

found the Rajah of Burdwan sitting in his treasury with £5000 counted out before him. "What are you doing with this money?" he asked. "It is for my god!" was the reply. The yearly expenditure on the idol in the temple of Khundoba is £5000. One man gave at once upwards of £300,000 for the support of heathenism in Benares. Another in Ahmedabad built a Jain temple at a cost of £60,000. These are but specimens of the use of gold in idolatry. The only thing that comes near matching all that is the new Mormon temple at Salt Lake city, which is expected to cost £2,000,000. This building will be 100 by 200 feet, and is already up one storey.

**IRISH MISSION IN DAMASCUS.**—The Irish Presbyterian Mission in Damascus has been meeting of late with much more than ordinary success. Rev. Mr. Wright says that "multitudes, as in Apostolic times, flock to hear the Gospel." The Church has been crowded and listeners hanging about the windows. Considerable accessions to the membership of the Church are reported.

At the close of the Session of the Legislature of Ontario the Lieutenant-Governor in his speech from the Throne made reference to the legislation to promote the Union of the churches as follows:—

"I look upon two series of bills which you have passed, affecting important sections of the religious community of the Dominion, as indications of the growing recognition everywhere of that national unity into which the Confederation Act has welded the Provinces, as well as the desire of closer association amongst Christians who have a common religious faith."

#### State of Accounts, Jan. 28th, 1875.

##### FOREIGN MISSIONS.

|                                |          |           |
|--------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Receipts since June 1st, 1874  | £4723 54 |           |
| Interest on Reserve fund       | 327 03   | \$5051 22 |
| Balance against fund June 1st. | 1132 40  |           |
| Expenditure since              | 5639 17  | 6821 57   |

Balance due Treasurer at date .... \$1770 85

##### DAYSPRING AND TRINIDAD SCHOOLS.

|                        |           |           |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Receipts since June 1  | \$1231 48 |           |
| Balance on hand June 1 | 520 74    | \$1703 22 |
| Expenditure since      | 1373 37   |           |

In fund ..... \$ 334 85

##### HOME MISSIONS.

|                                 |           |           |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Receipts since June 1, ordinary | \$2132 05 |           |
| Church grant                    | 436 07    |           |
| Balance on hand June 1st.       | 327 19    | \$2246 54 |
| Expenditure since June 1st.     | 1756 00   |           |

In fund ..... \$1159 64

##### ACADIA MISSION.

|                       |           |           |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Receipts since June 1 | \$ 849 36 |           |
| Balance               | 100 36    | \$1013 22 |
| Expenditure           | 847 85    |           |

In fund ..... \$ 163 37

##### SUPPLEMENTING FUND.

|                                 |           |           |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Receipts ordinary, since June 1 | \$1970 20 |           |
| Grant from P. C. of             |           |           |
| Ireland                         | 730 00    |           |
| Balance on hand June 1st.       | 621 01    | \$3321 21 |
| Expenditure to date             | 3311 75   |           |

In fund ..... \$ 9 46

##### MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

|                                  |           |           |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Receipts from interest and cong. | \$4556 00 |           |
| Principal                        | 146 00    |           |
| Balance on hand June 1st.        | 536 29    | \$5237 29 |
| Expenditure                      | 5091 49   |           |

In fund ..... \$ 146 46

P. G. McGREGOR, Treasurer.

Halifax, January 28th, 1875.

#### NOTICES AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

f The Treasurer acknowledges receipt of the following sums within the past month for the Schemes of the Church:

##### FOR FOREIGN MISSION.

|                                                                        |         |  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|--|
| Mrs. M. Taylor, per Rev. E. A. McCurdy                                 | 1 00    |  |
| Onslow, additional                                                     | 2 00    |  |
| Bridgewater, per Rev. P. Morrison                                      | 20 00   |  |
| Abraham Hebb, Bridgewater                                              | 4 00    |  |
| Central Church, W. R., per Rev. Jas. Thompson                          | 29 00   |  |
| Thank offering, Sheet Harbour                                          | \$0 50  |  |
| Mrs. T. B. Simonson                                                    | 0 55    |  |
| Westville, per Rev. Mr. Lees                                           | 38 88   |  |
| Windsor, per W. H. Blanchard, Esq.                                     | 60 00   |  |
| St. Croix, per Rev. J. A. F. Sutherland                                | 15 79   |  |
| Annapolis, per Rev. D. S. Gordon                                       | \$7 12  |  |
| Bridgeport, "                                                          | 5 25    |  |
| Thomas Crow, Beaver Brook, per Rev. J. Byers                           | 2 50    |  |
| Brookfield, per Moses Hamilton                                         | 28 00   |  |
| Hamilton, Bermuda, per Rev. K. F. Junor, (for Trinidad)                | 10 15   |  |
| Woodville, P. E. I., per Rev. John Sutherland                          | 5 00    |  |
| H. A. F., Hx                                                           | 10 00   |  |
| Rev. Hugh McMillan                                                     | 4 00    |  |
| Blue Mountain, per Rev. D. B. Blair                                    | \$19 41 |  |
| Roderick McDougall, per do.                                            | 5 00    |  |
| Barney's River, "                                                      | 8 07    |  |
| Riverside Cong., per Rev. A. Cameron                                   | 29 20   |  |
| Bass River Section                                                     | \$18 42 |  |
| Portapique do.                                                         | 5 85    |  |
| Castlereagh do.                                                        | 4 83    |  |
| Musquodoboit Harbour, per Rev. J. Rosborough                           | 6 00    |  |
| Musquodoboit, Middle Set., per Rev. R. Sedgewick                       | 25 00   |  |
| James and Mary Redden, per do.                                         | 40      |  |
| Proceeds of Lecture on New Hebrides, by Rev. Wm. McCallagh, at Milford | 4 18    |  |
| Chalmers' Church                                                       | 43 00   |  |