

United Presbyterian Church.

The gross income of the United Presbyterian Church for the year 1871 is estimated at £300,000, but the net sum that passed through the hands of the Synod's Treasurer for augmentation and missionary purposes was £68,652, 18s. 11d. Of the 607 churches belonging to Synod 219 received supplement in sums ranging from £10 to £60, and in a few exceptional cases to £80 and £90. Of these supplemented congregations 168 are in Scotland and 51 in England and Ireland. The funds for missions are as follows:—

For Foreign Missions in China, India, Africa, &c.	£36,671	17	0
For Augmentation and Evangelistic purposes at Home....	23,341	9	0
For Church Extension.....	865	0	0
For Manses, Aged and Infirm Ministers, &c.	4,466	3	0
For Synod Fund and Scholarships, &c.	3,319	8	0

The Presbytery of Glasgow alone contributes £10,282, 3s. 4d. to the funds of the Church, of which sum two churches (Claremont Street and Wellington Street Churches) contribute £2,295, 15s. This, of course, is exclusive of stipends paid to their own ministers, missionary and benevolent operations in Glasgow, &c.

Irish Presbyterian Church.

The question of instrumental music is to be brought up in the General Assembly. An active minority is in favour of congregational liberty in the matter of instrumental aid. This branch of the church has renewed its youth and redoubled its energies since the *Regium Donum* has been got rid of.

Miss West, who has labored as a missionary in Turkey for the past ten years, has had under her instruction a class of two hundred girls, who, professing Christianity, are now scattered all along the Euphrates and Tigris, engaged in teaching the blessed truths of the gospel to their countrywomen with most glorious results.

NOTICES, ACKNOWLEDGMENTS, &c.

We cannot yet give the necessary information respecting facilities of travel by the different routes, and must refer our readers to the *Witness*, *Advocate* and *Presbyterian*, to

whom we shall forward in a week or ten days a statement of particulars.

TREASURER'S MEMO:

We acknowledge after the lapse of another year, a handsome contribution from "A young Farmer" of West River, Pictou, and our columns will shew how it has been appropriated.

We would also explain to the friend who sent a Thank Offering for escape from anticipated loss, and left its disposal to the Treasurer, that it was cast into the fund for Acadian Mission, as the same mail which brought it gave tidings of two young men, commencing Missionary work, and requiring travelling expenses, which, were thus opportunely provided by "Young Farmer," and the donor of the thank offering.

STATE OF RELIGION.

The Convener of the Synod's Committee on the State of Religion regrets that he is under the necessity of reminding Presbyteries once more of the order of Synod in reference to this subject. Only two Presbyteries, Halifax and St. John, have made their returns at this date. The brethren of the other Presbyteries know very well that returns sent in at the last moment are of no practical use. Last year some were handed in at the meeting of Synod. It is surely very evident that it is utterly useless to send them as late as that.

The Committee on Systematic Benevolence are desirous of presenting to Synod a full and accurate report of the progress of the year, and would respectfully request the brethren who have not yet returned an answer to their last circular to do so at their earliest convenience.

E. A. McCURDY, Sec'y

ERRATUM.

In acknowledging in the last number of the *Record*, several liberal contributions from the Congregation, of the Rev. J. F. Forbes we entered the words Lochaber and Goshen, forgetting for the moment that the name of the Congregation is now Lochaber and *Union Centre*, the latter designation including with Goshen the South River people who were sharers equally with the others in the grace of liberality.

Miss Jamesena Moore will find her omitted 90 cents accounted for under the heading Shubenacadie in "Dayspring" acknowledgments.

The Treasurer acknowledges receipt of the following sums during the past month for the schemes of the church:

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Port Hastings & River Delnis.	\$15	00
Newton Mills, U. Steviacke, for day school for Coolies.....	6	13