ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CENTRAL BOARD FOR THE YEAR 1878.

Presented to the Church Society, February 5th, 1879.

In presenting the Thirty-seventh Annual Report of the proceedings of the Church Society, the Central Board desires to render thanks to Almighty God for the many tokens of His favour to the Society.

During the past year, which has been almost unparalleled for severity in a financial point of view, the receipts of the Society have fallen below the amount received in 1877.

The following is the comparative statement of the four principal funds of the Society :

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	1877	1878	Increase.	Decrease.
General Fund	1288 87	1626 54	337 67	
Mission Fund	3402 32	2557 13		845 19
W. & O. Fund	363 95	312 09		51 86
Pension Fund	1350 17	1033 75		316 42
Total	$ 6405 31	5529 51		
Total Decrease				$ 875 80

GENERAL FUND.

(To aid in the erection of Churches, Parsonages, Education, Outfits, and for other General Expenses of the Society.)

In consequence of the low state of the fund at the beginning of the year, your Board was obliged to defer all applications for aid except for education and personal grants.

In the month of September last your Board respectfully requested the Bishop to issue a Circular on the condition and requirements of the fund. It is gratifying to find that his Lordship's Circular has met with a general response. The receipts have increased from $1288.87 in 1877, to $1626.54, giving an increase of $337.67. The large and