

two controversies, which are in reality separate and independent—the authority of the Decalogue and the authority of the Lord's Day. The Rev Mr McQuisten of St Matthew's, who voted with Dr McLeod in the Presbytery, has published a sermon controverting the Dr's views, while Mr Burns of the High Church has preached a sermon in favor of them. Though there had been no Decalogue at all, the authority of the Sabbath would have stood unshaken, as the Fourth Commandment only reiterates an ancient institution, and it is but an emphatic utterance of a command to be found in other parts of the law of Moses and the prophets. As to the Decalogue, surely if its opponents will not allow it more weight than the other moral precepts of God's Word, they must find more difficulty in assigning it less. While the moral law is much enhanced and more firmly established in the hearts of believers by the gospel, yet it exists independent of the gospel. It is an independent power, or else how can it be a schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ? As to Sabbath observance, the Jewish Sabbath was a festival—not a fast, and there is no contrariety between the Jewish and Christian Sabbath, except that since the resurrection of Christ we have reason to be more religious—that is, more joyful and happy. To make a Sabbath to satisfy irreligious people, is what neither God nor man can do. Anti Sabbatarian ranters, under the pretence of freeing people and giving them enjoyment, would enslave them by making one-half of the people work to procure pleasure for the other half. The result would soon be, that in an age of competition, all would soon be working, and there would be no Sabbath at all. At the same time, while strict Sabbatarians, we should be charitable, and remember that all men do not rest in the same way. The confined artisan rests in the open air, and the out-door laborer rests in the house; and the believer, saying with David, "How amiable are thy tabernacles, O Lord of Hosts! my soul longs, yea, thirsts for the courts of the living God," will find his dearest rest upon earth in the Church of polished living stones—in the fellowship of his believing brethren.

A. P.

OPERATIONS, we are glad to observe, have been commenced with a view to the immediate removal of St Andrew's Church in this town, and the erection of a handsome structure on the old site, which will be an ornament to the town and a credit to the public spirit of the congregation.

#### Sums paid as Third Instalment for Dalhousie College, by New Glasgow Congregation.

Rev Allan Pollok	\$80 00
John W McKay	1 00
James McKenzie, merchant	2 00
James Fraser, Junr, Esq	80 00
Basil Bell, Esq	20 00
William Fraser, Foundry	6 66
John F McDonald, Esq	10 00
James Fraser (Downe), Esq, MPP	33 33
Alexander Holmes, merchant	4 00
Thomas E Fraser, merchant	10 00
Alexander McLeod	3 33
Hector McKenzie, Albion Mines	20 00
William Fraser, M D	20 00
Alexander Cameron, Elder	2 66
John Munro	2 66
John Grant	1 70
Malcolm Fraser	2 06
William Cameron, Linnesay	3 00
John McKenzie, Esq, M R	2 00
Allan Weir	6 00
James Grant	6 00
Colin Ferguson	2 00

#### List of Monies received for Lay Association, from Collectors of St. Andrew's Congregation, New Glasgow, for year ending 31st Jan., and paid over to Jas. Fraser, Esq., Central Treasurer.

1ST QUARTER.	
Miss Margaret C. McDonald, and Miss Caroline Lippincott, for S. Div., N. G.	£1 5 1
Miss Sarah Fraser, and Miss Annie McKay for N. Division, N. G.	16 10
2ND QUARTER.	
Miss McDonald and Miss Lippincott,	£1 6 8
Miss Fraser and Miss McKay,	13 10
3RD QUARTER.	
Miss McDonald and Miss Lippincott,	£1 5 4
Miss Fraser and Miss McKay,	13 7 8
4TH QUARTER.	
Miss McDonald and Miss Lippincott,	£1 5 7 8
Miss Fraser and Miss McKay,	15 4 4
Total	
£10 14	
A. FRASER, Downie, Secretary.	
New Glasgow, Feb. 24, 1866.	

#### Lay Association, E. Branch, East River.

Irish Mtn., Annie Cameron, collector,	£0 10 7 8
Springville, Annie Holmes, do.	0 14 2
Middle Set E Side, Margt McDonald, do.	0 10 7 8
Blanchard Road, Margt Cumming, do.	0 6 0
Lower Set W Side, Caroline Forbes, do.	0 15 7 8
Up Set W Side, Christy McDonald, do.	0 13 8
Coronomie Set., Annie Urquhart, do.	0 12 6
Suthld's Mtn., Elizabeth McDonald, do.	0 5 9
£48 7 8	

D. A. HOLMES, Secretary.

Feb 10, 1866

To J. Fraser, Junr., Treasurer.

Miss Holmes and Miss Fraser,	£0 11 8
Miss Margaret McDonald,	0 14 4
Miss Mary McDonald,	0 14 0
Miss Annie Urquhart,	0 6 8
£25 10	

D. A. HOLMES, Secretary.

February, 20, 1866

To JAMES FRASER, JUNR., Treasurer.

#### Lay Association, W. Branch, E. River.

QUARTERLY COLLECTION.	
Sec. No. 1.—Jane Ross, Mary McKay,	£0 18 7 8
2.—Anna J Gordon,	0 15 0
3.—Isabella McLean, Christy McDonald,	1 0 0
4.—Barbara Sutherland, Catherine McLeod,	0 10 7 8
5.—Christy McLean, Mary J. McDonald,	1 0 7 8
6.—Mary Gray, Marg't. Gray,	0 16 3
Total	
£51 10	

DANIEL GRAY, Secretary.

Hopewell, Jan. 31st, 1866.

#### SCHEMES OF THE CHURCH.

1866 HOME MISSION.	
Feb 24—Collection St Andrew's Church congregation, Pictou	£4 15 0
Collection River John cong,	1 1 6
£5 16 6	
W. GORDON, Treasurer.	
Pictou, 1st March, 1866	