

In other words, readings before it is considered passed. ~~This means that~~ on three different days/ the bill has to be read and presented, discussed and voted upon, so that there is plenty of time for people to think it over and realize its implications before a final action is taken.

A suggestion has occurred to me for a complete change in the general system of the running of the Synod, which, it seems to me, would enable it to express the will of its members much more fully than under the present system, and ~~it~~ also would result in the minutes which gave an idea of what the body really wished to have, instead of simply a general idea of the procedure of a rather bungling progress.

I don't think we can get rid of this bungling process; it is necessary at some ~~point~~ point, otherwise there would be no special reason to have a ~~the~~ Synod come together. We could simply send motions out and have a vote on them in our homes. We could record our ~~the~~ votes by ~~mail~~ ~~and~~ mail and be done with it. We get ~~together~~ together and someone has an idea. Someone else suggests a variant of it. This suggests an idea to someone's mind. A resolution is put. Everybody is about ready to pass it when someone sees a dangerous imp/lication in some of the words and suggests a change in it. Someone else sees that ~~by~~ by reversing the order of words in the motion a much truer idea would be gathered from it, one ~~which~~ which is more near the mind of the ~~the~~ body as a whole. The process of collective thinking, as one person adds a suggestion, another adds a suggestion, a third makes a comment, to which a fourth reacts violently and the first ~~sees~~ sees the synthesis between the two ideas. ~~And~~ And thus, gradually out of the process of discussion/ and mutual consideration, there is worked out something which expresses the actual desire of the body, even though no member of it could ~~have~~ have expressed it in words before it went through this democratic process of finding what the will is.

All this process is necessary in <sup>write</sup> ~~the~~ minutes. There is no great point, ~~the~~ however, in attempting to represent it fully in minutes ,