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**CLOSE OF FINANCIAL YEAR.**

Ministers and Congregations are reminded that the Financial year terminates on 30th April next. All moneys for the schemes of the Church for the year 1859 60, should be remitted on or before that day.

**KNOX COLLEGE.—CLOSE OF SESSION.**

The Session will terminate, as usual, on the first Wednesday of April. The closing address, by Principal Willis, will be delivered in the College Hall, on that day at half past 11 a.m. The oral examinations will take place as follows:  
 Monday, 2nd April, 2-3 p. m.—Logic and Philosophy.  
 Monday, 2nd April, 3-4 p. m.—Evidences of Religion.  
 Tuesday, 3rd April, 9-10 a. m. Exegetical Theology.  
 Tuesday, 3rd, April, 10-11—Biblical Criticism.  
 Tuesday, " 2-3 p.m. Church Histy.  
 " " 3-4 " Systematic Theology and Pastoral Theology.

**COLLEGE BOARD.**

The Board of Management will meet on the first Wednesday of April immediately after the closing exercises.  
 W. GREGG,  
*Chairman.*

**HOME MISSION COMMITTEE.**

The Home Mission Committee will meet in Knox College on the first Wednesday of April, at half past 4 o'clock, p.m. Presbytery Clerks, or where there are Presbyterian Home Mission Committees, the Conveners of such Committees, are requested to send on or before the 21st March, either to the Convener of the Synod's Committee, or to the Rev. W. Reid, Toronto, the names of Missionaries at present employed, and the number required for the summer months.  
 R. URE, *Convener.*

**THE RECORD.—NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.**

Subscribers who have not remitted are urgently requested to do so. The price is so low that punctual payment is essential.

**THE HOME AND FOREIGN RECORD OF THE AMERICAN PRESBY'N CHURCH.**

Those ministers who have not remitted the postage for this periodical are requested to do so. The postage, (American) is seven cents. This may be remitted to Rev. W. Reid, in postage stamps.

**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.

**Notices of Recent Publications.**

**THE CHRISTIAN HOME: OR RELIGION IN THE FAMILY.**—By the Rev. Joseph Collier, Kingston, N. Y.: Philadelphia: Board of Publication. Sold by Rev. A. Kennedy, London, and D. McLellan, Hamilton.

We have already noticed a Prize Essay by Professor Smith, on the subject of Family Religion. The volume before us contains another essay on the same subject, by Mr. Collier, which was judged, by the Board of Publication, worthy of being published. It discusses the various topics embraced in the general subject in a lively popular style. Some exception might be taken to the views expressed in both essays on the relation of master and servant, but they are on the whole well fitted to advance the cause of family religion.

**ESTHER AND HER TIMES**—in a series of Lectures on the Book of Esther. By John M. Lowrie, Fort Wayne, Indiana, Philadelphia. Presbyterian Board of Publication.

Lecturing on consecutive parts of scripture has peculiar advantages as a mode of religious instruction, and hence we find that it has generally engaged the attention of the most popular and successful pastors. The lecture may not suit the intellectual taste of some, but it will be relished by all, who seek not mere excitement, but substantial religious instruction.

**PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.**  
 The next ordinary meeting will be held at Hamilton, on the first Tuesday of April, not the second as usual, at 10 o'clock, A. M.  
 JAMES MIDDLEMISS, *Pres. Clerk.*

**PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.**  
 The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will be held at Toronto on the first Tuesday of April, at 11 A.M.  
 W. GARGO, *Pres. Clerk.*

**PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL**  
 The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will be held at Montreal, on the second Wednesday of May.  
 A. F. KEMP, *Pres. Clerk.*

**PRESBYTERY OF COBOURG.**  
 The next ordinary meeting will be held at Cobourg, on the first Tuesday of May, at 11 o'clock, A. M.  
 JAMES BOWIE, *Pres. Clerk.*

**COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.**  
 The Synod's Committee on Temperance will meet on first Wednesday of April, in Knox College, 7 o'clock, P. M.  
 JOHN SMITH, *Convener*