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terian," as a medium for conveying Ecclesiastical and Missionary Intelligence to the several congregations.

There was laid before the Synod a letter from Hew Ramsay, Esquire, in regard to the publication of a work consisting of Discourses and Prayers, for the aid of Elders and others who may conduct the devotions of meetings for worship in settlements destitute of the services of a Minister, and for the benefit of families and individuals. The Synod agreed to express their high sense of the value of such a work, and of the kindness and generosity of Mr. Ramsay in making that proposal:—and, while the Synod declines taking upon itself such a responsibility as a formal sanction of the work would imply, the members declare that they will cheerfully assist in the undertaking, both by contributing suitable discourses, and by promoting its circulation and employment in all the places where it shall appear useful and desirable to introduce it.

Dr. Cook and Mr. Simpson reported that according to the appointment of the Moderator they had waited upon the gentlemen requested to take the management of the financial concerns of the French Mission, and given them a statement of the affairs of the Mission, and that they had consented to take the management of the same.

The Committee appointed to report on such arrangements as might seem necessary, for carrying out the objects for the appointment of the Committee of Examination of Students of Divinity, and Ministers and Probationers from other Churches not in connection with this Church, reported the following Plan of Procedure:—viz.

The subjects of examination shall be as follows:—

I. *In Latin.* To read, *ad aperturam libri*, in the Odes and Epodes of Horace, and in the Orations of Cicero against Cataline, with examinations on the scanning, parsing, &c.

To write a few paragraphs of Latin from English dictated.

II. *In Greek.* To read in the Greek New Testament, in the first Six Books of the Iliad, and in the Anabasis of Xenophon.

To write a few sentences of Greek, from English dictated.

III. *Mathematics.* The first six books of Euclid, Elements of Plane Trigonometry, and Algebra as far as Quadratic Equations.

IV. *Logic, Moral and Natural Philosophy.*

V. *General Knowledge*, as Geography and the leading facts of History.