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#### Report of Board of Superintendence for Synod—June, 1852.

The Board of Superintendence feel much gratification in laying an account of their stewardship, for another year, upon the Table of Synod.

The Institution which has been committed to their oversight, has continued since the date of last Report, to exhibit the most satisfactory evidences of increased and increasing efficiency,—so, that while the parental care of the Supreme Court towards their infant Seminary dictates the enquiry, "Is it well with thee?"—the Board do not hesitate to respond, "It is well."

#### SEMINARY 1851.

The Literary and Philosophical Department, under the care of Professor Ross, closed its session of 1851, with a public examination, in the presence of the Board, and a large assemblage both of the Clergy and Laity.

In the Logic Class, three students were found present. In the Moral Philosophy, seven.

At the request of the Board each Student read one of his Essays, written during the Term; and the Professor examined on select portions of study.

The Convener then invited members of the Board, and others, to make remarks

on what had fallen under their notice during the course of the examination. A very cordial response was given to this invitation, and high commendation was bestowed upon the Professor for his zeal and efficiency, and upon the Students for their diligence and proficiency.

After a short adjournment, the several classes in the Languages and Mathematics were minutely inspected, and with very gratifying results.

#### HALL 1851.

On the following day, the Theological Hall was opened by an introductory Lecture, from Professor Smith, and the Board had an opportunity of exercising, for the first time, that superintendance which the Synod at its last meeting committed to them.

The several Students were required to deliver their presbyterial certificates, and the Professors were duly apprised of the parties who would be in attendance on their respective classes.

#### REPORTS OF PROFESSORS.

At the request of the Board, each Professor has furnished a report of his class, and from this source the Board would now select a few extracts. Professor Keir thus speaks of the young men under his care.

"There were eleven young men in all,