

MISSIONS OF AMERICAN BOARD.—In another column we have referred to the progress of the work undertaken by the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. The anniversary has just been held at Cleveland, and it is gratifying that, notwithstanding the present troubles in the States, the receipts have been larger than in any former year, with the exception of the jubilee year. The whole number of ordained missionaries is 152, and the whole number of labourers, including native assistants, is 988.

At the meeting of the Board a resolution was passed expressive of sympathy with the Government, and of hope that God would "so over-rule the conflict that the rebellion may be crushed, slavery its prime cause removed, and that peace, prosperity, and righteousness may be permanently established throughout the land."

Proceedings of Presbyteries, &c.

PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.

This Presbytery met in Dr. Taylor's Church on the 16th October last. The attendance was good. Dr. Taylor, Moderator. The following were some of the items of business:—

Mr. Fenwick, probationer, was appointed to Metis for six months; the Rev. J. Irvine to Kennebec and Frampton for the same time; and Mr. Eadie, probationer to Lachute during the month of November, to Mill Isle during December, and to Laquerre during January.

It was agreed to ordain Mr. Fenwick as a missionary before sending him to Metis; and the Presbytery was appointed to meet for this purpose on the 24th instant.

A deputation appeared from the Presbyterian people at Alexandria, C. W., with a request that this Presbytery would agree to grant an equal right to the people of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, in connection with the Church of Scotland, in the church now in course of erection, in connection with the Canada Presbyterian Church, they agreeing to contribute an equal amount of the cost of erecting, and of other expenses connected with said church. This request was made with the view of preventing the erection of two Presbyterian churches in a place where it would be difficult to sustain one.

It was moved by Mr. Kemp, seconded by Mr. Gordon, of Indian Lands, and carried—That the Presbytery having heard statements from the parties in this case, and understanding through them that it is the wish of the Presbytery of Glengarry, in connection with the Church of Scotland, to come to an amicable understanding in this matter, appoint two of the brethren a committee to meet with any two members of the said Presbytery of Glengarry who may be appointed for the same purpose, to devise such equitable arrangements as may be necessary to meet the exigencies of the case, with the consent of the people of Alexandria themselves, and to report to the next meeting of Presbytery—the committee to consist of Dr. Taylor and Mr. Kemp.

The Clerk was instructed to communicate this decision to the committee of the Presbyterian people at Alexandria.

Mr. McMillan, of Kenyon, was appointed to labour as a catechist, in the Missionary District of Harrington, C. E., for three months. For such other ministerial services as might be required by the churches there, they were committed into the hands of Mr. Paterson of St. Andrews, and Mr. MacKee of Lachute.

Dr. Taylor, Mr. McVicar and Mr. Kemp, were appointed a committee to bring up a mature report on the Home Mission scheme of the church, as remitted by last Synod.

Missionary meetings were appointed to be held throughout the Presbytery during the winter. Mr. Anderson was appointed convener of the committee for the Glengarry district; Mr. Young for the South-west district; Mr. McVicar for the Centre, and Mr. Cronbie for the East.

The Presbytery adjourned to meet on the fourth Wednesday of January, 1862.

ALEXANDER F. KEMP, *Proc. Clerk.*