

such a Scheme, there is no common topic on which the thoughts of all are engaged; there is no continuity in the lessons taught; and if a scholar is absent on Sunday, he comes back on the next without the slightest notion of what is to be read, and pleads that as an excuse for want of mind, and indifference to the whole work of the School for that Sunday too. The Scheme of lessons of the Halifax Association for 1868 is before us, and will commend itself to every one who studies the plan. It begins at the beginning both of the Old and New Testaments, giving an equal number of Sundays to each, so that now is the time for those Schools to order it which have not as yet used it. The Old Testament lessons are all taken from the Book of Genesis, and the New Testament ones aim at giving a connected life of our Lord, and indirectly a harmony of the four Gospels. There are besides Psalms or Paraphrases suitable to the passages read; the most striking lesson that each passage of Scripture teaches; a verse, bearing on the lesson, to be committed to memory; and questions in order for the shorter catechism.

Any of our ministers or superintendents of Sabbath Schools can get any number of copies of the Scheme at once, and at the reduced rate mentioned above, by writing a note to "Mr. John Fraser, Railway Commissioner's Office, Halifax." They can enclose the money for their order in stamps when they write.

G. M. GRANT.

### SCHEMES OF THE CHURCH.

#### 1867. YOUNG MEN'S SCHEME.

Dec. 4.—Cash per A. Fraser from Cape John.	£1 4 4½
do 5.—Cash per Rev. Mr. McMillan from Earlton.	1 3 9
Cash per Rev. Mr. McMillan from West Branch River John.	1 6 6
Cash per do. from Tatamagouche River.	0 5 8
do per do. Belfast. P. E. I for 1866 '67.	1 14 7
Dec 27.—Cash from James J. Bremner, Esq. Halifax, received by him as follows	
Aug 11.—St Matthew's Halifax.	\$21 10
Sept 4.—Musquodoboit per Rev Mr McMillan.	6 00
Oct 23.—St Andrew's Halifax.	6 00
Dec 20.—Truro per Mr A. McKay.	1 50
	<u>\$34 60</u>
Less for P O Order.	30
	<u>\$34 30</u> £9 11 6

#### 1867. HOME MISSION.

Dec 5.—Cash per Rev Mr McMillan Belfast. P E I for 1866 and 1867.	3 5 5
Dec 21.—Cash per Mr A McKay Truro.	2 1 6
Dec 27.—Cash per James J. Bremner Esq Halifax received by him July 8th 1867	
St. Matthew's Church Halifax.	5 0 0
RODERICK MCKENZIE Treasurer.	
Pictou, December 31st 1867.	

#### 1867 FOREIGN MISSION SCHEME.

Nov 29.—St Andrew's Pictou per Wm Gordon, Esq.	\$33 20
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Dec 7.—McLen Mt per Rev W Stewart 12 28  
Dec 19.—Albion Mines per W Gordon Esq 11 55

\$57 03

JAMES J BREMNER Treasurer.  
Halifax Dec. 26th 1867.

List of Sums received for Lay Association from Collectors of St. Andrew's Church, N. G., for 9 months ending 31st Oct., 1867.

FIRST QUARTER.	
Miss Sarah Fraser and Miss Jessie McKay North End N Glasgow	\$5 00
Miss Maggie McDonald and Miss Jessie A. Hunter South End N G	8 30
Miss Catherine Fraser W Side N G	2 00
Miss Christina Fraser Fraser's Mt	1 00 \$16 30
SECOND QUARTER.	
Miss Fraser and Miss McKay	5 00
Miss McDonald and Miss Hunter	3 27½
Miss Christina Fraser	0 62½ 8 90
THIRD QUARTER.	
Miss Fraser and Miss McKay	5 25
Miss McDonald and Miss Hunter	3 76
Miss Christina Frasar	0 37½ 9 38
	<u>\$34 58</u>
A FRASER, Downe, Secretary. New Glasgow, Dec 20th 1867.	

Account of Monies received for the Lay Association between August 8th, and October 31st, and paid to James Fraser, Junr., Esq., New Glasgow.

1867

Aug 6.—Cash rec from Master W Gordon. col by Miss Fraser Loading Ground	£0 12 0
Aug 28.—Cash col by Miss Jessie Ferguson, Fisher's Grant	1 0 0
Sept 9.—Cash col by Miss Carson and Miss McDonald, Pictou town	1 1 3
Oct 31.—Cash rec from Master W Gordon, col by Miss Fraser, Fraser's Point	0 8 1½
	<u>£3 24½</u>

1867

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Dec 31.—To Cheque on the Agency of the Bank of Nova Scotia	\$12 48 3 2½
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JOHN CRERAR, Treasurer, Pictou Branch Lay Association. Pictou, Dec 31 1867.	

Lay Association, River John Congregation.

Sec 1.—Miss Jane Chisholm and Miss Henrietta McKenzie, Collectors	£0 8 1½
Sec 2.—Miss Angelina Melville and Miss Margaret McDonald, Collectors	0 17 8
Sec 3.—Miss Annie Holmes and Miss Sarah Holmes, Collectors	0 8 6
Sec 4.—Miss Jane Sutherland and Miss Flora McLeod, Collectors	0 18 1½

Total £2 12 5  
Forwarded this date to John Crerar, Esq.  
R. McCUNN.

River John, Dec 31. 1867.

The above sum of £2 12 5 received from the Rev R McCunn, collected at River John for the Lay Association, has been paid into James Fraser, Junr., Esq., New Glasgow.

JOHN CRERAR, Treasurer.  
Pictou Branch, Lay Association.  
January, 2, 1868.

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.

W. H. Neal, Esq., Halifax for River John Manse \$5 00  
Rev Jno Goodwill, for Musquodoboit manse \$4 00.