

MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

A meeting of this Corporation was held on Monday, 26th February, the Rev. Alex. Mathieson, D.D., in the Chair. The Treasurer reported that he had invested on Mortgage of real estate, with the addition of two personal sureties, £450 of the Funds, that about £45 remained uninvested, and the remainder, £27 9s. 9d., was retained by the Savings Bank.

Considerable dissatisfaction was expressed by the members present, at the small number of Congregations which have sent in returns of the collections made for the present year, although two months have already elapsed since the first Sunday in January, the day appointed by the Synod for the Annual Collection. The Treasurer was instructed to address a circular by post to all those Congregations which shall not have transmitted contributions before the 20th March, calling attention to their duty in this matter, and requesting an immediate compliance with the injunction of the Synod.

The smallness of some Congregational Collections occasioned much surprise, and a hope was expressed that Ministers would bring this Scheme more prominently before the people, and by pressing its claims on their liberality, greatly increase the contributions to the Fund. A glance at the collections; reported in this and previous numbers, will show in what a niggardly manner some Congregations support the Fund, and we cannot refrain from expressing our conviction, that if Ministers did their duty in this matter with earnestness and zeal, very different results would be exhibited.

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Amount previously Reported	£494 12 6
Contribution from Dundee, per Rev. Duncan Moodie	0 10 0
Ditto from Lanark, per Rev. Thos. Fraser	1 10 0
Ditto from Clinton, per Rev. Geo. M'Clatchey	0 10 0
Ditto from Valcartier, per Rev. D. Shanks	1 0 0
Ditto from Simcoe, per Rev. Geo. Bell	1 10 0
Ditto from Perth, per Rev. W. Bain	£3 3 7
Ditto from Bathurst, per Rev. W. Bain	0 5 6 3 9 1
Ditto from Martintown, per Rev. John M'Laurin	2 5 0
Ditto from Montreal, per Rev. A. Mathieson	21 0 0
	£526 6 7

JOHN GREENSHIELDS, Treasurer.

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE PRESBYTERIAN.

For 1848:—B. Mann, Montreal, 2s 6d; James Henry, ditto, 2s 6d; Major Lachlan, ditto, 2s 6d; Thomas M. Walsh, Simcoe, 2s 6d; George Jackson, Sen., ditto, 2s 6d; J. Polley, ditto, G. Jackson, Jr. ditto, 2s 6d each; John Jackson, ditto, 2s 6d; A.

Barker, Markham, 5s; Thomas Peck, 2s 6d; R. M'Naught, 2s 6d; Thomas Ure, D. L. Macpherson, James Gilmour, Allan Gilmour, C. Atkinson, H. E. Montgomerie, Montreal, 2s 6d each; R. Dickson, Chateaugay, 2s 6d.

For 1849:—Hon. John M'Gillivray, 10s; Rev. Wm. Bell, Perth, 15s; Town Major M'Donald, Montreal, 2s 6d; Wm. Dow, Oshawa, 10s; T. M. Walsh, George Bell, George Combs, D. Weatherly, P. Gillespie, T. M'Cool, J. Polley, Simcoe, 2s 6d each; Rev. A. Mann, J. Dunnett, D. M'Nicol, Paekenhams, 2s 6d each, K. M'Caskey, Fitzroy Harbour, 2s 6d; Robert Smith, Jas. Hamilton, Alex. Mackie, Wm. Mitchell, Jas. Burnett, Arthur Wright, Wm. Ogston, all of Woolwich, Wm. Allan, of Guelph, 25s; Mrs. Walker, Montreal, 2s 6d; R. Nicol, N. Campbell, W. Elliott, S. Henry, A. Younee, Ormstown, 2s 6d each; Jos. Wilson, Frampton, 2s 6d; Robt. Crawford, St. Clair, Abenquais, 2s 6d; Rev. J. Dickey, W. Williamsburgh, 10s; Rev. J. C. Muir, 50s; Rev. E. Lapelletrie, 5s; Mr. De la Mare, 2s 6d; Rev. T. Fraser, 30s; Rev. G. M'Clatchey, 25s; Miss E. Ferguson, Montreal, 2s 6d; James Smith, ditto, 2s 6d; Robt. Hunter, Chateaugay, 2s 6d; Piper John M'Donald, 71st, St. Johns, 2s 6d; Rev. P. M'Naughton, Pickering, 30s; Rev. W. Bain, Perth, 52s; J. Neilson, J. Bell, Carlton Place, 2s 6d each; Rev. Wm. Henderson, Miramichi, N. B., £1.

FRENCH MISSION FUND.

The Treasurer of the Financial Committee of the French Mission Fund, begs to acknowledge receipt of the following contributions since 1st January:

Perth Congregation, per Rev. W. Bell	£1 5 0
Fergus do. per Rev. Dr. Mair	0 0 0
Beansville do. per Rev. G. M'Clatchey	0 10 0
Perth Congregational Association, per Rev. W. Bain	6 8 11
Three Rivers, per Rev. James Thom	3 0 0
Frampton, per Rev. James Stuart	1 10 0
Galt, per Rev. J. M. Smith	3 13 0
Pakenham, per Rev. Alexander Mann	2 10 0
Proceeds sale Fancy Work, Mrs. Smith	£4 15 0
Ditto ditto, Mrs. Macintosh	4 16 8 9 11 8

£31 8 7

Congregations are earnestly requested to contribute as early as possible, and forward the proceeds to the Treasurer, Mr. HUGH ALLAN, Montreal.

The Convener of the Sub-Committee of the French Mission, acknowledges the receipt of French Bibles and Testaments, to the value of Five Pounds, being a grant from the Ottawa District Bible Society.

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(Continued from our last number.)

1847-48.			
RELIEF PUBLICATION.			
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John Speirs	1 5 0	1 5 0	
Chas. Atkinson	0 0 0	0 5 0	

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Hugh Allan	£1 5 0	£0 5 0	£0 5 0
W. Edmonstone	1 10 0	1 0 0	1 5 0
H. E. Montgomerie	1 0 0	0 10 0	0 10 0
Andrew Allan	0 10 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
John Murray	0 10 0	0 0 0	0 10 0
Thomas Ure	0 10 0	0 5 0	0 10 0
John Macfarlane	0 5 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
R. M'Naught	0 5 0	0 10 0	0 5 0
W. Stephen	0 10 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
W. Carter	0 10 0	0 5 0	0 0 0
W. Cowan	0 0 0	0 5 0	0 5 0
W. Kinloch	0 5 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
W. Muir	0 15 0	0 5 0	0 0 0
R. Muir	0 15 0	0 5 0	0 0 0
G. Templeton	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 5 0

W. J. Ralston	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 5 0
J. M. Ross	0 5 0	0 5 0	0 0 0
Jas. Scott, Jr.	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Jas. Benning	0 5 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Hon. P. M'Gill	1 10 0	3 0 0	1 10 0
W. Thompson	0 0 0	0 5 0	0 5 0
D. Mair	0 0 0	0 5 0	0 5 0
W. Ross	0 5 0	0 5 0	0 0 0
J. Greenshields	1 5 0	1 5 0	0 0 0
Mungo Ramsay	0 10 0	0 5 0	0 0 0
W. Benny	1 0 0	0 5 0	0 0 0
John Campbell	0 0 0	0 10 0	0 10 0
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