

touché drew their support. Mr. Forbes having asked advice of the Convener, with his consent withdrew from that field for the purpose of pursuing certain studies in which Mr. F. considered himself defective in Princeton College.

As to the Missionary operations at present being carried on, your Committee may state, that they are dependent first, on the labours of Ministers of Synod in their several localities; second, on the Students of Halifax College who are employed, by direction of Committee, both in the bounds of the Presbytery of York: and third, on the Rev. Mr. Brown, who comes to us from the Free Church of Scotland, but whose recent field of labour was in Trinidad. The salary of the last named gentleman is guaranteed by the Free Church of Scotland, but according to previous rule on this subject, his travelling expenses should be borne by the Mission Fund; salaries and travelling expenses of the two Catechists are also chargeable on this fund, and certain sums hereto appended have been allocated for Missionary work done by Ministers. The congregations enjoying the services of the Catechists are expected, at least, to provide for their board, and to contribute liberally to the Mission Fund. The time they have been employed has been yet so short, that probably they will not have any very extended report to submit of their labours. With regard to the labours of Mr. Brown since he arrived, now four weeks since, your Committee may state that he has preached in each of the City Churches, the Ministers of said Churches having severally preached in Missionary stations around St. John, and made arrangements for further supply, if Synod should permit, by Mr. Brown. Probably, as another Presbytery has the services of Catechists, and as the needs of various stations around St. John are very great, Synod may see fit to allow Mr. Brown to make St. John the centre of his Missionary operations for some time, that the spiritual wants of the various stations around the City may be supplied. Their stations are principally Golden Grove, Red Head, Ten Mile Creek, Quaco, Musquash, Lepreaux, Nerepis, and Jerusalem.

The state of the Fund is satisfactory. On the present Convener coming into office, he received from Ex-Convener the sum of £42. At the same date there was also in the hand of the Treasurer, J. C. Stevens, ——. Since that time the sum of £150 sterling has been received from the Irish Presbyterian Church, £50 of which is payable on account of Fredericton. These sums, deducting certain payments which have since been made, are at present in Bank and available for the purpose of the Mission. There have also been received the following sums, from the various Churches, for the present year:—

Springfield.....	£2	11	7½
Prince William.....	1	0	0
Derby.....	0	18	9
Blackville.....	1	3	10½
Mr. Stirling.....	1	0	0
Richibucto.....	4	0	0
Messrs. J. Kerr, Nappan, (per Rev. W. Elder),	2	5	0
Londonderry.....	1	1	2½
Campbelton.....	1	5	0
St. John Pres. Church.....	7	0	0
Norton.....	0	12	6
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