

have been contributed by the congregation generally. Miss Johns has been engaged in Zenana and orphanage work since December last in Madras. It is a cause of gratification to the session that the undertaking of this special mission did not diminish the congregation's liberality to the general Foreign Mission of the Church, the collection for it having been even larger than in preceding years.

The consummation of an Union so long desired marks an era in the history of every congregation connected with the Church, and calls upon all our members for thanksgiving to God and renewed consecration and effort. The Presbytery of Halifax will then consist of nearly thirty congregations, even though Newfoundland formerly connected with it be constituted as a separate Presbytery. Our field of Home Mission work will be thus greatly enlarged, and our knowledge of this should be duly marked in our contributions for Presbytery Home Missions or the aiding of weak congregations. United work should also be undertaken in the suburbs of the City, that it may be clearly seen that it is a living and not a dead Union that has been accomplished.

Last June we stated that in City Mission work we were aiding the North end, and the Barrack Street Missions; and that we were looking out for a successor to Mr. John McLean. In October we found such a successor in Mr. James Potter, who had just returned from evangelistic work in Labrador. In conjunction with Fort Massey congregation, it paying at the rate of \$200, and St. Matthew's at the rate of \$300 per annum, we secured Mr. Potter's services as City Missionary for the Centre and South end of the City. Since that time he has been abundant in labours and successful in bringing many to the Lord who had long been outside of the Church; and the congregation has shewed its sense of the importance of his work by readily giving the increased amount that was required for his salary. He has cottage meetings every evening of the week, and the best way to aid him would be for Christian men and women to volunteer assistance in carrying on one or more of these. Let us not forget our City Missionary in our prayers.

Our usual meetings have been sustained during the year. A list is appended:—

1. Sunday School attended by scholars from the ages of 5 to 50 years, at 9.30 a. m.
2. Church Services, 11 a. m., and 7 p. m.
3. S. S. Teachers' Prayer Meeting, to which all the congregation is invited, on the evening of the first Sunday of the month, immediately after divine service.

4. Monday evening Bible Class at 7.30 p. m.

5. Ladies' Visiting Society on the first Tuesday of the month, at 3 p. m.

6. Prayer Meeting every Wednesday evening at 7.30 p. m., and the S. S. Teachers' Preparation Class immediately after it at 8.30 p. m.

7. Bible reading, Thursday evening at 8 p. m.

8. Temperance Meeting, Saturday evening at 8.15 p. m.

We append a list of the contributions that come within the cognizance of the session. The Lord bless our offerings and accept us!

MONIES COLLECTED FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
30TH JUNE, 1875, IN CONNECTION WITH  
ST. MATTHEW'S SESSION.

I.—Synod Schemes:

Foreign Mission.....	\$253 00
Synod's Home Mission. \$70.	
Presbytery's, \$475 40.....	545 40
Young Men's Bursary Fund. ....	78 30
Synod Fund.....	76 00
Widows' and Orphans' Fund.	560 00

II.—Congregational Schemes:—

Collected by Sabbath School for missions, &c.....	410 00
Zenana Mission.....	637 60
City Mission.....	368 73
Collected at Prayer Meetings, Bible Class, and from Sabbath School Teachers for missions, &c.....	204 00
Ladies' G. P. C. Society.....	250 00
Collection for Sunday School. For New Year's Fête, prizes, &c.....	262 55
Communion collections for the Poor.....	98 00
A. K. Doull Fund for Association for Relief of the Poor..	295 35
Scott Memorial Fund.....	118 00
Reynolds' Fund for Fuel for Poor.....	50 00
Sent to Pastor, or collected for special purposes.....	84 44
Ladies' Working Society....	160 00
	225 00

Total.. ....\$4,667 63

THE Young Men's Christian Association movement seems to be reviving even during this season of mingled rain and heat. Messrs. J. S. McLean and J. B. Morrow have stirred up the young men of New Glasgow to organize and to engage with heartiness in the work, and Mr. ——— Sterns' tour of the Western part of Nova Scotia has been attended with great success.

GARDEN OF EDEN.—Rev. D. B. Blair appeals for aid—\$445—towards paying off a debt on the church building at Garden of Eden. The settlement is small, and the people have paid nearly \$1400. The case is a deserving one.