

means to maintain their rights, clearly set forth in the title deeds.

If there was a real union, and that the work of religion was benefited by the change, there might be less to complain of. But at both meetings of the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, in 1876 and 1877, a split was only averted by the most skillful management. Dr. Snodgrass knew that there was no love between the two bodies, but that, on the contrary, there was a bitterer feeling against the Church of Scotland on the part of those we were asked to join, than existed at the time of the Disruption. It is proposed by the Free Church party to shut up Queen's College, of whose welfare Dr. Snodgrass, as Principal, is the guardian, and to transfer its endowments, contributed by the Church of Scotland and its members here, to a body which has shown the most bitter enmity to that Church, and he seeks for a charge in Scotland, forsaking the plain path of duty. How much he cares for the wishes of the people of Canonbie is evident from the single fact, that without having seen them, or given them an opportunity of judging of his suitability for the charge, he has rushed out to Canada on receiving the presentation from the Presbytery of Langholm, and placed his resignation in the hands of the Trustees of the College, perfectly satisfied to be thrust upon Canonbie, with or without the consent of the parishioners.

The Synod of the Church of Scotland still continues to exist in Canada, and, although weakened by the late Secession, is steadily regaining ground. Dr. Snodgrass, with others who severed their connection with the Church of Scotland, was deposed by the Synod of that Church here for divisive courses, and is, therefore, incapacitated from receiving a charge, unless he is anew received by the Church Courts on his making application. It will be strange indeed, if after the course he has followed, he is to be rewarded with one of the most comfortable livings in Scotland.—Your obedient servant,

ALEX. FLECK.

Vulcan Foundry,

Ottawa, Canada, 28th Sept., 1877.

DR. PHIN, Moderator of the General Assembly, was present at the half-yearly meeting of the Synod of Moray on Tuesday, and delivered an address on the schemes of the Church. In the course of his remarks he said that there was a growing inclination of the people of Scotland towards the Established Church. The feeling against it which existed at the Disruption period was fast disappearing everywhere, and if the opportunity were embraced of building new churches the Established Church would become the national Church in a sense in which she had never been. They were passing through a crisis, and no one could say what institution or country would survive the ordeal, but if the Church lengthened her cords and strengthened her stays no adversary would drive her from the position she held.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

HOME MISSION.

GAIRLOCH.

Miss Annabella McPherson, \$6.36
Miss J. A. Fraser, 4.94

UPPER LAIRG.

Miss Annie Murray, 2.55

LOWER LAIRG.

Miss J. McLeod, 3.00
Miss Charlotte McKay, 1.85

WILLIAM'S GRANT.

Miss Christina McLeod, 4.00

MILL BROOK.

Miss Christy Munro, 5.50

PLEASANT VALLEY.

Miss M. Beaton, 4.45
Miss M. McLeod, 3.05

\$35.

EAST RIVER.

Since Collection was taken—Don'd Thompson, 1.00

WATERVALE, WEST RIVER.

George McKay, 00.30
Received from Roger's Hill, 11.18
" " Barney's River, 18.15
" " Gairloch, 35.70

FOR SERVICES FROM PRESBYTERY.

Received from West Branch, River John, 55.64
" " Fisher's Grant, 37.00

JAMES HISLOP,

December, 1877. Treasurer.

FOREIGN MISSION.

GAIRLOCH CONGREGATION.

Amount of Collection, \$13.45

Collected on Thanksgiving Day for the Institution for the Blind at Halifax, 6.50
Do. for the Deaf and Dumb, 6.50
Do. for the Orphan's Home, 7.25

\$20.25

Collected by Miss Fraser from East and Central Carriboo, 5.02