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PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.

The Presbytery of Montreal will meet in Cote Street Church, Montreal, on Wednesday, October 7th. Session Clerks are requested to send in their records. Students within the bounds are required to attend for examination.
A. F. KERR, Pres. Clerk, P. T.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will be held in Knox's Church, Toronto, on Tuesday, the 13th October, at Eleven o'clock. Session Records and Quarterly Returns will be called for.

T. WIGHTMAN, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE AND OTTAWA.

The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will be held at Ramsay, on the first Tuesday in October.

S. C. FRASER, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.

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

J. SCOTT, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.

This Presbytery will meet in the Brock St. Church, Kingston, on the second Tuesday of October, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

J. A. THOMSON, Pres. Clerk.

HOME MISSION COMMITTEE.

The usual half-yearly meeting of this Committee will be held in the Library of Knox's Church, Toronto, on Wednesday, 14th October, at 7 o'clock, p. m.

W. REID, Convener.

KNOX'S COLLEGE.

OPENING OF SESSION.—The Session 1857-8 will commence on Wednesday, 14th October. The opening address will be delivered by Principal Willis, in the College Hall, on the day mentioned, at 11 o'clock, a. m. It is earnestly requested that all students be present at the commencement of the Session.

COLLEGE COMMITTEE.

The College Committee will meet in the College Hall, on Wednesday, 14th October, immediately after the opening exercises. A full meeting is requested.

W. GREGG, Convener.

The Agency and Finance Committee will meet in the office of the Agent, Yonge Street, on Wednesday, 14th October, at 4 o'clock, p. m.

W. GREGG, Convener.

Proceedings of Presbyteries, &c.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

The Presbytery of Toronto met on the 2nd of September. There were sixteen ministers and two elders present.

Two Calls were presented in favour of Mr. D. Anderson, Probationer—the one from the Congregations in Brock and the rear of Reach—and the other from the Congregations at Mono Centre and Mono West. These calls were accompanied with guarantees for stipend. They were sustained and put into the hands of Mr. Anderson who was present. At the evening sederunt he signified his acceptance of the call from Brock and rear of Reach; whereupon, the Presbytery prescribed to Mr. Anderson, subjects of trial for ordination.

Two calls were also presented in favour of Mr. J. Cameron, probationer, viz., one from Erin and Caledon West; and another from West Gwillimbury; both accompanied with guarantees for stipend. They were sustained and transmitted to Mr. Cameron, with the request that he signify his mind thereon before the next meeting of Presbytery.

Mr. McTavish reported relative to the case

of discipline in Brock. The Presbytery agreed to sustain the report and also to adopt the practical suggestion made by Mr. McTavish, viz., "That the Presbytery recommend that the members and adherents of the Congregation in the rear of Brock should exercise circumspection in regard to the language which they use in their intercourse with one another, and that they should endeavour to bear with of one another's infirmities and cultivate a spirit of charity and love toward one another." Several members of Court gave in reports of visitation of mission stations.

Appointments were made for moderation of calls, for dispensation of the Lord's Supper, and for missionary supply.

On Session Records and Quarterly Returns being called for, only two minute books were given in, viz., from Whitby Session, and that of York Mills and Fisherville; and Returns from only three pastoral charges, viz., Acton, Milton and Boston, and York Mills and Fisherville.

These records were revised, and the others are ordered to be sent in at next meeting; also, the Treasurers of Congregations are urgently requested to send in returns without delay.

The matter of every session keeping Registers of Baptisms was considered, and the following motion thereon was agreed to, viz:—"That the Presbytery instruct all sessions to procure—if not already in possession of them—books for the Registration of the Baptisms in connection with the congregations under their care; which registers shall be examined along with the other records of Session." Mr. Gray and Mr. Laing were appointed to visit, as soon as convenient, the congregations within the bounds of the Presbytery that have not yet been visited, on behalf of the College Building Fund.

A Committee was appointed to conduct the examination of students at the opening of the College Session.

THOS. WIGHTMAN, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE AND OTTAWA.

This Court met in Ottawa, on the 1st of September. There were present ten ministers and five elders.

Mr. Alexander, once of Cobourg, produced the necessary documents, and was received as a minister without charge. Mr. Alexander was invited to a seat with the Presbytery.

There was presented a petition from South Gower and Mountain, praying to be set apart as a distinct charge. A Committee was appointed to investigate and report in December.

A reference from Osgoode touching some matters in that congregation was discussed, and is to come up again.

A call from Ramsay in favour of Mr. Alexander, was before the Presbytery. It was agreed to delay, in the meantime, the sustaining of the call. The further consideration is to be resumed in Ramsay, on the 7th of October.