

gation separated, the seats were let for one year;—when about three-fourths of the whole were taken. This congregation have cause to rejoice at the prosperity they have enjoyed, since the induction of their Pastor. The place in which they met heretofore was very inconvenient, but notwithstanding the inconvenience and discomfort, the audiences continued to increase. The new church, it was supposed, would give accommodation for some time, but the evening of the 26th shewed, that if the same measure of success should continue, it will not be long till all their seats will be occupied. The amount subscribed for building the church, the collections of the sabbath on which it was opened, and the proceeds of the source, leave a very small debt on the property. With the increase of this rising village, and the return of prosperity to the country, it may, in ordinary circumstances, be expected that this debt will in a short time be liquidated. What they have already done, reflects great credit on the congregation, and it is hoped that they will not soon be weary in well-doing, but will rather increase their efforts for the success of the great cause with which they are connected. And may the Holy Spirit shed abroad his influences, to incline and direct, that peace and prosperity may be extensively enjoyed.

THE ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS FOR KNOX COLLEGE.

We have as yet received comparatively few contributions for the College. We have reason to believe however, that Presbyteries and Congregations are bestirring themselves for this most important object. All our congregations, including every vacancy, and every mission station, should strive to do their part. The plan adopted by the Presbytery of London, is to recommend a certain rate of contribution to every congregation. As an example to other Presbyteries, we subjoin the scale recommended by the Presbyteries of London to all the congregations and mission stations within its bounds, not as a regular assessment, but merely as an index to the amount which should be aimed at.

Zorra, \$100 00; North Easthope, \$30 00; Stratford, \$60 00; Egmondville, \$40 00; Ingersoll, \$49 00; Ekfrid and Moss, \$90 00; Chatham, \$55 00; Williams, \$40 00; Woodstock, (English,) \$55 00; London, \$110 00; Buxton, \$10 50; Brucefield, \$50 00; Woodstock, (Gaelic,) \$36 00; Blandford, \$37 00; Amherstburgh, \$37 00; Aldboro, \$40 00; Sarnia, \$30 00; Port Stanley, \$20 00; Saugenee \$26 00; Lobo, \$27 50; Mornington, \$25 00; Mitchell, \$30 00; St. Thomas, \$30 00; Fingal, \$35 00; Ridgetown, \$35 00; Tilbury, \$30 00; Dunwich and Wallacetown, \$30 00; Wardville, \$30 00; Westminster, \$20 00; Belmont and Yarmouth, \$20 00; North Dorchester, \$18 00; Thamesford, \$20 00; Beachville, \$18 00; Harrington, \$30 00; St. Mary's, \$20 00; Clinton, \$12 00; Wawanosh, \$20 00; Morris, \$10 00; Kincardine and Bruce, \$30 00; Bosanquet, \$8 00; Plympton, \$23 00; Bear Creek, \$40 00; Komoka, \$8 00; Grey, \$10 00. Total—\$1,518 00.

We trust that next year, the Synod may appoint some one day, as a day of special

prayer for our Theological Seminary. In the United States, the General Assembly set apart a day, this year the last Thursday of February, as a day of united prayer, for the Colleges throughout the land. It has been remarked that there have been, on several occasions, revivals in not a few of the Theological Colleges, which may be traced, so far as means and instrumentality are concerned, to these concerts of prayer.

RED RIVER.

We lately had a communication from Rev. John Black accompanying the very liberal contribution of fifteen pounds fifteen shillings sterling, for the ordinary fund of Knox College. The same congregation formerly sent a contribution of forty pounds for the Building Fund. Were every congregation within our bounds to give with equal liberality, our difficulties would soon disappear. Mr. Black says he never saw the people give to any object with a better heart. Mr. Black continues to labour most zealously and efficiently. A third station is being opened, and Mr. Black mentions in the letter referred to, that on Sabbath week he was to preach to the Rifles in the Court House; about thirty of them were Presbyterians. The communion had been lately dispensed, the communicants numbering 105. We earnestly trust that before long our excellent friend Mr. Black may have some fellow-labourers to share with him the important work which he is now carrying on in the distant outpost which he is called to occupy.

WINCHESTER.—We understand that the Rev. James Thom has received a unanimous call from the congregation in Winchester.

INDIAN RELIEF FUND.—We have paid over to R. J. Pennefather Esq., Secretary to His Excellency the Governor General, the various sums remitted for the Indian Relief Fund.

HOME AND FOREIGN RECORD OF AMERICAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Ministers who remitted the postage, and have not received the Record of the American Presbyterian Church, are requested to communicate with Rev. W. Reid, Toronto.

DEATH OF REV. THOMAS SNELL.—We have just heard of the death of the Rev. Thomas Snell, formerly Minister of the Congregational Church at Cobourg, and who afterwards was admitted into the Presbyterian Church of Canada. Mr. Snell died at Wethersfield, Henry County, Illinois. Mr. Snell, who was much esteemed by the people among whom he had been labouring, died suddenly of disease of the heart.

BOSANQUET.—ORDINATION OF REV. J. BLOUNT.—On Wednesday, February 10th, the Rev. J. Blount was ordained to the office of the Ministry, and inducted as Pastor of the congregation at Bosanquet. The Rev. J. Gauld preached and presided, the Rev. D. Walker addressed

the minister, and the Rev. J. Ferguson the people on their respective duties. There is the strongest probability, under the blessing of God, that the settlement of Mr. Blount will be attended with the happiest results.

General Ecclesiastical and Religious Intelligence.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

We have referred in previous numbers to the corrections and alterations in the text of the Bible by the American Bible Society, and to the agitation produced in the religious community by the course thus adopted. The matter having been referred to a committee, three reports were given, one by a majority of the committee, recommending that in the meantime the Bible to be issued by the society conform to the edition of the Bible anterior to the late revision so far as may be practicable; another by Rev. Dr. Storrs substantially sustaining the work of the revising committee, and a third by Rev. Dr. Boardman, and James Lenox, Esq., who concurred substantially in the report of the majority, but proposed some farther recommendations. After protracted discussion the report of the majority was adopted. It is presented in the following Resolutions:—

Resolved, That at this Society's present standard English Bible be referred to the standing committee on Versions for examination; and in all cases where the same differs, in the text or its accessories, from the Bibles previously published by the Society, the committee are directed to correct the same by conforming it to the previous editions printed by the Society, or by the authorized British presses, reference also being had to the original edition of the translators printed in 1611, and to report such corrections to this Board, to the end that a new edition thus perfected, may be adopted as the standard edition of this Society.

Resolved, That until the completion and adoption of such new standard edition, the English Bibles to be issued by this Society shall be such as conform to the editions of the Society, anterior to the late revision, so far as may be practicable, and excepting cases where the persons or auxiliaries applying for Bibles shall prefer to be supplied from copies of the present standard edition now on hand, or in process of manufacture.

A lengthened protest was given in by a number of the members of the committee on versions, who all resigned with the exception of Dr. Spring, the chairman of the committee.

DEATH OF BISHOP OF CALCUTTA.—We observe in recent papers from Europe, the death of Dr. Wilson, Bishop of Calcutta. Dr. Wilson has been for many years one of the leading Evangelical Ministers of the Church of England.

FREE CHURCH, CALCUTTA.—It is likely that Rev. W. Pourie, will be chosen successor to Rev. Mr. Milne, who has returned to Scotland.

UNIVERSITY REFORM IN SCOTLAND.—The subject of University Reform is engaging a large measure of public attention at present. Prof. McCosh of Belfast has written several letters on the subject. A public meeting was also lately held in Edinburgh, at which Lord Campbell, Sir John McNeill, Mr. Baxter M. P., and other