

The session was opened, as usual, by a public service held in the Second Church, on the evening of the Wednesday following the second Sabbath in October. The Rev. W. F. Clarke delivered the opening address, showing that "a good minister of Jesus Christ" must be, 1. A good man; 2. A good preacher; and, 3. A good pastor. The Board were not furnished with as full accounts as in previous years, of the extent to which the day of Special Prayer was observed. It is earnestly hoped that the College may never be forgotten in the intercessions of its friends. The Revs. Messrs. Pullar, McGill, Fenwick, Wood and Burpee, were requested to act as Examiners at the close of the session. Of these, however, Messrs. Pullar and Fenwick were unable to attend. Their three remaining colleagues report as follows:—

The Committee appointed by the Board of Directors for the Examination of the Students of the Session of 1862-63, beg leave to report.

That the Course of studies during the Session had embraced the following subjects:

I. In the *Theological Department* lectures had been delivered by Rev. Dr. Lillie.

1. In *Systematic Theology*, on the doctrines of the Atonement, the Intercession of Christ, Election, Justification, Regeneration, Sanctification, Repentance, the Assurance of Hope, the Perseverance of Saints, Death, the Judgment, the Intermediate state, the Resurrection, Heaven, and the Nature and Duration of Future Punishment.

2. In *Ecclesiastical History*, on the period from the accession of Charlemagne A. D. 800, to the close of the 13th century.

3. On the *Introduction to the New Testament*.

II. In the *Classical and Mathematical Department* the Students had been carried through a course of reading, which included, 1, in Greek, part of the first book of the Iliad, the first of the Anabasis, and the first nine chapters of the Gospel by Matthew. 2. In *Latin*, the first oration of Cicero against Catiline, and 3, The first three books of Euclid.

III. The classes at University College had read, in *Hebrew*, the 49th Chapter of Genesis, several of the Psalms, and the first ten Chapters of Isaiah, together with the 52nd and 53rd, and had received a course of lectures on Logic.

In the Theological Department, the usual method was adopted, one entire morning being devoted to an examination by written questions and answers, upon each of the three subjects of study, the number of questions being proportioned to the standing of the student. The answers upon all these subjects, while varying considerably in fulness and merit, were generally explicit and correct. In some of the papers there was less attention to composition and chirography than seems desirable, evidently the result of a wish to answer as quickly as possible all the questions submitted, and indicating that the replies came to hand faster than the pen could record them.

In the *viva voce* examination, the extreme importance of the topics embraced in the course of Systematic Theology, led the Committee to be very minute and searching in their questions, and they are happy to report that the views entertained by the students are well defined, and generally in accordance with what is commonly known as the Modern Calvinistic School.