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POETRY.

"Whom have I in heaven but thee? And there is none upon earth that I desire besides thee."

I love, and have some cause to love, the earth,
 She is my Maker's creature, therefore good;
 She is my mother, for she gave me birth;
 She is my tender nurse, she gives me food;
 But what's a creature, Lord, compared with thee?
 Or what's my mother or my nurse to me!

Without thy presence, earth gives no reflection;
 Without thy presence, sea affords no treasure;
 Without thy presence air's a rank infection;
 Without thy presence, heaven itself's no pleasure;

If not possessed, if not enjoyed in thee
 What's earth, or sea, or air, or Heaven to me!

Without thy presence wealth's a load of cares;
 Wisdom but folly; joy, disquiet, sadness;
 Friendship is treason, and delights are snares;
 Pleasure's but pain, and mirth but pleasing madness;

Without thee, Lord, things be not what they be,
 Nor have their being, when compared with thee.

In having all things and not thee, what have I?
 Not having thee, what have my labours got?
 Let me enjoy but thee, what further crave I?
 And having thee above what have I not?
 I wish nor sea, nor land; nor would I be
 Possessed of heaven, heaven unpossessed of thee.

QUARLES

PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.

Next ordinary meeting is appointed to be held within the Session House of the Free Church, *Coit Street, Montreal, on Wednesday, the 1st November, at ten o'clock, A. M.*

D. FRASER, *Pres. Clerk.*

SYNODICAL COLLECTIONS FOR THE YEAR,

1. For the French Canadian Missionary Society, on the 3rd Sabbath of July.
2. For the Buxton Mission and Synod Fund, on the 3rd Sabbath of October.
3. For the Foreign Missions of the Free Church of Scotland, on the 3rd Sabbath of January.
4. For the Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund, on the 3rd Sabbath of April.

PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.

The next ordinary meeting of the Presbytery of London, will be held at London, on the second Wednesday of October, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

JOHN SCOTT, *Pres. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

A special meeting of this Presbytery will be held in the Church at King, on Wednesday 11th October, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Members travelling by Railway will leave the cars at King Station.

The next ordinary meeting of the Presbytery of Toronto will be held in Toronto, in the usual place on Monday the 30th October, at 10 o'clock A. M.

T. WRIGHTMAN, *Pres. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.

The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will be held at Hamilton, on the second Tuesday of October, at 3 o'clock, P. M.

At this meeting there will be a conference on the state of Religion, to which elders and office-bearers are earnestly invited.

M. Y. STARK, *Pres. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE.

The Presbytery of Brockville will hold its next ordinary meeting in Spencerville, on the first Tuesday of November next, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

JOHN McMURRAY, *Pres. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF COBOURG.

Financial Reports for the last six months are required to be in the Clerk's hands by the 20th October. The attention of office-bearers in the various congregations is requested to this notice.

J. W. SMITH, *Pres. Clerk.*

COMMISSION OF SYNOD.

The Commission of Synod will meet according to appointment of Synod within Knox's College in Toronto, on Tuesday, 31st October, at 3 o'clock P. M.

SPECIAL MEETING OF SYNOD.

A special meeting of Synod will be held within Knox's College in Toronto, on Wednesday 1st November, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

The circular of the Moderator will be found in another column.

OPENING OF KNOX'S COLLEGE.

The opening exercises of Knox's College will take place on Wednesday, 1st November, at 12 o'clock, noon. The attention of Students and others interested, is hereby called to a notice that will be found in another column.

KNOX'S COLLEGE COMMITTEE.

The Committee of Knox's College will meet in the College, on Tuesday, 31st of October, at 6 o'clock, P. M. The names of the Committee are subjoined:

The Moderator, Dr. Bayne, Messrs. D. McKenzie, Scott, Lowry, Ure, Reid, McLeod, W. J. McKenzie, Gregg, R. Boyd, Goggin, Wardrope, Duncan, Henry D. Fraser, Clark, Irvine and Burns, ministers; and Messrs. Mair, McMurrich, Shaw, Henning, Jeffrey, Hall, Stewart, Kennedy, Redpath and Richardson, elders; together with the Professors of Knox's College, and Messrs. John Shaw, S. Spreull, and Alex. McGlashan of Toronto.

M. WILLIS, *Convener.*

HOME MISSION COMMITTEE.

The Home Mission Committee will meet in the College, on Tuesday, 31st of October, at 7 o'clock.

R. URE, *Convener.*

The following are the names of members of Committee:—The Moderator, Dr. Burns, Dr. Willis, Messrs. Lowry, Ure, Young, Reid, J. M. Roger, McLeod, John Smith, Gregg, Burns, R. Boyd, McMurray, Duncan, Wardrope, D. Fraser, Inglis, Clark, Quin, D. McKenzie, Scott, Thomas McPherson, Sutherland, King, Irvine, Stark, McKuar, and Dr. Bayne, ministers; and Messrs. McMurrich, Shaw, Henning, Jeffrey, McLaughlin, Stewart, (Kingston,) Redpath, Court, Kennedy, (of Bytown,) Begg, McMillan, McLehlan, and Mair, elders. Rev. R. Ure, (Streetsville,) Convener.

COMMITTEE ON UNION.

The Committee on Union will meet in Knox's College, on Tuesday, 31st October, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

R. URE, *Convener.*

The following are the names of members of Committee, viz: Dr. Bayne, Dr. Burns, Dr. Willis, Prof. Young, Messrs. D. McKenzie, M. Y. Stark, R. Ure, W. Gregg, R. Boyd, J. M. Roger, J. B. Duncan, D. Fraser, J. Scott, W. McLaren, ministers; and Messrs. Shaw, Begg, Hall, Court, A. Smith, Heton, McMillan and Kennedy, elders. Mr. Ure, Convener.

PRESBYTERY OF PERTH

The Presbytery of Perth met at Bytown, on the 12th and 13th of September.

There were present nine Ministers and three Elders. It is a matter of regret that so few of the lay Brethren attend the meetings of our ecclesiastical courts.