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students and intending students resident within their bounds; shall direct them in their preparatory education, collegiate studies, and general reading; and shall always endeavour to inculcate upon them worthy views of the exalted office to which they aspire, and for the more effectual discharge of this duty may appoint one or more of their number to attend to it with power to call in the class certificates of the Arts' course; and, if pecuniary assistance be required, they shall exert themselves to provide it to the best of their ability and judgment.

3. That, when a student or intending student shall present himself before them for any of the examinations specified in Section I. of this Act, they shall carefully inspect all the certificates which he may produce, and, upon finding them to be in accordance with the requirements of this Act, in respect of the particular examination for which he appears, shall record in their minutes a statement to that effect, specifying the several certificates produced; and, should it appear from any of the certificates that the student has been remiss in his studies, or irregular in his attendance at College, they shall with all faithfulness admonish him with respect to his conduct, and, in the event of their admonition being neglected, they may refuse to accept certificates bearing evidence of continued remissness or irregularity, and may remand the candidate to his studies.

4. That they shall cause the several examinations specified in Section I. of this Act to be observed strictly and in order, and shall on no account omit to try candidates upon any of the prescribed subjects of examination.

5. That, for the purpose of properly conducting the examination of students, and fairly testing their attainments, they shall appoint all examinations to be partly in writing and partly *viva voce*, and shall assign particular subjects to particular members, who may be a standing committee of examination, and whose duty it shall be to prepare themselves for the work intrusted to them; but this arrangement shall not deprive any member of the right of putting questions in open court, should there be any doubt as to the sufficiency of the examination or the qualifications of the candidate.

6. That they shall order the several certificates mentioned in Section I. of this Act to be given by their Clerks in the form of extract minutes, when candidates are found entitled to them.

7. That, when applied to by any candidate for the issuing of circular letters, they shall instruct their Clerk to issue letters to the several Presbyteries of the Church at least two months before the ensuing meeting of Synod, but only after finding and recording that the certificates received from the candidate are in accordance with the requirements of this Act.

8. That, in bringing the application of any candidate for license before the Synod, they shall do so by an Extract minute, bearing that they have carefully examined his certificates and found them to be in accordance with the requirements of this Act, and containing a recommendation in his behalf in such terms as they may consider themselves justified in employing.

9. That, with regard to any omissions by a candidate or any defects in his credentials, of whatsoever nature, with respect to the requirements of this Act, they shall on no account enter upon the consideration of them, until the candidate submits a statement of them in writing with such explanations as he may have to offer, and a respectful memorial, specifying in precise terms the indulgence he may be desirous of obtaining. Should it appear that the omissions or defects would occasion more than a slight departure from the requirements of this Act, they shall on no account entertain the prayer of the memorial; otherwise, they may take such action with reference to them as may seem best for