

## FINANCIAL.

In presenting their report your committee notes that certain schemes of the church receive very general support, while other schemes are neglected by a considerable proportion of the charges.

Every congregation in Presbytery contributes to Foreign Missions except Bryanston, Port Stanley, S. Delaware, Tempo and Newbury.

Home Missions are not neglected by a single congregation in the Presbytery (except a new station—Ilderton). On the other hand not a dollar was given by the London Presbytery to Coligny College. Only four congregations remembered the Jewish Mission, and their givings aggregate but \$27. The schemes which have been most generally neglected during past years are French Evangelization; Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund; Widows' and Orphans' Fund; the Colleges and Augmentation to Stipend.

It is gratifying, however, to note that the givings to schemes of the church have been distributed more equally than during preceeding years.

**Stipend.**—There was contributed to Stipend last year a total of \$29 256. An average of \$9.43 per family, and of \$4.46 per member. This showing is \$1,520 better than last year's. Our average per family is 56c above that of the whole church; but is 18c. lower per member than the average of the whole church in '93.

**Congregational Purposes.**—The total contributions for strictly congregational purposes amounted to \$70,337, which is \$6,965 more than last year. The average per family is \$21 40 and the average per communicant is \$10.22, being \$3 46 higher per family, and 82c. higher per communicant than the average of the whole church in '93.

**Schemes of the Church.**—Total contributions to the schemes of the church were \$12,154. A distinct fall from the preceeding year, being a decrease of about \$800. The average per family is \$3.70. And though this is 48c. per family higher than the average givings of the whole church last year, yet it is 66c. less per family than our Presbytery gave two years ago. The average per communicant is \$1.76, being 30c. per member less than in 1892, and only 7c. above the general average of the church in '93. This is the poorest showing the London Presbytery has made for years.

**All Purposes.**—For all purposes the total contributions were \$86,247, an advance on last year of \$5,778. Average per family \$26.21, being \$3.77 in '93 per family above the average of the whole church. The average per communicant is \$12.53, which is higher than the average of the whole church last year by 78c. per member.

### RECOMMENDATIONS.

- (1) Every congregation should send annually full reports of every department to the Clerk of Presbytery.
- (2) Funds contributed for schemes of the church should be distributed so that no scheme shall be omitted. Each congregation should take a financial interest in every scheme of the church.
- (3) That the attention of all congregations be called by their respective pastors to the several departments of the church's work for the purpose of securing a proportionate support for each, and an increased support for all.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

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