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COLLECTION FOR THE FRENCH CANADIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Annual Collection, by recommendation of Synod, on behalf of the French Canadian Missionary Society, is appointed for the third Sabbath in July.

KNOX'S COLLEGE LIBRARY.

Ministers and others who have out Books from the Library of Knox's College, will oblige, by sending, at their earliest opportunity, all Books that have been out for more than six months.

JOHN LAING, Librarian.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.

The Presbytery of Hamilton will meet on Tuesday, the 12th of July, at 3 o'clock, P. M., in Knox's Church, Hamilton.

M. Y. STARK, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

Next ordinary meeting of Presbytery will be held in the usual place, on the first Wednesday of September, at 11 o'clock, A. M., when the Records of the various Sessions within the bounds will be called for.

A *pro re nata* meeting of Toronto Presbytery will be held in the usual place, on Wednesday, the 6th of July, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

THOMAS WIGHTMAN, Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.

The Presbytery of Kingston will meet in Picton, on the second Wednesday in July.

W. GREGG, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

The following is a brief notice of the principal items of business taken up by this Court during the Synod at Hamilton.—

Mr. W. L. McKay, student, appeared before the Presbytery, requesting the privilege of being re-examined, with the view of being recommended to the Synod for leave to be taken on trials for license. On motion it was agreed to proceed to re-examine Mr. McKay, it being understood that according to the advice formerly given him, he was not precluded from appearing for re-examination, whereupon he was examined on Mental and Moral Philosophy and Theology, including Hermeneutics and Church History. The Presbytery on a review of Mr. McKay's examination at this time, in connexion with the appearance he made on the other branches examined on the 2nd of March last, agreed to apply to the Synod for leave to take him on trials for license, although, in the peculiar circumstances of the case, there had not been time to issue the usual circular letters.

The case of a call from Thorah and Eldon in favour of Mr. McMillan of Caledon, and which had been sustained at a former meeting, was next taken up—when parties having been heard for and against the translation of Mr. McMillan—the Presbytery asked Mr. McMillan as to his inclination to accept the call, when he stated (after having had sufficient time for consideration,) that after giving the matter his prayerful consideration, he felt it his duty to inform the Presbytery that he could not close with said call. The Presbytery agreed not to press the matter on Mr. McMillan, and at the same time agreed to express their sympathy with the congregations of Thorah and Eldon, under the additional disappointment which they have now sustained, and also to dispense the Lord's Supper in that congregation, on as early a day as possible.

It was agreed to dispense the Communion at the following places during the summer, viz.—Thorah and Eldon, by Mr. McMillan and Mr. Mitchell, on the 10th of July.

At Vaughan, Gaelic and English, by Mr. McLachlan, who is to ask his English assistant, and fix the time.

At Scarboro', by Mr. Irvine and Mr. Nisbet.

At Moño, by Dr. Burns and Mr. Alexander.

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.

The Kingston Presbytery met at Kingston, on the 23rd of May. The following is an outline of its proceedings:—

A communication from the congregation of Storrington was laid before the Presbytery, praying for the appointment of a missionary during the summer. Mr. Chambers was appointed to labour there and in Ballinahinch.

A petition from the Brock-street congregation, Kingston, was laid before the Presbytery, praying them to authorise some of their number to moderate in a call to a minister. Messrs. Reid and Burns were appointed for the purpose, and the Presbytery further resolved to aid the congregation in their efforts to obtain a suitable pastor, and, in the meantime, appointed Mr. Gregg to preach to them on the 15th May, and Mr. Chesnut on the 5th June.

The Presbytery inquired as to the extent to which the stated collections had been attended to. It appeared that they had been generally attended to in Gananoque, Picton, and Chalmers' Church, Kingston. The Presbytery enjoined these congregations which may have neglected any of the schemes, to attend to them before the end of this month, and to report the various contributions before the meeting of Synod.

Mr. Chesnut presented an account of monies received by him while acting as missionary, from which it appeared that Madoc had failed to contribute its portion. Messrs. Rogers and Gregg were therefore appointed a Committee to bring this subject before the friends in Madoc, for the purpose of obtaining the arrears due by them.

A report on the revival of religion was presented by Mr. Burns. The Presbytery agreed to sustain the report, and further referred the matter to the Committee, requesting them to draw up a succinct report to be submitted at a future meeting of Presbytery. The Presbytery also spent some time in conference on the subject of Revivals of Religion.

The Presbytery adjourned to meet in Kingston, on the 7th day of June, at one o'clock, P. M.

WILLIAM GREGG, Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.

The Presbytery of Montreal, of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, met in St. Gabriel Street Church, on Wednesday, 4th May. The following were the principal items of business:

After hearing parties, the Presbytery resolved to give effect to a call addressed to the Rev. Daniel Gordon, Missionary at Lingwick, by the congregations of Indian Lands and Kenyon; and to induct Mr. Gordon as pastor there; at a date to be fixed hereafter.

Missionary appointments were made as follows:—

Mr. McConechie, to Leeds and St. Sylvester. Mr. John Murray, for three months, to Durham and Farnham.

Mr. John Anderson, to La Guerre, and subsequently to Lancaster and Dalhousie.

Mr. Milloy, to Martintown and Williamstown. Petitions for supply from Chateaugay Basin, and Henryville, were read and remitted to the Missionary Committee.

Mr. Nicol Nicolson, Student of Theology, was examined, and it was resolved to apply to the ensuing Synod for leave to take him on trial forthwith.

The question of Temperance also engaged the serious attention of the court.