

# APPENDIX.

[No. I.]

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION.

The Committee on Theological Education beg respectfully to report as follows :

The Session of the Divinity Hall was opened on Tuesday 18th October—the Rev. the Moderator in the chair. With him there were present of the Committee the Revs. Dr. Thornton, Messrs. Kennedy, Torrance, King, and Dr. Taylor. After singing and reading the Scriptures, prayer was offered up by Dr. Thornton, Dr. Taylor read his Introductory Lecture. Mr. King delivered an address. Mr. James of Galt, at the request of the Chairman led in prayer, and the meeting was closed with singing and the benediction.

Nine students entered the Hall, viz. of the fourth year, three, Messrs. Jas. Hanran, William Henderson Hay, and George Irving; of the second year, two, Messrs. Peter Goodfellow, and James Milligan; of the third year, three, Messrs. Alexander McNaughtan, William Thompson Murdoch, and William Richardson; and of the first year, one, Mr. John Monro Gibson. The Committee arranged satisfactorily with all the students respecting study during the winter, except that Mr. Irving, in a very offensive manner, called in question the authority of the Committee, and declined to give them any satisfaction as to whether he would, or would not, attend any classes. The Committee intimated to him in writing through their clerk, “that in consideration of his well ascertained deficiency in the Classics and in Hebrew, they agreed to enjoin upon him attendance upon the Hebrew class, and also recommended attendance upon the Greek if his time would at all permit, and if not, that he should devote all the attention he could give, to a careful study of the Greek New Testament.” The Committee have learnt, with regret, that he has not attended either the Hebrew or the Greek class.

The Sub-Committee for Examination have reported as follows :—

Toronto, 23rd Nov. 1859.—The Examiners met—the Rev. W. Ormiston in the chair. Proceeded to estimate the papers given in by the students, and after careful consideration, agreed to arrange the writers of them in the following order of merit, viz., of the fourth year, Mr. Hanran, Mr. Irving; of the third year, Messrs. Goodfellow and Milligan who are bracketed; and of the second year, Mr. Murdoch, Mr. Richardson, Mr. McNaughtan. Of the first year, there being only one student, Mr. Gibson, and consequently no direct competition, the Examiners deemed it only justice to declare that they regarded his papers as of a high order of merit. Those bracketed were considered so nearly equal, that no attempt was made to distinguish them. Messrs. Hanran, Irving, Milligan, Murdoch, and