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CONFORMITY TO CHRIST.

Thou blessed Saviour, sacred spring,
As clear as crystal glisten;
Thou stream of blessing, pure and free,
All splendour of the cherubim,
And holiness of seraphim,
Is darkness when compared with thee!
O Thou, my pattern here,
Make me thy image bear;
My all in all!
Ah, teach thou me,
And let me be
All pure and holy like to Thee.

Oh, gentle Jesus, as thy will
Was subject to thy Father's, still,
Yea even unto death resigned;
Ah, let me thus like Thee be passive,
My heart and will to Thee submissive,
Guided entirely by thy mind;
Like Thee may I be mild,
And gentle as a child,
As docile too!
Ah, teach thou me,
And let me be
Meek and obedient, like Thee!

—Tholuck's Hours of Devotion.

KNOX'S COLLEGE—CLOSE OF SESSION.

The closing exercises will take place on Wednesday, 2nd May, at 11 o'clock, a. m.

HOME MISSION COMMITTEE.

The Home Mission Committee will meet within Knox's College, on Wednesday, 2nd May, at 3 o'clock, p. m.

The following are the names of the members of Committee, viz:—The moderator Dr. Burns, Dr. Willis, Messrs. Lowry, Ure, Young, Reid, Roger, McLeod, J. Smith, Gregg, Burns, Boyd, McMurray, Duncan, Wardrope, D. Fraser, Inglis, Clark, Qum, D. McKenzie, Scott, T. McPherson, Sutherland, King, Irvine, Siark, McRuar, Dr. Bayne, ministers; and Messrs. McMurrich, Shaw, Henning, Jeffrey, McGlaughlin, Stewart, (Kingston), Redpath, Court, Kennedy, of Bytown, Begg, McMillan, McLellan, and Mair, Elders. Rev. R. Ure, Convener.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

The next ordinary meeting of the Presbytery of Toronto will be held in the usual place, on Tuesday 1st of May, at 11 o'clock, a. m.

T. WIGHTMAN, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF PERTH.

An adjourned meeting of this Presbytery will be held in the city of Ottawa, on the second Tuesday of May, at 7 o'clock, p. m.

S. C. FRASER, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE.

The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will be held at Spencerville, on the first Tuesday of May, at 11 o'clock, a. m.

JOHN McMURRAY, Pres. Clerk

PRESBYTERY OF COBOURG.

The next meeting is appointed to be held at Cobourg, on Tuesday, 1st May, at 12 o'clock noon.

JOHN SCOTT, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.

The next meeting of this Presbytery will be held in Hamilton, on the second Tuesday of May, at 2 o'clock, p. m.

M. Y. STARR, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.

The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will take place at Woodstock, on the second Wednesday of May, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

J. SCOTT, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.

The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will be held in the usual place, on the third Wednesday of May.

D. FRASER, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.

The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will be held in Kingston, on the second Wednesday of May, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

W. GREGG, Pres. Clerk.

MEETING OF SYNOD.

The Annual Meeting of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada will be held (D. V.) in the City of Montreal, and within Cote Street Church, on Thursday, the 14th day of June, 1854, at Eleven o'clock a. m., and will be opened with Sermon as usual.

TO PRESBYTERY CLERKS.

Presbytery Clerks are earnestly requested to forward to the Rev. Wm. Reid, Toronto, the Clerk of the Synod, eight days before the meeting of Synod, Rolls of their respective Presbyteries, so that the Synod Roll may be made up at the commencement of the Session.

Presbytery Clerks are also requested to forward to the Synod, the necessary certificates and extracts with reference to such Students of Divinity, as may be proposed for being taken on trials for licensure.

Presbyteries are also directed to report to the Synod, such congregations as have continued to neglect the stated collections.

Presbytery Clerks are required by the Synod to prepare and forward condensed reports of all cases of license, ordination, induction, deposition and death of ministers, within the bounds of the several Presbyteries during the year.

It is desirable that all Overtures, References, Petitions, and other papers to be laid before the Synod, be forwarded as early as possible, so that the business of the Synod may be properly arranged.

Kirk Sessions are reminded that if one of their own number cannot attend the meeting of Synod, they may elect one connected with another congregation.

The following is the form of Commission appointed by the Synod to be followed in such a case:—

"At _____, the _____ day of _____, one thousand, &c., years, which day the Session of _____ having met and been constituted, (*inter alia*);—The Session proceeded to elect a representative to the ensuing meeting of Synod, when Mr. A. B., an Elder in the Session of C., was nominated and chosen; wherefore the Session did, and hereby do, appoint the said A. B. to be their representative, willing him to have in view, in all his actings, the best interests of the Church and the glory of God, and they authorise the Moderator or Clerk to subscribe this as his commission as their representative Elder."

(Signed) D. E., Moderator (or Clerk) in the case may be.

WM. REID, Synod Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.

This Presbytery met at Hamilton, on the 10th day of April.

The following are the principal items of business before the Presbytery:

A call from Niagara, in favor of the Rev. Mr. Pirie, was laid on the table, of which call Mr.