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PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON

An adjourned meeting will be held at Hamilton, on the second Wednesday of June, at 10 o'clock, A. M. Intimation is hereby given to all Kirk Sessions within the bounds, that this Presbytery Roll will be made up at the meeting on the above-mentioned day, and that the name of no ruling Elder will be placed thereon unless a commission in his favor is laid before the said meeting.

JAMES MIDDLEMISS, Pres. Clerk.

MEETING OF SYNOD.

The annual ordinary meeting of Synod will be held in Knox's Church, Hamilton, on the second Wednesday of June, (13th) at half-past Seven o'clock. The opening sermon will be preached by the Moderator for the past year, the Rev. Professor Young of Knox College.

W. REID,
Synod Clerk.

TO PRESBYTERY CLERKS.

Presbytery Clerks are earnestly requested to forward to the Rev. Wm. Reid, Toronto, the Clerk of the Synod, before the meeting of Synod, which will take place at Hamilton, on the second Wednesday (13th) of June, Rolls of their respective Presbyteries, so that the Synod Roll may be made up at the commencement of the Session.

Presbytery Clerks are also requested to forward to the Synod, the necessary certificates and extracts with reference to such students of Divinity, as may be proposed for being taken on trials for License.

Presbyteries are also directed to report to the Synod such congregations, as have continued to neglect the stated collections.

Presbytery Clerks are also directed to report specially to the Convener of the College Committee, with reference to the examination of Students.

Presbytery Clerks are required by the Synod to prepare and forward condensed reports of all cases of license, ordination, induction, deposition, and death of ministers, within the bounds of the several Presbyteries during the year.

It is desirable that all Overtures, References, Petitions, and other papers to be laid before the Synod, be forwarded as early as possible, so that the business of the Synod may be properly arranged.

It is requested that each extract, &c., be written on a separate sheet of paper, and that each extract, overture or petition, be written on a full sheet of foolscap.

Digest of Synod Minutes.

THIS Volume is in course of preparation, and will be published by the next meeting of Synod, if not sooner.

Ministers and others will please note that this is not an abridgement of the Synod's proceedings, but a systematic arrangement of its whole legislation, by which its decision on any topic may at once be ascertained.

The Volume will contain a Historical Introduction and an Appendix of useful forms.

The price will be One Dollar, and the profits, if any, after the payment of necessary costs, will be devoted to the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund.

Presbytery Clerks are especially invited to take an interest in the circulation of this Digest. Not more than 120 subscribers have yet been received. The Editor, the Rev. Alex. F. Kemp, Montreal, will be glad to receive further names.

WILL SHORTLY BE PUBLISHED,

A MANUAL OF THE CONSTITUTION and Procedure of the Presbyterian Church, by the Rev. Alex. F. Kemp.

MEETING OF SYNOD.

Ministers and Elders of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, requiring accommodation at the ensuing meeting of Synod, are requested to forward, their name and address to

JAMES WALKER, Esq.,
or WILLIAM CHISHOLM, Esq.,
Hamilton, C. W.

Notices of Recent Publications.

CAROLINE PERTHES, THE CHRISTIAN WIFE—condensed from the Life of Frederick C. Perthes. By Mrs. L. C. Tutthill. New York: Robert Carter & Brothers; Hamilton: D. McLellan; Toronto: J. C. Geikie.

We sometime ago noticed the "Life of Frederick C. Perthes," a most interesting and instructing work. The character of Perthes was greatly influenced by his wife, who was a woman of superior intellect, and of sincere and active piety. It is the object of the present volume to present the example of Caroline Perthes for the consideration and imitation of others. It is a book which may be safely recommended to our readers as one calculated both to interest and benefit them.

BLIND MAN'S HOLIDAY.

MANION'S SUNDAYS.

New York. R. Carter & Bros. Sold by D. McLellan, Hamilton, and other Booksellers.

These volumes form a part of the series of works published by Carters in their Fireside Library. They are entertaining and useful works which may with confidence be put into the hands of the young.

QUENCH NOT THE SPIRIT. By Newman Hall. New York: R. Carter & Brothers.

We have had the pleasure of recommending several of the works of Newman Hall, published during the last few years. The present little volume, consisting of twenty-eight chapters, contains many most important lessons on the influences of the Spirit, and the danger of quenching the Spirit. We earnestly trust it may be read with profit by many.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL DIAL.—An Illustrated Religious Paper for Children. To be published at Owen Sound twice a month. 30 Cts. a year.

We have received the Prospectus of the above named Sabbath School Paper, and from a perusal of it expect to see a useful