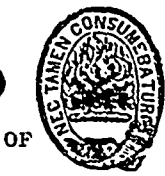


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TO MINISTERS AND SESSIONS.

We beg to remind Ministers and their Sessions of the collection for the **SYNOD FUND** appointed to be taken up in each congregation on the first Sabbath of June, or as soon thereafter as convenient.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.

The Presbytery at the Meeting on the 4th of May appointed its next Meeting to be held in the Kirk of Beauharnois on Tuesday, the 5th day of July, at 12 o'clock noon.

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UNIVERSITY OF QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

The Annual Examination and distribution of Prizes in this University took place on Wednesday and Thursday. The appearance made by many of the Students was highly creditable to them; and on the second day a number of interesting Essays were read.

After the Prizes had been distributed, the Rev. Dr. Machar, the Principal of the University, delivered an Address, which we subjoin; and, the Rev. Mr. Urquhart, of Cornwall, having engaged in prayer, the Session was closed with the Benediction.

The following is Dr. Machar's Address:—
GENTLEMEN:—The hour of breaking up has now come. We who have been associated for many months within these walls, sustaining to each other important relations—relations in which in respect of one another we might have been blessed and made a blessing—are just going to separate, it may be, to meet no more upon earth. Our situation is a solemn one and perhaps there is no one among us all who does not feel, at least in some degree, that it is such. Like all other situations in which God places us, it is one in which we might receive good if we would. Let me trust that, in now seeking to utter a word such as the time seems to require, I shall not speak to unwilling ears.

You are, most of you, going to resume your place in the family circle. Such happiness might never have been yours; but for the goodness of God in setting restraining boards to the disease, with which He saw meet to visit us during the winter you had never revisited those scenes where the loving and beloved are expecting you with fond affection. Your body had now been in the dust, your spirit with God that gave it. Carry with you this solemn thought. It will do you

good to cherish it. It will prepare you for tasting with a higher relish the simple joys of home; it will stimulate you to add to them by being a more dutiful son, a more affectionate brother, than you have yet been.

And here, in speaking of the happiness awaiting you in your homes, there is one remark which I cannot withhold. This happiness will not, cannot in the nature of things be the same in the case of all. Real happiness does not spring from any circumstances external to us, however fitted in themselves to yield it; it has its source within—in the consciousness of well-doing. For the student, who has honestly striven to fulfil the peculiar duties of this place, there is reserved a happiness in meeting the eyes of his parents which the student, who has neglected these duties, cannot know. The happiness of the latter must needs be of a mingled kind. The sight of those whose counsels he has forgotten, and whose hopes he has disappointed, will awaken a self-reproach that will mar the enjoyment he would otherwise have felt in being restored to their fellowship. Can any one, who really loves the young, wish that it should be otherwise? This self-reproach is a blessed thing; it has come down from Heaven, and may rise up thither; it tells that there is yet hope of the wanderer—something in his soul which is noble, or at least capable of having what is noble grafted upon it, and which, if cherished, will yet bear blessed fruit.

A College Recess, such as you enter upon to-day, has many advantages, which should be highly prized by you; but it will be well for you to bear in remembrance that it has its dangers too. It too often happens that young men in your circumstances throw aside their studies, nor again think of them till they re-assemble in College. Of you, at least many of you, I hope better things. I take pleasure in thinking that you will shun the infatuation of those who, having a price put into their hands to get wisdom, have no heart to it; that you go from us with too deep a conviction of the dignity and importance of your work as students not to be concerned to prosecute it with a growing activity in the retirement and quiet of your homes. I endeavoured at the opening of the Session to impress upon your minds the invaluable advanta-