

ministers, but to enable those whom God calls to the work to improve their mind and especially to become able interpreters of the Holy Oracles, that they may "excel to the edifying of the church." For this end the advantages of education are offered, on the lowest terms, to those who can support themselves; while those who possess no sufficient means of their own, receive gratuitously both their education and their maintenance, with the exception of books and clothing, and a few other trifling expenses.

Terms of Admission.

Before one can be received as a student, he must be recommended by his Pastor and Christian friends, as possessing sterling piety and good natural abilities for the work of the ministry. He must also give a written statement of his leading views of truth and of his Christian experience; and at the same time he must present himself for further examination, before a few members of the Committee, who will, if satisfied, admit him for three months on probation, after which time it will be decided whether he shall remain the usual period of study, which is four years.

It should be observed, that the only *proper time* of admission is at the beginning of the session, which happens regularly on the 1st of September, and to save trouble and expense, the application for admission ought to be made *first by letter*, sent to the Tutor, Dr. Davies, or to Mr. Milne, M'Gill Street, Montreal.

The Students.

Their number in the course of the past session increased to *ten*. One of them, Mr. J. M'Laurin, has now left, after spending his allotted period of study; and we commend him to the blessing of his master, and the kindness of those among whom he may labor in the gospel. The deportment of the students has been in accordance with their professed feelings and purposes, as they have been all engaged more or less in attempts to do good; such as the distribution of Tracts, the Sunday School, the visitation of the sick in their own houses and in the Hospital, and preaching in different places.

Wherever openings for preaching have presented themselves in and about Montreal, the Institution has always provided preachers; and it is to be regretted there are not more stations, where the students may make themselves useful. They have regularly ministered on Lord's days at Laprairie, and once a week in the vestry of the Baptist Chapel in this city, besides preaching frequently at L'assomption, and the Cross, and occasional services in other places. Thus they have gone about doing good.

During the present vacation, which began on the 1st of July, and will end on the 1st of September, the students are for the most part engaged in the service of the Society, while they seek recreation and health. Besides preaching the gospel, they solicit support for the *Canada Baptist Missionary Society*, and seek subscribers for the *Canada Baptist Magazine*. May the Lord prosper them in their work, and grant them favor in the eyes of their brethren and of religious people in general.

The work of the past Session.

In *Hebrew*, a class of eight students learned, in the course of six months, most of Gesenius' Grammar, and the whole of Conant's First Lessons, which also they prepared for the examination. One of the number, who had previously paid some attention to the language, read besides some portions in Stuart's Chrestomathy, and part of the History of Joseph, (Gen. 37, 39, 40, 41 chapters.) in which last he was also examined.

Ernesti's Principles of Interpretation were also studied by this class, preparatory to exercises in *Exegesis* during the remainder of their course.

In *Greek*, the first class read Valpy's Delectus, from page 26 to the end, the first 12 chapters of Luke's Gospel, and Xenophon's Memorabilia as far as 2d book, 5th chapter. The whole portion in Xenophon was taken as a subject for the examination. The second class went through Jacobs' Reader, as far as the section on Natural History, and professed before the examiners all the Fables and Anecdotes. Both these classes