

press which has been obtained, for the spread of Christian literature. The visit of Dr. Graham of Bonn gave special interest to the Jewish Mission Report.

THE SUSTENTATION OF THE MINISTRY.

This subject occupied the attention of the Assembly. The Report stated that the Committee had recommended that all the congregations should be addressed on the subject of ministerial support on the Lord's day, and had communicated, with this view, with all the Presbyteries. In some Presbyteries it was considered, *from special circumstances, inexpedient to agitate the subject*. In many Presbyteries, however, the recommendation had been carried out. It appeared, from returns made, that there were great differences in the rate of contribution for stipend, the amount per head varying from ten pence to 20 shillings. The report recommended that the subject should still be pressed on the attention of congregations; that the system of quarterly payments should be followed, and that the publishing of the financial returns should be carried out.

Various other important subjects engaged the attention of the Assembly. Reports on Sabbath Observance, and on Temperance were given in. A report was presented on the subject of the Magee College. Circumstances have hitherto prevented the Trustees from opening the College; but it is hoped that all obstacles will soon be removed.

Addresses were delivered by deputies from the Free Church, from the Welsh Calvinistic church, also by Rev Mr. Bennett, of New Brunswick. Mr. Brownlow North also addressed the Assembly. The next meeting was appointed to take place at Dublin in 1864.

Obituary Notices.

THE LATE HON. ANDREW JEFFREY.

This truly good man, and valued office-bearer of the church, died on the 27th July, after a severe and painful illness. Mr. Jeffrey was born in Scotland, of pious parents, who were connected with the Reformed Presbyterian Church. At the age of eighteen, he himself was admitted to full connexion in the Church of Scotland. At the age of twenty, he came to this country: he resided first in Kingston, where he worshipped with the Methodists, there being at that time no Presbyterian church in the place. At Cobourg, for a time, he availed himself of the services of the English Church. But as soon as an opportunity was afforded, he, with a few others who preferred, and longed for the simple worship of the Presbyterian church, took steps for obtaining service in connexion with that church. At the age of twenty-seven Mr. Jeffrey was ordained to the eldership, and from that time until his death—a period of about thirty-seven years—he was a useful, consistent, and most judicious elder, discharging, with retiring modesty, but, at the same time, with great fidelity, the duties of his office. From a personal acquaintance with Mr. Jeffrey for nearly a quarter of a century, we can bear ample testimony to his high worth and sterling character. Quiet and unostentatious, he was, at the same time, firm and decided in standing up for principle, and discountenancing what he regarded as wrong. In all the relations which he sustained, his conduct was most exemplary.

A sermon was preached by the Rev. John Laing, on the Sabbath after the funeral of Mr. Jeffrey. After referring to several points in Mr. Jeffrey's character, and pointing out the practical lessons to be learned from his life and conduct, Mr. Laing says:—

“We may learn, also, from the death of Mr. Jeffrey, the blessedness of the christian's death,—Mark the perfect man and behold the upright, for the end