

and opened for public worship. On the occasion of the opening of the church the services were conducted by the Revs. J. G. Robb, B.A., of Toronto, D. H. Fletcher of McNab Street Church, and A. B. Simpson, of Louisville, Ky., formerly of Knox Church, Hamilton. The prospects of the new congregation are very promising.

### STATED COLLECTIONS—1874-1875.

- 1.—Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund—1st Sabbath in August.
- 2.—French Evangelization Fund—4th Sabbath in September.
- 3.—Assembly Fund—not later than 31st October.
- 4.—Colleges Fund—1st Sabbath in December.
- 5.—Home Mission Fund—4th Sabbath in January.
- 6.—Foreign Mission Fund—3rd Sabbath in March.

It will be seen from the above that the first collection for the financial year will be on the 1st Sabbath of August in behalf of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Ministers. Formerly the collection was divided equally between the Widows's Fund and the Fund for Aged and Infirm Ministers. For the present year the collection will be devoted entirely to the latter fund. This change has been made with a view to meet the increasing demands on the fund, and to enable the Church to give if possible a larger allowance than the small sum hitherto given. Every year it may be expected that the number of claims on the Fund for Aged and Infirm Ministers will be increased; and it is of the utmost importance that the committee may be in a position to meet the cases brought before them. The call for a collection, it is hoped, will be promptly and liberally responded to, and the amount remitted to the Treasurer as soon as possible.

### Proceedings of Presbyteries.

**PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.**—This Presbytery held a quarterly meeting at Montreal, in the Presbyterian College there, on the 8th and 9th days of July, 1874. The Rev. James S. Black, lately a minister of a Congregational Church in the United States, was received as a minister of the Canada Presbyterian Church; and Mr. Gavin Sinclair, a licentiate of the Free Church of Scotland, was received as a probationer of the Canada Presbyterian Church. The Presbytery received the resignation of his charge of Chalmers' Church, Montreal, by the Rev. John Jones, and testified to the zeal, fidelity and success with which he had cultivated a difficult though very hopeful field of labour. The Rev. Kenneth Macdonald was authorized to moderate in a call at Indian Lands. A call from Erskine Church, Montreal, signed by 280 members and 57 adherents, accompanied with a promise of \$3,000 for salary, and addressed to the Rev. James S. Black, was sustained, and ordered to be presented. The quarterly Home Mission Report was read and disposed of; and the Home Mission Committee was instructed to prepare a revised list of grants to supplemented congregations and mission stations, and forward the same in due time to the general Home Mission Committee. The Home Mission Committee was also instructed to prescribe to students of theology within the bounds, subjects of written exercise to be delivered at the next ordinary meeting of Presbytery. Mr. John Scrimger having submitted for Presbyterial sanction a constitution prepared by the congregation of the Presbyterian Church, Stanley Street, Montreal, the Presbytery sanctioned it as the constitution of said Church. The Presbytery having resolved to take up at next ordinary meeting of court the General Assembly's Remit on Union, ordered that sessions and congregations be instructed by circular to send in their returns to said remit on or before the first Wednesday of October next. Mr. James Cameron, A.M., and Mr. Telesphore Brouillette, having delivered their public probationary trials, were licensed to preach the Gospel. **JAMES WATSON, Pres. Clerk.**