

many instances, not only in the case of the Weak and Sick, but also in the case of the Strong and Healthy, connected with the various localities, and groups of Missions, present a membership of 1,000; contribute over £100 in their various localities.

These tables full and complete, and others, The Committee early in the year, in having all the data as possible.

It was next made out, and contains the names of the 8 Catechists.

For the supply and do the Committee found that for employment. The result is:

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There was no supply, and no vacancies, three or six months, that of the probation-

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ents and catechists,

many of our mission stations must be without service during the summer, and in all probability the coming winter also. Earnestly does the Committee entreat the Synod to consider this matter, and to take some steps towards supplying the wants of labourers.

VI.—ARREARS AND OBLIGATIONS OF PRESBYTERIES.

The Finances of the Home Mission work, next engaged the attention of the Committee. Here the first thing to be done was to ascertain the amount of indebtedness of the various Presbyteries before April last, in order that the Committee might assume and pay off that debt according to the instructions of last Synod. From some of the Presbyteries statements of their indebtedness were long of coming, and when they did come, were in some cases far from satisfactory, requiring to be amended and changed. To such a degree was this the case, that even now the Committee are not sure that all the claims are yet before them. So far, however, as reported by Presbyteries, their indebtedness has been assumed and discharged.

A full statement was also prepared of the engagements entered into with settled congregations before the meeting of last Synod, and the Committee assumed these obligations as reported. These are contained in the Grants in Appendix B. In accordance with the Reports of Presbyteries, all moneys due by Presbyteries for services rendered during the summer of 1865, were also assumed by the Committee and discharged, and all sums due for labour performed during last winter, and reported, have been paid. Thus, so far as known to the Committee, all sums of money due by the Church throughout its bounds for Missionary Labour, and reported up to the end of the Financial year have been paid, and the Home Mission work is no longer encumbered with a load of debt.

V.—FUNDS.

The sources of Income to the Central Fund and the amount during the past year have been,

Balance from last year	\$ 24 45
Grant from Presbyterian Church in Ireland.....	973 33
Annual collections of Congregations.....	6073 63
Other sources.....	28 20
Total.....	<hr/> \$7099 60

The Disbursements have been,

To several Presbyteries, arrears.....	\$4021 80
" " " Grants for past year	704 39
" Buxton Mission.....	300 00
" Expenses of Committee. Printing	3 25
" Proportion of General Expenses.....	194 00
" Travelling expenses of Members of Committee.....	137 60
Total.....	<hr/> \$5361 04

Thus it appears that the income of the Fund has exceeded the expenditure by \$1714 11, and that besides discharging old obligations to the large amount of \$4021 80, the Committee at the end of the first year can report a balance in hand of \$1738 56. In addition to this the sum of over \$800 has been received since 1st, May.