doorkeeper for services at last Synod. .$\$ 2000$
Printing Minutes, including Presbyterian Church ofCanada, United Presbyterian Chureh, and CanadaPresbyterian Church.
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Printing Circulars, \&c., during year ..... 3150
Express and Postage charges on Minutes ..... 927
Mr. W. R. Orr, for writing Basis of Union
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McDonald \& Brother, Account in connection with Act of Parliament ..... 1600
Rev. A. F. Kemp, for copies of Digest ..... 3750
Salary of Rev. W. Fraser, Joint Clerk of Synod ..... 10000
Proportion of Salary of General Agent. ..... 60666
Stationery, Telegraphs, and Incidental Expenses, ..... 3612
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## HOME MISSIONS. <br> receipts.

Received from Congregations, \&o.
Expenditure.
Printing.
Rev. J. Diek, for Postages and Printing .................. \$895
Proportion of general 845 Grants Paid:
Presbytery of Ottawa, for Pakenham, half am't claimed
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". London, for Buxton Mission ............ $\quad 200000$
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## BUXTON MISSION.

## RECEIPTS.

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Perth, $\$ 5.50 ;$ W. Puslinch, $\$ 5.00 \ldots . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .$.
Ramsay, 86.05 ; South Cavan, $\$ 6.33$.......................... 1050
Grant from Home Mission Fund. .................................... 20000
Balance at Dr......................................... 546 в 7
EXPENDITURE,
Rev. W. King, on account of Salary ................. $\$ 58000$
Teachers at Buxton. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 20800
To meet so far the balance against this fund, there has been - 78300 grant of $£ 100$ stg. from the Presbyterian Church of Ireland.

## BUXTON MISSION BUILDING FUND.

Amount in hand
This is exclusive of Amount invested by the Local Committee.
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## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS.

Your Committee cherished the hope that they would be able to submit a complete return of the united Church to the Synod, 'during its present session; and they have taken great pains and used considerable effort to accomplish
this desirable ment will, howject. The accompany Statistical Return and Financial StateThe various causes, shew, from its blanks, that they have been disappointed. to enumerate, and they would fain prod this partial failure, it is not necessary of the facts and figures connected hope, that when the value and importance office-bearers of our Church, fewer difficulties returns are made obvious to the tion sought, and greater care be taken in ties will arise in getting the informaCongregational Reports.
Your Committee are aware that whil whose labors so much depend while most of the Presbytery Clerks, on character of the various items, har the punctual transmission and correct the Presbyterial Returns, yet others, whomeat pains and trouble in preparing name, have not been so exact or orderly in transmitting their Returns as is desirable,
Many office-bearers of Congregations have, moreover, been very dilatory in forwarding their returns, or have altogether neglected their duty; the former class is thus entailing upon your Committee an amount of additional labor of a very tantalising nature, and the latter depriving their efforts of much of the end aimed at, by rendering the general statement incomplete.
With these preliminary remarks, your Committee pass on to observe, that out of 222 settled charges, reported as belonging to our Church, the large number of 37 , or exactly $\frac{1}{8}$ of the whole, have forwarded no Returns; and to this list are to be added about 20 vacant congregations.
The following table, containing a list of such Congregations, is subjoined.

## Presbytery.

## Congregations.

Montreal .... \{ Lagauchetiere St. Montreal, Chateauguay, * Chalmers' Ch. Quebec, Indian Lands, Winslow, * Vankleekhill, Farnham,
Brockville ... *Lingwick, 1st Congregation Lachute. 9.
Ottawa ..... Westport, recently settled. 1.
Kingston.... Nmith's Falls, Bristol, Cumberland and Lochaber. 3.
Cobourg.....
Toronto..... B B Bowmanton and Alnwick. 2.
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Hamilton.... $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Doon and Hespeler. } 4 .\end{array}\right.$
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, Detroit, Thamesford, Belmont and
Stratford .... Morth and Centre Bruce, recently settled. 1.
Grey $\ldots \ldots . .\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Southampton, Normanby, Durham, Thornbury and Griers- } \\ \text { ville. } 4 .\end{array}\right.$
L. Blaikie,
S. Playfarr.

It will thus be seen that the only Presbytery whose Return is complete is that of Ontario．

Your Committee have not deemed it necessary to swell this list by adding the names of the vacant Congregations．From five of those named（marked thus＊）returns，more or less complete，have since been received．Some，they believe，can give satisfactory reasons for the non－transmission of theirs；but，on the other hand，while indifference or procrastination may account for other cases，yet your Committee have grounds for stating that the main cause is the unfavorable financial position of the defaulting congregations，which thus leads the office－bearers to dislike exposing its affairs，and to refrain from filling．up the blank schedule．This proceeding they consider both unjust and inexpe－ dient，as the Presbytery，becoming acquainted with the real state of matters， might，by timely and judicious interference，remove the diffculties，and prevent some unhappy crisis．

Your Committee now append in a condensed form，the general results， deducible from the Statistical Return，for the convenience of all concerned．

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| Brockville． | 1，000 | 96 | 609 | 208 | 46 | 27 | 56 | 1，900 | 19 | 10 |
| Ottawa | 1，697 | 134 | 703 | 268 | 61 |  | 93 | 3，410 | 25 | 12 |
| Kingston | 1，050 | 143 | 728 | 195 | 42 | 14 | 68 | 1，990 | 16 | 10 |
| Cobourg ．．． | 2，479 | 219 | 964 | 372 | 86 | 64 | 75 | 4，020 | 27 | 14 |
| Ontario ．．．．． | 1，914 | 193 | 821. | 377 | 66 | 30 | 104 | 3，747 | 27 | 13 |
| Toronto． | 3，691 | 457 | 1，696 | 580 | 164 | 33 | 171 | 6，815 | 50 | 27 |
| Guelph | 2，531 | 285 | 1，084 | 215 | 81 | 17 | 104 | 3，880 | 23 | 16 |
| Hamilton | 3，272 | 364 | 1，746 | 460 | 102 | 34 | 448 | 3，470 | 33 | 18 |
| Paris ． | 2，336 | 260 | 991 | 356 | 88 |  | 127 | 4，380 | 22 | 17 |
| London | 2，817 | 298 | 1，729 | 566 | 105 | 36 | 191 | 5，065 | 46 | 25 |
| Huron | 2，005 | 260 | 852 | 144 | 72 | 7 | 123 | 3，304 | 18 | 11 |
| Stratfor | 1，607 | 203 | 630 | 316 | 52 |  | 125 | 3，055 | 21 | 12 |
| Grey ．．．．．． | 1，210 | 186 | 465 | 136 | 59 | 3 | 82 | 1，800 | 27 | 13 |
| Total | 30，256 | 3，336 | 14，005 | 4，604 | 1，130 | 339 | 1，611 | 52，936 | 398 | 224 |
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As several large congregations are not included in this table，your Committee believe that by adding one－fifth to the totals，a proximate vidimus may be ob－ tained of our real numbers．There is thus presented to view a goodly band of 224 pastors，（including two missionaries，but excluding the professors and the super－annuated）supported by 1,350 elders，having their temporal concerns attended to by 400 deacons and 1,900 managers；having the oversight of 36,000 communicants，besides a still larger number of non－communicants，preaching the gospel from Sabbath to Sabbath to 70,000 hearers at 450 different stations， instructing in person，or controlling the tuition of 100 Bible Classes and 110 Sabbath Schools，attended respectively by about 5,500 and 16,000 of the hope－
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The increase of Communicants, since the union, has been about 2,000 .
Week-day meetings are held in nearly all the Congregations, rising from "occasional" as high as 9 in one case,
About 2,000 volumes form the nuclei of various Congregational Libraries, while our Sabbath Schools are supplied with about 10,000 .
The items respecting Religious Classes belong rather to the province of the Sabbath School Committee; but as that body, owing to the absence of the Convener in Britain, have taken no steps to gain information regarding the youth of our Zion, it was deemed desirable to include in this return the items referred to.
The average attendance on public worship is considered important by many, and may be regarded as an approximation to the truth.
It is to be regretted that several Congregations appear to keep no accounit of the Baptisms administered, an omission which may hereafter affect most seriousty the temporal interests of many. Some legislative action might very properly be taken by the Synod, with the view of securing a uniform and regular registration of all Baptisms administered within our branch of the Church.
The attendance at the present meeting of Synod has consisted of about 170 ministers and 80 elders, making a total of 250 members.
Your Committee beg next to refer to the Financial Statement, which they also submit in a condensed form, and commend its contents to the careful consideration of the Synod.


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Only 72 of the congregations report that they possess that necessary adjunct to a minister's comfort and usefulness-a Manee. This defect, will, it is to be hoped, soon be remedied, and the minister's house be deemed essential, and placed side by side with each Church.
The value of Church property, though incomplete, is given in the Returns as \$707,190, and your Committee have grouuds for believing that, if the statement were complete, the correct sum would be about $\$ 900,000$. This, however, is loaded with a debt, estimated from the Reports, as $\$ 122,945$, and with ful! returns, probably approaching $\$ 140,000$.
In conclusion, your Committee, while approving generally of the form of the Statistical Return and Financial Statement at present in use, beg to suggest the following alterations.

1. That column No. 2 in the Return be divided into two parts, and headed thus:-

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\text { "Stations }\left\{\begin{array}{l}
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2. That Nos. 12 and 13 be merged into one, and entitled, "Number of other office-bearers."
3. That Nos. 14,15 , and 16 , be inserted every fifth year, instead of annually.
4. That the Statistical Return and Fnancial Statement only include settled charges and vacant congregations, the statistics connected with Mission Stations being sent to the Home Mission Committee.
5. That, as, owing to the increase of our Church, the labor of preparing the statistics has become unusually great, and has been largely augmented by the dilatoriness of office-bearers in forwarding the Returns, Presbyteries be enjoined to take the oversight of the work; take order that a correct and complete Return be prepared of each Congregation within its bounds; and to deal, as they in their wisdom deem most expedient, with snch as fail to fill up the schedule sent to them.

All which is respectfully submitted, Toronto, June, 1862.

Jorin Gray,<br>Con'r of Com. on Stat's.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF KNOX COLLEGE.

The Board of Management of Knox College have to report as follows in regard to the various matters committed to their care:-

## I.-The Students.

The Senior Class in Theology consisted of 7 students, the second of 12, and and the first or Junior of 11 -in all 30 .
The Senior preparatory class included 8 students, the second 14 , and the first or Junior $\overline{5}-\mathrm{in}$ all 27.
There were thus in training for the ministry, at various stages of progress in their studies, 57 young men. This shows a considerable increase as compared with last year. Indeed such was expected from the enlargement of the Church by the Union of last year, and it is pleasing to find that the hopes of the Church in this respect have not been disappointed.
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The report of the Senate, embodying the remarks of each of the Professors in his own department, is herewith transmitted for the information of the Synod.
II.-The Funds.

1. The Building Fund.-At last meeting of Synod it was resolved that an effort should be made to clear off the debt resting upon the College building. The whole matter was remitted to the Board that they might take such steps as to them seemed proper for the accomplishment of the object. The Board have now the satisfaction of reporting that the greater part of the amount required has been raised and paid over to the parties who have held the mortgage, and if the Congregations which have hitherto remitted nothing to the Fund were only to send a moderate contribution, the whole debt could be wiped away, and thus the Chureh would have its College free from any pecuniary encumbrance. The Board entertain the confident hope that this will speedily be done.
2. The Ordinary Fund.-In regard to this Fund it is matter of regret that still, as last year, there is a considerable amount of arrears of stipend due to the Professors, viz : $\$ 1726$ 78, besides a further balance against the College Fund of a very considerable amount. This, as the Synod are aware, arises from the fact that the collections are generally made so near the end of the financial year that they have not all, before that period, come into the hands of the Treasurer. At the same time it is a state of matters which the Church should endeavour by all means to remedy. The special effort for the Building Fund has doubtless interfered to some extent with the Ordinary Fund; but now, so soon as the debt shall have been paid off and the stated revenue shall have been relieved of the burden of interest on the debt, it is hoped that this annual deficit in connexion with the necessary expenditure wiil also disappear.
III.-The Bursaries.

The Prince of Wales prize was gained 'by Mr. James Mitchell, B. A., the John Knox prize by Mr. W. T. Murdoch, the George Buchanan Bursary by Mr. A. B. Simpson, and the Gaelic Bursaries by Mr. John Morrison and Mr. Duncan Davidson.

## IV.-The Boarding House.

The Boarding department has been very satisfactorily conducted by Mr. Thomas Willing as in former years. The greater number of the students resided in the House.
The Board take the liberty of calling the attention of the Synod to the state of the question as regards the changes sought for in the University of Toronto, that the Synod may take such measures as to its wisdom may seem meet in the circumstances.
The Board have only further to recommend that a day be appointed by the Synod for special and united prayer in behalf of the College in all its interests. "For all this will I be enquired of by the House of Israel to do it for them."
All of which is submitted on behalf of the Board.
W. Taylor, D.D., Ohairman, P. T.

## FOREIGN MISSION REPORT.

Your Committee feel it to be ground for congratulation and gratitude that our auspicious inauguration as a united Church was marked by a hearty and harmonious resolution to embark in the great Missionary enterprise. We have reason, to thank God and take courage if in any measure we have been enabled, at the outset of our history, to carry out the terms of the great commission, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature."
We can report as yet but "a day of small things." Even this, however, we must not "despise," believing as we do that if our desires and expectations be in accordance with and in proportion to the stability of the purposes and the brightness of the promises of God, and the infallible certainty of these glowing prophetic announcements in which he has caused us to hope, the "little one" will ere long become "a thousand."

It was a source of deep regret to your Committee that the call so cordially tendered by last Synod to Mr. John Scott of London to become our first missionary to British Columbia, was, after mature deliberation, declined. An invitation was subsequently given by your Committee to Mr. Stephen Balmer of Detroit, which that brother also felt it his duty to decline. Thereafter the attention of your Committee was directed to the Rev. Robert Jamieson, who had for many years made "full proof of his ministry" amongst us, and whose varied qualifications fitted him peculiarly for the work.

At a large meeting of your Committee in October, a unanimous call was presented to him, through the Presbytery of Toronto. The congregations of York Mills and Fisherville generously declined to interpose any obstacles in the way, and Mr. Jamieson himself having felt called upon to accept the invitation, the Presbytery agreed to loose him.

On the 10th December last he was solemnly designated. On the 11th January he sailed from New York, and arrived in Victoria, Vancouver's Island, on the 16th February. Special thanks are due to Almighty God for the watchful care taken of our brother and the tokens of good shown him. Our earnest prayer is that he may be the honoured instrument of accomplishing a large measure of good in that great country. It is only during the present week that a letter, dated February 27th, announcing his arrival, reached your Convener. Extracts from this letter we subjoin:-
"After a very tedious and disagreeable sail from San Francisco, we arrived here on Sabbath evening, the 19th instant, just in time to hear the last half of an eloquent and impressive sermon by Mr. Hall (from whom I received a warm welcome) from the words, 'Howbeit, our God turned the curse into a blessing.' Our good Brother has organized a congregation here a few weeks ago, with fair prospects of success. The meetings are held at present in the Music Hall twice each Sabbath, and I learn that the attendance, so far, is about the same as at other churches in the town."

Our Missionary had opportunities of usefulness on the way, of which he was not slow to avail himself.
Your Committee was also empowered to send a Missionary to the Red River, in order to assist Mr. Black, and ultimately to engage in Missionary labour among the Indians.

Your Committee count themselves happy in having secured for this department of their field one in regard to whose special fitness there is but one
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It is an interesting coincidence that a sainted Father, the late Rev. William Rintoul, strongly recommended Mr. Nisbet for the Red River Mission, in connexion with the Presbyterian Church of Canada in 1851. Circumstances then prevented his going. But now he has felt constrained to say, "Here am Isend me." In a truly disinterested spirit his attached flock have given him up. Mr. Nisbet was solemnly separated unto the work whereunto he had been called on the evening of Thursday, the 7th day of May. He is now on the eve of going forth to his distant post. It was fully anticipated that he would have left some time ago, but unavoidable circumstances have prevented.
Interesting communications have been received from Mr. John Black, who has so faithfully laboured there for upwards of ten years past, and whose heart is gladdened in the prospect of being joined by such a "true yoke-fellow."
It redounds to the credit of our College that our two Red River Missionaries were trained up within its walls, and that the melting Macedonian cry, which for six and thirty years was wafted across the waters in vain to Fatherland by the hardy and heroic settlers, received its first favourable response from that Institution.
It is one of the most healthy and hopeful symptoms in our Church that the Missionary spirit thus early developed is still exhibited by the students and encouraged by the Professors of Knox College.

Your Committee have had interesting correspondence with the Rev. John. Hall, the pioneer Missionary to British Columbia, who was so promptly sent forth by our devoted sister Church in Ireland, and who has been, during the past year, in labours most abundant. Our cordial acknowledgments are due to Mr. Hall for the brotherly reception he has given to our Missionary and the important assistance he has rendered to him.

Our thanks should also, in this connexion, be recorded to the Rev. Dr. $0^{\prime}$ Meara, of the Episcopalian, Dr. Enoch Wood, of the Wesleyan Methodist Churches, and the Rev. W. F. Clarke, of the Congregational Church, who have favoured us with much friendly counsel.

A truly fraternal communication was received in November from the Convener of the Foreign Missionary Committee of the Presbyterian Church in the Lower Provinces, by authority of their Synod.
The two Churches, now so happily united there, have for a lengthened period evinced practically their interest in the Missionary cause. The Missions are matter of history, and have been signalized and sealed by the blood of martyrs and the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven.
Our Nova Scotian friends respectfully and earnestly desire our coöperation in reviving their Missions to the Greeks in Turkey, which was so hopefully started, but which financial considerations constrained them to suspend.
Your Committee returned an answer to this communication, reciprocating its expressions of good will, intimating our admiration of the triumphs, and sympathy with the trials that have marked their Missionary experience, and promising to recommend to the favourable consideration of this Synod their
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A circular was issued prior to the taking up of the Foreign Mission collection in January. Considering the pressure of the times and the extra drain on the resources of the people during the past year, a liberal response was
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The contributions for the year have amounted to $\$ 2,06706$. This, with the amount belonging to the late Presbyterian Church of Canada, and with $\$ 860$ belonging to the late United Presbyterian Church, leaves a balance now available of $\$ 6,15732$. The expenditure has amounted to $\$ 1,70659$, the particulars of which will be given in the printed accounts of the Church, which will very soon be in the hands of members.

We hope in course of time to receive valuable pecuniary assistance, especially from British Columbia, but it is plain that for some time at least we must bear the monetary burden alone.

Your Committee would respectfully recommend,

1. That if deemed at all practicable, something should be done in the way of coöperating with our noble co-workers in the Lower Provinces.
2. That another Missionary be sent as soon as possible to British Columbia for special labour in the Cariboo region.
3. That the Church proposed to be erected in Assinoboine at the Red River, be commended to the liberality of the children of the Church; and that our Sabbath Schools be invited to contribute to that in particular as well as to our Foreign Mission in general.
4. That while all possible pains be taken to have the whole Church equably represented in the constitution of your Committee, it be not altogether so widely diffused as it was during the past year.
5. That all practicable means be adopted, by Missionary meetings or otherwise, to deepen and intensify the interest of our congregations in this glorious enterprise, that it be commended to their enlightened liberality and fervent prayers.

All which is respectfully submitted.
Robert F. Burns, Convener.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS, AND FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF PROBATIONERS.

The Committee on Home Missions (to which was entrusted the distribution of Probationers) have to report that the first meating was held on the 2nd of October, 1861, at which period all the Preachers connected with both branches of which the Synod is composed, were to be at disposal. Applications having been presented from the different Presbyteries, your Committee, while furnished with tokens of the extension of our cause throughout the Province; were, at the outset, met with no small ground of discouragement, owing to the very inadequate supply. For while the wants of Presbyteries required no fewer than 59 Probationers, your Committee had only 30 to dispose of. These were allocated as follows:-
To the Presbytery of Montreal, three, for the period of six months.
To Ottawa, two, for six months, and one more, after three months.
To Brockville, one for six months, and one for three months.
To Kingston, two for three months each. To Cobourg, one for six months; and one for three. To Ontario, three for three months each, extending over the period of six months.

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To Huron, two for six months, and two for three months each ; and to Grey, one for six months, and two for three months.
It was agreed that these appointments should extend from the third Sabbath of October to the second Sabbath of April, inclusive.
The Committee again met on 2nd April, 1862, for a re-arrangement of the Supply; and to consider and dispose of applications for aid from the Home Mission Central Fund. The applications from Presbyteries, as well as the number of Probationers, were found to be somewhat less than before, the apbelieve that thunting to 55 and the Preachers to 22 . Yet there is reason to crease in their actual wat Presbyterial demands is not attributable to declaims, by classing monts so much as to a more correct presentation of these could be supplied together. To thy those stations within their bounds which plication for the respective Presbecure accuracy in this matter, forms of apments of Synod, prepared and issuries were, in accordance with the require. seen what stations can be supplied toget filling up which it may be clearly condition and to be regarded as vagether - those which are in an advanced are to be more strictly regarded acancies ready to call ministers, and such as To supplement the list der missionary labour. added, and the list then prof Probationers, the number of 22 students was field. The whole were presented an aggregate of 44 labourers for the mission for
To Montreal, three ; to Ottawa, four ; to Brockville, three ; to Kingston, three;
to Cobourg, three ; to Ontario, three; to Toronto, five for three months;
to Guelph, four ; to Hamilton, one for six months, and three for three
months each ; to Paris, two ; to London, nine for three months each; to
Stratford, two for three months each; to Huron, $\mathrm{two}_{\mathrm{j}}$ and to Grey, two.
All, except where mentioned, were alotted for the period of six months,
At the second meeting of Committee, a communication was laid before them from Bruce Mines, and was referred to a sub-committee, but upon which no action has yet been taken.
In regard to applications for aid from the Central Fund, and the disposal of them, your Committee felt no small difficulty. At the date of the Committee's meeting, a very few Presbyteries only had contributed anything to the Fund, and yet there seemed to have been a very general impression prevailing that the funds in the hands of your Committee were very ample. Some of these applications were of such a nature as your Committee did not feel warranted to entertain. After a careful consideration the following were recognized :The Presbytery of Ottawa's elaim for Pakenham for........... $\$ 6000$
The Ontario Presbytery, for Prince Albert for .................. 12000
The Brockville Presbytery, for Winchester for ..................... 600000
" " " for Cornwall for .......................... 800000
The Kingston Presbytery, for Lansdown for ...................... 6000
The London Presbytery, for Buxton Mission for ................ 8000
The Grey Presbytery, for Normanby for.............................. 10000
Being a total of .............................................. $\mathbf{\$ 9 6 0 0 0}$

As the state of the Fund at that time, however, was wholly inadequate to meet these demands, it was agreed that payment should be made to the amount of one-half of each claim, and that in the meantime a notice should issue, presenting a farther opportunity for all applications to be made in regard to supposed existing claims, such claims to be duly certified by the Presbyteries in whose bounds they existed; and a sub-committee, composed of Messrs. Reid, Dick, Fletcher and John McMurrich, Esq., with the Convener, were appointed, to meet at an early day and consider and settle all old obligations duly certified, so far as additional means might enable them. That sub-committe accordingly met on the 23 rd of April last, and the following additional claims were presented, viz.: from

Total $\$ 79370$
Payment of these demands to the amount of one-half was agreed upon, until it can be ascertained what the whole amount ultimately at the disposal of the Committee might be. And with regard to the application from the Presbytery of Hamilton, it was agreed that the Secretary should correspond with the Clerk of said Presbytery to ascertain whether the claim sent in had reference to services before the Union, inasmuch as the Committee did not consider that they could with propriety attend to any claims for obligations incurred previous to the Union, especially as all the other Presbyteries had undertaken the liquidation of such claims within their bounds respectively. The claims have now been all answered to the amount of three-fourths of the whole, and there is now in hand sufficient to liquidate all claims admitted, and still leave a balance
It may also be stated that there has been paid since last meeting of Synod, by the late Treasurer of the United Presbyterian Synod, Robert Christie, Esq., and in liquidation of old claims not adjusted at the period of Union, the sum of $\$ 1,59128$. The above obligations, let it also be observed, extended only to the 28th June, 1861.
The sources from which funds available to the Committee have been obtained are the following:-

By Collections from Congregations.
$\$ 84720$
Balance handed over by R. Christie, Esq 46300
From the Presbyterian Church of Ireland......................... 73060
Total
\$2,040 20
All which is respectfully submitted. $\quad$ R. H. Thornton, Convener.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FUND FOR AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS.

In presenting their annual report your committee feel called on, as the report of last year was not submitted to the whole church, to bring forward on this
occasion, with some rious matters connec should be called.
The regulations pr as follows:-

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The regulations proposed last year for the management of the Fund were as follows:-

1. That no minister shall have a claim on the Fund who enters the service of the church after the age of fifty years.
2. That no one shall have such claim until he has served in it for ten years.
3. That every minister invalided after ten years' service shall receive from the Fund a sum not exceeding $\$ 100$ yearly.
4. That for every year over ten which a minister serves in it before he is invalided he shall receive, if the Fund admits of this, the sum of $\$ 8$ yearly, till the sum of $\$ 200$ is reached.
5. That no one who is admitted to the benefits of the Fund shall engage in any employment without the approval of the committee.
6. That when application is made to admit a minister to the benefits of this Fund the committee shall have power to deal with his congregation in order to arrange with them what he is to receive from said congregation as a retiring allowance, and that no Presbytery dissolve a pastoral relation on the ground of age or infirmity without first communicating with the committee for
this end.
The committee are aware that exceptional cases may occur which these regulations do not provide for, but they think it best to leave them to be determined and provided for as they emerge.
During the past year two ministers have been admitted to the benefits of the Fund, viz: Mr. Geggie of Dalhousie, and Mr. Henry of Lachute. To each of these $\$ 160$ has been allowed, and the committee are glad to say that the congregation of the latter have pledged themselves to give him a little sum yearly as a retiring allowance.
The state of the Fund at present is as follows :-

> June 6th, Balance from last year.................... 8499 75
> Contributions for the year now ending..... 58285
> EXPENDITURE,
> Annuity paid Rev. D. Clark . ............ $\$ 16000$
> One quarter to Rev. J. Geggie............... 16000
> $\begin{aligned} & \text { One quarter to Rev. T. Henry } \ldots \text {............ } 4000\end{aligned}$
> Proportion of General Expenses............. 741
> 30th April. Balance in hand...... $\$ 36741$

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able the committee to pas obvious that a collection is needed this year to encies which are not improbable amounts already promised and meet contingento consider the propriety of forming ce same time the Synod are requested order that the committee may be a capital Fund as soon as possible in may be admitted to share the enabled to deal more liberally by those who church is, on every principle, bound to meet and relieve to the infirmities the power.
All of which is respectfully submitted.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE WIDOWS' FUND FORMED OF MEMBERS OF THE LATE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN SYNOD.

It will be remembered that a small committee, consisting of members of the late United Presbyterian Synod, was appointed last June to raise within a period of three years a sum equivalent to $£ 30$ for each of the settled pastoral charges of that Synod, whose ministers may avail themselves of the Widows' Fund in connection with the Canada Presbyterian Church. That committee beg to submit the following report :-

There were sixty-eight ministers on the roll of the United Presbyterian Synod at the time of the Union, sixty-four of whom are still on the roll of the Canada Presbyterian Church. The committee has corresponded with these ministers and visited as many of their congregations as they could find access to, and with a success that is truly gratifying. Fifty ministers have signified their intention of taking adyantage of the Fund, thirty-eight having already paid the first annual instalment. Should the remaining twelve give effect to their intention, the amount to be raised by the committee within the three years will be $\$ 6,000$. Of this sum $\$ 2,11106$ have been already placed in the hands of the Treasurer by the church, and in addition to this $\$ 4,38161$ have been subscribed or promised-making in all \$6,492 67, leaving a considerable margin to defray the expenses of the committee, and to encourage any of the ministers and congregations, who have hitherto stood aloof from the movement, to take part in it.

The committee are desirous that every minister of the late United Presby terian Synod should connect himself with the Fund, and with a view to securing this it is intended to correspond again with such as it is feared are restrained from doing so on the ground that their congregations are either unable or unwilling to raise the required sum of $£ 30$, the committee being quite willing to assume the pecuniary responsibility arising from such a step. It is desired that the time for opening the Fund within which members of the late United Presbyterian Synod may join the Widows' Fund of the Canada Presbyterian Church be extended to 1st October of the present year.

The committee conclude their report by submittiug the following tabular statement, which will shew what has been done, and what yet remains to be done, in the various Presbyteries of the church:-

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| " | Toronto. | 4 | 56000 | 12000 |
| " | Hamilton | 4 | 60000 | 17950 |
| " | Paris. | 7 | 84600 | 10600 |
| 4 | Guelph | 2 | 48000 | 8000 |
| / | Grey. | 3 | . 30000 | 2349 |
| * | Stratford | 5 | . 60000 | 3900 |
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## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED AT LAST MEETING OF

 SYNOD ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.Your Committee, in the discharge of the duty assigned them, have not ween able to devote to it the amount of united consideration which they feel its importance demands, but have done what they could, which has resulted in more deeply impressing upon their own minds the paramount interests involved to the Church and the world in the efficient management of our Sabbath Schools, which, if properly conducted, are ealculated, in an eminent degree, to be the nursery of the Chureh; and with a view to this end, your Committee would respectfully represent for the consideration of the Synod:
1st.-That the Church is under peculiar obligations to provide means for the religious training of the lambs of the flock, and to see that those who receive the Sacrament of Baptism are availing themselves of this means, especially such as may not enjoy religious instruction at home.
2nd.-That Ministers and Elders in the different Ohurches should regard it as an essential part of their important duties, to sustain and foster Sabbath Schools by their countenance, counsel, and, if need be, their active coöperation.
3rd.-That Kirk Sessions, in selecting superintendents and teachers of Sabbath Schools, seek to engage those who know the power of divine truth upon their own hearts, and who will prosecute their work for its own sake, from love to God, with a view to the salvation of souls.
4th.-That parents, sending their children to the Sabbath School, be reminded to see that they go with their lessons well prepared, and that they themselves frequently visit the school.
5th.-The Committee recommend to superintendents and parents to do what in them lies, by counsel and supervision, to guard the children of their charge from improper conduct at their gathering previous to the opening of the school, and on their return to their homes after its dismission, the Committee being apprehensive that habits of Sabbath desecration may be formed in consequence of neglect of a due oversight.
6th.-That the Committee have pleasure in recommending to Sabbath Schools the "Treasury for the Young," published by Mr. W. Oliver, Oakville, C. W.
All which is respectfully submitted on the part of the Committee.
John C. Becket, Ohairman pro tem.

## FORMULA AND QUESTIONS.

I.-Formula to be signed by Ministers, Probationers, Elders and Deacons.

I do hereby declare that do I sincerely own and believe the whole doctrine contained in the Westminster Confession of Faith, as approved by this Church, in terms of the Articles of Union, to be the trath of GoD ; and I do own the purity of worship presently. authorised and practised in this Church, and also the Presbyterian Government and Discipline thereof; which Doetrine, Worship, and Church Government I am persuaded are founded upon the Word of God and agreeable thereto; and I promise that, through the grace of God, I shall firmly and constantly adhere to the same, and to the utmost of my power, shall, in my station, assert, maintain, and defend the said Doctrine, Worship, and Discipline of this Church, and the Government thereof, by

Sessions, Presbyteries, and Synods; that I shall, in my practice, conform myself to the said Worship, and submit to the said Discipline and Government, and not endeavour, directly or indirectly, the prejudice or subversion of the same; and I promise that I shall follow no divisive course from the present order in the Church; renouncing all doctrines, tenets, and opinions whatsoever, contrary to or ineonsistent with the said Doctrines, Worship, Discipline, or Government of this Church.

## II.-Questions to be put to a Minister at his Ordination.

1.- Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and manners?
2.-Do you sincerely own and believe the whole doctrine contained in the Confession of Faith, approved by this Church in terms of the Articles of Union, to be founded upon the Word of God; and do you acknowledge the same as the confession of your faith; and will you firmly and constantly adhere thereto, and to the utmost of your power assert, maintain, and defend the same, and the purity of worship as presently practised in this Church?
3.-Are you persuaded that the Lord Jesus Christ, the only King and Head of the Church, has therein appointed a Government, distinet from, and not subordinate to that of the civil Magistrate ; and that the civil Magistrate does not possess jurisdiction or authoritative control over the regulation of the affairs of Christ's Church ?
4.-Do you acknowledge the Presbyterian form of Government, as authorised and acted on in this Church, to be founded on and agreeable to the Word of God, and do you promise to submit to the said Government and Discipline, and to concur with the same, and not endeavour, directly or indirectly, the prejudice or subversion thereof, but to the utmost of your power, in your station, to assert, maintain, and defend the same Discipline and Presbyterian Government by Kirk Sessions, Presbyteries, and Synods?
5.-Do you promise to give a conscientious attendance on the Courts of this Church, to submit yourself willingly and humbly, in the spirit of meekness, unto the admonitions of the brethren of this Presbytery, and to be subject to them and all other Presbyteries, and the superior judicatory of this Church, where God in His Providence shall cast your lot ; and that according to your power, you will maintain the unity and peace of this Church against error and schism, whatever trouble or persecution may arise, and that you will follow no divisive course from the present Doctrine, Worship, Discipline, and Government of this Church ?
6.-Are not zeal for the honour of God, love to Jesus Christ, and desire of saving souls, your great motives and chief inducements to enter into the functions of the holy ministry, and not worldly designs and interests?
7.-Do you engage, in the strength and grace of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Master, to rule well your own family, to live a holy and circumspect life, and faithfully, diligently, and cheerfully to discharge all the parts of the ministerial work, to the edification of the body of Christ?
8.-Have you used any undue methods, either by yourself or others, in procuring this call?
The members of the Church being requested to stand up, they may signify their assent to the following questions by holding up their right hand.
Do you, the members of this Church, testify your adherence to the call which you have given to Mr. A. B., to be your minister, and do you receive him with all gladness, and promise to provide for him a suitable maintenance, and to give him all due respect, subjection and encouragement in the Lord?
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9.-Do you adhere to your acceptance of the call, to become minister of this Church ?
10.-All these things you profess and promise, through grace, as you shall be answerable at the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ with his saints, and as you would be found in that happy company?

## III.-Questions for the Licensing of Probationers. <br> $1,2, \& 3$.-The same as the foregoing.

4.-Do you promise to submit yourself in the Lord to the authority of the several judicators of this Church, and to the Presbytery within whose bounds you may be called upon to labour?
5.-Do you engage, in the strength of Divine grace, to live a holy and circumspect life, and faithfully, diligently, and cheerfully to perform all the parts of the work of a Probationer for the office of the Ministry?

> IV.-Questions for the Ordination of Elders.
$1,2, \& 3$.-The same as the foregoing.
4.-Do you engage, in the strength of the grace that is in Jesus Christ, to perform with diligence and faithfulness the duties of a Ruling Elder, watching over the flock of which you are called to be an overseer, in all things shewing yourself a pattern of good works ?

## V.-Questions for the Ordination of Deacons.

1,2, \& 3.-The same as the foregoing.
4.- Do you accept the office of a Deacon of this Church, and promise, through grace, faithfully and cheerfully, to discharge the duties thereof?

## STANDING ORDERS.

## A.-Presbytery Rolls.

1. Certified Rolls of Presbyteries, together with Reports of Moderations, Inductions, Licensure, Deaths, Demissions, and Depositions, within their respective bounds, shall be sent up by their respective Clerks, so as to be in the hands of the Clerk of Synod at least eight days before the Synod meets.

## B.-Devotional Exercises.

2. The second diet of the Synod's meeting shall be chiefly spent in devotional exercises, and such portion of the time of other diets as the Moderator of Synod shall think proper.

## C.-Committee on Business and Bills.

3. There shall be a Standing Committee on Business, consisting of the Clerks of the Synod and of Presbyteries, who shall arrange all such business as may be requisite prior to the first diet of the annual meeting of Synod; and such Committee, together with a Minister and Elder from each Presbytery, appointed by the Presbytery itself, shall constitute the Committee of Bills and Overtures; but in the event of no such appointment being made, such representatives shall be appointed by the Synod. The Synod Clerks shall be Joint Conveners of the said Committee. After the arrangement of business has been reported by the Committee of Bills and Overtures, and disposed of by the Synod, the Engrossing Clerk shall write out a legible copy of the business according to the order in which it is to be taken up from time to time, and shall fix up the same in the vestibule of the place of meeting for the due
information of all parties.
D.-Papers to be Transmitted.
4. All papers for the Synod, or notification of the same, shall be transmitted
to the Convener of the Committee on Business at least eight days before the meeting of Synod; and all such papers shall pass through the Committee on Bills and Overtures before presentation to the Synod.

## E.-Conducting of Business.

5. Every motion, whether original or amended, shall be given to the Clerk in writing, as soon as it shall have been made to the House.
6. When a motion is duly seconded, and in possession of the House, it shall not be altered without the permission of the Synod.
7. No member shall be allowed to speak more than once on the same subject, unless it be in expianation; or by permission of the Synod.
8. The mover of the first motion shall be entitled to the privilege of giving a reply, in which new matter must not be introduced; thereafter the debate stiall be held to be definitely closed, and no person shall be entitled to speak, excepting with regard to the manner of putting the vote.
9. All motions after the first shall be considered as amendments on the first, and disposed of accordingly.
10. When there are only two motions before the House, the amendment shall be put first and the motion afterwards; but if the Roll be called, the question shall be "Amendment or Motion," and the motion which so carries shall then be put to the House ; the question being "Aye or No."
11. When there are more than two motions, the last shall be put against that immediately preceding it, and so on till only two remain, when they shall be disposed of as above in No. 10.
12. The vote may ordinarily be taken by a show of hands, but at the call of any member, the Roll shall be called and votes marked.
F.-Dissents.
13.-Dissents when taken must be given in immediately after the decision in the case is announced from the Chair. Reasons of dissent may be given in not later than the next sederunt, and such reasons shall be recorded in the minutes, if required.

> G.-Meetings during the Synod's Meetings.
14. No Committee or Presbytery shall continue to sit after the Moderator shall have taken the Chair, at any diet of the Synod's meeting, unless the special permission of the Synod shall have been obtained to that effect.
15. The Committee of Bills and Overtures shall have the power of printing the Reports of the Standing Committees of Synod, or such portions, or abstracts of them, as they shall see fit, in order to their circulating among the members of the Synod, before such Reports are taken up by the Synod.

> H.-Reports of Standing Committees.
16. The Conveners of Standing Committees shall give in their Reports to the Committee on Bills and Overtures not later than the second sederunt of the meeting of Synod.

## I.-Nomination of Standing Committees.

17. The Synod shall appoint a small Committee to suggest the names of members for the Standing Committees of Synod.

## K.-Appointment of Moderator.

18. The Moderator shall be appointed in the manner following: that is to say, each Presbytery shall nominate for the Moderatorship a minister, either one of their own number, or a member of any other Presbytery of the Church,
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## COPY OF ADDRESS TO HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN.

"To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty.
"May it please your Majesty:
"We, the Ministers and Elders comiprising the Supreme Court of the Canada Presbyterian Church, and now met in Synod, desire, in common with all classes of your Majesty's subjects, to express, on the earliest opportunity available to us, our heartfelt sympathy with your Majesty and the Royal Family on the death of your Royal Consort, Prince Albert. Deeply do we feel that the event is no less a national loss, than it has been to your Majesty and the Royal Family, an unspeakably severe domestic bereavement. It is our sincere prayer, that, by the blessing of God on the instructions and example by which it was the care of the distinguished and lamented Prince Consort to form the minds of the youthful circle, so dear to your Majesty's heart, your Majesty may experience all the solace that is to be found in witnessing the development in your Royal offspring, of each Christian grace. And it is with a satisfaction, well warranted by our observation of your Majesty's course, as well as of that of your lamented Royal Consort, that we recognise the good Providence that has spared your Majesty as the head of a family so interesting to the nation, and as the occupant of a throne which your Majestys virturs have adorned.
"May the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of Mercies and the God of all comfort, sustain your Majesty by the faith of that glorious gospel which enables the deeply sorrowing to be yet 'alway rejoicing!' May He guide your Majesty's councils, and may it please Him to continue peace in your Majesty's days to every portion of the extended realms that own with unabated contentment and increased gratitude to the British sceptre.
"Signed in the name and by appointment of the Synod, by, \&c."

## COPY OF ADDRESS TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL.

"Unto His Excellency, the Right Honorable Oharles Stanley Viscount Monek, Governor General of British North America, \&e. \&ec. \&ec.
"May it please your Excellency :
"We the Ministers and Elders of the Canada Presbyterian Church, on this the first occasion of our meeting in Synod, since the arrival of your Excellency in the Province, beg leave respectfully to present to your Excellency our sin-
cere congratulations on your assuming the honorable and responsible position which you occupy, as the Governor General of this great and growing Province.
"We have just united in transmitting to our beloved Sovereign, the Queen, an expression of our sincere sympathy in the bereavement with which it has pleased God to visit Her Majesty and the Royal Family; and we now feel it due to you as Her Majesty's representative, to tender our hearty congratulations, and our most earnest wishes for the success of your Excellency's Government, and ior the happiness and comfort of your Excellency in all the relations which you sustain, whether public or private.
"Representing, as we do, no inconsiderable portion of the people throughout the whole of Canada, we rejoice to be able to assure your Excellency of the sympathy of our people with the sentiments which we express, of respect for your Excellency, affection and loyalty to our Sovereign the Queen, and sincere attatchment to the British Throne.
"It is our earnest prayer to Almighty God, that He may guide and direct you in the discharge of your important public functions, and bless you and your family with all spiritual and heavenly blessings in Christ Jesus.
"In name and by appointment of the Synod of the Canada Presbyterian Church."

Toronto, C. W., 12th June, 1862.

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