

trod those extensive regions. The whole of our northern frontier, from the mouth of the St. Lawrence to Fond du Lac, has ever been exposed to the influence of Popery from Canada. The most of the towns and cities on that frontier were settled by Papists. The state of Texas, until its annexation to the United States, was closed against Protestant influence. The same was true of New Mexico and California, previous to their conquest and their incorporation into the American domain. In addition to these advantages, the wonderful tide of emigration for the last fifty years from the papal countries of Europe is to be remembered. Several millions of Irish papists have come, and now German papists, with equal, if not with greater numbers, are pouring in upon us. In view of these facts, we cannot wonder that Protestant Christians are alarmed for the safety of our free institutions.

Yet there is no great occasion for alarm, as the following facts from the last United States census will clearly show: In Maryland there are about 800 Protestant churches; in Florida there are only 5 Papal. In Louisiana there are 223 Protestant churches, and only 55 Papal. In Texas there are 164 churches, only 13 of which are Papal; and at the present time, the Protestant is greatly the predominant influence in California. The census just published reveals the fact, that in all the country the Papists have but 1112 churches, accomodating 621,000 persons, which is not one-eleventh of the Methodist churches; scarcely one-eighth of the Baptists, and not one-fourth of the Presbyterians. The Protestant population of the United States is to the Catholic population as 12 to 1.—  
*Christian Advocate.*

## Notices.

Monies received by Treasurer, from 20th Feb. to 23rd March, 1855.

### FOREIGN MISSION.

1855. Feb. 24. From Ladies of Stillwater, St. Mary's, £1 0 0  
 March 6. Hugh McDonald, Esq., S. River, Antigonish, 1 0 0  
 23. Mr William Irvine, Barney's Riv. 0 5 0  
 Mrs. McNeil, Little Harbor, 0 5 0  
 A little girl, 0 0 7½  
 S. S. Children Prince St. Church, Pictou, and Cape John Road, 0 1 5  
 Mission Box of James Fraser, Bondhead, U. C., 0 5 0  
 Rev. George Lawrence, Clarke, C. West, being a contribution from his cong. to the Anciteum Mission, 5 0 0

### HOME MISSION.

March 6. From Collection Margareo River, 1 9 5  
 Mrs. Ethridge do. 5s 2½d.; Jn Ross do. 2s. 6d., 0 7 8½  
 John Carmichael do., 5s 2½d; Jacob Ross do., 5s 2½d. 0 10 5  
 Alexander McKae, Esq., M. R., 0 5 2½  
 Baddeck, C. B. 4 0 0  
 Noel Juv. Miss'y Society, 3 11 8  
 16. Wm. Hall, Sheet Harbor, 4 0 0  
 Collection Quoddy and Morris Riv, 0 18 6  
 Mr Wright, Sheet Harbor, 0 10 5  
 Annapolis, 5 0 0

### SPECIAL EFFORT FOR SEMINARY.

March 5. Thomas McCulloch, in parts 5 0 0  
 16. Daniel Cameron, L. B. 20s., 1 0 0  
 John McDonald, one inst. 1 0 0  
 Wm. Graham, W. R., 25s, 1 5 0

Thos. Fraser, do., 20s, 1 0 5  
 Thos. Fraser, Green Hill, 25s, 1 5 0  
 Thomas Kerr, M. R., 20s, 1 0 0

### MISSIONARY REGISTER.

March 7. From Agent, £12, 12 0 0  
 16. Rev. J. McCurdy, Miramichi, 3 5 0

☞ The Treasurer of the Mission Education Fund acknowledges the receipt of 5s 3½d. from the children of Mr Watson's cong., Mt. Thom, per Mr McLeod.

☞ There are at out forty numbers of the Register for January still in the hands of the agent, from which persons desirous of completing their files may be supplied, if applied for immediately.

☞ The Presbytery of Pictou met at New Glasgow on the 27th February. Messrs Currie and Ruddick, students of Divinity appeared before the Presbytery, and were severally examined on the subjects assigned them by the Presbytery. Mr Currie requested leave of absence, and a certificate, with the view of prosecuting his studies in the United States for a few months. The request was granted. Mr James McG. McKay, preacher of the Gospel, received appointments to West Branch, St Mary's, Guysboro and Cape Breton. The remainder of the meeting was occupied with the revision of the draft of rules, and forms of procedure drawn up by a Committee of Synod.

☞ The Presbytery of Pictou will meet for Presbyterial visitation at Tatamagouche, on Tuesday 15th May, and at New Annan the day following. Sermon by the Rev. David Roy.