

Presbytery of Truro—St. Andrew's \$7 80, Acadia \$5, Economy and five Islands \$9 45, total \$22 25.

Presbytery of Halifax—Fort Massy \$50, St. Andrew's \$12, Park St. \$8 55, Chalmer's \$3, St. John's \$25, St. James' Dartmouth \$5 Windsor \$5 50, Gay's River and Milford \$8 48, total \$119 53.

Presbytery of Pictou—Prince St. Pictou \$8 70, James Church, N. G. \$2, total \$10 70.

Presbytery of Wallace—River John \$7.

Presbytery of St. John—St. John's Ch. St. John \$13 94, St. David's \$20, Richmond \$5, Glassville and Florenceville \$1, total \$39 94.

Presbytery of P. E. Island—Bedesque \$15.

Presbytery of Miramichi—St. Andrew's Ch. Chatham \$4, Blackville and Derby \$4, Black River \$2. Total \$10 00

Presbytery of Newfoundland—Harbor Grace \$18.

Total \$274.42.

Europe.

Reports indicate that drunkenness is on the increase all over Germany. In Prussia between 1869 and 1880 the public houses increased at the rate of thirty-eight per cent, while the population in only thirteen per cent.

The Sunday rest has been established in Austria. No papers appear in Vienna on Monday Morning. Not as a church celebration on Sunday, but as a day of recreation for the workman, has the legal Sunday rest been decreed. Its duration is fixed from 6 A. M. on Sunday till 6 A. M. on Monday. The Law has been well received in the Industrial and working circles. The public has not taken umbrage at the non-appearance of the morning papers.

Japan.

The Rev. Mr. Kosaki, in his Newspaper published at Tokio gives the following statistics:—The total number of Protestant churches is put down as 120; church members aggregate 7791, a gain of 2,200 during the year. The largest church in the empire is that at Imburi, of which Mr. Ise is pastor, having 410 members. This church also reports the greatest gain in membership within the year, having received 195 new members. The church at Annaka has received during the year 113 members. The city of Tokio is reported as having 20 churches, with 2,279 members.

United States.

Judge Harry White, of Indiana, Pa., has declared that he will grant no licenses to sell liquor in his district, inasmuch as the public good does not require that liquor shall be sold as a beverage.

It is the purpose of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church to establish a church in every New England city where there is a sufficient element which has been educated in the Presbyterian faith. In pursuance of this policy the Boston Presbytery, on May 31st, organized a new church at Fall River with about one hundred members, and more are to follow.

The restriction of the liquor traffic grows more severe in Missouri as well as elsewhere in the West and South. The new law that went into effect there lately prohibits the sale to minors, or the tolerating of minors around licensed saloons; allows liquor to be sold where manufactured only in quantities of one gallon or over, not to be drunk upon the premises, and abolishes the wine and beer shop licenses, thus raising the license fee to from \$550 to \$1,200.

Connecticut has passed a law against flash literature, which has recently gone into effect. It imposes a fine of \$50 or less, and imprisonment of three months or less, or both at the discretion of the court, upon every person who shall sell, lend, give, or offer any book, magazine, pamphlet or paper, devoted wholly or principally to the publication of criminal news, or pictures or stories of deeds of bloodshed, lust or crime.

One of the most self-denying ministers in the services of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, is Rev. Alfred Halftown, an Indian on the Allegheny Reservation. A few years ago this man was a drunken pagan, and he and his wife lived in extreme misery. The Gospel was received, and a wonderful change followed. His life and home were transformed, and he became a sober, industrious, prayerful Christian man. He is now employed as a native preacher. 'Whenever he preaches,' says Rev. Mr. Trippe, 'the power of the Spirit is with him, and the people say, "God speaks through him." His salary is thirty dollars per year; he preaches every Sabbath, and in order to meet some of his appointments he must travel in going and coming nearly fifty miles.