

ation, and after consulting with the Presbytery of Toronto, of which he was a member, a legal opinion was obtained favourable to her claim, and she has been placed upon the Fund for an annuity of £10 a-year, which the Board hope will meet the approval of the Synod. As a matter of course she received no payment from the Fund of Congregational Collections, as no collection was ever made by the late Mr. Lambie.

The whole is respectfully submitted for the consideration of the Synod.

ALEX. MATHIESON, *Chairman.*
HEW RAMSAY, *Secretary.*

MONTREAL, 5th July, 1851.

The Synod agreed to receive the said Report, and to give the cordial thanks of the Synod to the Board of Managers for the disinterested zeal, ability and faithfulness with which they have managed the important trust committed to them. The Synod, after mature deliberation, agreed to approve the suggestion made by the Managers in their Report, in regard to the graduated scale of payments to Widows, from that part of the Fund composed of congregational collections, founded on the average of said collections, amounting to Three Pounds and upwards, to the effect "that where the average of congregational collections amounted to £3 a year, the annuity to Widows and Orphans should be £10 a year; when the average amounted to

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And further, that the Board reserved to itself the right of determining upon all cases in which the collections from congregations were less than £3, each case upon its own merits, and without reference to the adopted scale." The Synod regret to find that a number of congregations have neglected to make collections in aid of the Fund, and enjoin the Ministers of such congregations as are in arrears to have the collections made without delay, and forwarded to the Treasurer. The Synod, further, enjoin all Ministers and congregations to be punctual in making the collection at the proper time, and remitting the same immediately to the Treasurer, and also recommend to the congregations to exercise greater liberality. And Presbyteries are directed to see that, in appointments of supply of sermon to vacant congregations, arrangements be made for affording to such congregations, as far as possible, an opportunity of contributing to this Fund. And the Synod request the Board of Managers to prepare a short appeal to congregations, setting forth their duty in this matter, to be read by Ministers from the pulpit, on a Sabbath previously to making the collection.

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