

## EXPENDITURE.

Domestic Work (including Missions to Settlers in Mission Districts) .....	\$87,077 13
Indian Work (including the Mount Elgin Industrial Institution) .....	31,453 67
French Work in the Province of Quebec .....	6,623 60
German Work .....	2,340 95
Chinese Work in British Columbia .....	6 00
Foreign Work (purely), Japan and Bermuda .....	9,743 69
Special Grants for Purchase, Erection, and Repair of Mission Property, Furniture, &c .....	7,610 95
Special Grants on account of Affliction .....	1,824 90
Overdrafts by Conference last year .....	1,113 43
Appropriation towards Allowances of Superannuated Missionaries and Widows of Missionaries .....	4,750 00
Children's District Expenses, Conference Committees, &c .....	1,335 71
Circuit Expenses, (Deputations, Advertising, &c) .....	3,055 63
Amitties, in Consideration of Donations to the Society .....	\$20 00
Publishing and Contingent Charges .....	5,316 89
Salaries, Office Charges, Attorneys, &c .....	6,824 85
Interest, Discount on Bills of Exchange, &c .....	6,311 86
Traveling Expenses of Central Board, Committee of Consultation, Finance, Secretariat, &c .....	1,245 82
	\$161,255 92
Increase over 1875-76 .....	\$15,573 28
Excess of Expenditure over Income for the year .....	\$23,257 00

The Rev. JAMES GRAY, President of the London Conference, moved as follows:—"That the Report, an abstract of which has now been read, be adopted and published."

He thought the Report was one which must commend itself to every Christian heart. It was a wonderful document. There was nothing equal to it in the Dominion. The cost of publishing it was large, but the field was large, and it required an extended report to cover the ground. The Report represented more than appeared upon its face. It represented the toil of the devoted missionaries, the efforts of our self-denying collectors and the liberality of our people. The days of moral heroism had not passed away. There were men on many parts of our mission field whose names and labours were an honour to the Christian Church. Such men in the past as Rundle and Evans; such men in later years as the two Youngs and the martyred George McDougall. Yes, it had cost much to publish the Report, but it was worth more than it cost. What would our country have been without the saddle-bag brigade of the past. We would not have known as much about our grand Dominion as we do had it not been for the work of our missionaries in Manitoba, and the Saskatchewan, and British Columbia, and elsewhere.

Nations had gained much by missionary toil. Individuals, too, had gained much. Vast numbers of Indians and of white men had been brought to God, and finally to heaven, as the result of missionary labour. While he rejoiced in the success of the past, he longed for the swifter spread of the gospel; and he longed to see the Society placed in a better financial state. He hoped a noble key-note would be struck to-night.

The Rev. S. F. HUESTIS, of Halifax, seconded the resolution. It was the first time he had found himself in the hands of the sheriff; but he would get out of his hands as soon as possible. He cordially seconded the resolution. He hoped that, when published, the Report would not lie in the studies of the preachers, but be spread abroad among the people. The debt of the Society was a serious matter; but it need not appal us. He trusted a noble effort would be made to pay it during the present year. He had no sympathy with croakers, who thought the glory was departed since we ceased to talk about cannibal Fiji. We had a glorious field at home. He had the privilege of spending last winter in Bermuda, one of our mission districts, and he would give a few facts about the work in those islands. It was about the