

MR. SANKEY ON CHURCH MUSIC.—At a Christian Convention at New York a few days ago Mr. Sankey spoke on "How Can the Service of Song be Successfully Conducted." He said:—The power of sacred song is laying hold of this nation, as well as of other nations, and has been for some years. I would not have artistic quartette singing. I do not object to the people who sing, but to that manner of praising the Lord. I would have a choir composed of as large a number as possible, but I would like to be assured they were Christians. I do not believe in having them away off in the back of the church. Let them be near the minister. Let the minister be in sympathy with the choir and the choir in sympathy with the minister. The minister never knows what is going on way back in the galleries. The singing in the American Sunday Schools he affirmed to be better than in any other nation under the sun. One of the delegates stood up and said, "Would it not encourage congregational singing to abolish the choir and have one singer?" Mr. Sankey replied, "Few men could lead 3000 people. It would wear a man out." A flood of other questions succeeded, among them the following:—"Should the leader of a meeting pitch the tune?" "If he were a singer it would be right enough; but now, you would have a hard time with Mr. Moody to get him to pitch the tune." (Prolonged laughter.) "Would you recommend solo singing?" "I would not as a rule." Mr. Moody (breaking in)—"I would if I were Sankey." (Laughter.)

READ THIS.—The friends of the Rev. Dr. Ingram, F. C. pastor of Unst, celebrated the hundredth anniversary of his birthday on the 3rd day of April last. It was made the occasion of presenting the venerable patriarch with a purse of overeigns.

PRESBYTERY FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

Recv. fm. Rogers Hill Congregation,	\$17 00
Cape John Congregation,	8 50
Gairloch Congregation, Per Wm. McDonald,	80 00
Gairloch Congregation, collected by the following named Ladies :	
Miss Mary McLeod	3 75
" Margaret Beaton.	4 00
" Christy Munro,	12 80
" Betsy Ross,	7 80
" Christy Sutherland,	9 25
" Marion McKay,	3 55
" Janet Sutherland,	7 05
" Annie McKenzie,	9 25
" Annie & Christy McLeod,	11 75
" Gordon,	4 25
A Friend,	1 00
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	\$74.55

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June 8th.

CASH RECEIVED FOR RECORD.

H. McKenzie, Esq. Stellarton	\$21 00
James McKay, North Earltown	3 00
Wm. McDonald, Elder Gairloch,	4 20
A. McDonald, Elder, W. R. St'n.	3 00
Rev. Mr. Galbraith,	27 00
Wm. McPherson, S. River,	4 80
Rev. Wm. Stewart.	11 10
Duncan Balfour, Westville,	25 00

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PRESBYTERY HOME MISSION FUND.

Recv'd. from Gairloch Congregation per Wm. McDonald \$84.00.

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