

Algebra, although much had not been done, there was considerable comprehension of its principles shown by some numbers of the class. All in the Logic class were evidently familiar with the subject. Those whose attention had been turned to English Grammar and Geography, had a general knowledge of these subjects. In the Greek Reader, the junior class displayed a remarkable degree of acquaintance with the principles of the language; but the senior class, in the examination on the Acts, proved that they were conversant with many of the great principles of Biblical Criticism, and the same class afforded a similar proof of their proficiency in Sacred Literature, when examined on the book of Psalms in Hebrew. The Syriac was pursued by one only, but in this case as in the others, it was difficult to say whether the tutor had been more persevering in the communication of instruction, or the pupil more diligent in receiving and retaining it. It is but just however to add, that while general satisfaction was obtained in all the examinations, there were some members who evinced decided superiority in their studies.

JOHN GIRDWOOD.

I am glad of an opportunity of placing upon record the feelings of high satisfaction, with which I have attended the Annual Examination of the Baptist College at Montreal for the present year; an examination which occupied nearly twelve hours, and afforded to those who were present a truly fair criterion by which to judge of the attainments of the young men. With the laborious, and, as I conceive, very skilful methods of instruction pursued by the learned President, I had enjoyed a previous opportunity of making myself personally acquainted; and I can only wish that every friend and patron of the institution had been present on this interesting occasion, to witness for himself one more instance of the gratifying, the honourable result. In Dr. Davies's method of instruction, I do not know whether is more to be admired, the accuracy of the knowledge that is imparted, or the acquaintance into which the students are led with the general principles of those sciences to which attention is turned.

JOHN DYER, Jun.

July 6, 1841.

MY DEAR SIR,—I take this opportunity of expressing to you the pleasure which I received from witnessing the Annual Examination of the Students attending the Institution, in which you so ably fill the office of Teacher. The manner in which they were interrogated on that branch of study [the Acts of the Apostles] on which I heard them examined, and the readiness of their replies, furnished

evidence both of the excellence of the system of instruction which you adopt, and the success with which you have prosecuted it.

I sincerely hope the Institution may be prosperous and permanent. I consider it a matter of great importance that it be sustained, both because of the thorough education which is given in it, and because this country is so destitute of the means of affording pious young men, such an education as will prepare them for the office of the holy ministry. I am, my dear Sir, yours very truly,

W. TAYLOR.

Minister of the Scotch Secession Church.
Montreal, July 16, 1841.

The Library.

Some valuable additions have been made to the collection of books during the past year. But there is still great need of standard works in Divinity and general literature. The following presents, received from various friends, are gratefully acknowledged:

From Joseph Gurney, Esq., London.

Mathew Henry's Miscellaneous Works, 1 vol.
Cruden's Concordance, 1 vol.

Saurin's Sermons, 8 vols.

Donnegan's Greek and English Lexicon, 1 vol.

Riemer's Greek and German Lexicon, 2 vols.
Latin Dictionary, 2 vols.

Translation of Klopstock, 2 vols.

Glimpses of the Old World, 2 vols.

Chillingworth's Works, 2 vols.

Bible Atlas, 1 vol.

Burder's Village Sermons.

Also numerous smaller works, both religious and classical; together with the residue of the late Mrs. E. Gurney's library.

From Rev. C. Anderson, Edinburgh.

Merrick on the Psalms, 2 vols.

Chillingworth's Works, 1 vol.

Mayer on the Evangelists, 1 vol.

Dr. Taylor's Works, 1 vol.

West on the twelve lesser Prophets, 1 vol.

From Rev. J. P. Griffiths, Sabden, Lancashire.

Thomson's Chemistry, 2 vols.

do. on Heat and Electricity, 1 vol.

From Rev. W. Fraser, Lancashire.

Parkhurst's Hebrew Lexicon, 1 vol.

From R. Haldane, Esq., Edinburgh.

Evidence and Authority of Divine Revelation, 2 vols.

Commentary on Romans, 2nd vol.

From Mr. Joseph Leeming, Montreal.

M. Henry's Miscellaneous Works, 2 vols.

From Rev. W. H. Coombs, Toronto.

Arnott's Elements of Physics, 2 vols.