

also unanimously granted £25 to a minister, who has been in the ministry in the Province for several years, who, during that time, has been receiving less than the minimum of stipend, but who, in the spirit of self-denial, refrained from applying to the Fund till necessity was laid upon him, and then drew only a very small part of the sum he was entitled to. In this also we are certain of meeting your approval.

At this stage of their Report your Committee would pause, and present the following *re-sume* :—

Expended on weak congregations.....	£64	3	4
Expended on probationers.....	327	10	2
Expended on catechist.....	11	18	11
Granted to Presbytery of Durham.....	15	0	0
Granted minister above referred to.....	25	0	0

Making a total expenditure of ..... 443 12 5

To meet which there have been raised in the Province, during the year, £ , with a balance of £240 10s. 6d. at last Synod, making a total of £ . Out of which there have been paid £210 6s. 3d.

—leaving a balance in the hands of your Treasurer of £

The Treasurer of the Home Grant has drawn £548 14s. 5d., and paid £515 9s. 10d., leaving a balance in his hand of £33 4s. 7d.

Your Committee would further report that, at a meeting held on the 11th July last, Mr. Robert Christie, laid on the table a letter from the Rev. Mr. Dick, of the 1st inst., enclosing the sum of twelve pounds, from the Congregation of Richmond Hill, and station of King, and placing it at the disposal of the Mission Committee, to be applied in aiding one of the weak but promising congregations, in the Presbytery of Wellington.—Notification was given to the Presbytery named, to whose order the money has since been paid, and who have appropriated it to the congregations of Ephraïm and St. Vincent, over which Mr. Fayette was installed in January last. Your Committee rejoice in this act of liberality, and hope it will have a good effect upon the Congregations of the United Presbyterian Church in the country, stirring them up to similar acts of Christian generosity.

Your Committee have endeavoured through Presbyteries, to bring the vacancies to give more liberally towards the payment of probationers, but their efforts have been comparatively, if not wholly, in vain. This matter we would also commend to your special attention. Under all the disadvantages which bear on our vacancies, they might, and ought, to do more in remuneration for the services they receive. Would it not be desirable to recommend that Presbyteries, or deputations from them, hold public meetings, in the vacancies within their bounds, and instruct the people in their duty to give as the Lord had prospered them, or bring the matter under the special attention of the Elders and Managers?

It was the wish of your Committee to have the Statistical Tables of the different Presbyteries forwarded to them at an early season, in the current year, and with that view they instructed the Convener to write to Clerks of Presbyteries, and request them to send the returns in, as soon as practicable, that they might be published in one sheet. All the Presbyteries have shown a readiness to comply with this request, except one, and as it was far on in May before that report came to hand, the publication of the general sheet has been delayed. Your Committee must express their regret at this circumstance. They consider it important that these returns be faithfully and punctually made, and to have them in time to send to Scotland, that the Secretary of the Mission Board there, may avail himself of them, in drawing up his annual report for the Synod.—This might be done with ease, if Presbyteries were duly attentive, but owing to their neglect, your Committee have never yet been able to have the statistics forward, in time, to Mr. Somerville.

[NOTE.—The Statistical Table, intended to have been attached, was printed at Guelph—sent thence by Express to Toronto, and, after diligent search, is not to be found.]

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